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# **ACADEMIC PROGRESS REVIEW**

## **Can it be more than a pat on the back?**

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# **Cardiff School of Biosciences**

**12 BSc (Hons) degree schemes**  
**c.320 undergrad students per year**

***2 Semesters/Year***  
***Personal Tutor system***

# FEEDBACK ON PROGRESS

*How do we...*

*Maintain/reward high-performing students?*

*Encourage medium-performing students?*

*Push the under-performing students?*

*Help failing students?*

# FEEDBACK ON PROGRESS

## APR

*“ACADEMIC PROGRESS REVIEW”*

## APRF

*“ACADEMIC PROGRESS REVIEW  
AND FEEDBACK”*

# FEEDBACK ON PROGRESS

## APR

*“ACADEMIC PROGRESS REVIEW”*

# APR

## ***“ACADEMIC PROGRESS REVIEW”***

### **PROCESS:**

**Twice per year(February, July)**

**Years 1 and 2**

**Year co-ordinators review students**

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## ***“ACADEMIC PROGRESS REVIEW”***

**Exam marks**

**Coursework marks**

**Attendance at practical classes**

**Attendance at tutor meetings**

**Performance in diagnostic tests**

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**Rated 1 - 4**

**1 = Excellent achievement**

**2 = Satisfactory achievement**

**3 = Areas of concern**

**4 = Serious concern**



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**MEETING WITH YEAR CO-ORDINATOR &  
HEAD OF TEACHING**

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**ADVISE AN URGENT MEETING WITH YEAR  
PERSONAL TUTOR**

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**LETTER SAYS THAT PROGRESS IS GOOD, BUT  
SUGGESTS MEETING WITH PERSONAL TUTOR  
TO DISCUSS IMPROVEMENT**

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**1 = Excellent achievement**

**STUDENT RECEIVES CONGRATULATORY  
LETTER FROM HEAD OF TEACHING  
and CERTIFICATE OF MERIT**

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## ***“ACADEMIC PROGRESS REVIEW”***

### **EFFECT**

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**PROGRESSION IMPROVEMENT**

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**GRATEFUL FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT**

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**IMPROVEMENT TO GRADE 1**

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**POSITIVE RESPONSE TO MOTIVATION**



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## ***“ACADEMIC PROGRESS REVIEW”***

**CAN WE DO MORE?**

**NOT ALL APPRECIATE A CERTIFICATE**

**ACTION NOT APPRECIATION**

**REWARD?** (financial? Academic? Pedagogic?)

**FURTHER CHALLENGES?**

***DIFFERENT CHALLENGES?***

# Thank you for listening

## ANY IDEAS?

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ACTION NOT APPRECIATION

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**FURTHER CHALLENGES?**

***DIFFERENT CHALLENGES?***