Himachal Pradesh University 'General Administration Section'

No. 1-78/94-HPU(Genl.)

Dated: 18-04-2020

NOTIFICATON

The Vice-Chancellor is pleased to adopt the updated Research Promotion Policy Himachal Pradesh University (1.1) as proposed by the Research Advisory Board as per annexure for its implementation in the University.

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- 1. The Dean of Studies, HPU, Shimla 5.
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RESEARCH PROMOTION POLICY HIMACHAL PRADESH UNIVERSITY (1.1)

PREAMBLE

Himachal Pradesh University is committed to transforming lives and serve the society through pursuit of excellence in teaching, research, innovation, lifelong learning, cultural enrichment and outreach services. To accomplish its mission, University provides intellectually inspiring, academically challenging and supportive environment conducive to personal growth by engaging in innovative and leading-edge research across disciplines. This policy aims to promote quality research among the students and faculty members of the University.

OBJECTIVES

- To motivate the faculty members for cutting-edge research and innovations
- To inculcate interest among faulty members for undertaking research projects of various funding agencies
- To encourage the faculty members for interdisciplinary research
- To augment and inspire the faculty members for sponsored consultancy projects
- To facilitate and encourage the faulty members for creating, protecting and leveraging Intellectual Property rights
- To invigorate the faculty members for publication of quality research work

To achieve the aforementioned objectives, the University institutes the following initiatives:

- Draft policy for promotion of research has been updated in view of vision 2020-2030 and also the new Education Policy-2020 (NEP-2020) for which Himachal Pradesh University has been assigned responsibility by the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh as nodal agency for implementation of NEP-2020 in the state.
- Several mean and ways have been adopted under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for promotion of Research Innovative practices besides vision 2020-25, 2025-30.
- The University Scientific Instrumentation Centre (USIC) has been further strengthened with the addition of major equipments. Centre has been facilitating research scholars and faculty in different areas of research.

- An Advisory Committee at University Level has also been constituted to monitor and promote all research related activities in the University .
- Every department has a subject specific Research Degree Committees (RDCs) which monitors the research activities of the department and conduct regular meetings.
- The University has been signing MoUs with outside Institutions, State Departments, Industrial Houses as well as International Institutions/Universities for collaborative activities including research. University has been benefited by way of funding through Joint Research/other Projects.
- There has been provision of research grant in the main budget of University which is reflected in the annual budget for every department also.
- In order to promote research, University is providing Research Grant in the form of seed money to encourage and strengthen the research activities carried by the faculty members of various departments on requirement basis.
- Funds are also provided for educational, industrial tours and excursions to various institutes, industries and other establishment and there is a budget provision for such activities.
- The Faculty Members are encouraged to seek grant for research from various agencies including DST, DBT, ICSSR, ICMR, MoE, CSIR, UGC, State Government etc besides industrial houses which has improved over the years especially with induction of recruitment for faculty members.
- Induction grant from various agencies like UGC, DST etc has also been sanctioned to newly recruited faculty members in various departments.
- Research Ethics is a major constituent of research methodology course in every department in every subject.
- Various measures have been taken to ensure the quality of research. The Plagiarism policy issued by UGC has been adopted as such and all research scholars and faculty members are directed to follow the norms of plagiarism policy as notified by UGC.
- Researchers are encouraged to publish their research work in reputed indexed Journals and also motivated to attend workshops, seminars, conferences etc.
- Faculty is also motivated to collaborate with the Govt, industrial/corporate houses to provide them consultancy as per their requirement.

AWARDS

University has also initiated various categories of awards to the achievers annually based on the research credits and accomplishments earned by regular faculty members of the University through various research activities.

The categories of awards given annually are as follows:

- 1. Best Teacher Award
- 2. Best Research Award
- 3. Best Teacher Administrator etc.

Financial Support Policy for the Faculty Members for attending Conferences/Seminar/Workshops/FDPs:

Objectives:

Financial support policy has the following objectives:

- Promote the faculty members to attend national and international seminars/ conferences/workshops.
- Encourage teachers to present their research work and interact with experts in their respective disciplines.
- Support teachers to take membership in professional bodies.

Incentives:

- a) The University strictly follows the guidelines mentioned under "Guidelines for General Development Assistance to Central, State Universities and Institutions Deemed to be Universities During XII Plan UGC" available at https://www.ugc.ac.in/page/XII-Plan-Guidelines.aspx
- b) The faculty members who do not take any financial support for attending any conference/seminar/workshop/FDP, the duty leave will be treated equivalent to financial support of a nominal amount i.e., Rs. 2000 per conference/seminar/workshop.

Procedure for Conference/Seminar Participation:

1. All requests for conference/seminar participation in a national/international conference/seminar with paper presentation will be submitted to the Research Advisory

Board well in advance and in the attached format (Appendix A) only. A copy of the full paper should be submitted to the Chairman (Research Advisory Board) before leaving for the conference/seminar.

- Copies of the abstract and acceptance letter for the paper, and official registration information specifying conference/seminar dates and fees are to be included with the request.
- 3. University will reimburse the full/part expenditures for registration, travel, daily allowance, lodging costs and local conveyance associated with the conference/seminar as per UGC rules on travel entitlements subject to the condition that any part of the expenses/costs are not paid for by any other agency. The number of days for travel entitlements will include the number of days of the conference/seminar actually attended and additional day(s) as necessary to reach the conference/seminar venue or departing after the conference/seminar is over. The said time period will be treated as paid duty leave.
- 4. In case attending a conference/seminar does not require any financial support from the University such as, through external funding or drawn from an individual's research/faculty development schemes, the same may be permitted.
- 5. The institute-funded conference/seminar participation entitlements are subject to the condition that there will not be any effect on the individual's availability for institutional academic activities.

Annexure A

Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla-5

Research Advisory Board Request for Attending Conference/Seminar/FDP/Workshop

 A. Name of the Faculty: B. Name of the Department: C. Area / Domain: D. Total Service in HPU E. Details of Conference/Seminar/FDP/Workshop planning to attend:
i. Title of the conference/Seminar/FDP/Workshop:
ii. Name of the conference/Seminar/FDP/Workshop organizer:
iii Venue of the conference/Seminar/FDP/Works hop (City/Country):
iv. Dates & Duration of the conference/Seminar/FDP/Workshop
v. Boarding/ Lodging provided: Yes/No
No of Days
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vii. Registration fee/boarding /lodging/travel cost
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I will submit the Abstract/Full paper before leaving for the conference/ Seminar/ FDP /Workshop, if not done earlier.

Relevant Acceptance letter is enclosed.

Date:

Signature of the Faculty

Department Records

- a) Signature of Director/ Chairperson:
- b) Signature of the IQAC coordinator:

HPU IQAC Records

Signature of Director IQAC

Your request for attending the above National/International Conference /Seminar/ FDP/Workshop is approved /disapproved.

Signature of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor