

ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

RISHIKESH 249203



Ninth Academic Committee

Minutes of Meeting



Date: 25 July 2021

Time: 1100 Hrs

Venue: Director's Board Room, AIIMS Rishikesh(*Hybrid mode*)

Prof OPS Negi
Chairperson

Prof Ravi Kant
Member Secretary

AC 9.1 Welcome address:

Member Secretary, Prof Ravi Kant, Director & CEO, AIIMS Rishikesh welcomed all Members of Committee and informed that Sri Anil Baluni, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) and Prof Anoop Kumar Jain has expressed their inability to attend Ninth (9) Academic Committee meeting of AIIMS Rishikesh held on 25 July 2021. Quorum was complete and meeting was initiated with permission to Chair.

Following Members of Academic Committee (AC) were present:

S. No	Name	Designation
1.	Prof Om Prakash Singh Negi	Chairperson
2.	Prof Virender Kumar Bansal	Member
3.	Prof Damodar Shenoy	Member
4.	Prof Ravi Kant	Member Secretary

Prof Manoj Gupta, Dean (Academics) and Dr Manisha Naithani (Vice-Dean (A)) AIIMS Rishikesh attended meeting as Special Invitee.

AC 9.2 Opening remarks by Chairperson, Academic Committee Prof Om Prakash Singh Negi, Vice –Chancellor Uttarakhand Open University

Hon'ble Chairperson, Prof OPS Negi welcomed all Members of Academic Committee and briefed them about various agendas to be discussed in Ninth Academic Committee meeting. He initiated meeting with greeting to Members, various modalities and workflow of Academic Committee.

AC 9.3 Minutes of Eight Academic Committee Meeting

Annexure A

Minutes were confirmed.

AC 9.4 Action taken Report

Annexure B

Action taken report was approved.



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	5. Certificate of Merit/ Appreciation	For students who stood second on merit
M.Sc. Nursing:		
D.	Subject wise medals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neuroscience Nursing • Oncology Nursing • Orthopaedics Nursing • Obstetrics and Gynaecology Nursing • Psychiatry Nursing • Pediatric Nursing 	i. Stringent merit-based Criteria ii. Those who achieving more than 75% in examination
DM/M.Ch.:		
E.	Scalea - Joshi Shock Trauma Award	Best performing M.Ch. Trauma Surgery

Agenda was approved.

AC 9.30 Agenda related to PhD (Amendments are suggested)

1. Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) Composition

Previous	Amendment Proposed
1.c) Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) 15.1 For close monitoring and quality assurance, there will be a DRC for PhD course. It will consist of 1. Guide & 2. Co-Guide(s) (Page 12/18)	1.c & 15.1: Composition of DRC: Doctoral research Committee (DRC) shall mean Institutional DRC of AIIMS Rishikesh, and will comprise of Director AIIMS Rishikesh or his/her representative, Dean Academics (Co-Chairperson), Dean Research, Convener and Co convener, PhD Guides, Co-Guides and two invited experts as nominated by Director AIIMS, Rishikesh



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2. Composition of IRRB

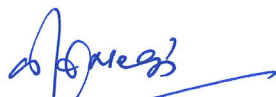
Previous	Amendment Proposed
<p>Definition of IRRB</p> <p>1. e): Institutional Research Review Board will consist of Dean (Academic) (Chairperson), Dean (Research), PhD Convener, PhD Co-Convener (Page 2/18)</p>	<p>Composition of IRRB:</p> <p>1. e): Director, AIIMS Rishikesh (Chairperson) or his/her representative, Dean Academics (Co-Chairperson), Dean Research</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ PhD Convener ➤ PhD Co-Convener ➤ Two expert members nominated by Director ➤ a faculty representative of OBC, SC/ST, and Minority Community nominated by Director AIIMS, Rishikesh.

4. Degrees and eligibility for Course (for Medical Sciences)

Previous	Amendment
<p>2.1.1 MBBS/BDS degree or equivalent with minimum of 55% aggregate marks or equivalent percentile in Professional examinations.</p> <p>2.1.2 MD/MS/MDS/MCh in subject concerned or Diplomate of National Board of Examinations with minimum of 55% aggregate marks or equivalent percentile.</p> <p>2.1.3 Bachelor degree in Alternative Medicine (AYUSH) with minimum of 55% aggregate marks in Professional examinations.</p>	<p>2.1.1: MBBS degree or equivalent with minimum of 55% aggregate marks or equivalent percentile in Professional examinations.</p> <p>2.1.2: MD/MS/MDS/DM/MCh in subject concerned or Diplomate of National Board of Examinations or equivalent degree recognized by MCI/DCI</p> <p>2.1.3: Masters degree after BAMS, BHMS, BNYS, will be eligible for PhD in AYUSH.</p>

5. Degrees and eligibility for Course (for non-medical candidates)

Previous	Amendment
<p>2.3 For Non-Medical Candidates holding MSc (Other than MSc Nursing), M Biotech/ M Tech degree / M Com / MBA or equivalent will be eligible for non-medical qualification category.</p>	<p>2.3.1 Candidates holding MSc (Other than MSc Nursing), M Biotech/ M Tech degree / M Com / MBA / MPH will be eligible for non-medical qualification category as per AIIMS New Delhi</p>



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6. Study leave period for external in-service candidates

Previous	Amendment
2.5.2 Also such Candidates will have to provide a certificate at time of submission of synopsis from employer stating that in event of selection to PhD course Candidate will be granted for a minimum period of 2-year study leave with full pay and permission to work at AIIMS Rishikesh to pursue full time PhD Course	2.5.2: Also, such Candidates will have to provide a certificate at time of submission of synopsis from employer stating that in event of selection to PhD course Candidate will be granted for a minimum period of 3-year study leave with full pay and permission to work at AIIMS Rishikesh to pursue full time PhD Course

7. Eligibility criteria of Internal candidates for every session

Previous	Amendment
2.6.1 Applicants from AIIMS Rishikesh - whose tenure is of 3 years or more - Faculty/Scientific staff/ Administrative officer/ officials, SR, JR, Tutors and Demonstrators may apply as Internal Candidates.	2.6.1 Applicants from AIIMS Rishikesh- Only those Faculty/ Scientists/ Administrative officer/ officials, whose tenure is of 3 years or more (subject to fulfilment of eligibility criteria) should be allowed to apply as internal candidate. DM, MCh, PDCC candidates and others pursuing full time academic courses at AIIMS Rishikesh cannot apply for a PhD programme simultaneously. EXCEPTION: MD-PHD ICMR Course

8. Number of PhD seats

Previous	Amendment
4.1:Scholars to be admitted will depend on number of available Research Supervisors (Guides) and other academic and physical facilities available, keeping in mind norms regarding scholar- teacher ratio (as mentioned below in "Allocation of Research scholar guide), laboratory, library and such other facilities	4.1:Scholars to be admitted will depend on number of available Research Supervisors (Guides) and other academic and physical facilities available, keeping in mind norms regarding scholar- teacher ratio (as mentioned below in "Allocation of Research scholar guide"), laboratory, library and such other facilities. Final decision on number of seats rests with IRRB.



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9. PhD Course entrance exam Notification

Previous	Amendment
4.2 c: Admission for PhD degree: Intake of students for PhD course will be twice a year (January and June session) through PhD entrance examination conducted by AIIMS Rishikesh.	4.2 c: Admission for PhD degree: Intake of students for PhD course will be Once a year through PhD entrance examination conducted by AIIMS Rishikesh. Institute reserves right to forego admission to a session based on decision by IRRB

10. Enrollment of Internal candidates for every session

Previous	Amendment
4.2.D: Distribution of total number of PhD seats to be occupied by Internal and external Candidates for January and July session would be decided by Director AIIMS Rishikesh	4.2.D: Decision by IRRB

11. Indemnity Bond

Previous	Amendment
4.3 All Candidates i.e., Faculty, Scientific Staff, Officers, SR, JR, Tutors, Demonstrators shall sign a bond for completion of course.	4.3 All Candidates enrolled for PhD Course shall sign a bond for completion of course.

12. Disclaimer in Prospectus for funding support

Previous	Amendment
6.3 Evaluation Procedure III) Admission to Ph.D. Course will be subject to availability of Guides/ research funds/fellowship/ grant from recognized funding agencies	6.3 Admission to Ph.D. Course will be subject to availability of Guides/ research funds/fellowship/ grant from recognized funding agencies. a. PhD guide are required to identify source of funding support for their research work. b. Limited number of fellowship grant would be given to meritorious students.


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13. Transfer during PhD Course

Previous	Amendment
<p>5. Transfer for PhD credit in case of relocation</p> <p>5.1 In case of relocation of PhD woman scholar due to marriage or otherwise, research period, and research data shall be allowed to be transferred to AIIMS Rishikesh. Scholar will give due credit to parent guide and previous Institution for part of research already done.</p>	<p>5.1 Transfer In</p> <p>5.1.a PhD Women scholar To be replaced by- PhD Scholar.</p> <p>5.1.b: Subject to condition that Research Scholar has either joined as employee/ on deputation and has cleared entrance exam conducted by AIIMS, Rishikesh and is willing to enroll as a full time PhD Research Scholar.</p>
<p>5.2 Transfer of Research credit for PhD students from other Institutions/ Universities enrolled at AIIMS Rishikesh will have to clear Research Methodology, Biostatistics and Evidence Based Medicine (EBM) exam for PhD scholars conducted by AIIMS Rishikesh subsequently</p>	<p>5.1.c: Transferred in candidate will have to complete mandatory course work for PhD scholars, not completed at in his/her previous institute, conducted by AIIMS Rishikesh. Transfer-in candidate to submit evidence of mandatory course work to PhD cell.</p>
<p>No Rule</p>	<p>5.2 Transfer Out:</p> <p>a. All PhD Scholars are required to inform PhD section in writing, through their guide, prior to leaving AIIMS Rishikesh, failing which no research work credit will be transferred.</p> <p>b. PhD course work may be credited to new institute of joining, subject to submission of completion certificate of all mandatory courses, pending fees on date of leaving institute and submission of progress report from date of joining to date of leaving institute.</p> <p>c. Scholar will give due credit to parent guide and previous Institution for part of research already done</p> <p>d. All submissions for transfer-out are to be done through IRRB.</p>



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14. Method of selection

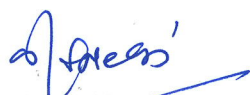
Previous	Amendment
6. Method of selection A. Direct (Without Examination) 1. Candidate in-Service -Faculty, SR, JR, Staff, Officers, Tutors, Demonstrators 2. Candidate transferred from other University 3. Candidate who have qualified JRF /SRF B. Entrance Exam, Personal interaction and Departmental assessment	6. Method of selection A. Removed B. Entrance Exam: All Internal and External candidates (Medical, non-medical, in-house, in-service, transfer-in) will have to appear in a written entrance exam. C. Entrance Exam, Departmental assessment and interaction with IRRB for all candidates.

15. Selection criteria of Internal candidates (Existing)

Previous	Amendment
6.5 Method of selection for Internal Candidates: Based on marks obtained in Professional examination	6.5 Criteria for selection of internal candidates will be similar to that for external candidates, i.e. entrance examination of 200 Clinical Vignettes followed by interaction with IRRB.

16. Pattern of entrance exam (Existing)

Previous	Amendment														
6.1: Entrance exam 70 marks, Personal interaction with board: 50 marks Departmental clinical/practical/lab based assessment: (carrying 20 marks). Special weightage: 10 marks 6.2 Entrance exam: 70 Questions (MCQs): 30 Aptitude related MCQs covering English (Written and verbal skills), Biostatistics, Research Methodology, Cell Biology, Lab technology 40 subject specific (MD/MS/ MDS/ DM/ MCh/ M Tech/MSc etc.)	6.1 Entrance to PhD Course will be based on merit scores based on following evaluations A & B: A. Entrance Exam: 200 Questions of 3 hours duration of 200 Marks (Common for all speciality) <table border="1" style="margin: 10px 0;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Distribution of topics</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Number of questions</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Basics of Research Methodology</td> <td>50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Basic Biostatistics</td> <td>20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Basics of Biochemistry, Physiology and lab technology</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>General aptitude and logical reasoning</td> <td>50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>English</td> <td>20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Recent advances in health</td> <td>30</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> Candidates must score at least 50% marks to be eligible for next level. B. 80% - Entrance Examination Score C. 20% Departmental assessment & interaction with IRRB	Distribution of topics	Number of questions	Basics of Research Methodology	50	Basic Biostatistics	20	Basics of Biochemistry, Physiology and lab technology	30	General aptitude and logical reasoning	50	English	20	Recent advances in health	30
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17. PhD Guide and Co-Guide criteria

Previous	Amendment
7.7 Faculty perusing his/her PhD at AIIMS Rishikesh will not be eligible to be a guide simultaneously for any other PhD Candidate during his/her own PhD course.	7.7 Faculty perusing his/her PhD at AIIMS Rishikesh will not be eligible to be a guide simultaneously for any other PhD Candidate during his/her own PhD course. Also, if a faculty has consented to be guide of a scholar, he/she will not be eligible to apply for PhD Course as a PhD scholar until submission of thesis work by research scholar under him/her.

18. Change in Guide

Previous	Amendment
9.2 However, a Candidate may be permitted to transfer his/her registration from one research guide to another, on advice of Institutional Research Review Board, approved by Director AIIMS Rishikesh. 9.3 In case, there is any controversy between student and Guide matter to be forwarded by Convener PhD Course to Director AIIMS Rishikesh whose decision shall be final.	To be Replaced with..... IRRB decision will be final.
9.4 After superannuation of guide, a co-guide from AIIMS, Rishikesh will automatically take higher place.	9.4 In case of superannuation of Guide, a co-guide from AIIMS, Rishikesh will automatically take higher place. If a co-guide is not present from AIIMS, Rishikesh, decision of guide is to be made by IRRB. Co-guide should mandatorily be included from respective department
No Clause	9.5 Conditions under which change of Guide is permitted: (No clause mentioned in Ordinance (Point no. 9) a) Guide has left Institute because of transfer, deputation, long training, study leave, selection at another institute or has superannuated etc. b) Guide is unable to function as a guide


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	<p>because of ill health.</p> <p>c) Exceptional circumstances after review and approval of IRRB.</p> <p>9.6 Change of guide will be allowed only until one year from date of enrollment.</p>
No Clause	<p>9.7 Any request for change in guide after one year from date of enrollment is not permitted. However, in exceptional case, decision will be taken on a case-to-case basis by IRRB.</p> <p>9.8 A suitable reason for change in guide should be provided by research scholar.</p> <p>9.9 Guide may also express his/ her inability to be guide in case of following situations:</p> <p>a. Guide has to leave Institute because of transfer, deputation, long training, study leave or has superannuated etc.</p> <p>b. Unable to guide because of ill health.</p> <p>c. Exceptional circumstances after review and approval of IRRB.</p> <p>9.10 If candidate does not fall in any of above-mentioned criteria, then a new registration through process of entrance and re-registration for PhD Course would be required.</p>
No clause	<p>9.11 Guide leaving the institute: Performa report of data will be reviewed by Convener & Co-convener PhD course. If data collection is >90% completed, one may continue to be Guide. However, if data collection is <90%, Co-Guide from AIIMS, Rishikesh will become Guide.</p> <p>9.12 Co-guides cannot be changed after IEC approval; however, they can be added. Any change in co-guide, in exceptional circumstances, has to be after approval of IRRB</p>


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19. Leave and other rules

Previous	Amendment
11. 2 PhD students are entitled for 30 days leave per year	External PhD Scholars are entitled for 30 days leave per year (on pro-rata basis).

20. TA/DA of co-guide

Previous	Amendment
15.7 If Co-Guide happens to be from an external Institution, his/her cost of travelling and local hospitality shall be arranged/reimbursed by AIIMS Rishikesh as per its rules.	15.7 If Co-Guide happens to be from an external Institution, his/her cost of travelling and local hospitality may be arranged/reimbursed by AIIMS Rishikesh as per its rules.

21. Cancellation of PhD Registration

Amendment in 23:

Additional criteria for cancellation of PhD registration:

- 23.7 Failure to submit fees after three reminders
- 23.8 Failure to complete mandatory course work and submit certificates to this effect after three reminders.
- 23.9 Failure to report for DRC meeting, without any information or valid reason approved by Dean Academics.
- 23.10 Failure to submit progress report to PhD cell in a timely manner.
- 23.11 Failure to complete PhD in five years.

22. Enhancement of fellowship

Previous	Amendments
<p>As per SFC approval in First Academic Committee, point no. 2 (Agenda No.09):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 fellowship allowed per year (8 Medical, 2 Nursing/Allied). • Amount of fellowship: 25000 per month for medical and 15000 per month for Nursing candidates • Fellowship duration: 3 years • Basis of granting fellowship: (point no.12 - Financial assistance: It will be given to meritorious Candidates from AIIMS Rishikesh as per existing norms.) 	<p>Recommendations for enhancement of fellowship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total number of PhD fellowships may be increased to 15 per year. • Amount of fellowship should be as per UGC/CSIR/ICMR guidelines for JRF for initial two years and SRF from third year onwards for a maximum period of five years for all medical as well as Nursing/Allied PhD Scholars. Revision of emoluments may be applied as per changes in UGC guidelines subsequently. (F.No. 12-2/2019-U1 dated 31st January 2019). • Total duration of fellowship: 3 years, extendable up to a maximum of 5 years • On completion of two years as JRF, fellowship will be upgraded to SRF and stipend will be increased as per


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	<p>UGC/CSIR/ICMR guidelines for third and subsequent years on basis of assessment of scholar's research progress/ achievements forwarded by Guide will be reviewed by IRRB committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In case review committee does not find progress report as satisfactory, the JRF may continue or may be terminated. Progress will be reviewed again at end of each subsequent year for renewal of fellowship.• If candidate is getting Financial Support from institute in any other form (SR, JR, Tutor etc.), then this will be as per institutional norms.
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Agenda was approved.

AC 9.31 Registration charges for CPD for AIIMS Participants/External Participants.

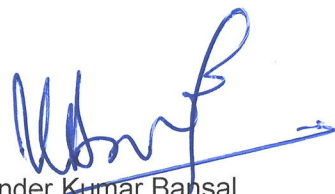
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AC 9.32 Guidelines for long/short term training/observership for foreign nationals as per AIIMS New Delhi

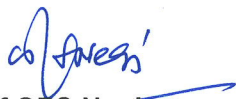
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Meeting ended with vote of thanks.



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