

EMA Monthly Highlight Report (digested version)

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Overall Programme Status

The Programme progresses well overall, according to time, quality and budget. Engagement with all stakeholder groups continues well. Positive feedback has been received on the range of guidance materials provided.

The majority of schools have now commenced the use of electronic submission, feedback and grading (eSFG) processes and ongoing support is being provided. Some minor delays have been experienced in the Core Systems Workstream, impacting the ability to enable mark entry into RISIS for autumn assignments and creating a small backlog. Actions have been agreed to minimise the impact and students are able to see their marks in Blackboard. Integration remains at amber status, although User Acceptance Testing has gone well so far and the Workstream may return to green status soon. The Student Progress Dashboard design is progressing well.

Previous:	Green
Current:	Green

Workstream Status

eSFG (electronic submission, feedback and grading)

Previous:	Green	Current:	Green
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The majority of schools have now commenced the use of electronic submission, feedback and grading (eSFG) processes and ongoing monitoring, training and support is being provided. Excellent feedback has been received on the support provided, primarily by the TEL team. ESFG roll-out for UoR Malaysia has commenced (for next term) and planning for the roll-out to remaining schools in 19/20 is underway.

Core Systems – Sub Modular Marks

Previous:	Green	Current:	Green
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Testing of the PGT and Foundation marks schemes in RISIS is nearly complete. However, some key activities have been delayed, impacting the ability to commence mark entry into RISIS for autumn assignments. This has created a small backlog. Actions have been agreed to minimise the impact and students are able to see their marks in Blackboard. Hard-copy receipting functionality was made live, and guidance is being produced.

Core Systems – Integration

Previous:	Green	Current:	Amber
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The Integration Workstream remains at amber until User Acceptance Testing (UAT) has completed (1st December), due to the potential impact on timelines. As expected some bugs have been identified, but so far none are considered to be “showstoppers” and at this point the project team are feeling confident that the first go-live can still go ahead on 3 January 19. UAT has identified the need for some additional support at the first go-live, for which planning is underway.

Student Progress Dashboard

Previous:	Green	Current:	Green
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Design work for the Student Progress dashboard progresses well. A Prototype was presented to the Workstream Board, followed by other design workshops, identifying refinements. Planning is underway to test out design and functionality in workshops with staff and students early next year, and is still on track to be delivered for Spring 19.

Supporting Change for EMA

Previous:	Green	Current:	Green
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Good engagement with all stakeholder groups continues. Positive feedback has been received on the range of guidance materials provided, in particular the Online Resources Map and the EMA Website. The eSFG Workstream are engaging directly with SDTLs and this has been well received, providing an opportunity to highlight future areas of focus. Over the last few months, various channels were used to ensure staff and students feel informed and supported.



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