



MEDIA STATEMENT

University lecturer charged over alleged exam marks bribe

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The Corruption and Crime Commission has charged a Curtin University lecturer with bribery for allegedly seeking and receiving a bribe to alter the exam marks of a student.

The 53-year-old lecturer of Connolly allegedly offered to increase the marks of a student - who he claimed had failed an exam - for \$100 per mark which amounted to a \$1,500 bribe.

The Commission's Manager of Investigations, Trevor Wynn, said the Commission suspects that other students, some from overseas, may also have been approached to pay bribes for higher marks.

He said the Commission would like to hear on a confidential basis from any students who may have been approached by the lecturer.

Curtin University's swift action in reporting the allegation to the Commission allowed a prompt response that helped ensure the integrity of the examination process.

The Commission will be working with Curtin University over the coming weeks to ensure that no student has been disadvantaged.

The lecturer is due to appear in the Perth Magistrates Court at 8.45am on Thursday 29 November 2012.

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