

# **Association of Indian Universities**

Guidelines for Recognition of 4-Year Fellow Programme in Management (FPM) offered by Self-Financing Autonomous Management Institutions recognized by AICTE to accord equivalence to Ph.D. Degree Programme of an Indian University

## **(Revised GUIDELINES as per GC resolution 378/12 dated 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2024)**

### **The Institute**

1. Must be duly approved by the Statutory Bodies and running duly approved Master's Level Programme in Management at least for the past five years. The Master's Level Programme offered by the Institute should hold a valid NBA/AICTE/AIU accreditation.
2. The Institution may be accredited by a recognized national/international agency.
3. Should have the teacher-student ratio of 1:15, and also maintain the minimum 1:2:4 Cadre-ratio of Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor.
4. Must have at least 50% of its full-time faculty holding a Ph.D. Degree in Management OR related discipline from a reputed Institution.
5. Should have a good library with at least 50 journals in Management and relevant disciplines, including minimum 10 international journals. There shall be facilities for e-journals and number of research books - monogram setc.
6. Library should be a member of network like NDLI & INFLIBNET.
7. Should have at least 0.5 research publications per faculty per annum in UGC-CARE list /SCOPUS/ABDC approved list of journals during the last five years.
8. At least 5 FPMs must have graduated from the institution on the date of application.
9. At least one third of the FPM students shall be full time.
10. The institute shall be within Top 100 NIRF ranking for at least 3 times in last 5 years.
11. Should have incurred an annual expenditure of at least 5% of its total budget on research and development activities during the last five years.
12. Should have organized at least three major research conferences at national/international level during the last five years.

## **Faculty and Research Guidance**

1. There should be at least 6 qualified Research Guides holding permanent positions in the Institute.
2. A qualified external Faculty member may be associated as a joint guide only. Exclusive guidance by external Faculty should not be allowed.
3. At any given point of time, the maximum number of FPM students enrolled for research guidance should not exceed 8 students for a recognized Professor, 6 students for a recognized Associate Professor and 4 students for a recognized Assistant Professor.
4. To qualify as a recognized research guide, the faculty member shall fulfill the following conditions:
  - Shall be a full-time regular faculty member of the Institute.
  - A Ph.D. Degree holder with a minimum of three years post Ph.D.
  - experience. Shall have a minimum of 05 publications in UGC-CARE list /SCOPUS/ABDC journals.

## **Research Committee**

The Institute shall have a Research Committee comprising of recognized research guides on its pay roll-on full-time basis from the Institute and at least two external experts who also fulfill the requirements for becoming recognized guides. The Research Committee shall administer the Fellow Programme at the Institution level which will be reviewed periodically and evolve policies for research.

The thesis after submission shall be evaluated by at least two external examiners, who are/were faculty members in an accredited Institution.

## **Eligibility & Procedure for Admission**

The University Grants Commission (UGC) (Minimum Standards & Procedure for award of M Phil/Ph.D. degree) Regulations 2018 as amended from time to time shall be followed.