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Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

Research Policy

Background:

Research, education and extension are integral parts of any University system. The reputation of any University depends on quality of research and education. Various assessment, accreditation and ranking agencies worldwide give substantial weight age to quality and quantity of research undertaken by faculty and students of the University. Research quality, quantity and impact can be measured by various ways. The number of quality publications in peer reviewed reputed journals; their citations and utility of patents are commonly used for such metrics. Higher the number of quality research publications, citations and patents, higher is the academic reputation of the University. Research publications carry substantial weight in the faculty selection, promotions, increment and academic performance index (API) as advised by the University Grants Commission (UGC). Good API scores are required for career advancement and promotions. Many Universities have mandatory provision for certain number of publications before submitting PhD thesis and to get recognition as PhD guide. Therefore, clarity on what should be considered as a 'research publication' becomes very essential.

Objectives:

To motivate staff and students to undertake research in various disciplines the college has established a Research cell which work as per following objectives:

1. To form and encourage a culture of research among staff and students
2. To identify research areas and specify research topics and socially relevant significance and undertake in-house research projects
3. To organize seminars/conferences/workshops on in research methodology and current topics
4. To publish research material in research journal having ISSN Journal
5. To form Research committee to facilitate in giving guidance, technical support and recommendation for research

Our college is affiliated to Savitribai Phule Pune University so our college follows the Research policy laid down by the university as follows:

The College follows the plagiarism policy adopted by Savitribai Phule Pune University to which the college is affiliated. It is as follows:

Preamble:

Ethics and honesty are the two most important components of the academic activities be it teaching or research. Teaching & research is a novel profession based on extremely high moral values. There cannot be any room for claiming the credit for the work he/she has not undertaken. Many times it is

observed that some of the “academicians” knowingly or unknowingly publish or present other’s work as their own. Such acts will affect healthy academic atmosphere in the institute which will also harm the reputation of the institute as well as the individual. It is therefore important for an academic institute like University of Pune to have in place a policy on plagiarism to avoid such type of acts.

Definition of Plagiarism:

Plagiarism is defined as presenting another person’s work as one’s own work. Presentation includes copying or reproducing it without the acknowledgement of the source. Plagiarism involves copying of: phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or longer extracts from published or unpublished work (including from the Internet) that exceeds the boundaries of the legitimate cooperation without acknowledgement of the source. Plagiarism could be intentional (dishonest plagiarism) or non-intentional (negligent plagiarism). Negligent Plagiarism: Negligent plagiarism means innocently or carelessly presenting another person’s work as one’s own without acknowledging the Source. It arises from one’s inadequate knowledge and competency in writing. It is also due to careless attitude resulting into non-compliance of standard verification procedures. In this type of plagiarism the degree of copying is not substantial. Dishonest Plagiarism: Dishonest plagiarism means knowingly and deliberately presenting another person’s work as one’s own work without acknowledging the Source. It involves intentional copying of substantial proportions of the other’s work without written or unwritten permission and also without acknowledging the source. How to detect Plagiarism: It is the prime responsibility of an institute or individual to distinguish original content from plagiarized work. The detection of plagiarism is a judgment to be made by a person who understands the subject and who is also aware of the definition of plagiarism. Such person should also be aware of the tools available to detect the plagiarism. University of Pune will use the best tools / software to detect plagiarism. It is of an out-most important for an academic institute like Pune University to educate its student and teaching community about what constitutes plagiarism, how it is detected and off course the action that is going to follow if plagiarism is proved. Compliance Statements : All students are required to submit a signed statement that they are aware of the plagiarism policy of the University and no part of their work be it assignment, term paper, project report, thesis or dissertation etc is not copied in any form and it is their own creation.

Procedure for handling alleged Plagiarism Procedural Fairness:

The University is committed to dealing with alleged plagiarism by any section of the University community in accordance with the principles of procedural fairness, including the right to:

- (a) Be informed of the allegations against them in sufficient detail to enable them to understand the precise nature of the allegations and to properly consider and respond;
- (b) Have a reasonable period of time within which to respond to the allegations against them;
- (c) Have the matter resolved in a timely manner;
- (d) Impartiality in any investigation process; and

(e) An absence of bias in any decision making. Identification and Assessment of Alleged Plagiarism: Where an examiner detects or is made aware of alleged plagiarism by any person, the examiner must report the alleged plagiarism to an empowered body which confirms first if there is a plagiarism or not; if it is, then whether it is negligent or dishonest type and what is the degree of plagiarism. This empowered body will then submit its report along with its recommendation to statutory bodies which are empowered to take disciplinary actions.

Avishkar Research Competition:

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:

- To inculcate research culture among students.
- To encourage original and novel thinking.
- To provide an opportunity for expression of academic talent.
- To promote interaction among academia, R & D Institutes and Industries.

His Excellency, Governor of Maharashtra, Shri. S.M. Krishna has initiated a novel research project competition named Avishkar in the year 2006. This activity, unique in its nature, is being implemented through Board of College and University Development. Savitribai Phule Pune University has taken special efforts to increase the participation of the talented students from rural and urban areas. Special efforts were taken to organize Regional competitions, organize, special training to these students and provide them necessary help and guidance to enhance their abilities to present their work in an effective manner. This activity has generated a lot of enthusiasm amongst students and the participation is ever increasing. University of Pune has won the overall championship at the Avishkar competition held at Nagpur for Avishkar 2006.

Guidelines to the Participants

- Projects can be in the form of live demonstration /models / posters and should be based on innovative ideas, in any given categories.
- Each college/institution can send a maximum of two entries in each category, irrespective of their levels (UG/PG / M.Phil-Ph.D.)
- In the First Round, All contestants are expected to display their posters of 1m X 1m size before a panel of judges appointed for the purpose.
- Selected projects from the I-Round will have to give oral presentation before Judges.
- Each oral presentation will be given 8 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for question and answers.
- There is no restriction on the number of students engaged in each of the team but only one representative will present the Project at the exhibition.
- Representative of the team and one accompanying person (guiding teacher or team member) will be provided local hospitality by the host institution.
- All required basic infrastructural facilities like working space, electricity, water, tables, mounting boards, LCD projector, overhead projector etc., will be made available. For any special requirements, if any, participants should inform the coordinator well in advance.
- All entries should be forwarded through the principal of the college /Head of the institution.
- Registration is compulsory for all participants. There will be no registration fee.
- Participants will be issued participation certificates from the University.
- Mounting boards (poster display boards) of 1m X 1m size will be made available.
- The decision of judges will be final and binding on all participants.
- All winning teams will be informed about their selection on the same day.
- Winning teams will be selected for participation in the STAGE-II held at Dept. of Chemistry, University of Pune, Pune in the month of December Second week.

CATEGORIES FOR PARTICIPATION

- Humanities, Languages, Fine Arts, etc.
- Commerce, Management, Law etc.
- Pure Sciences
- Agriculture and Animal Husbandry
- Engineering & Technology
- Medicine and Pharmacy




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