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## Quality Assurance Policy of the University of Granada. Our values-based commitment

### QUALITY

The **University of Granada** has an institutional **commitment to quality** and to the **search for excellence** across all of its activities. It endeavours to be open and responsive to the needs and requirements of society, **continually adapting to meet those needs efficiently and effectively**. It aims to fulfil all externally-imposed standards and meet all challenges with a sense of responsibility fitting for an institution with such an extensive social reach.

### INNOVATION

The **University of Granada** is **committed to** the creation of a knowledge society that is both inclusive and diverse, and it actively works in support of **innovation, creativity and modernity**. The institution is in a constant state of renewal from within, thanks to all of its people – its students, teaching staff, researchers, technical staff, management personnel and the entire student body.

### AUTONOMY

The **University of Granada** demonstrates its **commitment to university autonomy** via an **open and participative management model based on dialogue and negotiation** among all its stakeholders, employees and students. This model constitutes a principled expression of **respect and institutional loyalty** that maintains on-going, open collaboration with society and its representative institutions. The university upholds and demands **criteria for both quality and equality** among Spanish universities, be they public or private.

### TRANSPARENCY

The **University of Granada** is **committed to transparency and accountability**. The institution is rising to the challenges of the digital society to create a **more visible, open and accessible culture** that shares all the information necessary to understand how its decisions are made and the rationales behind them. This approach emphasizes shared responsibility among all members of the university community, as the future of our university belongs to all of us.

### EXPERIENCE

The **University of Granada** is **committed to the tradition-modernity dyad** that defines its institutional model. It offers a comprehensive profile of teaching and research in the sciences and the humanities, but also in the technological and artistic realms. This is a university that draws on its **experience to build the future**, that fiercely defends its history and that is proud of the sense of belonging it engenders among all those associated with it.



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## INTERNATIONALIZATION

The **University of Granada is committed to internationalization** – the new dimension of the institution's activity, founded on educating its young people and delivering research of excellence. **With its European roots and its world-wide appeal**, this university brings **scientific and social leadership** to its economic and social environment, enabling it to address the major global challenges.

## KNOWLEDGE

The **University of Granada** is committed to **generating, conveying and transferring highly specialized knowledge** that distinguishes the UGR among public universities. This knowledge derives from high-quality teaching, a competitive postgraduate offer and extensive research – from science and technology, to social issues, the humanities and the arts.

## EQUALITY

The **University of Granada is committed to equality of opportunity** and the full and effective participation of the entire university community. Its fully-integrated and cross-cutting approach to equality aims to capture the reality of the **diverse society** in which we live, ensuring non-discrimination and fostering the **effective inclusion** of everyone in the institution. Upholding the principles of universal accessibility and personal autonomy, the UGR endeavours to ensure that all individuals are able to fulfil their intellectual, professional and personal potential.

## SUSTAINABILITY

The **University of Granada is committed to financial and environmental sustainability**. Financial sustainability derived from **rationalization of expenditure and resource optimization**, without compromising service quality or people-development. Environmental sustainability based on an **integrated environmental policy** that fosters energy efficiency, the use of renewable energy sources, recycling, sustainable building projects and health promotion and surveillance. This approach ensures **overall safety** at all the institution's campuses.

## THE FUTURE

The **University of Granada** is an institution **committed to the future and to individuals' talent, creativity and intelligence**. In its active support for **scientific and social innovation**, it seeks to play a pivotal role in the creation of a **new socioeconomic model** in which knowledge is recognised as the driving force behind the society of the future.

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