

# **PROVIDENCE COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS), COONOOR**

## **RESEARCH POLICY**

### **MOTTO**

The Research Center at Providence College functions with the motto to promote quality research, innovative approaches and stimulate progressive research amongst faculty and students. The cell aims to consistently create a vibrant research environment in the campus.

All departments in the College are recognized as research departments by Bharathiar University. The College has a research forum of research scholars of all departments which addresses issues corresponding to research in addition to fostering a healthy research culture among fellow scholars and students.

### **PURPOSE**

Research and Development consists of systematic work undertaken to enhance and augment erudite learning along with knowledge of people, culture, society and scientific concepts, thereby this can be a honing tool to invent new applications and approaches for sustainable pedagogic advancements.

### **CODE OF ETHICS**

Faculty and research scholars involved in research shall maintain high ethical standards in accordance with the guidelines of Bharathiar University.

They shall adhere to and promote the following principles of integrity in research.

- Honesty and openness in communication
- Avoid fabrication and counterfeit documentation during research.

## **PUBLICATION AND AUTHORSHIP**

All researchers are expected to publish and disseminate the results of their research in an open, honest, transparent, and comprehensive manner, and via appropriate media such as journals, books, reviews, software, data repository, or conference proceedings. Both the Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) regulations and the requirements of research contracts must be satisfied.

## **PURPOSE OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS**

The purpose of intellectual property rights is to enable new creations, including technology, artwork, and inventions, that might propagate economic growth. Intellectual property rights are legal rights that provide inventors protection for original works, inventions, or the materialization of products, art works, scientific developments, and so on.

## **RULES FOR SUPERVISORS**

It is the supervisor's responsibility to ensure all formalities described in the PhD Regulations and also in the Ordinances of HEIs are fulfilled.

The supervisor's responsibilities include instructions of research ordinances to scholars on all aspects related to the PhD programme while focusing on the precepts of the academic aspects of research. This may necessitate regular meetings with a scholar

It is envisaged that an ideal PhD programme necessitates a good working relationship between the student and the supervisor from the initiation of the PhD programme and they have reached an agreement on the proposition and expectations from each other.

The responsibilities of the supervisor include:

- Keep promises, commitments and agreements concurred during admission to research in the College
- Respect supervisors, colleagues and fellow-scholars.
- Do not confer fraudulent means and practices.

## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

- To facilitate an enabling environment to cultivate a rich research culture in the College.
- To create awareness and opportunities in the field of research among faculty and students.
- To flourish research activities by encouraging faculty to undertake funded projects through agencies like UGC, DRDO, CSIR, ICSSR, etc.
- To recommend students to apply for funds to endorse research under student project schemes from agencies like TNSCST, DBT, etc.
- To motivate faculty and students to aspire for interdisciplinary research projects.
- To ensure publications in reputed Scopus Indexed journals, Web of Science, Indian Citation Index with high impact factor.
- To enhance collaborative research activities with other national institutes, universities and colleges.
- To organize workshops, seminars and training associated with research.
- To generate revenue for the institution by encouraging faculty and students to apply for patents and consultancy.
- To provide information and amenities to aid the research activities of the College.
- Seed money is allotted every year and the same is given to the faculty members during submission of their Ph.D dissertation.

- Regular meetings with the Ph.D. scholars and discussions to see if the ideas are compatible for the research project.
- To mentor the scholar about the choice of relevant courses and conferences related to the field of research.
- To guide the scholar to approach relevant national and international organizations in the area of research.
- To assist the scholar on incorporation of knowledge dissemination in the course of study.
- Regular review and feedback on the Ph.D project.
- Supervisors are not allowed to take money or anything of the kind from the scholars.
- Scholars should be allowed to focus on their research to show consistent progress.

## CONCLUSION

To abide by ethics and values are of primary importance in the lives of budding research scholars. The purpose of these guidelines is to consider the positive aspects for efficiency and neglect the negative aspects which in any case are not productive. Many research scholars may be aware of these guidelines and there is no need to reiterate them. However, new researchers should be highlighted about these aspects, which will certainly help them towards good conduct with moral ethics to make their learning and research fruitful not only while pursuing research but also in their life too.

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