

RESEARCH POLICY



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Research Policy

The Research Policy has been enunciated to guide the future of research in the University.

A principal objective of University's Research Policy is to maintain a strong focus on the flow of theoretical ideas and to connect it with the empirical works of subject oriented researches in social sciences, humanities, commerce & management, sciences and other disciplines offered by the University as areas of probe and investigation from time to time.

A research project is an opportunity to learn more about a particular subject. Through this process one can enhance and demonstrate a wide range of skills that are applicable to our real life. As a researcher, it is important to use a wide variety of sources and to evaluate the quality and validity of those sources. The purpose of research is to add knowledge. Thus, the study should seek to contextualize its findings within the larger body of research. Research project should add knowledge that is applicable outside the organization and society as whole. Above all, the results of the study should have implications for policy and project implementation.

Taking into considerations the importance, the University encourages its faculty members to carry out research projects in different subjects and provides financial assistance subject to availability of fund from government/ research institutions viz. Chattishgarh Planning Commission, ICSSR etc. for their projects. The ambit of project work in the University has been expanded to include both theoretical and empirical research in various academic disciplines (core subjects). Interdisciplinary areas with blending approach of ODL methodology may also be accepted.

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SCHEME OF TRAVEL GRANT TO TEACHERS HOLDING SUBSTANTIVE POST OF THE UNIVERSITY

The University recognizes the importance of research activities by faculty for systemic growth and development. The participation by teachers in conference/seminars/symposia, etc is an important activity for such growth. These conferences provide a significant opportunity to the participants to acquaint themselves with the latest developments in their fields of professional interest and also to exchange experience and ideas with professionals and scholars working in those fields in various institutions in the country and abroad. The University aims to encourage the participation of teachers in such conference/seminars etc. The University provides financial assistance for this purpose in the form of a travel grant, subject to the permission of University Authority.

Pattern of Assistance for Conference/Seminars etc. held in India

- a. The travel grant for participation in conferences, seminars etc. held within the country will include the cost of travel to the place of conference, and back.
- b. Teachers, will be eligible to claim TA/DA as per their entitlement.
- c. However, if the organizers of the conference pay for board/lodge or pay travel cost, the amount so paid has to be refunded to the University.
- d. If the participant has to pay a registration fee/delegation fee, the University may consider reimbursement of such fees.

Conditions:

- i. Travel grant under this scheme will be admissible to a teacher holding substantive post, only once in a year for participation in a Conference within the Country.
- ii. Teachers who are sanctioned travel grant to participate in conferences will be sanctioned academic leave for the days of the conference and the time taken for travel.
- iii. If any assistance is received from the organizers or any other sources by the applicant, such grants will be adjusted against the total approved expenditure, and the balance grant will be refunded by the applicant, to the University.

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Procedure:

- i. Preparations for professional conferences, seminars etc. are generally made several months in advance. Invitations to present papers, chair a session, leading discussion, etc. are also received well in advance. It should therefore, be possible for the applicants who wish to avail of travel grant from the University to apply at least one/ two month and three/four months in advance of the date of Conference respectively.
- ii. Every application for a travel grant under this scheme should be made in the form of application and be accompanied by the following documents:
 - a. 2 copies of the full paper prepared for presentation at the Conference.
 - b. Name, place and dates of the conferences etc., at which the paper is proposed to be presented.
 - c. A copy of the letter from the Organizer of the conference accepting the paper for presentation as soon as it is received or a copy of the letter of invitation from the organizers of the conference received by the teachers for participation in the conference etc.
- iii. Applications received will be considered by the Vice-Chancellor of the University after submission of all the needful documents.
- iv. The person who has been sanctioned travel grant under this scheme shall submit a report covering the major themes discussed, the benefits derived etc. from his/her participation in the conference on his/her return.
- v. In sanctioning grants, as a general rule, those who have not been provided any support in the past will get preference subject to their fulfilling the conditions prescribed.

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WORKSHOPS/CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS/
RESEARCH WORKS**

The University also provides financial assistance for organizing workshops, conferences, seminars and project work (Minor or Mini). The University for this purpose has its own Workshop/ Conference/ Seminar/ Research Work Grant Rule, 2016 which is framed in accordance of Statute No. 03 (A) of the University.

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Ph.D. REGULATION/ORDINANCE

“Pandit Sundarlal Sharma (Open) University Ph.D. Ordinance 2016” has been framed in compliance with the University Grants Commission (UGC) (Minimum Standards and Procedures of Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2016. The objective of the regulation is to give an opportunity to pursue research degree programme in discipline specific areas.

ASSISTANCE FOR SCHOLARSHIP TO FULL TIME PH.D. SCHOLARS

The University provides financial assistance to the full time regular Ph.D. Scholars as per the Research Scholarship Rule, 2018 (Approved in 70th EC Meeting dated 29.03.2018, proposal no. 06). Under this rule scholarship amount of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) per month with compensatory benefit of Rs. 1500/- (Rupees One thousand five hundred only) is provided to the scholars as per established rule.

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