

Section 4 The Science Committee

Article 2.15 Composition

1. The Science Committee will consist of at most seven experienced academic researchers – with the rank of associate professor, senior researcher or higher – as well as the chair of the PhD Committee.
2. The members will be appointed by the Faculty Board, after it has received a recommendation from the Faculty Council. A Staffing Committee appointed by the Faculty Board in consultation with the Faculty Council will nominate the members.
3. The Academic Director of the research schools(s) for which Maastricht University is the budget holder and the Director of the Maastricht Graduate School of Law will attend the meetings and play an advisory role there.
4. After having received advice from the Science Committee and the Faculty Council, the Faculty Board will appoint the chair.
5. If the chair is not also a member of the Science Committee, he/she will serve in an advisory role.

Article 2.16 Term of office

The term of office for the Science Committee's chair and members will be two years. The members may be reappointed.

Article 2.17 Duties; consultation

1. The Science Committee's duties will include:
 - a. issuing advice on the academic policy;
 - b. issuing advice on establishing research schools and research institutes;
 - c. issuing advice on allotting PhD candidate positions;
 - d. periodically assessing all of the research programmes;
 - e. issuing advice on the contract research funding policy to be followed.
2. The Science Committee may grant subsidies for conferences, symposiums and foreign travel.
3. The Science Committee will advise the Faculty Board on the composition of the PhD Committee and the appointment of the PhD Committee's chair.
4. The Faculty Board will ensure that the advice is requested at such a time that it can actually affect the decision-making.