

Engaging Students in Academic Integrity

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Overview

Academic Integrity Principles for Assessment Design

1. Standards

- University-wide Academic Integrity Awareness Campaign
- Promoting Academic Integrity Week & Academic Integrity Hub

2. Assessment Design

- Interactive Oral Assessment (IO)
- Challenge Based Learning (CBL)

3. Student Ownership

- Students as Partners in Assessment (SaPiA)

Q&A

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ACADEMIC INTEGRITY PRINCIPLES FOR ASSESSMENT DESIGN



Standards

1. Set high academic integrity standards which value university, programme, and student/graduate reputation.
2. Provide detailed information and direction on how students might avoid breaches of academic integrity, and ensure consistency across a programme team.
3. Regularly update and edit assessments, and programme assessment strategies.



Assessment Design

4. Use clear marking criteria and rubrics to reward positive behaviours associated with academic integrity.
5. Design assessments that motivate and challenge students to do the work themselves (or in assigned groups/pairs).
6. Ensure assessments are authentic, current and relevant.
7. Adopt a scaffolded and integrated assessment strategy across a programme, including multiple feedback points throughout the assessment process.
8. Consider assessment briefs that have open-ended solutions or more than one solution.



Student Ownership

9. Include elements for students to record their individual pathways of thinking demonstrating students own work.
10. Develop assessments which allow students to prepare personalised assessments (either individually or group based).
11. Build in a form of questioning or presentation/viva type defence component.
12. Co-design assessments or elements of assessment (e.g. rubric) with students.



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1. Standards

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SATLE funded-research to raise academic integrity awareness across the university

Objectives:

- Research what the DCU community's understanding of academic integrity is (i.e. **baseline**);
- **Raise awareness** of academic integrity across all stakeholder groups;
- Build capacity for **a shared responsibility** to upholding academic integrity across the university;
- Explore ways to **further enhance** DCU community's involvement in upholding and valuing academic integrity.



Towards an Academic Integrity Framework in DCU

- Shared responsibility and commitment by all
- Holistic and systematic multi-pronged approach
- Ethical, professional and transparent policies, principles and guidelines (incl. review)
- Education, support and dialogue embedded in professional development and curriculum
- Curriculum and assessment design, including teaching and learning environment



Academic Integrity Week

- Registered with ICAI 4 years ago
- ‘Promoting’ academic integrity
- A week of staff and student events/activities
- Prompt student thinking
- Gather student perspectives
- Partnership approach: TEU, Library, Students’ Union





Promoting Academic Integrity Week 2019

Monday 14th - Friday 18th October

#ExcelWithIntegrity

A week-long event aimed at DCU staff and students to promote good academic integrity

Students

Academic Integrity Challenge

Mon 14 Oct - Fri 18 Oct

Test your knowledge of academic integrity with this Loop quiz and be in with a chance to win a prize. We have €100 Ticket Master Gift Vouchers, and will raffie them between the first 100 students to complete the challenge.

Make a Declaration

Tue 15 Oct, O'Connell Library, SPC;
Wed 16 Oct, U Building, GLA; and
Thu 17 Oct, O'Reilly Library, GLA
1.30pm - 2.30pm

Declare your support for academic integrity by making a pledge or express what academic integrity means to you and add your contribution to the student declaration wall

Staff

Launch of Resources for Enhancing Academic Integrity

Mon 14 Oct - Fri 18 Oct

All week long, different resources for staff will be released on Loop

Staff Webinar: Exploring academic integrity principles and using technology to apply them

Mon 14 Oct

1pm - 1.45pm

Register at dcuteu.eventbrite.ie

Staff Webinar: Exploring assessment design to apply academic integrity principles

Tue 15 Oct

1pm - 1.45pm

Register at dcuteu.eventbrite.ie

Contact: teu@dcu.ie

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Promoting Academic Integrity Week 2020

Programme 19th - 23rd October 2020

DCU Students

Rise to the Challenge

All week long

Test your knowledge with two exciting challenges and be in with a chance to win a prize!

— Academic Integrity Challenge

— 'exCITING' Library Referencing Challenge

Access the challenges from the Loop top menu.

Four €50 One4All vouchers up for grabs

Make a Declaration

All week long

Declare your support for academic integrity by making a pledge or express what academic integrity means and add your contribution to the student declaration bank on Loop. Be in with a chance to win a €50 One4All voucher.

Access the declaration bank from the Loop top menu.

Panel Webinar - The Ethics of Academic Integrity

Wed 21 Oct, 17:15-18:00

The aim of this panel discussion is to reframe the discourse around academic integrity from a policy-driven punitive approach to a sense of personal responsibility driven by our own internal moral compass.

Speakers:

Mohammad Hossain, School of Theology, Philosophy & Music
Caitlin Grant, SU Humanities & Social Sciences Rep
Billy Kelly, DCU Dean of Teaching and Learning

Chaired by Dr Fiona O'Riordan, Academic Developer, Teaching Enhancement Unit

Register: bit.ly/dcui2020

DCU Staff

#UADigEd Webinar - Consider how technology can promote academic integrity

Mon 19 Oct, 12:30-13:30

Join us for a lunchtime webinar with colleagues from across higher education to discuss how digital technologies can support academic integrity.

Join: bit.ly/dcui2020

Relaunch of Academic Integrity Hub

Tues 20 Oct, 11:00-11:30

Join us for a lunchtime webinar to explore the features of our Academic Integrity Hub on Loop.

Register: bit.ly/dcui2020

Commitment to Promoting Academic Integrity

All week long

Explore selected resources on the Academic Integrity Hub and reflect on how your assessment design can promote academic integrity. Earn a digital certificate.

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Promoting Academic Integrity Week 2021

Programme 18th - 22nd October

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Explore and Learn

All week long

Explore the resources at the bit.ly/dcui2020 website to support your own academic integrity

For DCU Staff

Explore and Learn

All week long

Explore the Academic Integrity Hub to get inspired about assessment design and other ideas to promote academic integrity with your students

Access from the Loop top menu, under 'Support'

[Share a practical insight](https://bit.ly/dcui2020) into your assessment practice with the learning and teaching community

#UADigEd Webinar

Mon 18 Oct, 12:30-13:30

This webinar will explore a partnership approach to supporting academic integrity initiatives

Join: <https://bit.ly/dcui2020>

For All

Shared Commitment to Academic Integrity

All week long

Declare your support for academic integrity by making a pledge or express what academic integrity means to you and add your contribution to the shared student and staff declaration bank on Loop

Students are in with a chance to win a €50 One4All voucher

Access the declaration bank from the Loop top menu

Online Seminar: Building a shared culture of academic integrity

Wed 20 Oct, 13:00-14:30

This National Forum seminar will explore ideas to build a shared culture of academic integrity with learners and those who teach/support teaching in partnership, drawing on some practical strategies and examples

A keynote will be delivered by Dr Sarah Eaton, University of Calgary

Register: <https://bit.ly/dcui2020>

Academic Integrity Shared Conversation and Introduction to National Guidelines & Lexicon

Thur 21 Oct, 16:00-17:00

Billy Kelly will introduce the recently launched [National Academic Integrity Guidelines](https://bit.ly/dcui2020) and [National Principles & Lexicon of Common Terms](https://bit.ly/dcui2020)

Followed by an online conversation, facilitated by Dr Gillian Lake and Dr Fiona O'Riordan, which aims to build shared awareness and capacity of academic integrity through introducing some preliminary findings of a DCU-wide research study in this area.

Register: <https://bit.ly/dcui2020>

Explore other events listed on the [National Academic Integrity Network website](https://bit.ly/dcui2020)

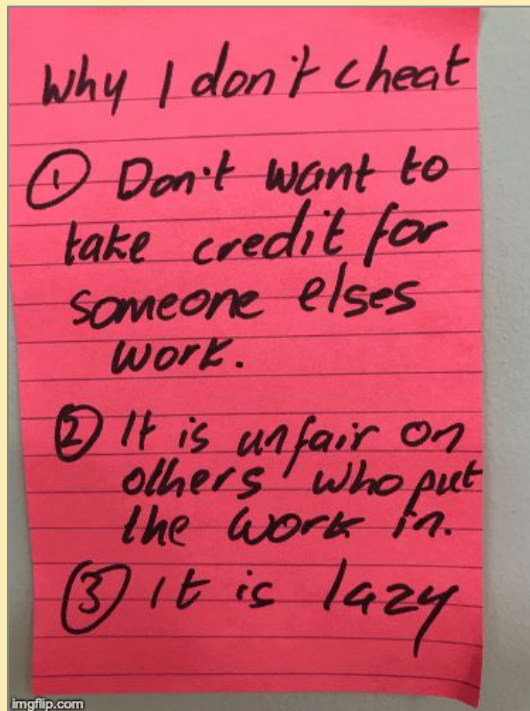
For further information on the DCU Academic Integrity Programme, please visit: [dcu.ie/academic-integrity](https://bit.ly/dcui2020)

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Student Declarations



Make a Declaration 2020

[Link to this activity](#)

Welcome!

We invite you to make a declaration in support of academic integrity or share what academic integrity means to you.

- Use the **View list** or **View single** tab to browse declarations that others have made.
- To make your own declaration, click **Add entry** and complete the fields.
- Your declaration will not display your name, but you are invited to share your programme and year of study.
- Declarations will be moderated before they are viewable in the bank, so check back later to see it.
- Students who make declarations will be put into a draw to win a £50 One4All voucher (two available)
(the organisers will consult the metadata of your declaration to retrieve your details; other students will not deduce your identity from your declaration)

[View list](#) [View single](#) [Search](#) [Add entry](#) [Export](#) [Templates](#) [Fields](#) [Presets](#)

New entry

Your declaration:

HTML format [?](#)

Your programme of study:

Your year of study:

Major themes 2019-2021



Moral
dimension -
right/wrong

Beneficial /
Non-beneficial

Consequences

DCU Promoting Academic Integrity 2022-23

DCU PROMOTING ACADEMIC INTEGRITY ALL YEAR LONG [COMMENCING 17 OCTOBER 2022]

✓ MORE

DCU promote shared responsibility and a holistic approach to promoting academic integrity. This shared approach is evident in our Annual Academic Integrity Week (October) as well as the year-long work we support to promote academic integrity.

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Programme - commencing 17 October 2022

Explore the tabs below to peruse events and resources related to staff, students and/or both. Some events are scheduled during National Academic Integrity Week, and others take place at other times of the year.

For DCU Students

For DCU Staff

For ALL

Other resources

Academic Integrity Conversations

- Engaging in dialogue to share perspectives
- Academic integrity as an ongoing focus



Academic Integrity Hub



[Short DCU Assessment Case Studies](#)

[15 min DCU Podcasts](#)

Resources and Activities you can use with Students

- Sample Student 50 minute Workshop
Please feel free to adapt and/or use any part of this 50 minute workshop we prepared for 1st year Engineering Students. It is designed to be interactive. This workshop was used with +150 students.
- Crossword Posters
Can be used as an opening slide in lectures just to serve as a reminder to students to maintain their commitment to high standards of academic integrity.
- Student Academic Integrity Interactive Lesson (20 mins)
With thanks to NUIG for sharing.
- UTS Academic Integrity Video: Carnival of Consequences (10 mins)
This engaging video provides three examples of students engaging in academic misbehaviour, and the associated consequences.

Moodle & non-Moodle versions available under CC BY

2. Assessment Design

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Interactive Oral Assessment (IO)

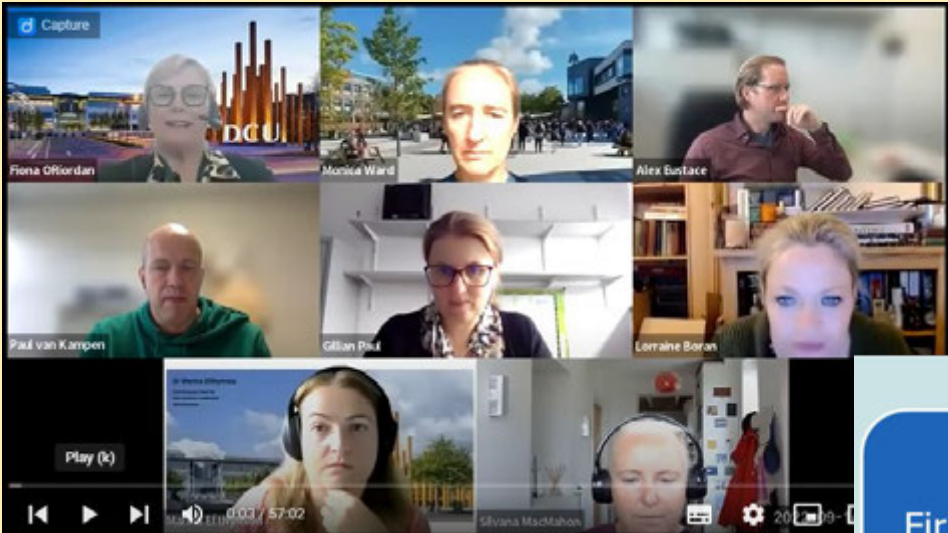


<https://www.dcu.ie/teu/academic-integrity-0#tab-79706-2>

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Interactive Oral Assessment (IO) Weekly CoP Meetings



Firm up IO scenarios
(one for assessment
and one for the video)

Design
rubric to
lead the IO
conversation
and grade

Record IO
example
video

Use rubric
and video as
in class
preparation
for IO

Have a
practice
session with
colleagues
before the
IO
assessment

Interactive Oral Assessment (IO)

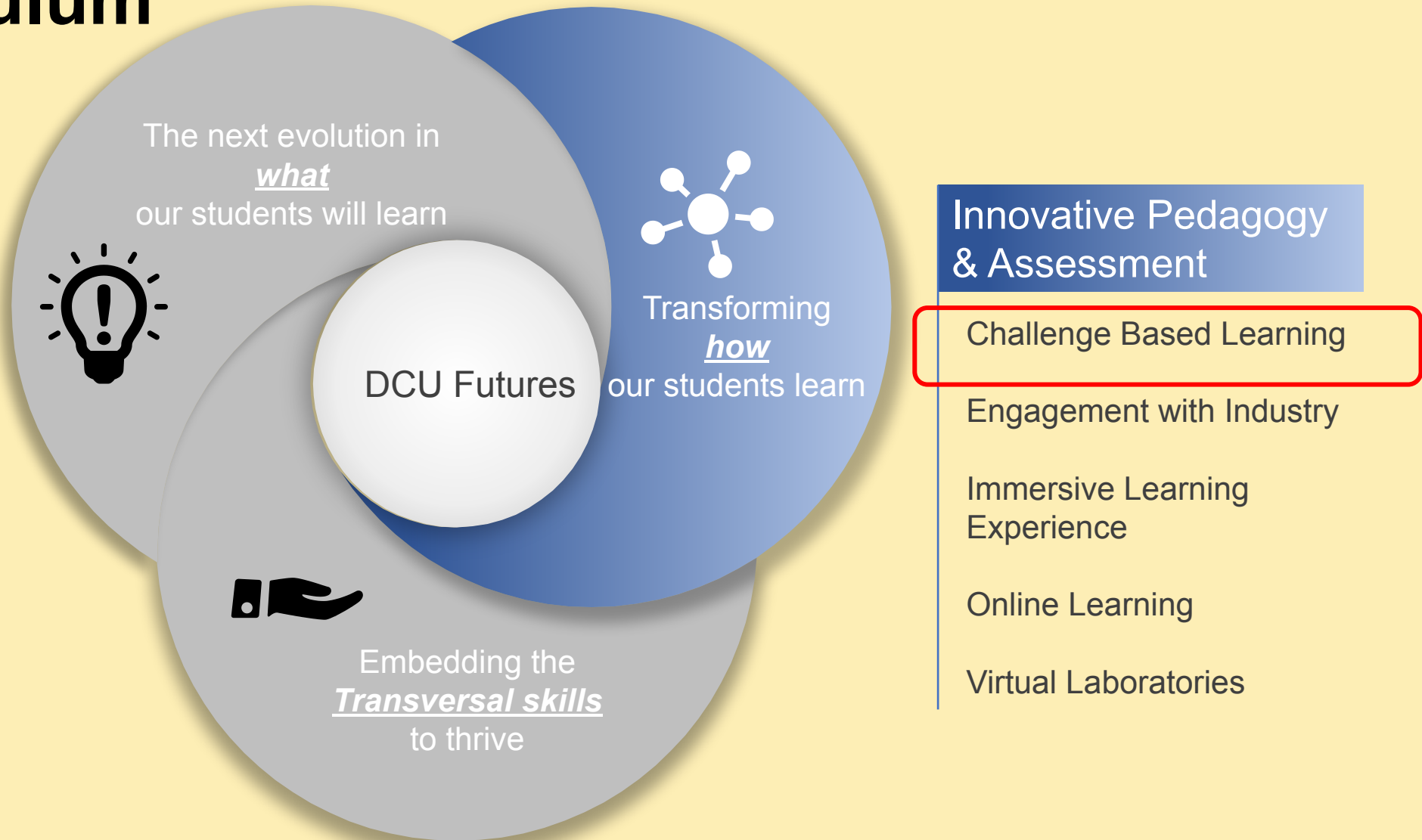
- QQI Funding (Jan - Dec 2023)
- Analyse data over last three years
- Paper under review from first pilot
- Conduct a literature review
- Database of disciplines, student cohorts, scenario, rubrics, prompts and recorded IO example
- Collation of all resources (plus some) in one open source space
- Develop a model for similar assessment initiatives to promote academic integrity



Challenge Based Learning (CBL)

- CBL in DCU Futures
- CBL in European Consortium of Innovative Universities (ECIU)
- CBL as Professional Development - Assessment [Hackathon](#)

DCU Futures: a radical re-imagination of the curriculum



ECIU DCU Challenges



Finished

The psychological impact or disruption of innovative technologies on society

Innovative and leading technologies are constantly being researched and developed with a view to enhancing the lives of people and society. New human-centric technologies are bein...

INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, AND INFRASTRUCTURE, SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES, GENDER EQUALITY, PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS, DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



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Carbon-intensive regions in transition

The Midlands must seek to pivot from reliance on fossil fuel energy production to greener renewable energy production using the existing energy infrastructure and converting to modern and future energy use.

SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES, CLIMATE ACTION, AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



Open for application

Food and Housing Insecurity in University Students.

Geopolitical factors, including a rise in cost of living, gentrification and associated rent costs, time to travel to university; and more recent examples of health/climate/cyber disaster-mitigation, now mean that...

QUALITY EDUCATION, SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES, REDUCING INEQUALITY, GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

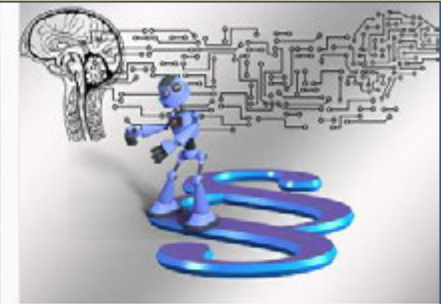


Closed for application

The Emotional Commuter

Every driver has unique characteristics that are intrinsically linked to their emotional state. This state can change quickly depending on what is going on in a person's life. Indeed, even in a single short journey, a...

INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, AND



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Ethical Impact of Innovative Technologies

Innovative technologies have the potential to be disruptive and have a positive impact on almost all aspects of society. However, the use of technology can have unintended impacts and it is important to take ethical...

ZERO HUNGER, QUALITY EDUCATION, LIFE ON LAND, LIFE BELOW WATER, INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, AND INFRASTRUCTURE, SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES, CLIMATE ACTION, PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS, REDUCING INEQUALITY, GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING, CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION, RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION, NO POVERTY, GENDER

DCU Assessment Hackathon



<https://www.dcu.ie/teu/hackathon>

DCU Assessment Hackathon



A Hackathon as a Form of Professional Learning: Reflections on Organised Chaos

<https://nidl.blog/2022/08/02/a-hackathon-as-a-form-of-professional-learning-reflections-on-organised-chaos/>



A hackathon as a form of professional learning: Reflections on organised chaos
Dr Fiona O'Riordan and Clare Gormley

Full-day hackathon for DCU Academic Staff in May 2022.
The **objectives** were to:

- Provide first-hand hackathon experience;
- Highlight potential value and application of hackathons;
- Offer opportunity to design authentic and sustainable assessment



What worked well!

- Planning and preparation as a joint effort
- The CBL framework, structure, and guidance
- Student ambassadors for immediate feedback
- Standing in the shoes of students
- Opportunity to discuss perspectives with colleagues
- Leaving the teams on their own to kick start the process
- Judges' comments

What did not go as well!

- Prizes and competitive element was questioned
- Acoustics: noisy discussions made it hard to hear!
- More time alone - for downtime and reflection
- More reflection time overall
- More guidance for participants on how to make best use of mentors





Top Tips!

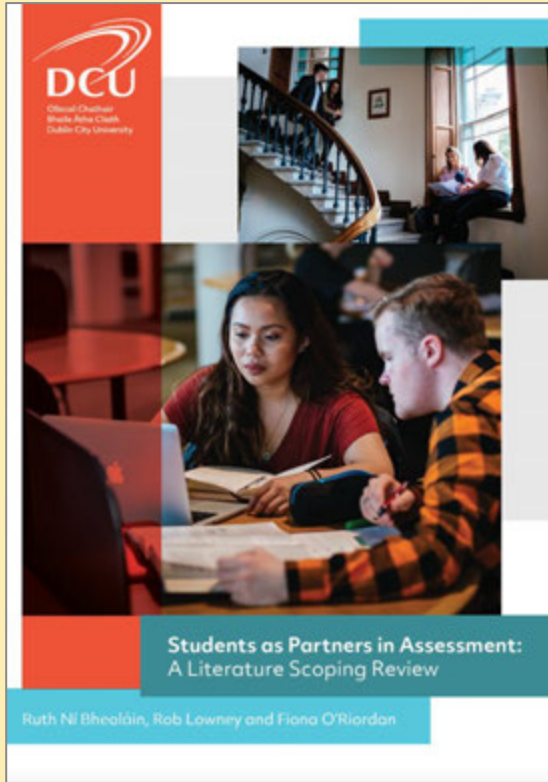
- Plan to plan - the work needs to be in your diary
- Be flexible on the day
- Respond to last minute changes as they emerge
- Recognise group dynamics - academics just like students!!
- Put the focus on the learning process (not the

3. Student Ownership

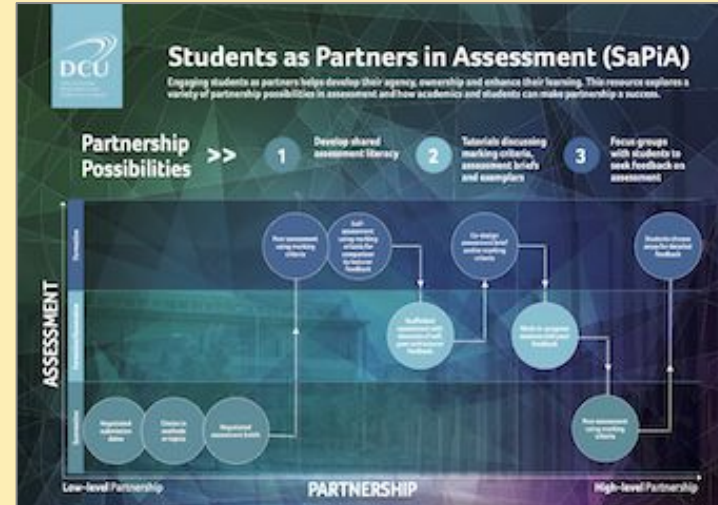
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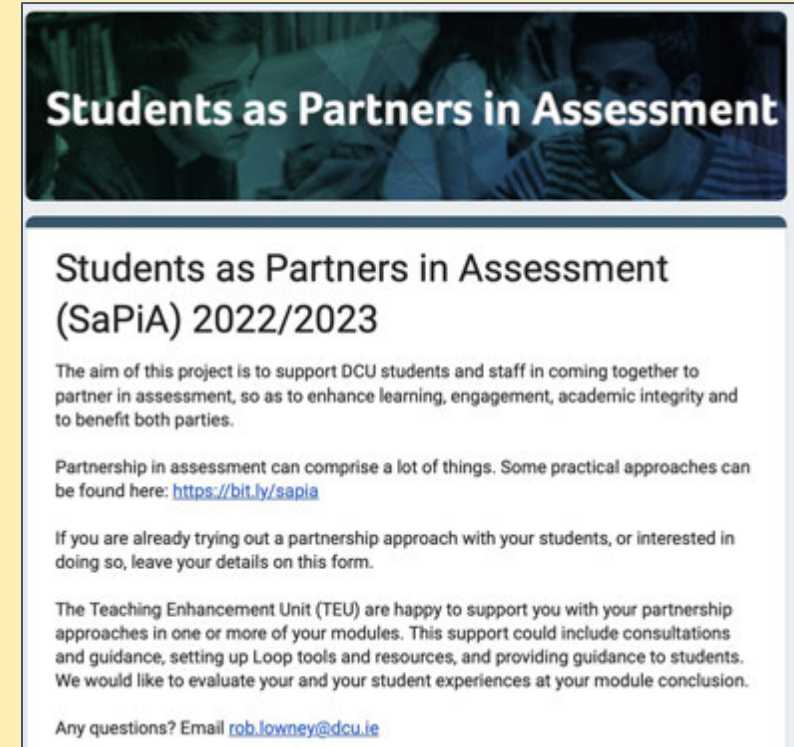
Students as Partners in Assessment (SaPiA)



Literature
<https://bit.ly/sapia-lit>

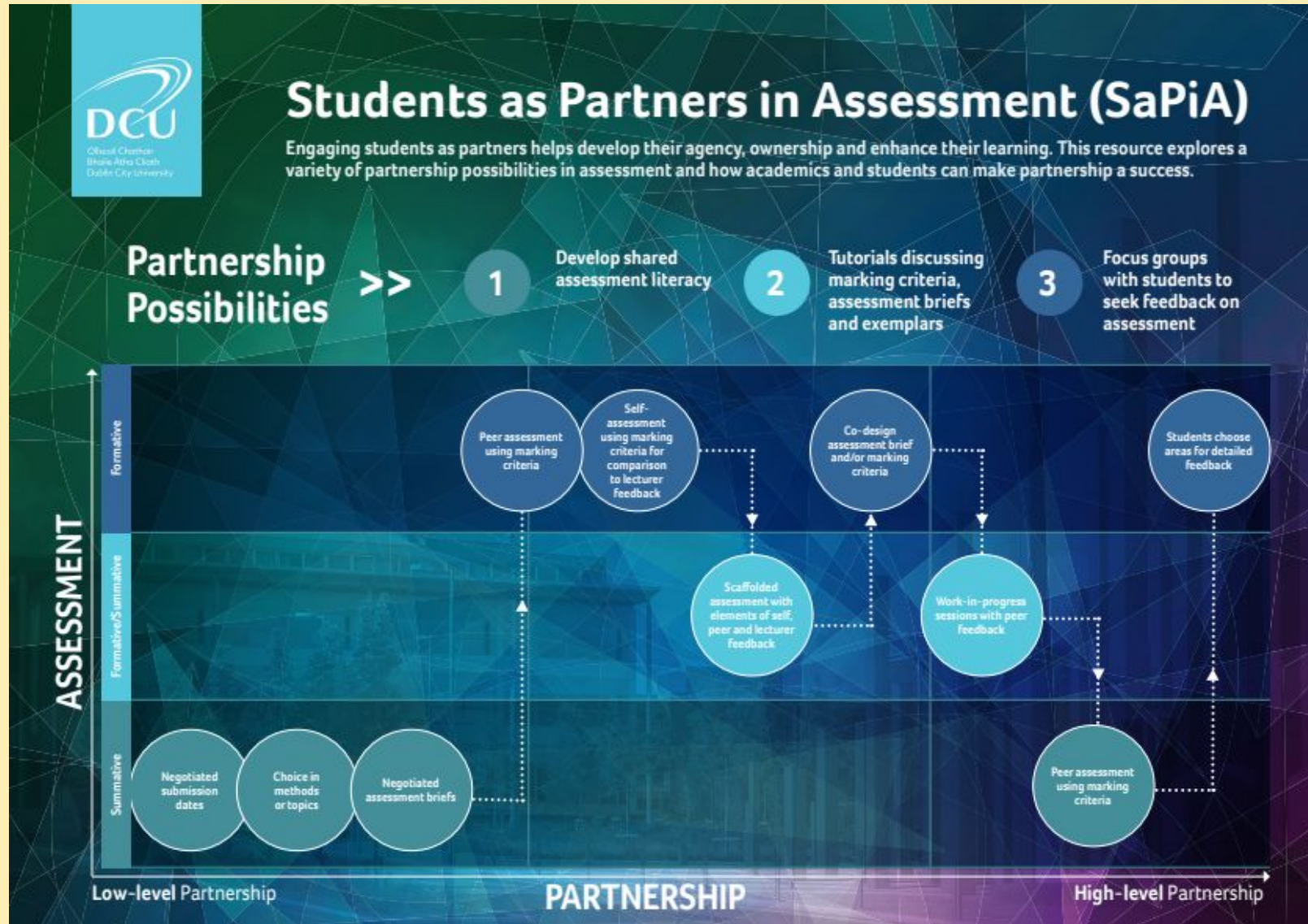


Practical guidance
<https://bit.ly/sapia>



Supported pilots

Partnership possibilities



Perfecting partnership



Perfecting Partnership

 ADVICE TO ACADEMICS	 WHAT STUDENTS WANT				 ADVICE TO STUDENTS
<p>Be open to change</p> <p>Build student capacity</p> <p>Seek student feedback</p> <p>Involve students in all aspects of assessment</p> <p>Develop a shared assessment literacy (incl. grading criteria)</p> <p>Provide exemplars or model answers</p>	<p>Dialogue (to discuss assessment)</p> <p>Class size impacts on dialogic opportunities</p> <p>Novice lecturers sometimes more open to dialogue</p> <p>Need for open, communicative assessment environment</p>	<p>Direction</p> <p>Provide grading criteria for everything</p> <p>Give formative feedback before summative piece</p> <p>Self and peer assessment useful</p> <p>Give exemplars and sample papers (especially for new modules)</p>	<p>Fairness</p> <p>Consistency across modules</p> <p>Recognise the balance of power when giving opinions about assessment</p> <p>Current, relevant assessments</p>	<p>Learner Agency</p> <p>More choice</p> <p>Recognised as experts in their own learning</p> <p>Develop life skills by partnering in assessment</p>	<p>Be actively involved</p> <p>Empower yourself by staying informed</p> <p>Take active ownership of your own assessment</p> <p>Engage in discussion with lecturer and peers</p> <p>Develop a shared understanding of what is required</p> <p>Be open to receiving, providing, and acting on constructive feedback</p>

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National Institute for Digital Learning

Further Information

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Findings

Key student findings 2022

78%	Felt involved/engaged in the assessment
68%	Felt they performed well because of involvement
76%	Felt it would be difficult to engage in academic misconduct
65%	Feel more confident to have assessment discussions

Key staff findings 2022

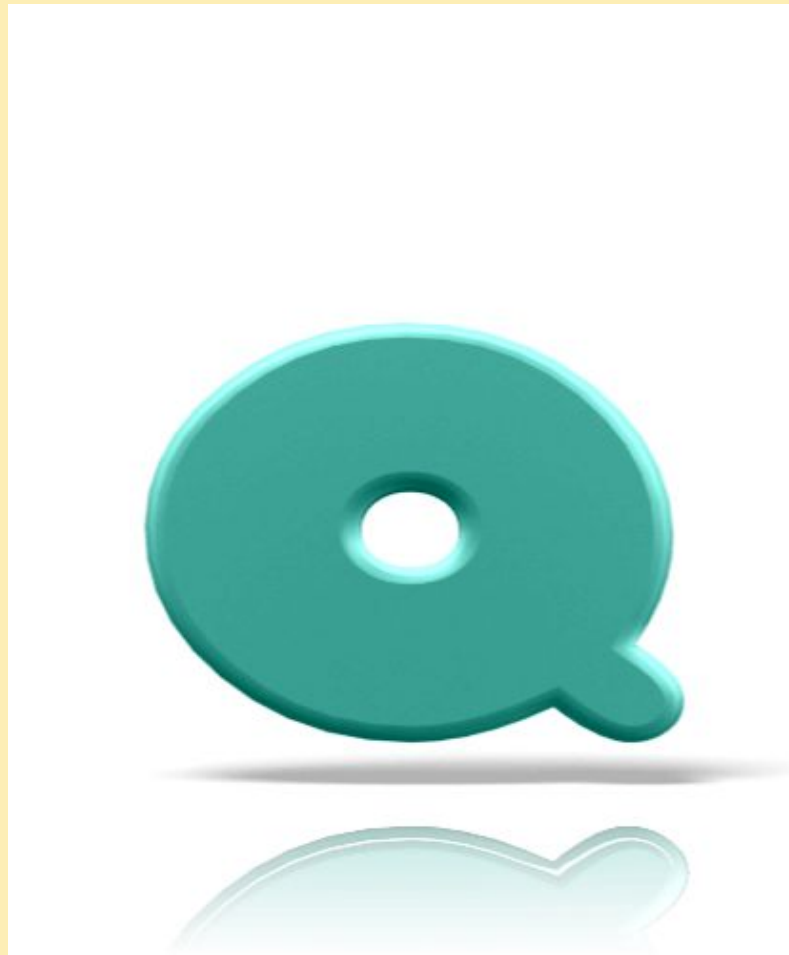
100%	Felt student engagement greater than otherwise would have been
88%	Felt the partnership approach facilitated shared assessment literacy
88%	Felt the partnership approach required them to shift power
88%	Felt student performance better than otherwise would have been

Now what?

- Students understand the fundamentals of what academic integrity is about and why it's important
- They value an institution-wide commitment to enhancing academic integrity
- Hone in on those values to support and scaffold them
- Create policies and processes (e.g. space/framework) that harness those values
- Moving towards building a culture of academic integrity
- New Academic Integrity Sub Committee work



Thank You



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