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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT POLICY



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Preamble

Rabindranath Tagore University realizes its academic and social responsibility through the meaningful community engagement for social and regional development. Rabindranath Tagore University wishes to demonstrate its commitment to foster community participation for promoting sustainable development to redress the social challenges.

Objective

- ⇒ To integrate academic and social responsibility in its academic program and research initiative.
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- ⇒ To promote intellectual social responsibility (ISR) among the students, faculty and reporting staff.
- ⇒ To contribute towards the aim of social welfare by collaborating govt. agencies, NGO'S and local communities.
- ⇒ To support capacity building program and sustainable livelihood initiative as mandated by Govt. of India and international agency such as UNGC, UNAI and UNO
- ⇒ To inspire students' Participation in measuring full outreach activities for service learning, discovery learning & exploration.
- ⇒ To foster the spirit of knowledge sharing & technology transfer for socially relevant skill building among the students, faculty & society.

Principles

Relationship

Establishing relationship with the diverse communities surrounding the institute/university.

Collaboration

Installing collaboration among the academic community & the society for community benefit.

Self Determination

Promoting self determination among the community members and the students' faculty to influence the process of social development.

Adaptability

In the ever changing situation, this engagement may inspire adaptability according to the change.

Models of Engagement

Engaged Educational Research

Rabindranath Tagore University will promote engaged educational research for the social cause.

Direct Service

Rabindranath Tagore University will inspire direct services for the people and the social product.

Dialogue

Rabindranath Tagore University will take initiative for engaging deliberative dialogue through the students, faculty and through research engagements.

Economic Development

Rabindranath Tagore University will promote community development initiative which have direct & indirect engagement with economic development of the society.

Institutional Framework

- ⇒ Establishment of University Level community engagement cell to streamline and to monitor the engagement activities.
- ⇒ Mechanism for engagement of faculty coordinator for community outreach program in each departments.
- ⇒ Development of collaboration with industry NGO's, Govt. depts. & international organizations.

- ⇒ Monitoring the evaluation of community engagement initiative through structured feedback process.

Implementation Strategy

- ⇒ Preparation & execution of annual action Plan for community engagement to accomplish the desired goals.
- ⇒ Provisions & allocation for financial & infrastructure resources to execute the plans & action.
- ⇒ Conducting capacity building workshop, research talks to enhance the community engagement Skills.
- ⇒ Recognition & incentive for the meaningful and outstanding contribution in community service.

Monitoring & Evaluation

- ⇒ Regular impact evaluation outreach activities & Preparation of case studies for academic exercise.
- ⇒ Conducting feedback Collection from the stake holder's associate to the programs.
- ⇒ Submission.
- ⇒ Preparation of Annual Report for the Stakeholder.
- ⇒ Review and modeling the policy based on experiences and outcomes of the Program.

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