

News release

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Disciplinary Committee ordered Severe Reprimand*

On 23 September and 09 November 2022, the Disciplinary Committee of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) found proved the following allegations against Miss Aliya Malik of Birmingham, United Kingdom:

Allegations

- 1. Miss Aliya Malik a registered student of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants ('ACCA'):
 - (a) On a date or dates between 4 September 2020 and 8 September 2020 amended, altered or changed the contents of or otherwise permitted or allowed the changes to the following (hereafter the 'Amended Documents'):
 - (i) a letter dated 04 September 2020 from University A;
 - (ii) a 'transcript of completed modules' taken with University A.
 - (b) Miss Malik's conduct in respect of 1(a) was:
 - (i) Dishonest, in that she intended to use the Amended Documents to mislead ACCA;
 - (c) On or about 08 September 2020 submitted or caused to be submitted to ACCA the Amended Documents.
 - (d) Miss Malik's conduct in respect of 1(c) was:

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- Dishonest, in that she knew the Amended Documents were false and/or that she intended to mislead ACCA as to her entitlement to exemptions;
- (e) By reason of her conduct in respect of any or all of the matters set out at Allegation 1, Miss Malik is guilty of misconduct pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i).

The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Miss Malik be severely reprimanded and to pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £500.

Please note that this may be the subject of an appeal.

ACCA's regulations require ACCA to publish the Committee's findings and orders by way of a news release, as soon as practicable.

* An order made by the Disciplinary Committee shall take effect from the date of expiry of the Appeal Period referred to in the Appeal Regulations unless the Committee directs that the order should have immediate effect

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We believe that accountancy is a cornerstone profession of society that supports both public and private sectors. That's why we're committed to the development of a strong global accountancy profession and the many benefits that this brings to society and individuals.

Since 1904 being a force for public good has been embedded in <u>our purpose</u>. And because we're a not-forprofit organisation, we build a sustainable global profession by re-investing our surplus to deliver member value and develop the profession for the next generation.

Through our world leading ACCA Qualification, we offer everyone everywhere the opportunity to experience a rewarding career in accountancy, finance and management. And using our respected research, we lead the profession by answering today's questions and preparing us for tomorrow.

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