Senate Regulations
adopted by the Executive Board on 26 August 2013

Section 1. Tasks of the Senate
1.1 The Senate is an advisory board as described in Article 15 of the Management and Administration Regulations of the University of Amsterdam.
1.2 The Senate provides solicited and unsolicited recommendations to the Executive Board on the main points of University policy in the field of education and academic practice, and on related matters concerning student policy and human resources policy. The Senate’s advice shall pertain primarily to strategic policy and quality policy.
1.3 The Senate will draw up an annual report, outlining the current position with respect to quality and quality assurance.

Section 2. Composition
2.1 Preferably, the Senate should consist of professors currently employed at the University of Amsterdam.
2.2 The members of the Senate will elect a chairperson from their number.
2.3 The members of the Senate will elect a vice-chair from their number.
2.4 The faculty Deans may each nominate a maximum of two members per faculty. The Dean of the ACTA may only nominate one member. For each member they nominate, the Deans must put forward a deputy who can act on behalf of the relevant member in his/her absence.
2.5 If a faculty is represented by two members in the Senate, only one member may occupy the position of director of a research institute or College/Graduate School, or the position of department chair.
2.6 The members and their deputies are appointed by the Executive Board.
2.7 The members of the Senate are appointed for a term of three years and may be reappointed once.

Section 3. Working method of the Senate
3.1 The chairperson will draw up the agenda for the Senate’s meetings.
3.2 The Senate will issue written recommendations to the Executive Board. These recommendations are public.
3.3 The Senate will be assisted by an official secretary. This position will be filled by the Executive Staff.
3.4 At the request of the chair, in preparation for issuing a recommendation the official secretary of the Senate may draw up a preliminary recommendation, or ask members of the Senate to do so.
3.5 In preparation for issuing a recommendation, the Senate may institute a sub-committee from its number.
3.6 The Senate may invite external experts.
3.7 As a rule, the Senate will meet six times per year.
3.8 The meetings of the Senate are not public.

Section 4. Conclusion and transitional provisions
5.1 These Regulations shall enter into force on 1 September 2013.
5.2 Changes to the Regulations are to be drawn up by the Executive Board and reviewed by the Senate.
5.3 These Regulations may be referred to as the ‘Senate Regulations’.