

Directions for the Establishment of the Academic and Research Integrity Committee of National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University

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1. The Academic and Research Integrity Committee (hereinafter referred to as the “ARIC”) at National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University (hereinafter referred to as the “NYCU”) is tasked with developing code of academic ethics and handling academic ethics cases.
2. Responsibilities of the ARIC
 - (1) Establishing the rules and regulations governing academic ethics.
 - (2) Adjudging academic ethics cases.
 - (3) Handling other affairs related to academic ethics.
3. The ARIC shall consist of 11 to 13 members, with the president appointing a senior professor as the chairperson; ex officio members are to be appointed by the Office of Research and Development, the Office of Academic Affairs, and the Office of Student Affairs which shall be at the level of deputy head or above level 1; the remaining members are to be six representatives of the academic faculty of the NYCU and one to three experts or academics from inside or outside the NYCU who specialize in law or have experience in academic and ethics cases (hereinafter referred to as the “experts and academics”). All serve a term of 2 years and be eligible for reappointment. The ARIC membership is unpaid, but members from outside the NYCU may be paid attendance fees and transportation expenses as stipulated in the regulations.

Representatives from the academic faculty indicated in the preceding paragraph are to be selected from three disciplines, namely electrical engineering and computer science, biomedical sciences, and humanities and social sciences; from each of the disciplines, one or two full-time professors are to be recommended by each level 1 academic division, with the recommendation provided to the Office of Academic Ethics and Research Integrity (hereinafter referred to as the “OAERI”), OAERI will then submit the list of six members and six alternate members to the President of NYCU for final selection. The recommended candidates cannot serve concurrently on Faculty/Student Review, Rewards and Punishment, or Grievance Review Committees.

The experts and academics referred to in the first paragraph are to be nominated by the OAERI director and approved and appointed by the president.

If a faculty representative cannot perform their duties for any reason during their term, thus leaving a vacancy, the post shall be filled by an alternate member, in accordance with the ranking of potential candidates, for the remainder of the term. In the event that an expert or academic cannot complete their term, the vacancy shall be filled by a candidate nominated by the OAERI director and approved and appointed by the president; the substitute shall complete the remainder of the term.

4. The ARIC shall have a vice chairperson, who shall be appointed by the chairperson.

In the event that the chairperson cannot exercise their functional duties or recuses themselves for any reason, the vice chairperson shall act on their behalf. If the vice chairperson cannot exercise their functional duties or recuses themselves for any reason, the members of the shall select a substitute from among the members.

5. At least two-thirds of all members shall be present at meetings of the ARIC. Resolutions on general matters shall be made with the consent of at least one-half of the members present. However, for resolutions on important matters such as deciding academic ethics cases, the consent of at least two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

Meetings should be attended by members in person; where appropriate, invitees may attend as nonvoting delegates.

6. This Direction shall be passed by the Administrative Meeting of NYCU and effective as the date of promulgation. Any amendments shall be processed accordingly.