

**PANJAB UNIVERSITY, CHANDIGARH-160014 (India)**

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From

To

The Deputy Registrar (General)  
Panjab University  
Dewan Anand Kumar Hall  
Chandigarh-160014

1. The Deans of the Faculties of Arts, Science, Languages, Education and Design & Fine Arts, Law, Business, Management & Commerce, Engineering & Technology, Pharmaceutical Sciences and Medical Science.
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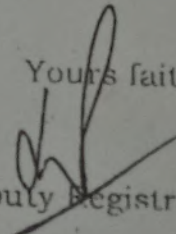
Date: 24-7-18

Dear Sir/Madam,

In continuation to letter No. 8341-8491 dated 4.7.2018, it is to inform you that the Vice-Chancellor in anticipation of approval of the Syndicate/Senate has approved the amendment in sub clause 9.5 of clause 9 of amendment in Ph.D. Guidelines, 2017, for the award of M.Phil. /Ph.D. degree (Which are in conformity with U.G.C. Minimum Standards and Procedures for the award of Ph.D. degree) Regulation 2016 .

This may kindly be notified to all concerned.

Yours faithfully,

  
Deputy Registrar (General)

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**Sub clause 9.5 of clause 9 of amendment in Ph.D. Guidelines, 2017**

9.5 The Syndicate of Panjab University shall evolve a mechanism using well developed software and gadgets to detect plagiarism and other forms of academic dishonesty. While submitting for evaluation, the dissertation/thesis shall have an undertaking from the research scholar and a certificate from the Research Supervisor attesting to the originality of the work, vouching that there is no plagiarism and that the work has not been submitted for the award of any other degree/diploma of Panjab University where the work was carried out, or to any other Institution (as per annexure (I)).

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