

திருவள்ளுவர் பல்கலைக்கழகம் THIRUVALLUVAR UNIVERSITY (State University)

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Policy for Promotion of Research

Research and extension activities are integral to teaching in Indian Universities. Education is a dynamic process. It requires constant updating. This updating is possible only with a vibrant research aptitude. Research makes it possible to create knowledge, innovation and newer insights that makes extension activities and teaching more vibrant and scientific. Thiruvalluvar University has a significant place for research activities and encourages all its faculty and students to involve in research activities of higher standards. All education, research and innovation of the University aim to be of a high standard. To achieve the high quality research ambience the following policies have been in practice with continual efforts for revision and update.

The objects of the University shall be to disseminate and advance knowledge by providing instructional and research facilities in all branches of Humanities and Science educational programmes of the university and to take appropriate measures for promoting inter-disciplinary studies and research in the University.

Policy for promotion of research

In order to promote research activities, University has established Centre for Research and Centre for Outreach that deals with all research projects funded by various funding agencies and to facilitate the other research and development activities like conferences, collaborations and establishing networking with other institutes and industries in India and outside India

- Thiruvalluvar University encourages its faculty to apply for research projects from international, national funding agencies apart from local bodies, industries and other funding sources for research projects.
- Teachers without PhD are encouraged to pursue and complete their PhD by providing study leave with salary benefits.
- Encouraging faculty members to pursue Post-Doctoral research, national collaborative, and international collaborative research projects and fellowships

by providing study leave to spend their time in research activities in the University itself or in other universities and in universities abroad.

- The eligible Faculty are encouraged to guide PhD research scholars in accordance with PhD Regulation of Thiruvalluvar University. According to PhD Regulations of the University, Professors and Associate professors are automatically recognized as PhD guides, whereas the eligible assistant professors with prescribed years of experience, PhD degree and required publication are also recognized to supervise PhD scholars.
- The research output in the form of Innovation, creativity and patents filing are encouraged by establishing separate cells for the said activities in the University.
- University encourages faculty to establish network with other universities within India as well as abroad and go for MoUs. University has more than 30 such MoUs for the benefit of faculty and students for research activities.
- University provides initial start up funds as SEED MONEY (one time grant) to the faculties.
- University extends various incentives to faculty actively participating in research activities: such as
 - Financial support to attend conferences/workshops and towards the membership fee in recognized professional scientific bodies
 - Appreciation awards for paper publication in high impact factor journals

Ethics in Research

Thiruvalluvar University plays utmost importance in encouraging its faculty for following ethical guidelines established by appropriate bodies in carrying out the research activities.

Plagiarism check is another important focus that the university insists for. All the PhD theses before submission must be checked by plagiarism and certificate to be submitted with signatures of both research scholar and the concerned research guide. Plagiarism software has been provided to all the faculty for checking their research articles, research proposals and research project reports besides using plagiarism check to regulate the student assignments.

University encourages various departments to conduct workshops in research methodology where ethics in research is an integral part of the workshops. Awareness is also created to

faculty members by invited talks in ethics in research. Ethics in research is also taught for PhD research scholars as part of their course work, where ethics is an essential part of the course work. In addition, Pondicherry University has IPR policy in place.