

PARUL UNIVERSITY

R/Notification-1396/2024-25

Office of the Registrar
December 17, 2024

NOTIFICATION

Sub: Revision in the regulations governing Ph.D programmes offered by the University

Ref: (i) No. R/Notification-1056/2023-24 dated 09.05.2023

(ii) Proceedings of the Eighteenth Meeting of the Governing Body held on December 2, 2024

(iii) Orders of the Provost

PREAMBLE:

Dean, Doctoral Studies and Research proposed revision in the regulations governing Ph.D. programme offered by the university related to change of category of Ph.D. Programme, change of supervisor as well as eligibility for recognition of Ph.D. supervisor during the Eighteenth Meeting of the Governing Body held on December 2, 2024 which was approved by the Governing Body. Hence, the Order.

ORDER:

The revision made to the regulations governing Ph.D programmes offered by the university are enclosed in the annexure.

By Order


Registrar

To,

Dean, Doctoral Studies & Research

Copy to,

- 1) Deans of Faculties
- 2) Principals/ Directors of Colleges/ Institutes
- 3) The Controller of Examinations
- 4) Director (IQAC)
- 5) PUMIS Coordinator

Submitted to,

- 1) The President
- 2) Dr.Parul Patel, Vice President (Student Affairs and General Administration) and Chairperson, Admissions Committee, Parul University
- 3) Dr.Geetika Madan Patel, Vice President (Quality, Research and Health Sciences), Parul University
- 4) Dr.Komal Patel, Vice President (Medical and Paramedical Sciences), Parul University
- 5) The Provost

ANNEXURE

In No. R/Notification-1056/2023-24 dated 09.05.2023, the following modifications/additions are made:

I. Change of category of Ph.D. Programme shall be included as Section 9 as per below:

The candidates who are desirous of switching over from full time Ph.D. to part time and vice versa shall have to obtain recommendation from concerned Ph.D. Supervisor and Dean of the Faculty. The application be made for the same shall be permitted ONLY one time during entire duration of Ph.D. programme. In case of switching over to full time Ph.D. Studies, it is mandatory to furnish relieving letter issued by the current employer. Upon being permitted to switch over to full time Ph.D. or part time Ph.D. respective regulations will be binding on the concerned Ph.D. Scholars

II. Change of Supervisor

Replacement of existing Section 18 as per below:

The change of the Ph.D. Supervisor is generally not permissible, except the circumstances outlined below. However, Dean, Doctoral Studies and Research in consultation with Dean of relevant faculty may recommend a change of Ph.D. Supervisor to the Provost for approval in cases of genuine and valid reasons.

1. If the Ph.D. supervisor has left his/her affiliation with the University or is on deputation elsewhere for a period exceeding one year.
2. If the Ph.D. supervisor passes away during the course of the research.
3. If a Ph.D. supervisor retires or reaches superannuation from the University during the research process, the retiring faculty member will continue as the Ph.D. Co-Supervisor with the expectation of actively participating in the scholar's research until its completion.
4. In situations of extreme hardship, where it becomes nearly impossible for a research scholar to collaborate with the current Ph.D. supervisor, and upon the recommendation of the respective Dean, the Provost, after thorough consideration, may/may not grant permission for a change of Ph.D. supervisor after recordings reasons thereof in writing. This provision is to be employed sparingly and exclusively in highly exceptional circumstances.

III. Eligibility for recognition of Ph.D. supervisor

New Eligibility criterion for the recognition of Ph. D Supervisor in existing section 17.1.3. as per below:

After completing Ph.D., permanent faculty members working as Professor/Associate Professor/Assistant Professor should have either a minimum of two post-Ph.D. publications in journals indexed in Scopus, Web of Science, SCI, and the UGC Care list, or one year of post-Ph.D. experience, whichever comes first in order to be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisor. This requirement, along with the previously stated criteria, will be considered for recognition as a Ph.D. supervisor.