## General Directorate of Planning, Development and Quality Assurance Directorate of Quality Assurance



Policy Code	Policy Name		
DAU 2-2	DAU's Qua	ality System Assessment po	licy and procedures
Responsible Executive		Current Revision Date	Next Revision Date
- Internal Review Committee -Directorate of Quality Assurance		10/2023	10/2027

### 1. Policy Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to facilitate the continual enhancement of the quality management system and the achievement of elevated academic quality standards. Assessing the system's efficacy is determined by its objectives and processes. In addition, it supports the university's efforts to fulfill local and international accreditation requirements. By adhering to these guidelines, the university aims to meet rigorous quality standards and continuously improve its academic practices.

#### 2. Policy Scope

At both the institutional and programmatic levels, this policy encompasses all the fundamental phases of quality management, including planning, implementing, reviewing, and improving. This process also includes the use of various quality tools and forms, including stakeholder satisfaction surveys, performance indicators, benchmarks, learning outcomes assessments, academic course and program annual reports, and improvement plans that take into account the findings. Furthermore, it outlines measures to be taken biennially to ensure that improvement plans are implemented and quality cycles are completed.

#### 3. Policy Statement

- The policy and procedures for evaluating the DAU's Quality System are implemented by the Internal Audit Committee under the supervision of the DQA (Department of Quality Assurance). This assessment takes place twice a year, at the beginning of the academic year and upon completion of the necessary data and reports.
- The Internal Review Committee consists of a representative from one of the colleges at Dar Al Uloom University, chosen based on the recommendation of the respective college's Dean.
- The Internal Audit Committee is committed to following the procedures and utilizing the tools outlined in this policy to evaluate the DAU's Quality System.
- External audits are conducted by an independent external auditor, selected in accordance with the regulations governing the selection process for external auditors.
- The final review visits conducted by the Education and Training Evaluation Commission/National Center for institutional accreditation serve as an evaluation of the effectiveness of the DAU's Quality System.
   Recommendations for institutional accreditation are considered crucial in assessing the external quality management system.
- Based on the audit results, the Internal Audit Committee provides recommendations for improvement priorities concerning the DAU's Quality System.
- The results of the assessment of the DAU's Quality System, along with its improvement plans, are submitted to the General Directorate for Planning, Development, and Quality Assurance.

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#### 4. Policy Procedure

#### 1. Internal evaluation procedures for the quality management system

The Internal Audit Committee applies the following procedures to evaluate the quality management system.

#### A. Desk Audit Procedures

The Internal Audit Committee carries out the desk audit process, which includes studying the system documentation and ensuring that quality requirements are met according to the tools and forms previously distributed to quality units and committees in colleges and academic programs, which includes the following:

- Appendix 1. Audit form for submitting course files (Click Here).
- Appendix 2. Completion Verification Form for Course File Elements (Click Here).
- Appendix 3. Annual Program Report Evaluation Form (Click Here).
- Appendix 4. Learning Outcomes Measurement Plan and Report (Click Here).
- Appendix 5. Overall Result of CLOs Assessment (Click Here).
- Appendix 6. Consistency with NQF National Qualifications Framework (Click Here).
- Appendix 7. Academic Program Accreditation Status and Recommendations (Click Here).
- Appendix 8. Verification form for distributing and analyzing quality survey (Click Here).
- Appendix 9. Form for verifying measurement of performance indicators and benchmarking at the program and institutional levels (<u>Click Here</u>).
- Appendix 10. Form for verifying the orientation program for new faculty members (Click Here).
- Appendix 11. Form for verifying the professional development programs for faculty members (Click Here).
- Appendix 12. Desk audit results form for evaluating the quality system (Click Here).

#### B. Stakeholder Satisfaction surveys on the DAU's Quality System

- Appendix 13. Survey of faculty members' satisfaction with the quality system (Click Here).
- Appendix 14 Survey of quality workers' satisfaction with the quality system (<u>Click Here</u>).
- Appendix 15. Survey of students' satisfaction with the quality system (Click Here).

#### 2. External evaluation procedures for the DAU's Quality System

The Internal Audit Committee selects an external auditor to review and assess the effectiveness of the DAU's quality system. The auditors are selected according to the criteria for selecting the external auditor. The procedures for external evaluation of the DAU's quality system include the following:

- Selection of the external auditor in accordance with the selection criteria attached to the external audit system of DQA (DAU- External Reviewer, Clause Four, P. 5).
- Ensure that there is no conflict of interest in accordance with the external review system of DQA (<u>DAU-External Reviewer</u>, Clause Seven, P. 7).
- The external auditor shall be provided with all internal audit forms, results of surveys, and any additional evidence and documents requested by the external auditor to complete his work.
- The external auditor prepares the external audit report and submits it to the Internal Audit Committee, attaching recommendations and proposals for improvement of the DAU's quality system.
- The Internal Audit Committee studies the recommendations and proposals of the external auditor and includes them within the improvement plan for the quality management system.

#### 5. Related Policies/ Documents/ Forms

DAU 2-1- Quality assurance and Continuous Improvement Policy Schedule of Quality surveys.docx

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### 6. Document History

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1	10/2023	1 <sup>st</sup> issue of the policy.		