



02 October 2023

Disciplinary Committee ordered student removed*

On 12 September 2023, the Disciplinary Committee of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) found proved the following allegations against Miss Shehla Batool of Peshawar, Pakistan

Allegations

Miss Shehla Batool (Miss Batool), an Association of Chartered Certified Accountants ('ACCA') student:

- 1) On 8 December 2020, during a remotely invigilated Management Information examination (the Exam):
 - Failed to comply with instructions issued by ACCA personnel (as per the Student Information Sheet)
 before and/or during the exam, in that she failed to ensure she was in a room with no-one else around
 her, contrary to Examination Regulation 2.
 - b. Talked to another person during the exam other than the exam supervisor/invigilator or proctor, contrary to Examination Regulation 16.
- 2) Contrary to Regulation 3(1) of the Complaints & Disciplinary Regulations 2014 (as amended), Miss Batool failed to co-operate with the investigation of a complaint, in that she did not respond to any or all of ACCA's correspondence dated:
 - a. 24 May 2021;
 - b. 15 June 2021;

- c. 30 June 2021;
- d. 23 September 2021.
- 3) By reason of her conduct, Miss Batool is:
 - a. Guilty of misconduct pursuant to byelaw 8(a)(i), in respect of any or all of the above matters

The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Shehla Batool be removed from the register and to pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £5734

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 - ends –

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