



## **Navitas UPE Student Complaints and Academic Appeals Procedure**

### **1 What is a student complaint?**

#### **Student Complaints**

Navitas UPE will consider complaints raised by one or a group of students under the Navitas UPE Student Complaints policy NPR10a. This policy covers complaints relating to Student and Academic Services, Admissions, Teaching, Accommodation, Fees/Charges and College facilities.

#### [Student Complaints Policy](#)

Complaints about staff and student behaviour may fall under other policies such as Bullying and Harassment, Student Discipline or Fitness to Study. If you are unsure and would like further information and guidance please contact the Navitas UPE Academic Registry at the following address:

[UPE.AcademicRegistry@Navitas.com](mailto:UPE.AcademicRegistry@Navitas.com) or telephone: P: + 44 (0) 7384 215236

### **2 What is an academic appeal?**

#### **Academic Appeals**

If you would like to make a complaint about an academic decision made by a board of examiners, you will need to make an academic appeal. Full information is available in CPR 10b.

#### [Academic Appeals Policy](#)

### **3 How do I make a complaint or academic appeal?**

#### **The Process**

Both the complaints and academic appeals policies describe the processes that apply within Navitas UPE. In the first instance, you should try to resolve the matter with the person or body responsible. This may not be possible, in which case you should complete the complaints and appeals form and submit it to the UPE Academic Registry. Further details of how the process works are available on the form and within the policies.

#### [Complaints and Appeals Form](#)

#### **4 What happens if my complaint is not upheld?**

##### **Review**

If you are dissatisfied with the response to your complaint or academic appeal, you may request a review. Further information is available within CPR 10a and CPR 10b policies.

#### **5 What if the review of my complaint or appeal is not upheld?**

##### **Office of the Independent Adjudicator**

The Office of the Independent Adjudicator for Higher Education (OIA) runs an independent scheme to review student complaints. Birmingham City University International College (BCUIC) is a member of this scheme. If you are unhappy with the outcome you may be able to ask the OIA to review your complaint or appeal. You can find more information about making a complaint to the OIA, what it can and can't look at and what it can do to put things right here:

<https://www.oiahe.org.uk/students>.

You normally need to have completed NPR10a or NPR10b before you complain to the OIA. Navitas will send you a letter called a "Completion of Procedures Letter" when you have reached the end of our processes and there are no further steps you can take internally. If your *complaint or appeal* is not upheld, Navitas will issue you with a Completion of Procedures Letter automatically. If your *complaint or appeal* is upheld or partly upheld you can ask for a Completion of Procedures Letter if you want one. You can find more information about Completion of Procedures Letters and when you should expect to receive one here:

<https://www.oiahe.org.uk/providers/completion-of-procedures-letters>.