

Japan University Accreditation Association Regulations on Establishment and Revision of Standards

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Article 1 Purpose

These Regulations provide for the establishment and improvement of standards and usage thereof in accordance with Article 4, Paragraph 3 of the Japan University Accreditation Association Articles of Incorporation (the “AOI”).

Article 2 Intent of Establishment of Standards

All standards are established in order to improve the level of the quality of universities.

Article 3 Intent of Revisions to Standards

All standards are constantly revised to improve the level of the quality of universities.

Article 4 Procedures for Establishment and Improvement of Standards

1. The Board is to establish the standards.
2. The Board is to determine any abolishment of the standards.

Article 5 Establishment of the Standards Committee

The Standards Committee is to be established under Article 33, Paragraph 1 of the AOI to conduct specific deliberations on the establishment and revision of the standards.

Article 6 Composition of the Standards Committee

1. The Standards Committee is composed of the following persons:
 - a. Members of the Institutional Accreditation Committee 3 people
 - b. Members of the Committee on Certified Evaluation and Accreditation for Professional Graduate School 2 people

- c. Members of the Standards Committee during the previous term 4 people
 - d. People who belong to a full member university or junior college and are recommended by that university or college 13 people
 - e. Other experts (other than faculty members or staff of a university or junior college) 3 people
2. If it is specifically acknowledged as necessary for a matter to be deliberated, the Standards Committee may have ad-hoc members in addition to the members set out in Paragraph 1.
 3. The committee members are to be elected by the Board of Trustees and appointed by the President.
 4. The term of office of a committee member is two years; provided, however, that a committee member may be reappointed.
 5. If the post of a committee member becomes vacant, a committee member will be elected by the Board of Managing Trustees according to the election category and appointed by the President.
 6. The term of office of a committee member appointed to fill a vacancy will be the remaining term of office of his/her predecessor.

Article 7 Committee Chair and Vice Committee Chair

1. The Standards Committee has one Committee Chair and one Vice Committee Chair.
2. The Committee Chair and the Vice Committee Chair are to be elected from among the committee members and appointed by the President.
3. The Committee Chair is in charge of the duties of the Standards Committee.
4. The Vice Committee Chair assists the Committee Chair, and will act in his or her place if the Committee Chair is unable to perform his or her duties or the post of Committee Chair is vacant.

Article 8 Secretary

1. The Standards Committee may have a secretary. The secretary is to be appointed by the President from among the candidates nominated by the Standards Committee.
2. The secretary shall administer the duties of the Standards Committee at the instruction of the Committee Chair.

Article 9 Operation of the Standards Committee

1. Standards Committee meetings are to be convened by the Committee Chair; provided, however, that the Committee Chair must convene a Standards Committee meeting if requested by one-thirds or more of the committee members.
2. A Standards Committee meeting may not be held without the attendance of at least one half of the committee members.
3. A decision may not be made at a Standards Committee meeting without the affirmative votes of at least two-thirds of the committee members present at that meeting.

Article 10 No Agent

A Standards Committee member may not have someone else act in his or her place.

Article 11 Hearing of Opinions from Relevant Committees

When considering the establishment or improvement of standards or use thereof, the Standards Committee shall hear the opinions of the chairs of relevant committees as necessary.

Article 12 Procedures for Public Hearings in the Establishment and Revision of Standards

If a standard is to be established or revised, that is to be broadly disclosed in an appropriate manner to hear opinions.

Article 13 Reports on Deliberation Results

If a definite plan is obtained as to any deliberated details, the Committee Chair of the Standards Committee shall report to the President without delay.

Article 14 Subcommittees

1. The Standards Committee may have subcommittees as necessary.
2. Members of each subcommittee are to be appointed by the President from among the candidates nominated by the Standards Committee.
3. Each subcommittee is to have a subcommittee chief. Each subcommittee chief is to be appointed by the President from among the candidates nominated by the Standards Committee.
4. Each subcommittee chief is to report the deliberation results of the subcommittee to the Committee Chair of the Standards Committee.

Article 15 Revisions and Abolishment of these Regulations

These Regulations are to be revised or abolished by the Board of Trustees.

Supplementary Provisions

These Regulations take effect on October 1, 2006.

Supplementary Provisions (March 9, 2012)

These Regulations take effect on the date of registration of incorporation of a public interest corporation set out in Article 106, paragraph (1) of the Act on Revision, etc. of Related Acts in Connection with Enforcement of the Act on General Incorporated Associations and General Incorporated Foundations and the Act on Authorization of Public Interest Incorporated Associations and Public Interest Incorporated Foundations.

Supplementary Provisions (May 19, 2015)

These Regulations take effect on April 1, 2015.

Supplementary Provisions (September 7, 2018)

These Regulations take effect on September 7, 2018.

Supplementary Provisions (January 31, 2019)
These Regulations take effect on June 1, 2019.

Supplementary Provisions (July 14, 2021)
These Regulations take effect on July 14, 2021.