International Postdoctoral Program (IPDP)

Post-Doctoral Regulations for International Applicants

Introduction: Considering the scientific capacity of the academic members and research facilities of Ferdowsi University of Mashhad and in order to complete, present and appropriately operationalize the conducted researches during and after doctoral programs, domestic and international applicants, who wish to enhance their scientific capabilities under the supervision of our outstanding professors, may benefit from "International Postdoctoral Program (IPDP)". The present regulation has been developed for holding the specified program at Ferdowsi University of Mashhad.

1- Definition

International Postdoctoral Program (IPDP) is an exclusively applicant-based program and the post-doc researcher carries out studies in research and technology under the supervision of an experienced academic member in accordance with the contents of this regulation. The incurred costs will be covered from the extra-university research and technology sources; upon the completion of the program and following the approval of the councils of faculties and research centers and the final confirmation of the Office of Research and Technologyof FUM, a certificate of the completion of program is issued.

2- Goal

The aim of this program is conduct of research in a specific area leading to the production of science, expansion of the knowledge boundaries and the enhancement of the research capacity of the researchers.

- 3- Entry requirements and necessary documents to be submitted
 - a. The applicants are required to possess a Ph.D. relevant to the research from one the overseas universities verified by the Ministry of Science, Research and Technology of Iran or Ministry of Health and Medical Education of Iran.
 - b. The graduation should not have passed more than five years and the applicant cannot be more than forty years old.

Note: For Persian literature, the duration may extend to six years

- c. Complete C.V./Resume (Including educational and research activities)
- d. An attached copy of the published/ sample research paper(s)
- e. Research proposal/ plan with time schedule
- f. Two recommendation letters indicating the capacity for conducting research from research supervisor and/ or advisor
- g. Approval of collaboration/ supervision from a qualified academic member at FUM

4- Duration of Program

The minimum length of a full-time "International Postdoctoral Program (IPDP)" is one year which may extend to two years through the request of the program conductor and upon the

approval of the Education and Research Council of the Faculty, Research Center or Center of Excellence.

5- Qualifications of the program conductor at FUM

- a. Must be an academic staff of FUM with minimum two years of experience
- b. Financial capacity (research fund) for the incurred costs

6- Commitments and obligations of the program candidate

- a- Fulltime dedication to research affairs during the program under the supervision and coordination of the program conductor
- b- Observing all the educational, research and office regulations and rules
- c- Submitting a report to the Office of Research and Technology every 4 months, verified by the program supervisor/ conductor/ collaborator in the Department, Council of the Faculty, Research Center or Center of Excellence
- d- Should any laboratory work or workshop be required, the incurred costs must be paid by the applicant

7- Commitments of FUM

- a- Providing university welfare facilities, according to existing regulations and standards of FUM. For more information please visit http://iso.um.ac.ir/
- b- Issuance of an End-of-Program certificate by the Office of Research and Technology of FUM upon the successful completion of the program verified by the program conductor (proof of publication/result)

8- Requirements for the issuance of Post-Doc Graduation Certificate

- a- Delivering presentation(s) concerning the results of the conducted research at the Faculty or Research Center at FUM by the Researcher
- b- Proof of at least one published/ accepted paper in a credible science-research journal (high visibility index) with the correspondence address affiliated to FUM
- c- Fulfillment of the minimum duration of stay within the program
- d- The Intellectual Property (IP) will be in position of FUM for all publications, documents, results and materials produced during the program and cannot be released without the written permission from FUM

Note: In certain conditions in which the research activity result in the production of new technology, international patent, production of technical knowledge or production of a new product, verification of the Council of Research and Technology of FUM may replace the proof of clause 8.b (i.e. paper publication).