

## Policy Toolkit: Submission Checklist

Before you submit a policy for approval, make sure the following have been considered and completed:

- The policy is consistent with University Strategic Plan and Objectives.
- The policy complies with national legislation and any sectoral regulation.
- The policy complies with University Statutes and existing university regulations and policies. Terminology of the policy is consistent with other university policies.
- Links to relevant legislation, Statutes, regulations and policies provided.
- Best practices in this area in similar institutions have been reviewed for comparison and incorporated in the policy.
- All stakeholders and units that are impacted by the policy have been identified and informed.
- Stakeholders were given an opportunity to provide feedback on draft policy. All feedback has been incorporated where appropriate.
- Resource implications of policy have been considered.
- An implementation plan has been drafted and any implementation issues and operational problems identified during the development/review have been resolved.
- Units/staff responsible for implementation have been identified.
- Necessary communication and training activities have been planned.
- Equality, diversity and inclusion has been considered throughout the policy development/review process in line with guidelines provided.
- Data protection risk assessment has been conducted.
- The policy has been submitted in the appropriate template.
- The policy document is written in clear and plain everyday English. It is free of unexplained jargon, technical and legal terms, acronyms and abbreviations.