

R.7. Evaluation and Assessment Methods

R.7.1. A research scholar will have to appear before the Research Advisory Committee once in six months to make a presentation of the progress of his/her work for evaluation and further guidance. The six monthly progress reports shall be submitted by the Research Advisory Committee to the Dean Post Graduate Studies with a copy to Institute/ College and the research scholar.

R 7.1 (a) Work book: Every Ph.D. scholar shall maintain a work book of research activities undertaken on the study. The RAC will determine the mechanism for submission and review for scholars both part time and full time. This work book will be reviewed at every RAC meeting.

R.7.2. In case the progress of the research scholar is unsatisfactory, the Research Advisory Committee shall record the reasons for the same and suggest corrective measures. If the research scholar fails to implement these corrective measures within a period of minimum three months or as stipulated by RAC the Research Advisory Committee may recommend to the Institution/ University with specific reasons for cancellation of the registration of the research scholar by the president. This should be submitted to the President through the Dean Post Graduate Studies.

R.7.3. Upon successful completion of the course work which shall form an integral part of the Ph.D. Programme, and upon completion of research work to the satisfaction of the Supervisor/s, the Ph. D. scholar shall draft copy of the thesis, However, he/she have to spend the minimum period of 36 months(3 years).

7.3.1 Women candidates and persons with disability (more than 40%) will be permitted a relaxation of 2 years in the maximum duration.

R.7.4. A Ph.D. scholar will be registered for five years. This may be extended by one year on the recommendation of the Supervisor and duly forwarded by the Dean Faculty concerned, be permitted an extension by the Dean Post Graduate Studies. The President in any special circumstances is authorized to grant an extension up to 1 more year for submitting the Ph.D. thesis. In case student fails to submit the final thesis within this period, he/she will have to get re-registered. For re-registration, immediately on expiry of first/extended registration as the case may be, the fees applicable for fresh students shall be paid by the student, but he/ she shall be exempted from taking the course work. Whereas for re-registration after a gap of one or more years after the first/extended first registration, the fees and rules applicable to a fresh applicant shall be followed, including course work, submission of synopsis, thesis, etc.

R.7.5. In case a student fails to submit the thesis or re-register within the stipulated time, the admission automatically stands cancelled. The concerned Dean Faculty/ Department or a person so authorized shall intimate the Dean Post Graduate Studies the list of all such students.

R.7.5. (A) The research scholar need to publish from his/her thesis minimum of two research paper in peer reviewed refereed journal with ISSN Number of national/ international repute. Similarly scholar will have to make two paper presentations in conferences/seminars pertaining to the research topic selected for the purpose of Ph.D. research work before the submission of the dissertation/thesis for adjudication and produce evidence for the same in the form of acceptance letter and registration receipt of the publication, presentation certificates and/or reprints before the submission of the final drafted thesis for the award of Ph.D. degree.

R.7.5. (B) The Research Paper published by the scholar on Ph.D. Research Work should include the names of the Supervisor/ Co-supervisor as author along with the name of the Scholar

R.7.5. (C) The scholar should write down his designation in the Research Paper published on Ph.D. Research Work as - Research Scholar, Name of Faculty/ Department, Sai Tirupati University, Udaipur.

R.7.5. (D) Prior to Submission of the Thesis, the student shall make a Pre-Ph.D. Presentation in the Faculty/ Research Advisors Committee that may be open to all faculty members and research students, for getting feedback and comments which may be suitably incorporated into the draft thesis under the advice of the Supervisor/s.

R.7.6. The Academic Council (or its equivalent body) of the Institution shall evolve a mechanism using well developed software and gadgets to detect plagiarism and other forms of academic dishonesty. While submitting for evaluation, the dissertation/thesis shall have an undertaking from the research scholar and a certificate from the Research Supervisor attesting to the originality of the work, vouching that there is no plagiarism and that the work has not been submitted for the award of any other degree/diploma of the same Institution where the work was carried out, or to any other Institution.

R.7.7. The Ph. D. student needs to submit five copies of drafted thesis to the University along with four soft copies of thesis through proper channel.

R.7.8. The Ph.D. thesis submitted by a research scholar shall be evaluated by his/her Research Supervisor and at least two external examiners, who are not in employment of the Institution/College. It shall be upto the University to decide to have one examiner from outside the country that is it is not compulsory to have one examiner from outside the country.

R.7.9. The supervisor should submit a panel of six examiners to the Dean Post Graduate Studies for the evaluation of the thesis. The Dean Post Graduate Studies shall recommend it to the President of the University for the Appointment of two experts out of the panel of examiners submitted by the Supervisor.

R.7.10. The panel of six examiners submitted by the supervisor for evaluation of the thesis shall be of minimum Professor or Associate Professor or Equivalent from any recognized university/institute. However, priority may be given to the Professor while submitting the panel of examiner.

R 7.10.A The Supervisor shall not submit more than two Names of Experts from the same State.

R 7.10.B Out of six names minimum three Experts should be designated as Professor.

R 7.10.C The Name of Experts submitted in the Panel should be from of the University Department/faculty. (Names of Retired Professors of University Department/Faculty can also be submitted for Thesis Evaluation). Principal and Professor of recognized private colleges duly approved by regulatory bodies can also be approved as examiners to evaluate Ph.D thesis.

R.7.11. A panel of examiner submitted by the supervisor for evaluation of the thesis shall be strictly from external university and it should not be local university where the Sai Tirupati University is situated.

R.7.12. The appointed examiner shall not be of the first blood relation of the candidate.

R.7.13. The examiners shall examine the thesis and submit their reports independently within 3 months of the receipt of the same by them.

R.7.14. On receipt of satisfactory evaluation reports, the Ph.D. student shall undergo a formal presentation and viva - voce examination by at least one of the external examiners appointed for the evaluation of thesis and the Supervisor, which shall be open to the teachers and research scholars as observers. Open discussions may be encouraged after completion of the formal viva – voce by the examiner.

R.7.15. If the performance of the candidate at viva –voce examination is not satisfactory, he/she may be permitted to re-appear for the viva – voce examination within a period as specified by Dean Post Graduate Studies, Supervisor concerned and Examiner on payment of prescribed fees of Rs. 20,000/-. If an examiner offers specific comments which need change or modification in the text, it should be done before the second viva – voce is held. Also efforts should be made to get the Re-viva-Voce within a period of six months from the date of present Viva-Voce.

R.7.16 If one of the evaluation reports of the external examiner in case of Ph.D. thesis is unsatisfactory and does not recommend viva-voce, the Institution shall send the dissertation/ thesis to another external examiner out of the approved panel of examiners and the viva-voce examination shall be held only if the report of the latest examiner is satisfactory. If the report of the latest examiner is also unsatisfactory, the dissertation/ thesis shall be rejected and the research scholar shall be declared ineligible for the award of the degree.