General explanatory notes to the revised historical overview

Consultative participation with regard to the Teaching and Examination Regulations

The revised version of the historical overview includes information about the right of consent and the right to prior consultation that the Faculty Council and/or the Programme Committee have based on the revised Higher Education and Research Act (Wet op het Hoger Onderwijs en Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek; hereinafter referred to as the Act).

The Programme Committee (OC) now has the right of consent concerning certain components of the Teaching and Examination Regulations (OER; Onderwijs-en Examenreglement), and the right to prior consultation concerning all other components in accordance with Articles 7.13.2 and 9.18.1 c of the Act.

In addition, the Faculty Council (FR) has the right of consent concerning certain components for which the Programme Committee has the right to prior consultation.

For the sake of clarity, a schematic overview has been drawn up and enclosed with this document.

The following must be borne in mind when making adaptations to the OER.

The OER is a representation of the Act as well as of agreements made and policy implemented. If the Faculty Board (FB) or the OC/FR wishes to change any details concerning a course unit, this must be agreed by all the parties involved in good time before the new OER is to be approved. All agreements made in this context will be set out in the OER. All correspondence about proposed programme adaptations must be kept on file so that the input of the various parties can later be proved (for example during a reaccreditation procedure). For more information please consult the Manual for Programme Committees.

The Model OER includes all legal requirements and UG policy. This means that for these components, the Faculty (i.e. the Faculty Board) has no leeway to deviate from the provisions of the Model OER, in some cases due to policy reasons and/or UG-wide ambitions, but mostly as a result of requirements set out in the Act. For all text not printed in italics, this historical overview will indicate the basis for the requirement.

All regulations in the Model OER that are not legal or University requirements are printed in italics. These concern components that allow further Faculty-wide interpretation and the associated consultative participation. A purple text box subsequently indicates whether the Faculty Council or the Programme Committee has the right of consent concerning this component.

N.B. This means that the Programme Committee has the right to prior consultation concerning all text in italics that is not followed by a purple text box.