

Team 2: Criteria 2 and 7

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Criteria 2: Curriculum Design and Development

- ▶ It is about curriculum design for undergraduate education reflecting HEI Mission, Goals and Objectives.
- ▶ Go in par with SLQF and any deviations should be justified with reasons.
- ▶ Outcome based and student centered education.
- ▶ It has addressed following dimensions of curriculum designing and.
 - ▶ Curriculum design on needs assessment (National labor market needs and global trends)
 - ▶ Multidisciplinary training
 - ▶ Regular reviews and upgrading
 - ▶ Independent and lifelong learning
 - ▶ Documentation of process of curriculum development: IQUC/IQAU.
 - ▶ Lecture materials are available in hard and electronic form

Essential points

- ▶ Curriculum Development Documents with Program Evaluation Policies/Procedures.
- ▶ Documentary proofs of participatory approach in curriculum development.
 - ▶ Stakeholder list and meeting minutes
- ▶ Evidence for last curriculum revision.
- ▶ Review process of new programs introduced.
- ▶ Student feedback forms and peer evaluation forms.
- ▶ Incorporation of transferable skills to curricula.
- ▶ Tracer studies of recent graduates.
- ▶ Proofs of availability of undergraduate research/publication opportunities.

Other point

- ▶ Evidence on instructions given to students on research ethics and plagiarism.
- ▶ Evidence on students training on scientific writing and communication skills in curricula.
- ▶ Evidence on internships/industrial training (integrated) to curricula and evaluation).

Good practices

- ▶ Synchronize university first year curriculum with AL curriculum.
- ▶ Cross faculty study facilities.
- ▶ Inter-university peer review process

Criteria 7: Postgraduate Studies, Research, Innovations and Commercialization

- ▶ Generate new knowledge through research in conjunction with other stakeholders.
- ▶ Dissemination of new knowledge through teaching and publications.
- ▶ Industry -university collaborations.
- ▶ Production of skillful graduates for academic and industrial needs.
- ▶ Incorporation of SLQF at postgraduate levels.
- ▶ Foster close relationship between the world of work and world of learning for the students.

Essential points

- ▶ Bylaws for postgraduate degrees.
- ▶ International Benchmark for PG education.
- ▶ Up to date handbooks/guidelines in hard/electronic form.
- ▶ Curriculum review process documented.
- ▶ Ethics and Accountability.
- ▶ Implementation of Research Ethics Process.

Other evidences

- ▶ Evidence for research awards to promote research culture.
- ▶ Transparent Postgraduate upgrading process.
- ▶ Web publishing of dissertations.

Good practices

- ▶ Extension courses should be in accordance with SLQF
- ▶ Appeal process should be available for students
- ▶ Promoting SCI publications through research grants.