



Regulation of Scientific Council of Georgian American University, LLC

Article 1. Scientific Council

The Scientific Council of the Georgian American University, LLC (hereinafter: the Scientific Council) is a collegial body for the development and support of the scientific-research activities of the Georgian American University, LLC. The main function of the Council is to assess the realia of scientific research activities, to determine the main priorities of scientific research activities, to issue relevant recommendations and to make appropriate proposals to the relevant structures and officials of the University.

Article 2. Powers of the Scientific Council

Powers of the Scientific Council:

- A. The Scientific Council coordinates scientific activities at the University;
- B. The Scientific Council makes recommendations to the University Administration, the Academic Council, the main educational units - schools on issues of scientific activity;
- C. Monitors research activities and supervises the provision of research standards;
- D. Reviews and supports research projects and project proposals based on problems and challenges;
- E. Promotes the introduction of modern innovative research methods;
- F. Develops a policy of scientific research and innovation activities of the University and makes changes and additions to it taking into account the existing realia;
- Z. The Scientific Council, with the involvement of the University Quality Assurance Office, establishes criteria for evaluating scientific resources and research productivity for the purposes of evaluating research results and academic staff;
- T. The Scientific Council will develop recommendations to the University administration on improving the research environment and conditions;
- I. Makes a decision and submits relevant recommendations to the University administration on scientific publications;
- K. Supports scientific research institutes and other scientific associations and ensures effective coordination between them;
- L. Defines a list of all scientific products that need to be reviewed;
- M. Facilitates the integration of scientific / research and teaching process;
- N. Promotes the development of research activities at the University and abroad;
- O. Develops proposals for funding scientific activities at the University and improving the research infrastructure.

Article 3. Composition of the Scientific Council

The Scientific Council consists of:

- A. Vice President of the University in the field of Education, Science and Quality Assurance;
- B. Director (s) of the School Science / Research Center;
- C. One representative elected by the schools of the educational units (professor or associate professor who has an academic degree of Doctor);
- D. At the decision of the school board, the school may be represented by an invited expert in the field.

Article 4. Supervision of the Scientific Council

- 1. The Scientific Council is chaired by the Vice President of the University in the field of Education, Science and Quality Assurance.
- 2. In case of absence of the Chairperson of the Board or inability to perform his / her duties, the meeting shall be chaired by a member of the Board elected from the members present at the meeting.

Article 5. Rules of Procedure of the Scientific Council

- 1. The meeting of the Scientific Council is held once in 2 months or as needed.
- 2. The Chairperson of the Scientific Council has the authority to convene a meeting of the Council on his own initiative or at the request of 1/4 of the members of the Council.
- 3. A meeting of the Scientific Council is authorized if it is attended by more than half of the full membership.
- 4. The Scientific Council makes a decision by open voting by a simple majority of those present.
- 5. The Scientific Council makes decisions on issues within its competence in the form of a resolution.

Article 6. Administration of the Scientific Council

The Research Assistance and Support Service acts as the Secretariat of the Council to fulfill the rights and duties of the Scientific Council.

Article 7. Termination of the authority of a member of the Scientific Council

The grounds for termination of the authority of a member of the Scientific Council are:

- A) Personal statement;
- B) The entry into force of a court conviction;
- C) Death;
- D) Declaring him dead or acknowledging him as missing;
- E) Recognition (of him/her) by the court as a recipient of support;
- F) Failure to appear at the Board meeting three times in a row for unreasonable reasons;
- G) Grounds for termination of employment provided for by the Labor Code of Georgia;
- H) Resignation from the position that is a condition of membership in the Scientific Council.

Article 8. Termination of the authority of the Scientific Council

The authority of the Scientific Council is terminated during the reorganization or liquidation of the University.

Article 9. Joint meeting of the Scientific Council and the Academic Council of the University

1. In the case provided for in the regulations of the University, it is possible to hold a joint meeting of the Academic and Scientific Councils.

2. The meeting of the Scientific Council and the Academic Council is chaired by the Chairperson of the Academic Council, and in his absence or by the decision of the majority of the persons present at the joint meeting, by the Chairperson of the Scientific Council. A joint meeting is authorized if it is attended by more than half of the full membership of the Scientific and Academic Councils, but not less than 5 members from each council.

3. The decision at the joint sitting shall be made by a majority of those present by open voting. The joint decision is made in the form of a resolution, which is signed by the chairpersons of the Academic and Scientific Councils.

Article 10. Joint decision of the Scientific Council and the Academic Council of the University

The joint decision of the Scientific Council and the Academic Council of the University adopts:

- A) University research priorities;
- B) Internal university standards for research and innovation activities;
- C) other issues within the authority of the Academic Council and the Scientific Council, which relate to the scientific research activities of the University, if a joint meeting and joint decision is required by at least 1/4 of the composition of the Academic Council or / and the Scientific Council.

Article 11. Transitional Provisions

The statute of the Scientific Council enters into force upon approval by order of the President. From the date of entry into force of this Statute of the Scientific Council, any change / addition to it shall enter into force upon consideration of the draft amendment by the Academic Council and approval by the order of the President.