Bringing students to a central role in developing and delivering assessment and feedback

Have them deconstruct and re-write grids using terms they relate to.

Have them play a part in broad spectrum essay grids and designing work based learning grids: what is professional behaviour?

A piñata stuffed with grades: grids that bind the author.

First taste of receiving and giving feedback.

Group work, some ideas for fairness.

Other roles?

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Deconstructing grids: an issue of language

• Students are shown essay based Grid early in the term and spend a seminar breaking down the terminologies into phrases students are familiar with.

 Then multiple formative feedback milestones used to confirm understanding.

Minimal summative feedback given.

Success is cohort specific.

Quick check: what are we asking students to do? Definition:

- Provide a detailed explanation as to how and why something happens
- Give a detailed account of characteristics, properties or qualities of a subject.
- You must provide thorough insight into the main characteristics of a research subject in an objective manner. It is important that you recount or characterise in narrative form.
- What is the word?

How about these?

- Weigh arguments for and against something, assessing the strength of the evidence on both sides. Use criteria to guide your assessment of which opinions, theories, models or items are preferable
- Assess and give your judgement about the merit, importance or usefulness of something using evidence to support your argument.

Where and when is it best to learn this?

- You must provide your opinion or verdict on whether an argument, or set of research findings, is accurate. This should be done in as critical a manner as possible. Provide your opinion on the extent to which a statement or research finding is true.
- The key to tackling these question words is providing ample evidence to support your claims.
- Ensure that your analysis is balanced by shedding light on, and presenting a critique of, alternative perspectives. It is also important that you present extensive evidence taken from a varying range of sources.
- State your conclusion clearly and state the reasons for this conclusion, drawing on factors and evidence that informed your perspective. Also try to justify your position in order to present a convincing argument to the reader.

Deconstructing grids and demystifying assessment: Phase test / Essay in exam

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Exceptional First (includes all features of First Class with the additional characteristics listed below)	First High Mid Low	Upper Second High Mid Low	Lower Second High Mid Low	Third High Mid Low	Marginal Fail	Fail Mid Low	Zero
All aspects of the	All aspects of the	All aspects of the	No material beyond that taught	No material beyond	There is material here	Considerably less	Answer is
question are answered	question is answered	question are addressed	in the lectures for MSID.	that of lectures in	from the lecture (but	material present than	incomplete
fully with material	with material clearly	with some material	All aspects of the question are	MSID and not all	from no other sources)	was covered in	and is in no
clearly derived from	derived from sources	showing reading outside	addressed but some are of lower	aspects are covered.	but unclear	lectures and serious	way linked
sources beyond the	outside of the lecture	the lecture, but this may	quality than others, with some	Mistakes in	understanding shown.	misunderstanding	to the topic
lecture and representing	and no errors in	be varied in level and	misunderstanding shown,	understanding are		shown	
the very latest research	understanding	perhaps just be used in	although the majority of the	common but do not	Concepts are addressed	Written in a manner	The reader
Correct named examples		one or two aspects.	topic is factually correct	give an entirely wrong	but it is never certain	that is very hard to	will not
are used throughout	Correct named	Equally correct named	Perhaps one or two named	impression, more	that correct	follow. The reader	consider it
Easy to follow, well	examples are used in	examples may be used,	examples, but certainly not for all	confusing and	understanding is shown,	does not feel the	worth
written and engaging	all aspects	but not in all aspects	aspects and some may be	contradictory	and areas are dealt with	question has been	reading
with no spelling errors	Easy to follow and		incorrect		in vague	addressed at all	
	well written with few	Relatively easy to follow		It is poorly put	unsubstantiated	Spelling mistakes are	
The reader feels the	or no spelling errors	but the answer may jump		together in such a	statements, suggesting a	common	
question has been		backwards and forwards	It is possible to follow the flow,	way that hampers	lack of confidence in the		
answered fully and is		in the aspects discussed	but it is disjointed in parts which	understanding. Some	writing	The reader knows	
now confident to explain	The reader feels the	in one or two places	does affect understanding	bacteria will be		less or	
in detail to others	question has been			misnamed if named at	Very poorly written,	misunderstands more	
	answered fully, has an	The reader feels		all	with little evidence of	than when they	
	awareness of material	confident that they			thought given to	started reading	
	far beyond the lecture	understand the answer,		The reader would be	structure.		
	but wonders what the	and feel that they have	The reader understands the	able to glean some			
	latest research is	learnt more than if	answer, but it feels incomplete	facts but certainly	The reader may well act		
		attending the lecture	and they would want to speak	want a lot of confirmation where	The reader may well not		
		alone. They do feel that there are topics better	with the author to clarify a number of points	confirmation where	complete the reading of the piece due to lack of		
		developed than others	Humber of points	present.	organisation and the		
		developed than others		present.	lack of clear facts		
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Seizing opportunity to reflect

- In addition to sitting the exam, you must submit a short (500 words maximum) piece of reflection about your exam preparation technique to the dropbox by 23.00 pm on 8/2/19
- (that's one week after the exam!)
- This piece should explain
- How you went about preparing for the exam, what resources you used, did you work alone or in groups
- How you felt the exam went, and what if anything you would alter in how you prepared for future exams

An agreement that binds both students and staff

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K1: Evaluate methods of metabolism in microorganisms and relate them to the environmental growth conditions of specific microorganisms	Introduction	The introduction would contain excellent background material to all the pathways involved in aerobic, anaerobic and glyoxylate pathways in yeast. This would include explanations of the role of all enzymes to be examined in the practical and likely changes in activity due to changes in oxygen and carbon source	background material on the enzymes examined and processes involved. This would also contain some details as to likely alterations in different environmental	contain good details of some of the enzymes to be examined, perhaps focusing on those directly examined rather than those where data is	patchy details of the enzymes examined,	the very basics of the topic, but much material is poorly explained or	very little information appropriate to the report. There may be information	Introduction would contain almost no information appropriate to the report. It would completely fail to prepare the reader to understand the rest of the report	no merit or
K2: Evaluate how the metabolism of microorganisms can be manipulated for industrial applications, with examples.	Conclusion	This would contain all relevant details of each enzyme examined, commenting on levels of activity compared between samples and between enzymes with specific mention of the role of each enzyme, and its link to environmental conditions and carbon source Excellent evidence of reflection on data and comments on where results do not match expected	This would contain details of all enzymes examined, but depth for each may vary, although overall excellent. Mention of links between levels of activity and	While very good examination of key enzymes would take place, it is likely not all enzymes are considered. There may be mention of some results which do not match expectation.	only a few key enzymes in isolation and no real comparison of activity of	Conclusions very limited with little evidence of comparing activities. Errors in understandin g of role of at least some of the enzymes discussed	Conclusions largely incorrect, based on misunderstandi ng of module material at some level.	Conclusions based upon	D

What does the Client want, what's exceptional and what's professional conduct?

Client	Exceptional first	1	2:1	2:2	3	Fail
Report Client 1	As first but includes	Individual data for TSA MAC	Individual data for TSA	Individual data for TSA MAC	Individual data for TSA	Wrong data choson
(E.coli	l		MAC and SMAC data shown		MAC and SMAC shown,	
0157)	chemical basis of MAC	l			but incorrect data	calculation
013/)			_	_	chosen or calculation	incorrect leading to
	identification of	cens/ini in location given.	cens/iii iii location given.	_	incorrect .	false staff data
	coliforms and 0157.	Clearly shows which data is	Shows which data is used	Shows which data is used for	It is not clear what	
		used for collated data with	for collated data with	collated data but incorrect	value was submitted	
		correct choice made	correct choice made	choice made	to collated data	
	Brief commentary	Graphs and legend showing	Graphs showing numbers	Graphs showing numbers of	Graphs are combined	Graph either
	explaining graph results	numbers of bacteria at each	of bacteria at each location	bacteria at each location	or do not contain	missing or so badly
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ļ. ·	·	correct data so that	put together it is
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	•	error bars, poor labelling) so		impossible to use
		clear to the client	defined as sd)	it is unclear to the reader	difficult	
	Recommendations, with	Recommendations clear as	Recommendations as to	Recommendations as to	Recommendations are	No
	references for	to source of contamination	source of contamination	source of contamination are	either minimal with no	recommendations
	preventative methods to	with clear evidence	with some evidence	brief with little reference to	evidence or wrong and	included
	avoid future outbreaks				based on	
					misunderstanding	
			, ,		Data submitted the	No data submitted
		deadline	deadline		week before deadline	leading to
				staff having to work on other	_	weakness in report
				reports first	pressure on all staff	for all

First taste of receiving and giving feedback

Portfolio Evidence (Presentation of Results)

The data here should be provided as appropriate figures and/ or table(s). Are figure/ table titles and legends included and correct? (Graphs are figures, and "This graph shows" is not scientific writing). Are the figures presented professionally? (A photograph of a laminate is not professional presentation of data). Is the evidence (results) supported with information to aid the reader? There should be a paragraph describing these results and support the figures.

Reflection (Discussion)

Does this section include a short conclusion about the results? Does it discuss strengths and areas for improvement in relation to the results and evidence shown? Is there an honest reflection of the work presented? Is there evidence of early career planning? The reflection needs to include the importance of this presented evidence to your career. Why have we asked you to do this experiment? Why is it important to learn? Is it something useful in the job that you want to do?

NTU grade	Exceptional First	First	2.1	2.2	Third	Fail	Zero	٦	NTU grade	Exceptional First	First	2.1	2.2	Third	Fail	Zero
	Exceptional (see Box 1)	E	Tutor se	ection:		-	-				_	Very good	Good	Sufficient	Poor	No merit
NTU grade point Identify a posit	16 tive point	1	The tutor will moderate your work to check that the mark that has been given is fair and accurate. The tutor can either agree the mark that has been given, or, if they have recognised that the marks									12, 11, 10	9, 8, 7	6, 5, 4	3, 2, 1	0
	are unfair and are not accurate, then the tutor can over-ride the given student mark. The tutors agreed mark is final. Non-attendance at the tutorial will result in a penalty as the student has not completed the peer-															
Identify a poin	t for improvement	_		nt task. The		maximun	n that will be	ach	hieved is a Pass (Lo	w 3 rd).	•					
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B. Does Tutor agree with student mark? (Y/N) =

FINAL TUTOR MARK AS NTU GRADE (Equivalent)

Group work

Group:											
Team member initials	Contribution: Use terms: Little – Some - Lots										
	Background information	Structure	Results	Slide design	Team work						

Use this sheet to provide an honest assessment of the contribution of each of your team members. Put the team members initials in the first column and their relative contribution to each section in the next columns.

Other ways to integrate students

- Internship this year: to work on how to use mail merge to release feedback to all second year Microbiology students over 6 modules.
- What is the best way to connect with students over feedback?

- Inviting students to attend Staff Working groups within SST.
- All six working groups have invited students with varying attendance (4 for digital learning and literacy, 11 for course tutorial).
- In May they will work with Badging assessments of workplace like activities.
- Central role in resilience working group.

All uses staff and student time. Priorities?