MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
INTEGRITY ASSURANCE UNIT · WEEKLY INTEGRITY SHEET

Week 2 · 9–13 November 2026

Fair and honest assessment

KEY MESSAGE

> **Students, employers and the public trust that the University's grades and certificates reflect real achievement. Fair assessment protects that trust and every graduate's value.**

WHAT IT MEANS FOR OUR UNIVERSITY

- Marking against the published criteria, consistently for all students.
- Following the approved processes for moderation, review and appeals.
- Upholding honesty in research, supervision and publication.

WHAT OUR POLICY SAYS

Academic fraud, including breaches of integrity in teaching, examinations and postgraduate supervision, is a recognised corruption risk under the Policy (§4.4.1). Bribery and extortion in admissions and grading are addressed under §4.4.2.

DO

- Use marking schemes and moderation.
- Refer requests for mark changes to the formal review process.
- Keep assessment records complete and secure.

AVOID

- Changing marks outside approved procedures.
- Letting personal sympathy or relationships influence grades.

ETHICAL DILEMMA OF THE WEEK — WEEK 2

A colleague asks you to "review upwards" the marks of a borderline student before results are released, explaining that the student comes from a needy family.

What would you do, and why?

Share your response via the form at mmust.ac.ke/integrity by Friday 13 November. The best responses will be recognised on Integrity Day, 9 December 2026. Entries are judged without names, on reasoning, practicality and alignment with University values.