

Quality assurance

AQU Catalunya is registered in the European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR).



It is a member of the networks European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA), International Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (INQAHEE), Global Academic Integrity Network (GAIN) and Coalition for Advancing Research Assessment (CoARA).



It is recognized by the World Federation for Medical Education (WFME) to accredit Medicine degrees.



It is ISO 9001 and 27001 certified for quality management and information security management, respectively.



It also adheres to the San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment:



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Catalogue of services



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AQU Catalunya

Pursuant to Act 15/2015, 21 July, the Catalan University Quality Assurance Agency (AQU Catalunya) is the main instrument for the **promotion and quality assessment in the Catalan Higher Education System**.

AQU Catalunya is entrusted with the assessment, accreditation and certification of quality in universities and higher education institutions in Catalonia (degree programmes, teaching staff, institutions and services).

Services

Programme and institutional review

- Review and quality assurance of degrees
- Review and quality assurance of institutions
- Methodologies and benchmarks design

Knowledge generation

- Graduate and employer employment outcome surveys, and recent graduate satisfaction surveys on their degree programmes
- Studies
- Dissemination

Quality assurance of teaching staff in higher education

- Quality assurance of teaching staff
- Quality assurance of research
- Quality assurance of management

Internacionalización

- International quality assurance and reviews
- International projects
- Review and quality assessment of foreign centres wishing to provide education in Catalonia

Commitments for action

According to its code of ethics, AQU Catalunya is committed to act on the basis of the following values:



Independence to act freely and responsibly in the performance of one's duties.



Impartiality to be objective and to act with equanimity.



Integrity to act in accordance with legal requirements by taking care to fulfil all criteria and reporting malpractice.



Innovation to foster creativity in the fulfilment of the Agency's responsibilities as a QA agency in furtherance of continuous improvement.



Public service to act as public servants in all of our activities.



Diversity to integrating the plurality of different perspectives on quality.



Equity to be mindful of people and institutions and attentive to different social and institutional contexts.



Trust to always be honest regarding the activities that the Agency is entrusted with.



Transparency and accountability to be more impactful, more transformative and more effective.



Cooperation to participating in a loyal and trustworthy way in activities involving the quality enhancement of higher education.



Efficiency to cut red tape and streamline the endorsement of all review and evaluation procedures and other tasks that the Agency is responsible for.



Internationalisation to be open to new trends in quality assurance in higher education and promote the recognition of good practices.



Competence to personal, technical, methodological and inclusive capability.