ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY, KARAIKUDI

Ph.D. Regulations

Latest Amendments with effect from 02.01.2019

1.	Maximum number of candidates under a Research Supervisor, under Clause 6	The maximum number of candidates doing Ph.D. under a Research Supervisor shall not exceed the limit as stipulated by the UGC. However the Research Supervisor shall be permitted to accept additional candidates, in special cases such as (i) the existing candidates submitted their Ph.D. thesis and waiting for viva-voce examination. (ii) the applicants with National Fellowships/Foreign Nationals/newly appointed project fellows. Proof for such claims need to be submitted. However, the maximum number of additional candidates shall be restricted to 2.
		Ph.D. Thesis evaluation: Panel of Examiners
2.	Evaluation Norms and Panel of Examiners Clause 13.2.	The Research Supervisor or the Doctoral committee as the case maybe, shall submit a panel of TWELVE experts.
		Thesis Evaluation: (4 Indian & 4 Foreign Examiners)
		 Four Indian Examiners be drawn from reputed Universities / Institutions, other than Tamilnadu. (Not more than two examiners from the same state and not more than one examiner from the same University/Institute.) Four Foreign Examiners be drawn from reputed Universities / Institutions. (Not more than two examiners from the same country and not more than one examiner from the same University/Institute).
		Viva-voce Examination
		 A separate panel of examiners consisting of Four experts be given from the Universities/ Institutions of Tamil Nadu and Puducherry (for TN, outside Alagappa University jurisdiction). Indian Examiner (other than TN & Puducherry) shall also be permitted to be the Viva-voce examiner if there is a specific request from Supervisor/ Convener. Tamil Language and Fine Arts In respect of Tamil language & Fine Arts, the Research Supervisor/ the Doctoral Committee shall recommend a panel of EIGHT experts comprising of Four examiners from Tamil Nadu and Four examiners from outside Tamil Nadu. All the examiners shall be specialists, in the subject in which the candidates have submitted their thesis for constituting Board of Examiners. The Vice-Chancellor has the discretion to add more names to the panel. Research Supervisors shall get consent letter/ e-mail of all Experts before submitting panel to the University. The consent letters should be submitted along with the panel. The Research Supervisor shall submit the e-mail ID, website address and Tel & Fax Numbers of the examiners. Board of Examiners shall consist of three examiners comprising of Research Supervisor, Indian Examiner & Foreign Examiner, in which the Research Supervisor shall be the Convener of the Board, who shall consolidate the reports for further action.
3.	Change of Title Clause 10	The Research Scholars shall be permitted to seek Change of Title prior to the submission of the Synopsis of the Thesis. A request has to be submitted along with the last half yearly report or along with the Ph.D. pre-thesis submission presentation report. All such changes should have been approved by the Doctoral Committee. In case of the independent research scholar, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Doctoral Committee shall be produced to the Dean-Research, for approval.

4.	Half yearly report Clause 9.3	The half yearly progress reports shall be submitted by the Research Scholars to the Dean-Research, with endorsement and remarks of the Research Supervisors.
5.	Pre-thesis submission presentation Clause 12.4	Prior to submission of the synopsis/thesis, the Research Scholar shall make a Pre- Thesis Submission Presentation before the Doctoral Committee in the Department that may be open to all faculty members and research students, for getting feedback and comments, which may be suitably incorporated into the draft thesis under the advice of the Supervisor.
6.	The Research Scholars / Faculty of all Research Centres of Alagappa University shall include our University name in all research publications.	