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POLICY ON CO-CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS

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Policy on Co-Curricular Opportunities for Students

1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide structured co-curricular opportunities that complement academic learning, promote holistic student development, encourage teamwork, leadership, cultural awareness, and social responsibility among students of Fatima Jinnah Institute of Dental Sciences (FJIDS).

2. Scope

This policy applies to all students enrolled in the Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) program at FJIDS, Lahore.

3. Policy Statement

Fatima Jinnah Institute of Dental Sciences recognizes that co-curricular activities play a vital role in fostering students' personal, professional, and social growth. To encourage active participation, the Institute shall provide annual financial support and institutional platforms to ensure that students have meaningful opportunities to engage in cultural, sports, community, and professional development activities.

4. Objectives

The co-curricular policy aims to:

1. Develop leadership, communication, and organizational skills among students.
2. Promote teamwork, discipline, and healthy competition through sports and cultural activities.
3. Foster social responsibility through community engagement and outreach programs.
4. Encourage participation in scientific, literary, and professional forums relevant to dentistry.
5. Ensure equitable access to co-curricular opportunities for all students.

5. Financial Allocation

1. A minimum of PKR 2,500 per student per year shall be allocated exclusively for co-curricular activities.
2. The funds will be utilized for:
 - Organizing student events (sports, debates, cultural festivals, health awareness campaigns).
 - Participation in intercollegiate competitions and professional conferences.
 - Educational trips, community service projects, and professional society memberships.
3. Annual budget will be approved by the Finance & Planning Committee of the Institute, and expenditure will be monitored by the Co-Curricular Activities Committee (CCAC).

6. Governance and Committees

6.1 Co-Curricular Activities Committee (CCAC)

- Constituted by the Dean.
- Composed of faculty coordinators, student representatives, and administrative staff.
- Responsible for planning, approving, and monitoring all co-curricular programs.

6.2 Student Societies and Clubs

- Students may form societies and clubs under the supervision of faculty advisors.
- Each club must align its objectives with academic, cultural, social, or community values.
- Examples: Debate & Literary Society, Sports Club, Cultural Society, Dental Students' Community Welfare Club, Research & Innovation Society.

7. Criteria for Student Participation

1. All enrolled students are eligible to participate in co-curricular activities.
2. Students must maintain satisfactory academic progress and discipline to remain eligible for funding and representation.
3. Equal opportunity shall be ensured, with special encouragement for female students, minority groups, and students from underprivileged backgrounds.

8. Monitoring and Reporting

The CCAC shall prepare an annual report documenting activities conducted, student participation, and financial utilization.

Reports will be submitted to the Dean and Academic Council for review and future planning.

9. Recognition and Incentives

Certificates, medals, and shields shall be awarded to outstanding performers in various activities.

Exceptional achievements at intercollegiate, provincial, or national level will be acknowledged at annual award ceremonies.

Participation in co-curricular activities shall be formally recorded in students' character certificates at the time of graduation.

10. Effective Date

This policy shall be effective from the academic year 2025–26 and will remain in force unless revised or revoked by the Academic Council of FJIDS.

Note: While utmost care has been taken in formulation of these policies to ensure that they are in accordance with the policies of government of Punjab and SHC&ME department. In case of any disparity, the policies laid out by government of Punjab and SHC&ME department shall be considered as final and followed.