EMA Monthly Highlight Report (digested version) SEPTEMBER 18

EMA PROGRAMME

Overall Programme Status

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The Programme progresses well, according to schedule and budget. Good engagement with all stakeholder groups continues. September marked the start of the majority of schools beginning the move to electronic submission, feedback and grading. Communications have been issued, as well as guidance on			Previous:	Green
eSFG Roles & Responsibility via SDTLs. An online map for supporting resources is also now available. Preparation and testing for inclusion of PGT and Foundation sub modular marks in RISIS for autumn is on track. Design for integration continued, with fixes for the bugs found due to be ready for testing in early October. Workshops to progress the design and development of the Student Progress Dashboard with the supplier have commenced and progresses well.			Current:	Green
Workstream Status				
eSFG (electronic submission, feedback and grading)	Previous:	Green	Current:	Green
Detailed eSFG workshops with schools have mostly completed, with some follow-up sessions on internal and external moderation to be conducted in October. A number of internal moderation scenarios have been identified and corresponding flow diagrams mapped. Training sessions for Programme Administrators and Academic Staff is well underway and communications issued, including guidance on eSFG roles and responsibilities. Training and one-to-one support sessions continue. It is anticipated that lots of queries will arise during October and November, and care will be taken to work through specific scenarios as they emerge.				
Core Systems – Sub Modular Marks	Previous:	Green	Current:	Green
Preparation and testing for inclusion of PGT and Foundation sub modular marks in RISIS for autumn is on track. The first of a series of sessions were held with Tribal consultants to support this. This focused on "fixes" to the under graduate mark schemes and addressing issues identified during the exam period. The subsequent sessions will focus on developing the mark schemes for PGT and Foundation sub modular marks to complete during Autumn.				
Core Systems – Integration	Previous:	Green	Current:	Green
Development continues according to plan. There is still risk around the resolution of system bugs and timeline for delivery, which is being carefully monitored on a daily basis. Fixes for bugs are due to be ready for testing for early October. A mid-gateway review will be held on 17th October to assess whether the dates are still achievable and if they are not, the impact and alternative options available.				
Student Progress Dashboard	Previous:	Green	Current:	Green
A kick-off meeting for the Student Progress Dashboard was held on 25th September. Requirements were explored in more detail for feasibility, to enable detailed design and data modelling in October, with a view to provide mock-ups or an early prototype for early November.				
Supporting Change for EMA	Previous:	Green	Current:	Green
A range of communications and engagement activities have continued during September, the most significant being the guidance issued for responsibilities regrading. 24 eSFG training sessions were run for Programme Administrators/Support Centres, and 36 Academic training eSFG sessions are planned during autu available. On online map to direct staff to supporting resources is now also available. The UoR hosted, "Remaking Marking" conference was successfully held with 74 attendees representing 34 UK HE institutions.	-			

The first draft of the EMA Operating Model was reviewed with the EMA Programme Board.





