Gujarat Technological University

Ph.D. Program Recognition as Research Supervisors

- 1. Teachers working on a regular basis in the Departments / Schools / Centres of this University and in the colleges, affiliated to this University, with Ph.D. degree and with a minimum of 2 years of work experience after Ph.D. and with proven research record in the form of a minimum of two Research publications after obtaining Ph.D. in professionally recognized journals/edited handbooks.
- 2. Scientists/Researchers/Professionals working on a regular basis in various regional and National Institutions / Laboratories / Organizations / Industrial Establishments, possessing a Ph.D. degree and having completed a minimum of 2 years after Ph.D. and having proven research records in the form of minimum of two research publications in professionally recognized journals/edited handbooks during the last four years.
- **3.** A fresh Ph.D. degree holder shall however be permitted to act as a co-supervisor.
- 4. Eminent teachers, researchers, engineers and other professionals, who have a doctoral degree and have experience of successfully supervising doctoral research work or have experience of creative design, development or management(in case of MBA) work to their credit may be invited as Research Supervisors by GTU. They should posses the criteria as mentioned in 1 or 2 except regular employment.
- 5. (a) A teacher or a scientist/ researcher/ professional, as in 1 or 2 respectively, who has been recognized as a Research Supervisor for the last ten years and has consistently produced Ph.D., can guide scholars for Ph.D. either in his/her field of Doctoral research or in the area of his/her specialization in the department, where he /she serves, without having to separately obtain recognition as a Research Supervisor for this purpose.
 - (b) However, in order to be registered, they will have to send the relevant documents, along with year-wise list of PhDs produced, to GTU. GTU will recognize the faculty member, who satisfies the requirement of 5 (a), as a Research Supervisor.
 - 6. (a) A Research Supervisor shall not undertake to offer guidance for Ph.D. research work for more than eight candidates at a time including part-time scholars, candidates registered with other Universities if any and M.Phil. candidates at the rate of three M.Phil. scholars as equivalent to one Ph.D. scholar. The Supervisor shall be required to give a declaration to this effect at the time of registration. Further, a Research Supervisor is not permitted to start supervising more than three research scholars in one semester and more than four students in a year for guidance.
 - (b) However, exceptions shall be made, to increase the number of Ph.D. research candidates, allocated to eminent Scientists / Academicians. The decision is left to the discretion of the Vice-Chancellor, based on the merit of the individual case.
- 7. The recognition of a Research Supervisor will be for a period of two years. Six months before the expiry of this period, the Research Supervisor of the University shall have to send to the University a copy of new published research work, books (Front and back cover, preface and foreword in case of books), patents etc produced by him/ her, in the last 2 years, for continuation of recognition. The recognition of a Research Supervisor will continue only as long as the Research Supervisor continues to be active in research.
- **8.** Those who have already applied earlier for recognition as Ph.D. Research Supervisor with GTU, do not need to apply again.