Revocation of Awards Policy

Purpose

The Institute of Creative Arts and Technology (ICAT) reserves the right to revoke an award, honour, or degree if it is discovered that the award was obtained through fraudulent or dishonest means, or if the recipient engages in conduct that discredits the Institution.

Scope

This policy applies to all awards, honours, and degrees conferred by the Institute, including undergraduate and postgraduate degrees, diplomas, certificates, prizes, honours, certificates and statements of attainment.

Related Policies and Documents

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following Institute policies and documents:

Course Completion, Graduation, Transcripts and Testamurs Policy Course Credit for Recognition of Prior Learning Policy Deferral, Suspension or Cancellation of Enrolment Policy Domestic Admissions Policy Fraud Detection, Prevention and Response Policy International Admissions Policy Misconduct Policy Monitoring Academic Progression Policy Student Code of Conduct Policy Third Party Provider Policy Transfer Between Registered Providers Policy

Principles

The following principles apply:

Grounds for Revocation

The Institution may revoke an award under the following circumstances:

- a. Discovery of academic misconduct, such as plagiarism, cheating, or falsification of records, which would have affected the decision to confer the award.
- b. Discovery that the recipient provided false or misleading information during the application or admission process.
- c. A serious breach of the Institute's Code of Conduct, where the recipient's actions significantly discredit the reputation or integrity of the Institution.

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Procedure

The decision to revoke an award will be made by the Corporate Board, with recommendation and evidence provided by the Academic Leadership Team, Teaching and Learning Committee and Grade Release Committee.

Appeals

The recipient will have the right to appeal the decision through a formal appeals process, as outlined in the Institute's *Complaints and Appeals Policy*.

Record of Revocation

If an award is revoked, the Institute will amend the recipient's official record accordingly. If applicable, relevant external bodies will also be notified of the revocation.

Confidentiality

All proceedings under this policy will be conducted in confidence, with information released only as required by law or as necessary to carry out the investigation or revocation.

Related References and or Legislation

Higher Education Support Act 2003 Higher Education Standards Framework [Domain 1, Domain 5]

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