
Guidance 4(vii) Student sample for review by External Examiner (EE)

The University carries out internal moderation which ensures the integrity and rigour of assessment practices. Sampling of this internal moderation allows EEs to comment on the quality and standards of the programmes in relation to national standards and frameworks and comment on the reasonable comparability of standards achieved at other UK providers with whom the EE has experience.

EEs are required to scrutinise a representative sample of work as agreed by them with the Programme Team as part of the ACEE meeting (Guidance 4vi). This is informed by those counting towards classification (where applicable), as well as being informed by continuation and achievement data. Any sample will need to be drawn from all campuses and partners (franchise arrangements) on which the module is delivered (but not from all submission points).

External Examiners should not be carrying additional moderation of student work (sometimes referred to as external moderation) but should be scrutinising that our (internal) moderation process is effective and assures standards. This will involve the review of student work but not to the same degree as would be expected for moderation. The sample provided to External Examiners should be the **same as which is moderated** so the moderation process is clear. The EE should be able to sample it to the degree in which they can assure themselves that the University's standards are on a par with those of the sector.

There is no expectation that they should be reviewing every assessment which has been moderated.