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## RESEARCH POLICY

Universidad Peruana de Ciencias Aplicadas aspires to be a leader in higher education through academic excellence and ability to innovate, thereby contributing to the transformation of Peru by training upstanding and innovating leaders with a global vision. Within the framework of this general aim, academic research is one of the essential dynamics of university life, driving and consolidating the university's capacity for innovation and allowing academic excellence to be achieved in a solid and integral way.

The Research Department has been created for this purpose, as the area in charge of establishing the university's research policy and for promoting the development of a consistent culture for research, in which the entire academic community of professors and students participates. The policy encourage the coordination of academic research with proposed solutions for the country's needs in each area of knowledge cultivated at our university. In this sense, it seeks to expand and strengthen scientific research at UPC with the aim of continuously and sustainably positioning our university among the universities in Peru that do most research, with visible international recognition.

Therefore, UPC's current research policy constitutes a declaration of institutional commitment to promote scientific research, in line with the highest Peruvian and international standards in all of the university's programs, meeting the most important and urgent needs of our environment. This policy is expressly set out as follows:

1. Promote scientific research in all of the university's schools, programs and academic areas.
2. Develop a rational structure to provide efficient and effective incentives for research, such as the application of criteria and best practices to consolidate a culture of research at the institution.
3. Provide incentives for the scientific production of faculty members, particularly those who have better research capabilities or have a proven track record of publishing the results of their research.
4. Provide support and training to new faculty and student researchers to progressively increase the number of academics dedicated to research and, as a result, the volume and quality of our university's scientific production.
5. Adopt scientific research as a knowledge creation strategy to the benefit of student learning processes, professional programs and the area of job placements for our graduates.
6. Progressively define and consolidate lines of research in UPC's schools and/or programs, to improve the continuity, coordination and production of research projects and to make the best possible use of all institutional resources involved in research.

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7. Encourage the creation of research cores, groups and networks by cultivating appropriate links with researchers and Peruvian and international private and public research institutions, with similar aims to UPC and that allow the expansion of the university's research contributions possibilities.
8. Promote the internal and external visibility of research projects and results at UPC, to encourage their quick and adequate identification and application by the internal academic community, the international scientific community, stakeholders, Peruvian businesses, the state, civil society and international organizations.
9. Develop adequate initiatives and mechanisms to search for and attract external economic research resources, allowing the University to offer applied research that effectively contributes to the country's development, in synergies with the corporate world and with the state.

***Research involving human subject and used to obtain data based on interventions or interactions with said subjects, or based on the private information offered thereby, shall be adequately regulated and protected in accordance with institutional, national, and international ethical standards. Depending on the nature and scope of the research, the explicit approval of the respective Ethics Commission shall be required. In the event that the research subjects include students, the approval of the Office of the Vice-Rector for Academic and Research Affairs shall be required.***

Consequently, everyone forming a part of UPC's academic community declares their commitment to aim to meet the following specific objectives of UPC's research policy, to continuously assess their application and results, as well as to implement any improvement actions that may be necessary or relevant:

### **RESEARCH OBJECTIVES**

1. To position UPC among the universities in the country that generate high quality, high impact research.
2. Continuously improve the scientific production indicator through the publication of scientific articles in indexed journals.
3. Increase every year the number of professors engaged in research projects.
4. Increase the number of students that gain their degrees through theses and publishable scientific articles.
5. Increase the number of students starting out in research through access to extra-academic credits.
6. Improve and diversify ways in which incentives and recognitions are given to research projects and scientific publications.
7. Improve the definition and consistency of lines of research in a sustained manner.
8. Improve and increase the presence of researchers and research projects in Peruvian and international researcher directors and research networks.

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9. Improve the visibility of research projects and results through the UPC academic repository and other similar virtual spaces.
10. Continuously increase efforts to search for and attract external economic resources for research, through the UPC Applied Research Center and other similar initiatives.

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