



RESEARCH POLICY 2021

Preamble

St. Mira's College is committed to promote a culture of research among its Faculty as well as students. The focus on research is to provide a strong foundation for the academic and professional development of Faculty as well as the Students and the progress of the Institution as a whole as a premier academic institution.

Purpose

The Purpose of the Research Policy of the College is

- To create a vibrant environment for research, promote a scientific temper and a research aptitude among all learners as well as faculty;
- To identify research areas of academic, practical and socially relevant significance thus contributing to community as well as national development;
- To ensure that the research activities of the college conform to all applicable rules and regulations of the affiliating University and as well as other educational and academic agencies as well as to the established standards and norms relating to safe and ethical conduct of research.

Objectives of Research Policy

Primary Objectives

- To provide a proper coordination of all research activities of the college and aligning these to the vision and missions of the college;
- To identify and inform young student researchers as well as faculty about the appropriate research opportunities announced by different academic, research, industry or government organizations;
- To promote interdisciplinary research and establish and encourage joint research projects across departments, involve more than one knowledge domain as well as involvement of external experts and agencies;
- To encourage and facilitate presentation of the research works at reputed forums through various academic activities such as workshops, conferences, panel discussion, etc. and publication of the research work in reputed academic International / National journals;
- To initiate research with a strong community-orientation and to transfer the research findings for the social and economic development of the community;
- To ensure the quality of all research activities of the college and to observe the highest standards of ethics and integrity in the conduct of their research.

Other Objectives

- To establish necessary modalities for preparing and undertaking joint research ventures to involve external agencies and experts or to cover more than one knowledge domain especially in multidisciplinary projects
- To identify and establish linkages including MOUs for long term relationships with national and international research organizations for widening the scope of research opportunities and funding options available to faculty as well as students of the college.
- To create an ecosystem for innovations including Incubation centre and other initiatives for creation and transfer of knowledge
- To promote collaborations with International and national academic institutions of higher learning and promote linkage with Industry
- To create awareness among students as well as faculty about research outcomes in the form of Policy documents, Patents and Intellectual Property Rights and motivate them to propose policy documents or apply for patents, as and when applicable.
- To ensure that the research undertaken by the faculty under various subjects, departments and areas/fields serves the needs of the society in terms of equity, inclusivity, sustainable development and spirit of national consciousness.



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CODE OF ETHICS FOR RESEARCH

Every attempt would be made to ensure that Research carried out by the Students and the Faculty of the College will fulfil the Standards of Integrity, Honesty and Professionalism

- Every effort to be made by all the Departments and faculty to integrate various aspects of research in the curriculum at the undergraduate as well as post-graduate programmes.
- All learners across streams who would be pursuing research in any and every form (whether in the form of a class assignment or the form of a full-fledged research project or a dissertation) are expected to maintain high standards of integrity in respect of all the work undertaken by them, avoid falsification/ fabrication and ensure fairness in practices and procedures.
- An undergraduate or a post-graduate student or an M.Phil. or PhD research scholar will adopt and follow the guidelines laid down by the College in adherence to the requirements laid down by the Affiliating University- Savitribai Phule Pune University.
- In the case of learners, the necessary requirements to be fulfilled regarding Plagiarism / Similarity of Material before it is accepted as submission in the form to fulfil requirements of any course/ programme, such as a class assignment or a research project or a research paper.
- In the case of faculty, the necessary requirements to be fulfilled regarding Plagiarism / Similarity of Material before the paper is submitted for publication. Every Journal / Publisher does have a mechanism to check the originality of content, yet, the faculty should follow the requirements followed w.r.t. the publication ethics as prescribed by the Affiliating University- Savitribai Phule Pune University.
- A **Research and Ethics Committee** is constituted and a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to be adopted for monitoring research activities of the college.
 - The Research and Ethics Committee to put in place the necessary Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for the various functions/activities under the purview/scope of the Committee.
 - The objective of the SOPs is to contribute to the effective functioning of the Committee in order to ensure a consistent review mechanism of the quality of research undertaken at various levels at the college.
 - The Committee to ensure that all academic research work undertaken provides proper acknowledgment and credit to resource sources and to be free from plagiarism.
 - The Committee to enhance and improve the professional growth of both learners and faculty by upholding high standards of conduct in all endeavours of research.
 - The Committee to develop, review and revise SOPs for the following research-related activities from time to time-
 - Research Centre
 - Faculty Research Activities
 - Research Publications
 - Research Projects
 - Student Research
 - Student Research Associate



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