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1 PURPOSE

This policy provides guidelines for the appointment of placement supervisors in situations where those individuals are also students at BTI.

2 RATIONALE

It is conceivable that at times individuals could be both students at Bethlehem Tertiary Institute (BTI) and acting in a supervisory capacity in a placement setting. These dual roles could result in a conflict of interest where one student (albeit acting in a different role) would be expected to assess another student.

3 POLICY

- 3.1 No current undergraduate student at BTI will function as a practicum supervisor or practicum liaison person (PLP) to any other BTI student in the same programme.
- 3.2 Where a practicum supervisor or PLP is a current student at BTI, approval is required by the Head of School. Ethical guidelines will be put in place.
- 3.3 If identified during the recruitment process or duration of the studentship there is a dual relationship disclosed (to the Programme Leader/Professional Lead) this will be documented to establish whether a conflict of interest exists. If there are possible vulnerabilities around a conflict of interest these will be referred to the Head of School.
- 3.4 The Professional Lead/Programme Leader or Head of School has the right to intervene and overrule the appointment of an associate teacher or supervisor in any situation when there is concern about a conflict of interest arising.