

## **External Sponsored Doctoral Program**

In response to requests from prominent industrial organizations, Shiv Nadar University has formulated a new External Sponsored Doctoral program. The program is designed to drive active collaboration between industry and academic researchers. The topics of research work shall be jointly decided by the SNU and Industry Partner.

## **Salient Features**

- 1. The research student shall be employed and sponsored by an organization with appropriate R&D facilities recognized by the University and formalized through an MOU.
  - a. The department/school has to initiate the process. Once the organization has been vetted by the school they may contact the Dean Research and Partnerships office for finalization of the MoU and formalization of the program.
- 2. The research work can be carried out partially or fully in the student's parent organization.
- 3. Admission to the program shall be determined by the MoU between the school and the parent organization. There will be no dilution in the eligibility criteria of the Doctoral program.
  - a. An independent admission process (including intake numbers) exclusively for the entity can be created by the respective program/school.
- 4. A compulsory residency period of six months is required at the SNU campus. However, this period can be spread across the term of the Ph.D. program. The residency requirements may vary across programs; the schools/departments may determine the modalities based on their specific needs.
- 5. The Principal Research advisor shall be from the University and a Co-Advisor (who fulfills the requirement of the University) from the parent organization is mandatory.
- 6. All rules and regulations of the SNU Doctoral program are applicable. These include the requirement of the doctoral committee, submission of semester-wise progress reports, course work requirements, comprehensive examination, and thesis requirements.

## Costs of the program

The organization has to pay a fee of Rs 5,00,000/ year for every student under the program. Hostel fees are not included and shall be charged separately based on room requirements.