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Ph.D. Ecosystem


SNDT Women's University provides a robust environment for Doctoral research. In order to enrich the research ecosystem of the University, the Ph.D. Cell was established on 4th April 2022 to strengthen doctoral education in the University. The Ph.D. Cell is located in the Churchgate campus of SNDT Women's University, Mumbai. The cell was set up to consolidate all the activities relating to doctoral research; streamlining and strengthening the research process in the University and providing quality research education to doctoral candidates of the University. It also aims to promote interdisciplinary and multi-disciplinary research that addresses the needs of women in particular and society in general.

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Goals



To provide quality research eco system to the doctoral candidates

To maintain a database of researchers, research supervisors and their areas of research in the University

To update and revise research guidelines of the University in accordance with the UGC guidelines.

To encourage interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary and socially relevant research in the University

To expose doctoral candidates to latest developments related to research

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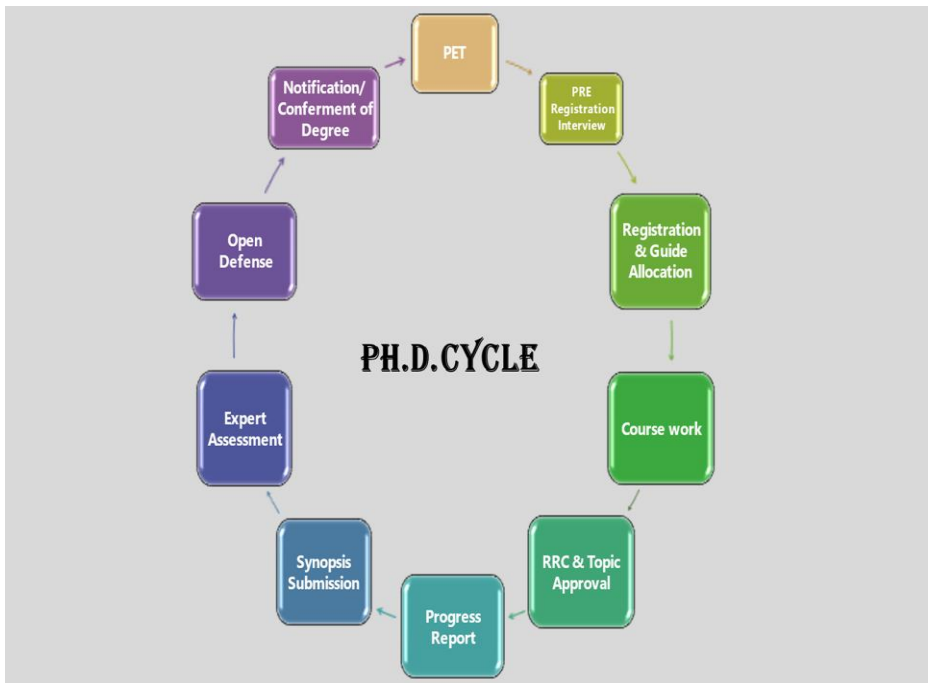
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PhD Cycle



Functions of the Ph.D. Cell

The Ph.D. Cell performs the following functions in collaboration with Exam Section, Academic Section, University Departments, Research centers, and Affiliated colleges offering Ph.D. programme

- Conduct a pre-registration interview.
- Allocate Research Supervisors to doctoral Students and doctoral candidates to Research supervisors.
- Maintain a database of research scholars and supervisors.
- Registration for Ph.D. Candidates.
- Conduct of Orientation Programmes
- Facilitate the conduct of Research Methodology Courses.
- Conduct Seminars, and workshops on IPR, Indian Knowledge system.
- To issue course completion certificate after completion of course work.
- Conduct meetings for approval of progress report, title of dissertation, and synopsis of the thesis.
- To resolve grievances of all stakeholders as per University norms.
- To revise, and update Ph.D. regulations as required.
- Issue guidelines to Research Centres.

Activities of the PhD Cell

Inauguration of PhD Cell of SNTD Women's University

The Ph.D. Cell of SNTD Women's University was inaugurated in 4th of April, 2022 by Ms Sonali Rode, Joint Director, Joint Director, Higher Education, Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai in the presence of the Hon. Vice Chancellor, Prof Ujwala Chakardeo in the Churchgate campus of the University.

Prof Ruby Ojha, Hon. Vice Chancellor of SNTD Women's University, Registrar Dr. Vandana Sharma, Prof Pradnya Wakpainjan, Head of Affiliation Department and Dr. Manisha Madhava, In-charge PhD cell were present on the occasion. The Ph.D cell will look into activities relating to Ph.D. programme of the University and will emerge as single point of contact for the Ph.D Programme. It will also work towards strengthening the PhD programme of the University along the lines of the National Education Policy, 2020.

A workshop for Ph.D guides of the University and its affiliated college was organized on 15th of March 2022 from 10.30 am to 5.00 pm in Patkar Hall of the Churchgate campus of SNTD Women's University. The workshop was attended by over 150 Research Scholars and guides of SNTD Women's University. Mr Mukul Kantkar, National Organising Secretary of Bharatiya Shiksha Mandal was the Keynote speaker for the Programme.

Mr Mukul Kanitkar, elucidated on the qualities and the skills that research work required and delved deep into Indian philosophy to emphasize of the importance of research in nation building. This was followed by a question answer session.

The workshop also involved an interactive session, where research supervisors and guides were informed about the details of PhD process at SNTW Women's University. This was followed with a demonstration of on the PhD process by the Exam department by the exam section and an interactive session with the guides and scholars. The Programme ended with a vote of thanks by Ms. Rajni Nair.



Orientation Programme for Doctoral Scholars and Research Supervisors

An Orientation program for doctoral scholars and supervisors organized jointly by the Ph.D. Cell and IQAC of SNDT Women's University was held on 17 October 2022 in Patkar Hall of SNDT WU with the purpose of orienting the newly inducted research scholars to the need, purpose, strategies and ethics of research and to familiarize them with the procedures of pursuing doctoral research.

The inaugural ceremony was graced by the Honorable Vice Chancellor Prof Ujwala Chakradeo, Pro Vice Chancellor Dr Ruby Ojha, IQAC Coordinator, Dr. Sujata Bhan, Ph. D Cell In charge Dr. Manisha Madhava. It was attended by over 200 research scholars, guides, Heads and faculty members of the University and its affiliated colleges. In the inaugural presentation titled "Research: A Journey" Hon. Vice Chancellor Prof Ujwala Chakradeo impressed upon the transformative nature of research on both individuals and society and implored scholars to be creative.



The other speakers for the program included, Prof. S. Chandrasekhar, from Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai; Prof. Anuradha Majumdar, Dean, Science and Technology, University of Mumbai; Prof. Ashish Pandey, from Shailesh J. Mehta School of Management, IIT Bombay and Prof. D. Parthasarathy of the Department of Humanities and Social Science, IIT Bombay.



The speakers spoke on topics including identifying a research agenda to inter and trans disciplinary research in the context of NEP, Indian Knowledge System and Feminists Perspectives in research. The Orientation program ended with Prof. Ojha and Dr Madhava sharing the guidelines of research in SNDT Women's University.



Revision of PhD Guidelines

The Ph.D. Cell prepared the Revised PhD Regulations, 2022 as per the guidelines of the University Grants Commission, Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of PhD Degree Regulations, 2022. The same was approved by the Board of Deans in a meeting held on 13th of January, 2022 and by the Academic Council Meeting held on 16th January, 2022. The new Guidelines are as per the Draft guidelines issued by the University grants Commission, in view of the New Education Policy. The guidelines lay down the entire process of doctoral research from admission to final viva voce and conferment of degree to the research scholars. It makes provisions that encourage interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary and socially relevant research. It also makes it compulsory for students to do a short course on Indian Knowledge system. With the adoption of the revised guidelines doctoral research in the University is as per the requirement of the New Education Policy, 2020.

Formulation of Guidelines for Research centers

The Ph.D. cell initiated the process of formulating guidelines for Research Centers of the University. Several rounds of meetings were held where in feedback was sought from the Research Centers with regard to the bottlenecks they faced in the conduct of research. The process of affiliation of the Research Centre's were also discussed. On the basis of the discussion a draft guideline for Research centers was formulated.

Workshop on Intellectual Property Rights

A workshop on 'Intellectual Property Rights' was organized on 19th December, 2022 from 10.30 am to 4.30 pm in the J. H. Mini Auditorium, SNDT Women's University, Juhu campus, Mumbai 400049. Neary 70 participants registered for the workshop

Future Plans

- To Create Timelines for various stages of research such as registration, submission of progress report, synopsis submission, etc.
- To draft and approve research proposal guidelines
- To revise and update Thesis format guidelines
- To facilitate faculty wise coursework curriculum for all disciplines
- To draft guidelines for promoting interdisciplinarity
- To establish as PhD Grievance Redressal Cell
- Conduct bi annual Research Retreat
- Seminar for Interdisciplinary & Multi-Disciplinary Research
- To conduct Training Workshops for Research supervisor
- Bring out a University PhD Scholars Publication
- Organize post Convocation Celebration

Number of Ph.D Degrees awarded

Ph.D. Degrees awarded in the year 2015-2016	= 47
PhD awarded in the year 2016-2017	= 52
Ph.D. Degrees awarded in the year 2017-2018	= 32
Ph.D. Degrees awarded in the year 2018-2019	= 66
Phd awarded in the year 2019-2020	= 30
Ph.D. Degrees awarded in the year 2020-2021	= 42
Ph.D. Degrees awarded in the year 2021-2022	= 53

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हम नहीं हैं दीन, कहता कौन हम अबला
है सबल संस्कृति हमारी, हम सभी सबला
ज्योती से जगमग हुआ, अंतर हमारा है।।
स्वप्न ठाकरसी हुआ साकार है इसमें
महर्षि कर्वे तपस्या - सार है इसमें
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