

Masters and Masters Qualifier  
in  
Electronic Systems  
and  
Telecommunications Engineering

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## Plagiarism, Copying and Collusion

- Plagiarism is a **serious offence** in the university.
- Familiarise yourself with the '[DCU Academic Integrity and Plagiarism Policy](#)'
- Many/most CA submissions will use plagiarism detection software (Turnitin)
- Local processes applied 2014-15 = 10
- Cases referred to University Disciplinary Committee 2014-15 = 2

## What is considered unacceptable?

- Paying others to do your assignments
- Submitting your own work twice for different assessments
- Falsifying results or outcomes
- Providing false documentation
- Reproducing work of another person without appropriate acknowledgement/referencing
- Working with other students to submit material that is required to be an individual effort

## What happens if you breach regulations?

- Local Process
  - Interview
  - Outcome
  - Penalty if upheld – up to **0% for entire module!**
- University Disciplinary Committee
  - Substantial breach
  - Second breach
  - Committee hearing
  - Penalty if upheld – up to **expulsion** from Programme/University

## Examples of Unacceptable Practice

- Direct use
  - If you use someone else's words, you must use **quotation marks** **AND** **cite the original source**
  - You should not need to directly use more than a single sentence at a time!
- Paraphrasing
  - If you use someone else's work or ideas, you must still use a **reference to the original source**
- Acceptable but poor academic quality
  - Lots of quotation pieces, lots of ideas correctly referenced, figures included that are correctly referenced \*but\* little student contribution
  - Masters student are expected to make **critical analysis**

<http://www.lib.usm.edu/legacy/plag/plagiarismtutorial.php>

## Project

- Coordinator – Jennifer Bruton (me again!)
- All activities will take place on the Loop site
  - Updated for 2015-16 over next week
- Please use your Project Code with all communications
- You **must** be registered to be allocated a project

## Project Registration

- Every student intending to graduate in 2015/16 should complete **ONE** of the following Masters project modules
  - **EE592**: Electronic Systems Project (MEN)
  - **EE593**: Telecommunications Eng. Project (MTC)
  - **EE594**: Nano Major Project (MEN-Nano)
  - **EE595**: Imaging Major Project (MEN-IPA)
  - **EE596**: Network Major Project (MTC-Network)
  - **EE598**: Semi-conductor manufacturing (MEN-SEMI)
- Graduation for 2015/16 will take place in March 2017
- Transcripts are issued in November 2016
- Letters to **foreign institutions** may be issued in Sept. 2016

# Project Registration – Part-Time Students

## Full-Time Students:

### September Start:



↑ Initial Taught Module Registration



↑ Project Registration

## Part-Time Students:

### September Start:



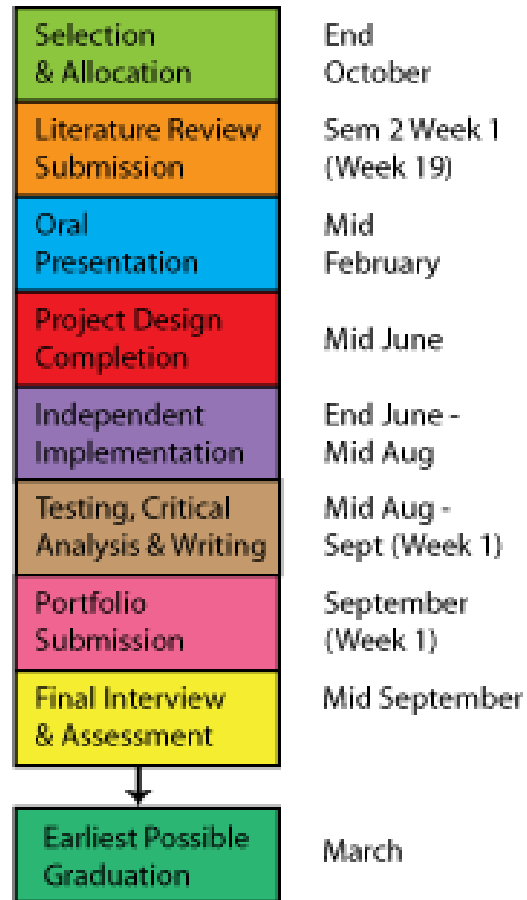
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## Project Schedule



## Project Assessment

- Project submissions are subject to Turnitin plagiarism detection software
- Marking Outline (Provisional)
  - Literature Review 10%
  - Oral Presentation 10%
  - **Final Portfolio 70%**
  - Project Planning & Discipline 10%
- A failing mark in the Final Portfolio is used as the overall module mark
- There is no RESIT, there is 1 REPEAT allowed

## Success

The Programme Team want you to succeed!

- Plan
- Select carefully
- Manage your time
- Engage with your modules/peers/lecturers
- Check for information
- Communicate
- Work hard
- Prepare

**Enjoy your learning experience at DCU!**

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