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AMENDMENT RECORDS

No.	Date	Remarks	Revision No.	Approved by
1	03/04/14	Establishment	00	Director, CQA
2	11/07/22	Review	01	Director, CQA
3	21/10/22	Review on item 7.0 Description; and 8.0	02	Director, CQA
		Records		
4	10/07/24	Review on references, abbreviations, flow	03	Director, CQA
		chart, descriptions and records.		
5	23/09/24	Revise on abbreviations, flow chart, and	04	Director, CQA
		descriptions.		



1.0 OBJECTIVE

The objective of this SOP is to explain the methodology of internal audit in the university.

2.0 SCOPE

The scope of this SOP applies to all operation including academic and non-academic related activities.

3.0 REFERENCES

- 3.1 ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System
- 3.2 Yearly Internal Audit Plan
- 3.3 Internal Audit Checklist Form
- 3.4 Code of Practice Programme Accreditation (COPPA) 2nd Edition
- 3.5 Internal and/or External Audit Report
- 3.6 Other requirement

4.0 DEFINITIONS / ABBREVIATIONS

Auditee	:	Department/ School to be audited
COPPA	:	Code of Practice for Programme Accreditation
CQA	:	Centre for Quality Assurance
HoD	:	Head of Department
HoP	:	Head of Programme
Internal Audit	:	Consists of audit system and rules and regulation followed by
		UTS staff
Internal Audit Team	:	A group of appointed UTS staff to carry out internal audit
Internal Auditor	:	An appointed UTS staff to carry out internal audit
LA	:	Lead Auditor
MRM	:	Management Review Meeting
Programme	:	The approved programmes offered in schools
Secretariat	:	Internal Audit Secretariat



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SOP	:	Standard Operating Procedure
UAC	:	University Academic Committee
UTS	:	University of Technology Sarawak

5.0 **RESPONSIBILITY**

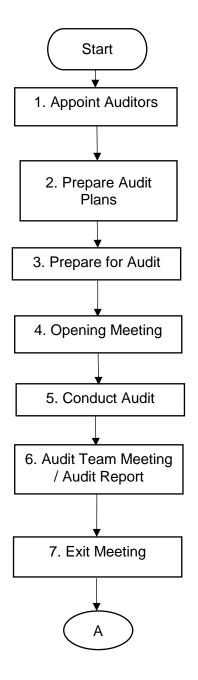
- The Director of CQA is responsible to ensure that this SOP is adhered to. 5.1
- 5.2 The Deans / HODs are responsible to adhere to this SOP.

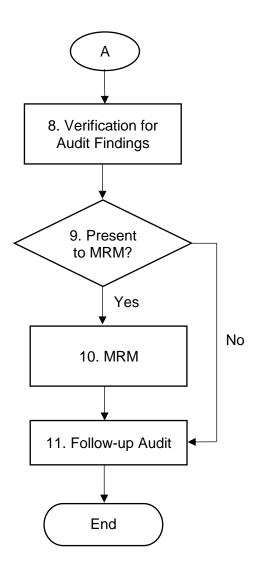
6.0 PROCEDURE

6.1 Refer to the process flow chart as in a next page.



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7.0 DESCRIPTION

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1	 Appointment of Internal Auditors. 1.1 Secretariat to email HoDs and Deans to recommend the internal audit committee. Internal audit committee consist of: Academic internal auditor ISO internal auditor 1.2 Director of CQA to recommend the LA of both internal audit. 1.3 HCAD to issue the appointment letter to the potential Internal Auditors. 	Secretariat CQA HoDs Deans Director of CQA HCAD	Appointment letter
2	 Prepare audit plan. 2.1 LA to prepare Annual Audit Plan (UTS-CQA-P07-YIAP) and Internal Audit Plan (UTS-CQA-P07-IAP) based on the status & areas of importance to be audited and based on findings from previous audit. 2.2 Internal Audit Committee to conduct quality audit annually. 	Secretariat CQA LA Internal Audit Committee	Yearly Internal Audit Plan (UTS-CQA-P07-YIAP) Internal Audit Plan (UTS- CQA-P07-IAP)



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3	 Audit preparation. 3.1 Secretariat to prepare for the audit should be at least 14 days before audit exercises: a) Draw up an audit programme b) Issue documents as follows: Notification email to Auditee Internal Audit Plan (UTS-CQA-P07-IAP) 	Secretariat CQA	Notification email Internal Audit Plan (UTS- CQA-P07-IAP)
4	 Opening meeting. 4.1 Internal Audit Team to carry out Pre- Opening Meeting for: a) Auditors discussion b) Briefing on the audit process including reporting procedures c) Review of relevant procedures & understand of relevant processes d) Preparation of relevant documents that will be used during Internal Audit. 4.2 Opening meeting: a) The meeting is to be attended by Department / School. b) The purpose is to explain the objectives and procedures of the audit. 	Secretariat CQA Management teams Internal Auditor Team Auditee	Internal Audit Attendance (UTS-CQA-P07-IA) Internal Audit Plan (UTS- CQA-P07-IAP)



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5	Conduct of audit	Internal Audit Team	Internal Audit Plan (UTS- CQA-P07-IAP)
	5.1 Internal Audit Team to collect data by:a) Observation;b) Interview;	Secretariat CQA	Internal Audit Note (UTS- CQA-P07-IAN)
	 c) Evaluation of records / documents and verification of adherence to Audit Checklist 		Opportunities for Improvement form (UTS- CQA-P07-OFI)
	5.2 Secretary to record evidence collection.		Nonconformance Report (NCR) Form (UTS-CQA- P17-NCR)
6	Audit Team Meeting and Audit Report:	LA	Internal Audit Plan (UTS- CQA-P07-IAP)
	6.1 Internal Audit Team to hold an audit team meeting after the audit exercise to:	Internal Audit Team	Internal Audit Note (UTS- CQA-P07-IAN)
	 a) Discuss the audit findings; b) Prepare the NCR and OFI report; c) Compile all the relevant documents. 6.2 LA to draft the internal audit summary report (UTS-CQA-P07-IASR).	Secretariat CQA	Opportunities for Improvement form (UTS- CQA-P07-OFI) Nonconformance Report (NCR) Form (UTS-CQA- P17-NCR)
			Internal Audit Summary Report (UTS-CQA-P07- IASR)



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7	Closing meeting	LA	Summary of findings
	7.1 LA to present summary of Internal Audit findings to auditee.7.2 Disseminate the final Internal Audit Summary Report to Auditee.	Internal Audit Team Secretariat CQA	Internal Audit Summary Report (UTS-CQA-P07- IASR)
		Dean / HoD	
		Management teams	
8	Verification on Audit Findings	Secretariat CQA	Opportunities for Improvement form (UTS-
	8.1 Auditee to do corrective action on Audit Findings within 2 to 8 weeks after	Auditee	CQA-P07-OFI)
	receiving the NCR and OFI report/ audit exercise. 8.2 Auditors to follow-up and verify	Management teams	Nonconformance Report (NCR) Form (UTS-CQA- P17-NCR)
	corrective action.	Dean / HoD	Internal Audit Summary Report (UTS-CQA-P07- IASR)
9	Present to MRM?	Secretariat CQA	
	9.1 If yes (if required for ISO and non- academic purposes only), proceed to No.10.		
	9.2 If no, proceed to No.11.		



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10	Management Review Meeting	Secretariat CQA	Internal Audit Summary	
			Report (UTS-CQA-P07-	
	10.1 Director of CQA to present the audit	Management	IASR)	
	findings and corrective action in MRM	Committee		
	(if required).	Members		
11	Follow Up Audit	CQA	Nonconformance Report	
			(NCR) Form (UTS-CQA-	
	When necessary, follow up audit to be	Auditee	P17-NCR)	
	conducted to verify the implementation and			
	effectiveness of the proposed corrective		Corrective Action Request (UTS-CQA-P08-CAR)	
	action taken.			

8.0 RECORDS

No	Title / Records	Location / Responsibility	Retention Period
1	Yearly Internal Audit Plan	CQA	3 years
	(UTS-CQA-P07-IAP)		
2	Internal Audit Plan	CQA	3 years
	(UTS-CQA-P07-IAP)		
3	Appointment Letters	CQA	3 years
4	Internal Audit Summary Report	CQA	3 years
	(UTS-CQA-P07-IASR)	Department	
		School	
5	Corrective Action Request	CQA	3 years
	(UTS-CQA-P08-CAR)	Department	
		School	
6	Nonconformance Report (NCR) Form	CQA	3 years
	(UTS-CQA-P17-NCR)	Department	
		School	