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Subject: **RULES/POLICIES FOR MS/M.PHIL/Ph.D. PROGRAMS**

Please find attached herewith rules/policies of Punjab University, as provided by Chairperson, DPCC and notified time to time for the purpose of getting NOC from HEC in order to start new MS/M.Phil/Ph.D. program.


Sd/-  
Muhammad Rauf Nawaz  
Registrar

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Dated: 20.07.2022

*Copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information:*

1. Chairperson, DPCC
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## OFFICE NOTE

It is stated that the Syndicate, University of the Punjab in its meeting held on 15-11-2021 has adopted the HEC revised policy. The existing/new rules for PhD program is as under:

### **Comprehensive Examination:**

- Students admitted to Ph.D., course shall take comprehensive examination after successful completion of 18 credit hours course work. The concerned Departments/Institutes/Colleges/Centres/School shall hold the said examination. The Comprehensive Examination shall be held within one month after the completion of the course work.
- To pass the comprehensive examination, a student must get GP/GPA not less than 3.0.
- If the student does not pass the comprehensive examination or doesn't get at least GPA 3.0, in the first attempt but  $\geq 2.70$  he/ she may be given one more chance on the recommendation of his Supervisor and departmental Doctoral Program Committee. Similarly, a student who remains absent during the comprehensive examination will only be given a second chance to sit in the examination subject to a condition that his/her circumstances of not being able to attend the examination are well justified and accepted by the concerned DPC. On the recommendations of the concerned DPC, the Dean/DPCC may allow such a student to reappear. The second Comprehensive Examination shall be held within one month of the first examination.

### **Research Article:**

One Research Article published at least in HEC/HJRS X Category Journal as per HEC policy for student of Sciences as per HEC previous policy. However, according to revised/new policy of HEC one Research Article published at least in HJRS Y Category Journal for all faculties.

### **Plagiarism:**

According to the Plagiarism policy of University of the Punjab, upto 19% similarity is valid on the basis of report from Turnitin Software by Main Library.

### **Evaluation of Thesis:**

The University of the Punjab awarding PhD degree after two reports of foreign examiners from academically advanced countries as per HEC policy and after successful viva-voice examination by two local examiners.



**Prof. Dr. Anjum Nasim Sabri**  
Chairperson, DPCC