



NIRMALA COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

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POLICY DOCUMENT

FOR


Barrier-Free & Disabled Friendly Environment

The main aim of the "Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1996, enacted by the Government of India on January 1, 1996 is to create a barrier-free environment for persons with disabilities and to make special provisions for the integration of persons with disabilities. The institution ensures within their economic capacity provision for installation of facilities for the benefit of persons with visual handicaps, slopes to be made in pavement for the easy access of wheelchair users, devising appropriate symbols of disability and warning signals at appropriate places. In regard to non-discrimination in the built environment, provisions have been made for ramps in Academic buildings, the adaptation of toilets for wheelchair users, Braille symbols and proper signage.

Objectives

- To facilitate admission of persons with disability by following Rules & Regulations and Policies of the States and Central Governments.
- To provide counseling to differently-abled individuals in the College for better learning support.
- To provide guidance to avail various fellowships / scholarships of different funding agencies.
- To create awareness about the needs of persons with disabilities and other general issues concerning disabilities.
- To provide equal educational opportunities to disabled persons in the College




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- To provide infrastructural needs to enable them to easily access classrooms, laboratories, toilets, etc for barrier free learning environment.
- To explore the full participation and equality as well as suitable placement opportunities for educated disabled graduates in public as well as private sector enterprises.
- To adequately support learners with disabilities with the right resources and assistive technology, and with leadership, teaching staff and University as a whole being responsive to their needs.

Categories of the Disability

As per the guidelines of the University Grants Commission and the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, the "Disability" is classified in following categories:


- Blindness
- Low vision
- Hearing impairment
- Loco motor disability
- Mental retardation
- Mental illness

Actions initiated by the College

The College may provide following facilities to the differently-abled students (Physically Challenged students) as following: -

- Fifteen minutes of Extra time will be given in the internal examinations.
- Adequate space for persons using mobility devices like wheelchairs, crutches and walkers, as well as those walking with the assistance of other persons.




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- The range of reach (forward and side; with or without obstruction) of a person in a wheelchair should be taken into consideration. Attention should be given to the dimensions of wheelchairs used locally.
- To build a barrier-free environment for disabled and physically challenged persons in the form of Ramps facility, provision of Lifts and Restrooms.
- To provide necessary signage including physical path, lights, display boards and signposts for the easy movement of the disabled persons.
- To provide scribe facility for the person who required human assistance during the course of examination and academic activities.
- To adopt and implement the necessary facilities as per the guidelines of Govt. of India as and when required.
- Providing the scribe to blind students. The scribe should be of Degree standard in subject other than the papers for which the candidate is appearing.
- Providing the scribe to those who are incapable of using hands due to accident/illness.
- The hostel rooms in the College hostels to be allocated to the differently-abled students in the ground floor only.
- The College has ramps on both sides almost at all the departments to let tricycles pass freely directly to the classrooms through lift facility.
- The committee will maintain the complete database of differently-abled students, their addresses with phone numbers in order to facilitate the communication and other requirements. It will be continuously monitoring the facilities and assistance in the matters of differently-abled Persons.
- The students should be encouraged to take part in the sports and cultural events and the winners/active participants of such events to be felicitated.




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