

**The Vice Chancellor**  
Government College University Faisalabad

**Subject: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF PH.D THESIS SUBMISSION UNDER HEC GRADUATE EDUCATION POLICY 2023**

Respected Sir,

With reference to the above cited subject; Mr./Ms. **[Student's Name]**, Reg. No. **[Registration No.]**, enrolled in Ph.D Program **(Session-----)** in the Department of **[Department Name]**, it is submitted that the scholar has published his/her research paper in an HEC recognized journal **(Please mention Category-X-W-Y)**, thereby fulfilling the minimum publication requirement under the **HEC Graduate Education Policy 2023**.

In view of the above, it is requested that permission may kindly be granted for the submission of his/her Ph.D thesis under HEC Graduate Education Policy 2023 for further processing.

Submitted for kind consideration, please.

**Name and designation of Supervisor**  
Department of \_\_\_\_\_  
Government College University Faisalabad

Chairperson, Department of \_\_\_\_\_

Dean, Faculty of \_\_\_\_\_

Director, Advanced Studies \_\_\_\_\_

**GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF PANEL OF LOCAL AND FOREIGN EVALUATORS UNDER HEC GRADUATE EDUCATION POLICY 2023**

**HEC Graduation Education Policy 2023 can be opted for the Ph.D students admitted from Fall Semester 2018-19 to Spring Semester 2023.**

**However, the Graduate Education Policy 2023 will be implemented on all the PhD Students admitted in Fall semester 2023-24 and afterwards**

**FOR SCIENCES STUDENTS**

**a. IF ONE PAPER PUBLISHED IN W-CATEGORY**

**Scenario 1:**

Evaluation: One Local Evaluator having H-Index  $\geq 30$  will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners (One Local Examiner who evaluated the thesis and One Local Examiner from Approved list of Departmental BOS).  
**(if Scenario 1 is not available) then:**

**Scenario 2**

Evaluation: One Foreign Evaluator from Top 500 world ranked Universities (ranked by the Web of Science in Times Higher Education or QS World Ranking in the year corresponding to dissertation evaluation year) will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners from approved list of Departmental BOS to be appointed by the Vice Chancellor.

**b. IF TWO PAPERS PUBLISHED IN X-CATEGORY**

**Scenario 1:**

Evaluation: Two Local Evaluators having H-Index  $\geq 30$  will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners who evaluated thesis, will join the defense.

**(if Scenario 1 is not available) then:**

**Scenario 2**

Evaluation: Two Foreign Evaluators from Top 500 world ranked Universities (ranked by the Web of Science in Times Higher Education or QS World Ranking in the year corresponding to dissertation evaluation year) will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners from approved list of Departmental BOS to be appointed by the Vice Chancellor

**FOR SOCIAL SCIENCES STUDENTS**

**a. IF ONE PAPER PUBLISHED IN W-CATEGORY OR X-CATEGORY**

**Scenario 1:**

Evaluation: One Local Evaluator having H-Index  $\geq 15$  will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners (One Local Examiner who evaluated the thesis and One Local Examiner from Approved list of Departmental BOS)

**Scenario 2 (if Scenario 1 is not available) then:**

Evaluation: One Foreign Evaluator from Top 500 world ranked Universities (ranked by the Web of Science in Times Higher Education or QS World Ranking in the year corresponding to dissertation evaluation year) will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners from approved list of Departmental BOS to be appointed by the Vice Chancellor.

**b. TWO PAPERS PUBLISHED IN Y-CATEGORY**

**Scenario 1:**

Evaluation: Two Local Evaluators having H-Index  $\geq 15$  will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners who evaluated thesis will join the defense.

**(if Scenario 1 is not available) then:**

**Scenario 2:**

Evaluation: Two Foreign Evaluators from Top 500 world ranked Universities (ranked by the Web of Science in Times Higher Education or QS World Ranking in the year corresponding to dissertation evaluation year) will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners from approved list of Departmental BOS to be appointed by the Vice Chancellor.

**FOR ARTS AND HUMANITIES (INCLUDING LANGUAGES) STUDENTS**

**a. IF ONE PAPER PUBLISHED IN W-CATEGORY OR X-CATEGORY**

**Scenario 1:**

Evaluation: One Local Evaluator having H-Index  $\geq 08$  will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners (One Local Examiner who evaluated the thesis and One Local Examiner from Approved list of Departmental BOS)

**Scenario 2 (if Scenario 1 is not available) then:**

Evaluation: One Foreign Evaluator from Top 500 world ranked Universities (ranked by the Web of Science in Times Higher Education or QS World Ranking in the year corresponding to dissertation evaluation year) will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners from approved list of Departmental BOS to be appointed by the Vice Chancellor.

**b. TWO PAPERS PUBLISHED IN Y-CATEGORY**

**Scenario 1:**

Evaluation: Two Local Evaluators having H-Index  $\geq 08$  will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners who evaluated thesis will join the defense.

**(if Scenario 1 is not available) then:**

**Scenario 2:**

Evaluation: Two Foreign Evaluators from Top 500 world ranked Universities (ranked by the Web of Science in Times Higher Education or QS World Ranking in the year corresponding to dissertation evaluation year) will evaluate the thesis.

Defense: Two Local Examiners from approved list of Departmental BOS to be appointed by the Vice Chancellor.



DEPARTMENT OF \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Consent Form**

(For processing Ph.D. degree according to revised HEC Ph.D. policy) \*

Reference No. \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby give my consent to Government College University to process and issue my Ph. D. degree in accordance with the revised Higher Education Commission (HEC) Ph.D. policy 2121/2023 implemented by the university w.e.f. 17-06-2025. \*\*

Please tick one relevant box

- HEC Graduate Education Policy (GEP-2023) effective Fall 2023
- Policy on Ph.D. Degree Programs effective January 2021

I acknowledge that I have been informed about the changes in the Policy and understand the implications on my degree. I confirm that I have no objection and authorize the University to proceed under the above selected revised HEC guidelines.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and signature of student  
Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_  
CNIC: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name and sign stamp of Supervisor  
Designation: \_\_\_\_\_  
CNIC: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name, sign stamp of HOD/Chairman/Dean  
Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name and sign stamp of Controller of Examinations  
Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Kindly refer to the

- i. Notification vide No. 15-54/Coord/2019/HEC/(QAD)/560, dated 10 July 2023 regarding "HEC Graduate Education Policy 2023 (GEP-2023)", effective Fall 2023 issued by the Office of the Director (Coordination) HEC.
- and
- ii. Notification via No. 15-54/C/2019/HEC(QAD)/24, dated 19 January 2021 regarding "Policy on Ph. D. Degree Programs" / effective 1 January 2021 issued by the Office of the Deputy Director, Admin & Coordination Division, HEC.

\*\* Mention the date of the notification issued by the Office of the Registrar/Equivalent Authority regarding the implementation of the Ph.D. policy 2021/2023.