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**For: UP SYSTEM ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE
CU AAD/QA OFFICERS AND POINT PERSONS
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE UNIVERSITY**
(Through Secretary Robert Lara)

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From: Maria Cynthia Rose Banzon Bautista
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**Subject: RENAMING OF THE UP ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT AND DEVELOPMENT
(AAD) SYSTEM TO QUALITY ASSURANCE (QA) SYSTEM**

Upon the recommendation of the President's Advisory Council (PAC) composed of the Chancellors of UP's Constituent Universities (CUs) and the System Executive Committee, President Danilo L. Concepcion approved on 29 September 2021 the change in the name of UP's quality assurance system, offices, and officers from "Academic Assessment and Development (AAD)" to "Quality Assurance (QA)". After several years of using AAD to encompass all services, systems, and processes of the University, its association, even in the minds of UP's constituents, has been confined mainly to the quality assurance of academic units and programs. Thus, the decision of the PAC to use the term "QA" as more reflective of the comprehensive scope of quality assurance.

Considering the President's approval, the following specific nomenclature changes are to be implemented:

- From the UP Academic Assessment and Development (AAD) System to the UP Quality Assurance (QA) System;
- From the UP Los Baños Academic Assessment and Development Unit (UPLB AADU) to the UP Los Baños Quality Assurance Office; and
- From the UP Diliman Academic Assessment and Development Office (UPD AADO) to the UP Diliman Quality Assurance Office.

The change in nomenclature shall also be reflected in the designations/functional titles of the following UP personnel who are assigned to lead in the development, implementation and monitoring of CU QA activities at different levels:

- CU Quality Assurance Officer to refer to the QA head of the CU who may be the Director of the CU QA Office or Chair of the CU QA Committee;
- College Quality Assurance Officer to refer to the QA point person at the college level; and
- Institute/Department Quality Assurance Officer to refer to the QA point person at the institute/department level.

The Chief Quality Assurance Officer of the UP System remains to be the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs (Quality Assurance) as previously designated.

Thank you for implementing these changes.