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OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT AND PROVOST

| TO: | Academic Board |
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| DATE: | October 22, 2002 for November 14, 2002 |
| AGENDA ITEM: | II(e) |

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Provost's Annual Report on Cases of Academic Discipline

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The *Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters, 1995* requires the Provost to report annually in statistical format on cases of academic discipline to Academic Board.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

N.A.

HIGHLIGHTS:

This report provides a summary of cases of academic discipline by faculty and offence. The report also provides a summary of cases taken forward to the Tribunal. The latter have been relatively stable over the last six years, with only minor fluctuations in numbers.

There is a marked increase in cases heard at the Divisional level. Overall the number of offences reported across the divisions has grown by 24%. Reported incidents at the Faculty of Arts & Science (St. George) have increased by 30% in the last five year and reported incidents at University of Toronto at Mississauga and University of Toronto at Scarborough have increased by about 50%.

The number of reported plagiarism cases across the divisions has grown by 55%. The number of collaboration cases across the divisions has grown by 63% (This involves cases of students improperly assisting one another on papers, assignments, etc.).

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

N.A.

RECOMMENDATION:

Report is presented for information.

SUMMARY OF UNIVERSITY TRIBUNAL CASES

September 1, 1978 to August 31, 2002

| Year | Trial Division | Appeals | Acquittals | Expulsions/ Degree Revocations |
|-----------|-------------------|---------|------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1978-79 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 1 |
| 1979-80 | 17 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 1980-81 | 12 | 5 | 1 | - |
| 1981-82 | 10 | 4 | 2 | - |
| 1982-83 | 10 | 3 | - | 4 |
| 1983-84 | 6 | 3 | - | - |
| 1984-85 | 5 | 5 | - | 1 |
| 1985-86 | 1 | _ | - | _ |
| 1986-87 | 10 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| 1987-88 | 2 | 2 | - | 1 |
| 1988-89 | 4 | - | - | - |
| 1989-90 | 4 | 1 | - | - |
| 1990-91 | 1 | - | - | - |
| 1991-92 | 10 | 2 | - | 1 |
| 1992-93 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 1 |
| 1993-94 | 20 | 1 | - | 1 |
| 1994-95 | 12 | | 1 | 2 |
| 1995-96 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| 1996-97 | 7 | | 1 | 3 |
| 1997-98 | 5 | 1 | - | 1 |
| 1998-99 | 9 | 1 | - | 1 |
| 1999-00 | 6 | 2 | - | - |
| 2000-01 | 6 | _ | 2 | 1 |
| 2001-2002 | 8 | 1 | _ | 2 |
| TOTALS | 196 | 46 | 20 | 27 |

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TRIBUNAL CASES

a) Student Offences by Academic Division

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| Academic Division | 97/98 | 98/99 | 99/00 | 00/01 | 00/02 |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Applied Science & Engineering | 1 | 2 | 2 | - | - |
| Arts & Science: St. George Campus | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| Arts & Science: UTM Campus | - | 2 | - | - | 1 |
| Dentistry | - | | - | - | - |
| Education | - | - | - | - | - |
| Graduate Studies | - | - | - | - | - |
| Law | - | 1 | - | - | 1 |
| Medicine | 1 | - | - | - | - |
| Music | | - | - | - | - |
| Nursing | | - | - | - | - |
| Pharmacy | - | - | - | - | - |
| Physical & Health Education | - | - | - | - | - |
| UTSC | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| TOTALS | 5 | 9 | 6 | 6 | 8 |

b) Student Offences by Type of Offence

| Offence | 97/98 | 98/99 | 99/00 | 00/01 | 01/02 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Plagiarism | 3 | 1 | 2 | - | 1 |
| Unauthorized aids/assistance on exams/term tests / collaboration | - | 5 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| Forgery/Alteration of Records/ Submitted work | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Impersonation | - | - | - | - | 3 |
| Essay Services | - | - | - | - | - |
| Submitting same work for 2 courses | - | - | - | - | - |
| Bribery | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Misuse of computer privileges | - | - | - | - | - |
| Admission Related Offence | 1 | - | - | 1 | - |
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DIVISIONAL DISCIPLINE CASES

STUDENT OFFENCES BY ACADEMIC DIVISION

| Academic Division | 96/97 | 97/98 | 98/99 | 99/00 | 00/01 | 01/02 |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Applied Science & Engineering | 16 | 13 | 11 | 10 | 14 | 18 |
| Arts & Science: St. George Campus | 125 | 163 | 138 | 125 | 185 | 240 |
| Arts & Science: UTM Campus | 77 | 84 | * | 93 | 88 | 130 |
| Dentistry | 1 | - | 2 | - | 5 | 1 |
| Graduate Studies | - | 6 | 15 | 19 | 16 | 8 |
| Law | - | - | 1 | - | 25 | - |
| Management | N.A. | N.A. | - | - | - | 3 |
| Medicine | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | _ |
| Music | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Nursing | 1 | 1 | 12 | _ | - | - |
| OISE/UT | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Pharmacy | 0 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
| Physical & Health Education | 1 | 7 | 8 | 1 | - | - |
| UTSC | 45 | 62 | * | 96 | 60 | 89 |
| TOTALS | 266 | 338 | 187** | 345 | 394 | 490 |

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Notes:

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* Data not available

**Does not include UTSC or UTM cases

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STUDENT OFFENCES BY TYPE OF OFFENCE

| Offence | 97/98 | 98/99* | 99/00 | 00/01 | 01/02 |
|--|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| Plagiarism | 134 | 75* | 155 | 165 | 256 |
| Unauthorized aids/assistance on exams/term tests | 76 | 52* | 56 | 69 | 49 |
| Collaboration | 42 | 37* | 100 | 95 | 155 |
| Copying | 39 | 2* | 17 | 14 | - |
| Resubmitting altered work for credit | 2 | 7* | 3 | 3 | 8 |
| Admission-related offences | - | 9* | - | 1 | 3 |
| Impersonation during exam/term test | 1 | _* | - | 4 | 4 |
| Borrowcd/bought/stolen papers | 22 | -* | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| Essay services | 4 | _* | 1 | - | - |
| Submitting same work for 2 courses | 2 | 1* | 1 | 6 | 2 |
| Library damage/theft | - | -* | - | - | - |
| Misuse of University equipment | - | _* | - | - | - |
| Altering academic records | _ | _* | - | - | - |
| False declaration on University document | - | -* | - | - | - |
| Forgery | 10 | 4* | 5 | 30 | 9 |
| Concocted sources/data | - | _* | - | - | - |
| Other | 6 | _* | 3 | 3 | 3 |
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