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POLICY DOCUMENTS FOR DIFFERENTLY ABLED STUDENTS

OBJECTIVE:

The primary aim of this policy is to establish an inclusive and accessible environment within the college campus, ensuring that differently-abled students have equitable opportunities for education, participation, and overall campus engagement.

DEFINITIONS:

- Differently Abled Students:** Students with physical, sensory, cognitive, or developmental disabilities.
- Accessibility:** The degree to which the campus environment, information, and communication are made available to all individuals.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES:

1. Non-Discrimination:

- The college is firmly committed to a policy of non-discrimination and equal opportunity for all students, irrespective of their abilities.
- Discrimination based on disability is strictly prohibited, and any complaints will be promptly addressed by the Equal Opportunity Cell.


2. Accessibility of Infrastructure:

- The college will ensure that all infrastructure is readily accessible to differently-abled students, including ramps, sufficient wheelchairs, elevators, special toilets, and designated parking spaces.
- Prominent signage indicating accessible routes and facilities will be displayed.
- Wheelchair access will be provided to all buildings.
- Installation of disabled-friendly washrooms.
- Clear signage for display boards.

3. Accessible Learning Materials:

- All course materials, including textbooks, presentations, and online resources, will be made available in accessible formats, such as digital, large print, YouTube classes, or audio books.
- Braille instructions will be provided in the library.




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4. Support Services:

- Ensuring scholarships and grace marks for differently-abled students.
- Providing support services, including a scribe facility for examinations and additional exam time in accordance with the rules of Kannur University.
- Offering counselling services.
- Conducting skill development programs.
- Creating job opportunities.
- Providing support to organizations of differently-abled people and organizing camps and various programs for these individuals.
- Applying for external funds to establish state-of-the-art facilities for differently-abled students.

5. Library Facilities:

- Braille instructions will be available in the library.
- Designated parking near the library building.
- Installation of sloping ramps at the main entrance of the library.
- Introduction of a reserved section for reference purposes.
- Issuing a catalogue of available books in audio format, collected from different universities/agencies across Kerala, to assist print-disabled students on campus.
- Providing access to INFLIBNET, DELNET, and NLIST.

6. Awareness Programmes:

- Regular awareness campaigns will be conducted to foster an inclusive and understanding campus culture.


7. Accessibility Committee:

- The Equal Opportunity Cell and a Recreation Club will be established to oversee the implementation of these policies, address concerns, and continuously improve accessibility on campus.

REVIEW AND REVISION: This policy will be subject to annual review, with necessary revisions made to ensure its ongoing effectiveness in creating an inclusive and accessible environment for all students, including those with disabilities.

APPROVAL: This policy is approved and adopted by Payyanur College, Payyanur. Any amendments to this policy require the approval of the cell.




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