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ACADEMIC SECTION

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It has been observed that the Ph.D. Regulations, 2023 are not being followed uniformly by various Departments. In order to ensure uniformity, transparency, and adherence to the prescribed rules and procedures, all Departments are hereby required to ensure **strict compliance with the Ph.D. Regulations, 2023.**

EXCERPTS FROM PHD REGULATIONS 2023

1. Each Department/Centre shall maintain a **list of Ph.D. supervisors** (specifying the name of the supervisor, his or her designation, and along with the details of Ph.D. scholars (specifying the name of the registered Ph.D. scholar, the topic of his/her research and the date of admission) admitted under them on the website of the institution and update this list every academic year. [Clause 6.3]
2. HoDs/Directors shall ensure that **allocation of Research Supervisors be completed within a period of two months of the commencement of classes.** [Clause 17.8.4.3]
3. The Departmental Research Committee shall allocate a Research Supervisor depending upon the number of research scholars per Research Supervisor, the available specialization among the faculty supervisors and **the research interest of the research scholar as indicated by him/her in his/her presentation before the Departmental Research Committee.** The allotment/allocation of Research Supervisor shall in no case be left to the individual research scholar or faculty member to decide. Further in the allotment of research scholars, due care shall be taken that **the research scholars are proportionately and judiciously allocated among all the eligible Research Supervisors.** [Clause 16.13]
4. The RAC for each batch of the research scholars shall be constituted in DRC itself and notified towards the end of Semester-I. [Clause 33.1]
5. During the Semester-II, the research scholar shall present and submit the synopsis before the concerned Departmental Research Committee (DRC) on the dates/schedule notified by the Departmental Research Committee (DRC) **to finalize the synopsis and get approved the synopsis and the bilingual versions (English and Urdu) research topic/title,** wherever applicable. [Clause 17.8.5.1]
6. HoDs/Director shall ensure that all the **above requirements are complied within the stipulated time period.** [Clause 17.8.5.6]
7. DRC shall approve the issuance of a **Certificate by the Head of the Department concerned to each research scholar which shall be required at the time of submission of thesis.** [Clause 17.8.5.7]
8. Prior to the submission of the thesis, the research scholar shall make a **Pre Submission Seminar presentation before the Departmental Research Committee** concerned for getting feedback, comments and suggestions. [Clause 21.2]

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All the Deans/HoDs/Principals/Incharge Campuses

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