



## KERALA UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

### ABSTRACT

KUHS - Examination -clarification In PhD Regulations, 2016 - conduct of pre submission seminar before submitting Synopsis - orders Issued

### EXAMINATION BRANCH

UO No.78/2021/Exam General

Date : 22-09-2021

Read: 1) Minutes of the 30<sup>th</sup> meeting of Board of Examinations dt.30/07/2021

2) Minutes of the 65<sup>th</sup> meeting of Governing Council dt.17/08/2021

### ORDER

There is a vacuum/lack of clarity in PhD Regulations, 2016 regarding the conduct of pre-submission seminar and the structure and constitution of pre submission evaluation Committee. At the same time, PhD Regulations, 2018 provide more clarity in these matters. Since the provisions 2018 regulations provide better clarity, the Examination branch proposed to act following the spirit of the 2018-Regulations to fill in the vacuum in 2016 PhD Regulations. The matter is especially significant as the examination/evaluation mentioned above of PhD, is made almost at the 'exit' level of the Course.

The matter is submitted before the BoE because as per Section 26 (1) of the KUHS Act, 2010, "the BoE shall be the authority for conducting the examinations and making policy decisions in regard to organizing and holding examinations, improving the system of examinations..."

The 30<sup>th</sup> meeting of BoE held on 30/07/2021, vide its agenda No.30.10, discussed the matter in great detail and came to a conclusion that there is no conflicting point between the 2016 and 2018 Regulations of Ph D. The BoE decided that the following shall be adhered in the conduct of Pre submission seminar, vide paper read as (1) above.

1. Before the submission of the final Synopsis/Abstract and Thesis, the PhD student shall prepare the pre-submission Synopsis/Abstract carefully in consultation with the Supervising Guide (and Co-Guide, if any).
2. Every PhD student shall submit (forwarded by the Head of the Department) to the University (addressed to the Dean Research), through the Supervising Guide and through the Head of the Institution/Centre of Research, ten copies of the pre-submission Synopsis/Abstract of the Thesis, with prescribed application and prescribed fee remitted to the University.
3. After the submission of the pre-submission Synopsis/Abstract, Vice Chancellor appoints one expert from a panel of 3 (three) experts submitted by the Supervising Guide and recommended and forwarded by the Faculty Dean. Pre-submission Evaluation Committee will be appointed by the Vice Chancellor consisting of the expert from the panel submitted, the Faculty Dean, the Supervising Guide and the Co-Guide (if any).
4. Pre-submission seminar: The PhD student shall present the work at a pre-submission seminar before the Pre-submission Evaluation Committee. The suggestions that come up during the seminar shall be suitably addressed while preparing the final Synopsis/Abstract and the Thesis. The pre-submission seminar shall be initiated by the University through Faculty Dean, in the Department/Centre of Research with the help of the Convenor of the Doctoral Committee, in which teaching faculty members, methodology experts, Biostatisticians and researchers and other

registered PhD scholars participate.

5. The number of participants referred to in point (4) above shall not be less than 20 (twenty)

6. The event shall be documented, by video recording, for the purpose of reference.

The 65<sup>th</sup> meeting of Governing Council held on 17.08.2021 had considered the recommendations of BoE and resolved to approve the same, vide paper read as (2) above.

The Hon. Vice Chancellor has accorded sanction to implement the decision of the Governing Council with respect to the Clarification in 2016 PhD Regulations.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By the order of the Vice Chancellor,

Prof.(Dr.) S. Anilkumar

Controller of Examinations

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