

Massey University Policy Guide

FRAUD AND CORRUPTION POLICY

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- Disclosing, copying or selling, altering or damaging, forgery or fraudulent use of private, confidential or proprietary information / data to outside parties either directly or by using IT resources without implied or expressed consent in exchange for some financial / non-financial benefit.
- Conflict of interests whereby an office may act in his own self-interest rather than the interests of the entity to which he is appointed to. This could be by accepting or seeking anything of material value from third party agents / consultants, contractors, vendors, or persons providing services or materials to the University, except as provided for in the Sensitive Expenditure and Gifts Policy.

Relevant legislation:

Protected Disclosures Act 2000 Crimes Act 1961

Legal compliance:

Fraud is a crime against rights of property as defined in Part 10 of the Crimes Act 1961, and amendments. The Act specifies (does not limited to) the following acts as being liable for punishment as an offence: obtaining by deception or causing loss by deception; Altering, concealing, destroying, or reproducing documents with intent to deceive; False accounting; Theft or stealing (dishonestly taking property).

Protected Disclosures Act 2000 provides for the facilitation of disclosure and investigation of serious wrongdoing in or by the organisation, and protects the individual who reports allegations of serious wrongdoing. Persons who make a disclosure under the Act are protected for dismissal or punishment, legal action, or disclosure of their own private information, unless one of the exceptions in the Act applies.

Related procedures / documents:

Policy on Staff Conduct
Code of Student Conduct
Credit Card Policy
Code of Ethical Research Conduct
Code of Responsible Research Conduct
Sensitive Expenditure and Gifts Policy
Conflict of Commitment and Interest Policy
Fraud and Corruption Response Procedures
Procedure for the Disclosure of Serious Wrongdoing (Whistleblower Procedure)
Protected Disclosures Policy (Whistleblower)
Procurement Policy

Document Management Control: