

St. Vincent Pallotti College of Engineering & Technology, Nagpur

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Code of Ethics for Research

1. Purpose

This Code of Ethics for Research establishes guidelines to ensure the integrity and credibility of research activities, particularly emphasizing the use of plagiarism software, quantification of plagiarism levels, and adherence to ethical standards in academic and professional research.

2. Core Principles

a. Integrity in Research

- Conduct research with honesty and transparency.
- Maintain the originality of work, ensuring proper acknowledgment of all referenced materials.

b. Accountability and Responsibility

- Researchers are accountable for the accuracy of their work and its compliance with institutional and regulatory guidelines.
- Research misconduct, including fabrication, falsification, and plagiarism, is strictly prohibited.

c. Respect for Intellectual Property

- Uphold the principles of intellectual property rights by giving due credit to sources and collaborators.
- Avoid unauthorized use of content, data, or ideas.

d. Ethical Review and Approvals

• Research involving human participants, animals, or sensitive data must receive prior approval from the competent authority.

e. Compliance with Guidelines

• Adhere to the UGC and other regulatory bodies standards for research ethics and publication practices.

3. Plagiarism Policy

a. Plagiarism Quantification

Plagiarism in research will be evaluated and addressed based on the following levels:

- <10%: Acceptable with acknowledgment.
- 10%-30%: Resubmission with moderate corrections.
- 30%-60%: Resubmission with major corrections and penalties.
- >60%: Rejection and possible disciplinary action.

b. Penalties for Plagiarism

• Penalties for violations will be imposed as per the UGC guidelines, considering the severity of the infraction.

4. Research Conduct Guidelines

a. Data Integrity

- Ensure accurate collection, analysis, and reporting of data.
- Retain data securely for future verification or audit purposes.

b. Collaborative Research

- Promote transparency and fairness in collaborative efforts.
- All contributors must be acknowledged appropriately, with authorship reflecting actual contributions.

c. Responsible Publication Practices

- Avoid redundant or duplicate publication of findings.
- Disclose funding sources, potential conflicts of interest, and affiliations in published work.

d. Confidentiality

• Safeguard sensitive information and respect the privacy of research subjects.

5. Reporting and Addressing Violations

- a. Reporting Mechanisms
 - Unethical practices or research misconduct must be reported to the R&D Cell.
 - Whistleblowers will be protected from retaliation.

b. Investigation and Action

• Reports of misconduct will be investigated impartially and resolved in a timely manner. Actions will be taken as per UGC guidelines.

6. Continuous Improvement

• The institute is committed to fostering an ethical research environment. Regular workshops and training will be conducted to promote awareness and compliance with this Code of Ethics.

By participating in research activities under this institute, researchers agree to uphold this Code of Ethics, ensuring ethical, responsible, and credible contributions to their fields of study.

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