Inter-rater Reliability for Written Assignments

PURPOSE: Guidelines or policies for conducting inter-rater reliability review of students' written work will be used to promote consistency of grading.

REVIEW: All policies in the Graduate Program Manual shall be reviewed by the Graduate Program Associate Dean/Department Chairs by December 1 of even numbered years in collaboration with the Graduate Program Council. Final approval of the Graduate Program Manual is by the Dean.

POLICY/PROCEDURE

1.0 Policy

Faculty will establish and publish criteria for written assignments in the course syllabus. Criteria will be in the form of grading rubrics which specify the expectations for every content area of the written assignment. Written assignments related to DNP Project Proposals are to follow guidelines established in the respective program, i.e., BSN-DNP Program or Post Master’s DNP Program.

2.0 Procedure

1. Course facilitators will develop or verify development of grading rubrics for all graded written assignments in the course.
2. Faculty will use the grading rubrics to guide grading of respective written assignments in the course.
3. Accuracy and efficacy of the grading rubrics will be assessed in the end-of-course meeting of the course, and revisions will be made accordingly.