17. PRINCIPLES OF ASSESSMENT

17.1 The prime purpose of assessment is to enable students to demonstrate that they have met the aims and objectives of the academic programme, in particular that they have fulfilled the requirement of each subject and have, at the end of their study achieved the standard appropriate to the award. Appropriate methods of assessment will be employed to achieve this purpose. The assessment methods will also allow discrimination between the performance of students in each subject.

17.2 Assessment will also serve as feedback to students. Students will be informed of their performance in the assessment so that they are aware of their progress and attainment.

17.3 The ultimate authority in the University for the confirmation of academic decisions is the Senate, but for practical reasons, the Senate has delegated to the Faculty/School Boards the authority to confirm the decisions of Boards of Examiners provided these are made within the framework of the general assessment regulations within the University. Recommendations from Board of Examiners which fall outside these regulations shall be ratified by VP(AD) and reported to the Senate.