



**REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE CONFIDENTIAL ADVISER FOR ACADEMIC INTEGRITY
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM**

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1 General

All those involved in teaching and research at the University of Amsterdam (UvA) have an individual responsibility for maintaining academic integrity. The general principles of professional academic conduct must therefore be observed at all times.

The Netherlands Code of Conduct for Scientific Practice (Association of Universities in the Netherlands, VSNU 2004, amended in 2012) sets out in further detail these principles, which are also endorsed by the University of Amsterdam and serve as the guidelines for the University within the meaning of Section 1.7 of the (Dutch) Higher Education and Research Act (WHW). One way to monitor academic integrity is to exercise the right of complaint when employees of the University have violated or are suspected of having violated academic integrity.

The Executive Board has established the University of Amsterdam Academic Integrity Complaints Regulations to facilitate the exercising of this right. The related Regulations detailing the position of the Confidential Adviser for Academic Integrity as referred to in Article 3 of the University of Amsterdam Academic Integrity Complaints Regulations (decision no. 2013cb0471, dated 10 December 2013) appear below.

2 Confidential Adviser for Academic Integrity

Article 1 Appointment

1. The Executive Board will appoint one or more Confidential Advisers for Academic Integrity for a period of four years (having consulted the deans). Reappointment for contiguous periods of four years is possible.
2. Candidates must meet the following requirements:
 - a. be a professor or an emeritus professor with extensive experience in teaching and research, preferably gained at one or more Dutch universities;
 - b. enjoy an unblemished academic reputation;
 - c. be able to deal with differences and conflicts.
3. The Executive Board can terminate the appointment before the end of the term:
 - at the request of the Confidential Adviser for Academic Integrity;
 - if the conditions for appointment are no longer met;
 - because of the inadequate performance of the Confidential Adviser for Academic Integrity (having consulted the deans).
4. Members of the Supervisory Board, members of the Executive Board and the Faculty deans are not eligible to be appointed as Confidential Adviser for Academic Integrity.
5. The Confidential Adviser for Academic Integrity is officially supported by a legal adviser.

Article 2 Duties

The Confidential Adviser for Academic Integrity:

- a. acts as the contact person for queries and complaints concerning academic integrity;
- b. seeks, where he or she sees the opportunity, to mediate in the complaint or otherwise find an amicable solution for it;
- c. advises the complainant on the procedure for submitting a complaint to the Committee.

Article 3 Accountability

1. The Confidential Adviser for Academic Integrity will subsequently provide the Executive Board with an annual account of his or her activities for the purposes of the University's Annual Report.
2. The Confidential Adviser for Academic Integrity has a duty of confidentiality with respect to any information that comes to his or her attention in the performance of his or her duties.

3 Final provision

1. These Regulations take effect on the day of publication and apply retroactively to 1 September 2013. Effective the same date, they replace the Regulations Governing the University Academic Integrity Adviser of the University of Amsterdam dated 1 October 2012 and adopted 10 September 2012 (decision no. 2012cb0361).
2. These Regulations will be published on the website of the University of Amsterdam.