



## **Code of Ethics for Research-2022**

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- ❖ **Vision:** Strive to accomplish the goals of humanitarian society through Inclusive Education and Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities
- ❖ **Mission:** To become a Global Centre of Excellence of Higher Education and Rehabilitation for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities with their Co-peers on the Maxims of inclusiveness and togetherness.

#### ❖ **Salient Features of Code of Ethics:**

**Introduction:** Academic honesty, integrity, respect for intellectual property rights is the corner stone of contemporary academic fraternity engaged in active and vibrant research. In an institution primarily focused to cater the academic needs of differently abled students & rehabilitation, social responsibility, humanness, human values, honesty and integrity becomes the foundation of our academic endeavour. It becomes all the more important that researcher practice academic integrity and honesty while undertaking research in a special/inclusive institution like that of DSMNRU.

**Objectives:** Keeping in view the special mandate of the University it is of paramount importance that the researcher shall be aware about embezzlement of ideas, Plagiarism, Falsification, Fabrication, Fraud, Non-compliance of Regulatory Guidelines, Inappropriate Authorship, Withholding data from Validation and Wrong versus Fraudulent paper. To make the researcher competent so that he/she does not to fall prey to such activities knowingly or unknowingly institutional ecosystem will be in place. It will also be in consonance with the stated prerogatives in the Preamble and objectives of the Research Policy 2022 of DSMNRU.

**Scope:** Lay down the broad parameters of code of research ethics for the teaching fraternity and the researchers pursuing research at DSMNRU. It envisage all endeavours of undertaking research at DSMNRU so that the researcher engaged in active research shall find no hindrance in collection, processing, dissemination of information either through primary or secondary means/sources.

The Broad Parameters of Code of Ethics for research is as below:

1. Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC) shall be constituted.
2. It shall be the prerogative of the IEC to ensure and execute a review of all ethical aspects of the project proposals received by it in an objective manner.
  - i. The Institutional Ethics Committee shall take into cognizance the document of Academic Integrity and Research Quality published by the University Grants Commission in December 2021.
  - ii. IEC should provide advice to the researchers about the measures of ethical safety along with the scientific soundness of the research proposal. To meet this end appropriate Scientific Review Committee-(a) Animal Ethics Committee and (b) Institutional Bio-Safety Committee or any other committee as it may deem fit, shall assess the respective proposal.
  - iii. The scientific evaluation should ensure technical appropriateness of the proposed study.
  - iv. The IEC should specify in writing the authority under which the respective Committee is established.
3. A researcher shall be honest in reporting and citing the sources from where different ideas that gave stimulus to his research work stems from.
4. Dedication to commitments and time line shall be the primary endeavour of the researcher. Agreements, rules, regulations, guidelines, if any, while pursuing research shall be honoured by the researcher in letter and spirits.
5. Negligence in recording references, records, data source, data collection and other research activities shall be avoided.
6. It is of utmost significance that the researcher shall adhere to the rules/guidelines vis-à-vis copy rights, patents, geographical marks etc. that fall within the ambit of intellectual property rights. The IEC shall conduct workshops, special lectures etc. for the awareness and to keep the researcher and the faculty abreast with the latest developments.
7. The researcher shall acquaint himself/herself and adhere to specific rules, regulationand guidelines of the government and DSMNRU in their specific area of research endeavour, if there are any. In any case there are set of rules, regulations etc. vis-à-vis researcher' area of research then that shall not be infringed/breached.

8. Given the nature of our University it is a moral obligation on the part of the researcher that he/she shall maintain strict adherence to confidentiality of the research work that is undertaken apart from the mandatory conditions of confidentiality as per rules and regulations.
9. It shall be the endeavour of the researcher that he/she promote social good and shall not promote any social harm to the environment, animals, soil, people in pursuing the objective of his/her research.
10. Guidelines, rules and regulations vis-à-vis scientific research designed on animal, bio safety, human issues, environmental concerns or experiments issued from the Central Government, Government of Uttar Pradesh and related Apex institutions in the respective fields shall be strictly adhered to by the researcher. The approval of the Institutional Ethics committee or the related committee shall be taken before the commencement of research work.
11. The researcher shall keep himself/herself abreast with the recent development nationally and internationally vis-à-vis code of ethics in matters of research.
12. The Institutional Ethics Committee shall facilitate organization of workshops, seminars, invited lectures from eminent people in this field and orientation programmes for the faculty members and the researcher from time to time in order to keep them abreast with recent development in matters related to code of ethics in research at the national & international level.
13. The Animal Ethics Committee Institutional Bio-Safety Committee or any other committee shall submit an Annual Report to the IES. A copy of the same shall be submitted to Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of the university.
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15. A copy of the Annual Reports submitted by the Institutional Ethics Committee, Animal Ethics Committee Institutional Bio-Safety Committee or any other committee shall be put before the Academic Council and there after published.

- 16.** Legal Norms, Directions, Guidelines, Rules and Regulations with respect to Persons with Disabilities issued by the Government of Uttar Pradesh, Government of India and the DSMNRU Statutory bodies from time to time be adopted and executed.
- 17.** Assistive Technologies & other facilities that facilitate Persons with Disabilities to ensure and follow ethical practices in research shall be provided by the Institution at the Institutional level.