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1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set out the principles within which Gulf University provides post graduate scholarship to eligible students and staff.

2. Scope

This document applies to postgraduate scholarships for employees (laboratory assistant / teaching and research assistant) and students at the Gulf University.

3. Acronyms

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| GU | Gulf University |
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4. Definitions

Scholarship: Scholarship is a financial grant/aid offered to the student or staff for continuing further education.

Internal scholarships: It is the scholarship to obtain postgraduate degree in the majors offered by the Gulf University.

External scholarships: It is the scholarship to obtain an academic qualification in postgraduate studies (Master and Ph. D degrees) from another university outside the Kingdom of Bahrain.

Student: A student is any individual who is formally registered in a program offered by Gulf University.

Graduate: A student who has been awarded with a degree after completing academic program or course.

5. Policy Statement

5.1 GU is committed to offer internal scholarship for postgraduate studies to distinguished graduates of the university.

- 5.2 GU commits to offer scholarship to staff including but not limited to laboratory assistant / teaching and research assistant to pursue postgraduate studies in international universities.
- 5.3 GU commits to provide post graduate scholarship opportunities also to GU distinguished graduates who have been recruited to the university upon fulfillment of certain criteria and worked at least for 3 months after completing graduation.
- 5.4 GU is committed to attract talented students by reducing or removing financial constraints to study.
- 5.5 GU commits to the principle of equal opportunity, non-discrimination, transparency and fairness in announcing scholarship and selecting the best applicant to receive the scholarship.
- 5.6 GU ensures that the purpose of providing external scholarship for postgraduate studies in reputed international universities is to transfer up to date knowledge in the area of specialization.
- 5.7 GU is committed to align postgraduate scholarship opportunities with strategic plan, national priorities and requirements of professional and regulatory bodies.
- 5.8 GU ensures that announcement of scholarship emanates from program needs in terms of staffing in specialized areas, research priorities of the department and university.
- 5.9 GU recognizes academic achievements of the students and exceptional performance and contribution of the staff in their endeavors to award financial grant for pursuing higher studies.
- 5.10 Students admitting into postgraduate programs in Gulf University shall be provided full or partial scholarship as per the fulfilment of the criteria.
- 5.11 GU commits to prioritize the approval of scholarship and schedule the number of scholarships based on program needs and financial status. Internal and external scholarship shall not be provided to students and staff respectively if there is any record of academic misconduct or disciplinary action.
- 5.12 GU ensures that eligible candidates to apply for postgraduate scholarship shall be selected based on criteria through interview, presentation on research statement, academic records and performance.

5.13 GU ensures that staff availing the scholarship opportunity shall serve the university for the stipulated period after completing the postgraduate studies.

5.14 GU is committed to offer scholarship opportunities in joining master and Ph. D program in one of the international partner universities.

5.15 GU commits to offer scholarship for professional postgraduate studies aligned with HEC regulations provided it provides opportunities for further studies.

6. Responsibilities

Students and Applicants are responsible for:

- following this document appropriately.

Heads of Departments are responsible for:

- ensuring that all staff members are fully informed of this policy.
- appropriate implementation of this policy.

Deans are responsible for:

- ensuring that all faculty members are fully informed of this policy.
- appropriate implementation of this document.

Chief Operating Officer is responsible for:

- appropriate implementation of this document.

HR Department is responsible for:

- appropriate implementation of this document.

Vice President for Academic Affairs is responsible for:

- appropriate implementation of this document.

University Policy Development and Review Committee is responsible for:

- systematic review of the effectiveness of this policy.

7. Related Policies

- All University Policies (academic and administrative)

8. Related Procedures

- All University Procedures (academic and administrative)

9. Related References and Standards

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| BQA | Institutional Reviews Handbook |
| BQA | Programs-within-College Reviews Handbook |
| HEC | Institutional Accreditation Standards Handbook |