

**ST. MIRA'S COLLEGE FOR GIRLS, PUNE**  
**(Autonomous Affiliated to Savitribai Phule Pune University)**

<b>CODE OF ETHICS FOR RESEARCH</b>
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**Every attempt would be made to ensure that Research carried out by the Students and the Faculty of the College will fulfil the Standards of Integrity, Honesty and Professionalism**

- Every effort to be made by all the Departments and faculty to integrate various aspects of research in the curriculum at the undergraduate as well as post-graduate programmes.
- All learners across streams who would be pursuing research in any and every form (whether in the form of a class assignment or the form of a full-fledged research project or a dissertation) are expected to maintain high standards of integrity in respect of all the work undertaken by them, avoid falsification/ fabrication and ensure fairness in practices and procedures.
- An undergraduate or a post-graduate student or an M.Phil. or PhD research scholar will adopt and follow the guidelines laid down by the College in adherence to the requirements laid down by the Affiliating University- Savitribai Phule Pune University.
- In the case of learners, the necessary requirements to be fulfilled regarding Plagiarism / Similarity of Material before it is accepted as submission in the form to fulfil requirements of any course/ programme, such as a class assignment or a research project or a research paper.
- In the case of faculty, the necessary requirements to be fulfilled regarding Plagiarism / Similarity of Material before the paper is submitted for publication. Every Journal / Publisher does have a mechanism to check the originality of content, yet, the faculty should follow the requirements followed w.r.t. the publication ethics as prescribed by the Affiliating University- Savitribai Phule Pune University.
- **A Research and Ethics Committee** is constituted and a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to be adopted for monitoring research activities of the college.
  - The Research and Ethics Committee to put in place the necessary Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for the various functions/activities under the purview/scope of the Committee.
  - The objective of the SOPs is to contribute to the effective functioning of the Committee in order to ensure a consistent review mechanism of the quality of research undertaken at various levels at the college.
  - The Committee to ensure that all academic research work undertaken provides proper acknowledgment and credit to resource sources and to be free from plagiarism.
  - The Committee to enhance and improve the professional growth of both learners and faculty by upholding high standards of conduct in all endeavours of research.
  - The Committee to develop, review and revise SOPs for the following research-related activities from time to time-
    - Research Centre
    - Faculty Research Activities
    - Research Publications
    - Research Projects
    - Student Research
    - Student Research Associate