

Prince Sultan University PSU Policy Management System

Accessibility, Non-discrimination, and Harassment Policy

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Purpose

Prince Sultan University provides a healthy equal-opportunity educational environment free from discrimination and all types of harassment. The main purpose is to foster a pleasant atmosphere where all can learn, innovate and achieve.

Definitions:

Discrimination: is treating a person differently based on gender, race, disability, nationality, or religion

Harassment:

Any behavior or attempts to offend, harm or offend a person. This includes verbal, physical, written or published using social media

Policy Statement:

- Prince Sultan University is an equal-opportunity institute that strongly prohibits all forms of discrimination based on gender, race, ethnicity, religion, nationality, or disability.
- All university services, facilities and opportunities are equally accessible by all members and candidates based only on merit, eligibility and credentials.
- Services include, but not limited to, admission, registration, placement, scholarship, mentorship, recruitment, subscriptions, complaints, appeals, plus other similar categories.
- Facilities include classrooms, labs, meeting rooms, sporting facilities and other similar resources.
- Participation in all university activities is open for all members of the university based on eligibility and qualifications.
- Activities include, but not limited to, learning, teaching, mentoring, and research.
- Eligibility is based on the rules of university, and member specialization, department, scheduling and other regulatory measures.
- PSU applies the same pay scale for both female and male faculty and nonacademic employees. Salaries and allowances are based on the description of the job and position irrespective of the gender

- To maintain a healthy campus, PSU strongly prohibits all forms of **harassment**, verbal, physical or using social media and similar channels.
- All violations related to harassment should be reported to the PSU disciplinary office

Reporting Violations:

- University members are required and encouraged to report violations of this policy to the "*Engagement, Diversity and Accessibility Committee*".
- The Engagement, Diversity and Accessibility committee shall investigate cases, recommend the appropriate actions, and raise the matter to the university disciplinary committee or the responsible party.
- Harassment violations should be reported to the Disciplinary Council

Implementation:

- The "Engagement, Diversity and Accessibility Committee" will be responsible for the implementation of this policy.
- It is recommended that this policy is referenced by all other service policies and guidelines.
- The committee is responsible for raising awareness and protection of members who report violations.