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CODE OF ETHICS

1. Introduction

The New College inculcates the basic values of academic integrity in all its faculty, staff, students, and research scholars. The Centre for Multidisciplinary Research and Innovation (CMRI), the regulatory authority for research within the college coordinated by the Dean of Research, is entrusted with the responsibility of monitoring any breach of the code of ethics. The college gives optimum importance to integrity, accountability and responsibility in academic research.

2. Ethics Committee

The steering committee of the Centre for Multidisciplinary Research and Innovation (CMRI) acts as the Ethics Committee of the college. The committee is responsible for creating awareness among the staff and students on ethical practices in general and academic integrity in particular, besides handling issues relating to the violation of the code of ethics. In addition to the Ethics Committee of the college, the research advisory committees (RAC) for each scholar pursuing Ph.D. in the college, monitors adherence to academic integrity by the research scholar.

The following is the composition of the ethics committee of the college:

- 1. Principal (Chairperson of the Committee)
- 2. Vice-Principal (Academic)
- 3. Vice-Principal (Admin)
- 4. Director, IQAC
- 5. Dean of Research (Secretary of the Committee)
- 6. One research supervisor each from humanities, social science, and science, nominated by the Principal for two years.
- 7. A faculty member from Zoology Department nominated by the Principal

2.1. Functions of the Ethics Committee

- Monitoring the breach of ethical code of conduct.
- Recommending the Principal to take action on breaches of code of conduct.
- Providing approvals for research projects, dissertations, and research papers and publications involving animals and human subjects.
- Promoting ethical code of conduct among the members of the academic community in the college.



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3. General Code of Ethics for Members of the Academic Community

The college adopts the following code of ethics for all academic activities. All members of the academic community will:

- Uphold academic integrity and personal honesty in learning, research and teaching.
- Foster an ambience suitable for the pursuit of knowledge without any unreasonable interference or restrictions.
- Encourage free exchange of ideas and enable each other to achieve excellence.
- Practise fairness in all academic activities and procedures and interactions with students, teachers and research scholars.
- Uphold institutional standards in all research, teaching and learning activities and will not engage in any activity that would tarnish the image of the institution.
- Promote mutual trust, respect among staff and students, respect for self and others, scholarship, research, educational processes and intellectual heritage.
- Observe legal norms in existence across the world related to the conduct and publication of research, and will respect the copyright, the intellectual property rights of third parties, the terms and conditions regulating access to research resources, and so on.
- Publicise the results of research far and wide by way of publication and presentations as freely as possible.
- Secure approvals of the Ethics committee if their research involves implications for the safety or welfare of animals. They should ensure that the dignity, well-being, rights and safety of human subjects if their research involves human subjects.
- Avoid conflict of interest by abstaining from receiving or giving gifts, offers, and other advantageous arrangements outside the institution. The members of the college community should not give or receive gifts from persons doing business with or seeking contracts or other financial commitments from the institution.

4. Ethical Conduct of Teachers

The New College constantly urges all teachers to uphold high moral standards and ethics, as the college considers teaching as a noble profession. Therefore, every teacher is expected to ensure that there is no incompatibility between the code of ethics of the college and the practices of the teachers. The teaching profession demands the teachers to consistently update themselves and enlighten the students with references to the recent developments in their subject and other fields.



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As Per the code of ethics followed by the college, Teachers should:

- 4.1. Present themselves and carry out their duties in a responsible manner.
- 4.2. Engage in their private affairs in a manner befitting the dignity of their profession;
- 4.3. Continuously engage in activities towards fostering their career growth.
- 4.4. Contribute towards nation building by teaching the students the right values and principles latent in the Indian culture;
- 4.5. Maintain membership of professional bodies and organizations and strive to enhance their competence as per the changing developments in their fields;
- 4.6. Involve themselves in research and publication, following the principles of academic integrity;
- 4.7. Refrain from any form of plagiarism and other unethical activities in teaching and research;
- 4.8. Abide by the regulations of the government and other regulatory bodies;
- 4.9. Cooperate with their colleagues in carrying out their duties, and engage in such activities as collaboration, and consultancy following the policies of the college.
- 4.10. Participate in extension, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities of the college.
- 4.11. Treat the non-teaching staff with respect;
- 4.12. Respect the rights, privileges, dignity and privacy of the students;
- 4.13. Interact in academic affairs in a just manner by following the principles of impartiality and extend educational assistance to all the students regardless of their religion, caste, gender, place of origin, language, physical attributes, and so on;
- 4.14. Respect the cultural difference of all the students;
- 4.15. Cater to the needs of students by recognising their unique learning needs;
- 4.16. Urge the students to enhance their skills, and improve their attainments;
- 4.17. Encourage students to contribute towards community welfare / social service;
- 4.18. Develop scientific temper, spirit of inquiry and thirst for new knowledge;
- 4.19. Inculcate the spirit of secular values, and ideals of democracy, patriotism, social justice, environmental awareness, gender equity, tolerance, peace and harmony;
- 4.20. Abstain from any form of corporal punishment;
- 4.21. Treat the students as adults and respect the diversity of their views and opinions;
- 4.22. Enable them to attain their programme outcomes;
- 4.23. Refrain from inciting students against the institution, other students, colleagues, affiliating university or the state.

5. Code of Ethics for Students

The New College inculcates general human values and ethics in all its students through value education courses offered at the UG and PG levels. In addition, the college has formulated the following ethical rules pertaining to ethical behaviour:



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As Per the code of ethics followed by the college, all students are expected to:

- 5.1. Respect the rules and regulations of the institution;
- 5.2. Abstain from adopting any unfair means to complete the requirements for their programmes;
- 5.3. Follow the principles of academic integrity by properly acknowledging and citing the sources of their ideas and materials that they use in assignments, seminar papers, and other assessment tests.
- 5.4. Abstain from copying or cheating in the examinations.
- 5.5. Undertake that they will not engage in any form of unethical conduct during the course of their study in the college.
- 5.6. Refrain from any violation of the rights of non-human beings and animals while pursuing their studies in college. They should follow the procedures insisted by the University and UGC while using live animals for laboratory experiments.

6. Violations of the code of ethics

The Ethics committee is empowered to recommend the Principal to take necessary action on students and staff found guilty of violating the code of ethics.

7. Plagiarism Detection

It is mandatory for the research scholars to get their thesis checked for plagiarism by the Office of the Controller of Examinations, University of Madras, at least four days prior to submitting the thesis. Plagiarism checking for other project works and publications works carried out within the college, is the responsibility of the supervising teacher concerned. The college relies on the Plagiarism detection software available at the MEASI institute of Management, within the college campus, for checking plagiarism in the project works and paper presentations within the college.

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