



Ethical Guidelines to be followed by faculty, students and other research staffs for publishing research work. (Approved by the Executive Council on 28 Jun 2024)

- The research involving collection of “Primary Data” relating to animal and human subject as well as genetically modified organism (GMO) is required to obtain approval of relevant Goa University Ethics Committee, prior to the start of research, following the due procedure.
- Any study involving Clinical trials shall have to be registered with the concerned regulatory body.
- If it is reported to or having found by the concerned Deans and Vice Deans of schools, that any kind of manipulation of the instrumental data, material, and data used, the researcher shall be liable to face actions as decided by the Authorities.
- Plagiarism, including self-Plagiarism, will not be tolerated and strict action will be taken as per the provisions of the relevant Statute or Ordinance.
- If researcher is using reproduced figures and tables from a research journal/book, a written permission from the author/publisher is required to be taken, however if the data is published by government/public agencies and is available in the public domain then it can be used by the researcher with proper citation.
- Submission of the same article in two or more journals simultaneously is an unethical practice and the same shall be avoided.
- There shall not be any guest author (the one who has not contributed for the Research) or ghost author (the one who has contributed however his/her name is not included as author) to your research paper. The order of corresponding and co-author/s shall be decided in advance and shall be in accordance with the contribution that each one makes.

Since Ph.D. is awarded for the original and independent work by the research scholar, if a paper is published out of the Ph.D. work of a research scholar, the first author shall ordinarily be research scholar and the corresponding author shall ordinarily be the research guide. If more than one research scholar is working in the R & D project and

everyone is involved in the data generation and processing then all the names of the research scholars shall be included in the publication, in the order of their contribution. The PI shall decide on the contribution of authors and inclusion of authors' order.

- Articles published based on the research findings of the Ph.D. work shall include guide/co-guide as co-author/s.
- The researcher shall ensure that there are no conflicts of interests as regards the results published.
- The researchers shall not publish in predatory/cloned journals.
- The faculty and research staff who have been dismissed/terminated from the University services, shall not use Goa University affiliation for publication/funding/consultancy and for any other academic purpose except, where the publication was submitted before the dismissal/termination of services. Such violators are liable for legal actions by the University. The serving faculty shall not collaborate with dismissed faculty member/s for any research. However, if the dismissed/terminated faculty has joined other institute and uses other institute's address for correspondence then the serving faculty of the University can collaborate and publish with dismissed/terminated faculty.
- Violators of these Guidelines shall be liable for punishments or penalties prescribed in OA-29.