

Dear member,

The DTU Executive would like to remind you of your rights with respect to the evaluation of student work, in particular in the case of grade reviews. According to our collective agreement, only a student's teacher **or** a Grade Review Committee (GRC) may modify a student's grade (clause 8-1.02).

Following a number of incidents recently brought to our attention, we felt it important to inform you that your department's GRC is an autonomous committee whose processes should not be dictated by the College. Notably, **the Academic Grievance Committee** defined in the Institutional Student Evaluation Policy (ISEP) **does not have the authority to modify grades, nor may it constrain the deliberations of the GRC.**

Furthermore, the Academic Grievance Committee's findings **may not compel a teacher to modify a student's grade.**

Every GRC must be constituted by the teacher whose student has requested a grade review, along with two fellow department members selected by the department (clause 4-1.10). The GRC must use its discretion and exercise its autonomy when it: decides whether to meet with the student in question; considers the recommendations of the Academic Grievance Committee; deliberates on allegations of cheating; re-grades student assessments; and performs any other tasks issuing from its mandate.

We encourage every departmental assembly to discuss its grade review policies so that its GRC has clear guidelines by which to conduct its deliberations.

Don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions, or if you feel that your rights in this matter are not being upheld.

