

Research Teaching Nexus Policy

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1. Introduction

Al Zahra College for Women (ZCW) recognizes that research is crucial for effective teaching and learning in higher educational institution. ZCW aspires to have an effective research environment for achieving its mission and vision. Research teaching nexus (RTN) is recognized as a key element of teaching learning process at ZCW.

2. Purpose

The purpose of RTN policy is to provide guidance in how research can be linked and integrated in teaching across all college departments.

3. Policy Statement

ZCW places due significance to RTN nexus and encourages academic staff members to establish links and use the findings and outcomes of latest scientific research into teaching.

4. Scope of Application

The scope of this policy applies to all academic staff members and students. To establish a nexus between research and teaching, academic staff members may use their own research, other staff members research from the same department or college, or research published by other researcher from outside the college, provided that:

- 1. Research is a paper published in a refereed journal.
- 2. Research is a published book, or a book chapter.
- 3. The research should have been published over the last five years.

5. ZCW RTN Processing Procedures

RTN application should follow the following steps:

- a. RTN should be processed by the relevant RTN central committee upon request from ZCW academic staff member or academic department.
- b. If the relevant central committee accepts the application, a call for a seminar at the college level is to be made.
- c. The seminar can be attended by any academic staff and students in the college.
- d. The presenter and research is to be evaluated by the audience.
- e. The research will be transferred to the concern department if the majority of the audience support the possibility of RTN.
- f. The research will be assessed by the relevant study plans committee within the department to specify the course into which the research is to be linked.
- g. If the department committee approves RTN, it has to be forwarded to the



department for approval and transfer to the relevant central study plans committee.

h. If the RTN is approved by relevant central study plans committee, it will be forwarded to the college board for endorsement.

6. Approving Body

ZCW College Board and Board of Trustees (BoT).

7. Breach of Policy

□ Any breach of this policy should be given in written form to the Dean.

8. Further Information

For further information on this policy contact Dean's office or QAD.

