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Policy on Education and Support for Students with Disabilities

Policy Number: SJCW017

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Background:

St. Joseph's College for Women (Autonomous) is dedicated to providing inclusive education to students with disabilities, which includes a wide spectrum of conditions such as visual impairments, hearing loss, and various physical challenges.

Policy:

1. Inclusive Admissions: The institution commits to admitting students with disabilities and fostering an environment conducive to their learning.
2. Comprehensive Support: Students with disabilities will receive academic, financial, and all necessary forms of support to facilitate their education.

Admissions Process:

1. Admission is open to students with various disabilities.
2. Program placement is determined based on the students' preferences and the accessibility of facilities on campus.
3. Admission decisions consider students' capabilities, with modest weightage given to previous academic performance.

Teaching and Learning:

1. Designated classrooms on the ground floor ensure accessibility.
2. Special attention is provided to students beyond regular lecture hours.
3. Course materials and lecture notes are regularly provided to accommodate individual needs.

Mentorship:

1. Assigned mentors provide comprehensive support, addressing academic, familial, financial, mental, and physical challenges.
2. Mentors identify and address individual needs, including facilitating scholarships, financial aid, sponsorship, and counseling.
3. Assistance is provided in selecting interdisciplinary and non-major elective courses.

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Examination Process:


1. Convenient seating arrangements on the ground floor are made for Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) and End Semester Examinations.
2. Scribes are provided as per students' needs during examinations, with additional time allotted to ensure completion.
3. Examination fees are waived by government regulations for students with disabilities.

Other Amenities:

1. Ramp-equipped blocks facilitate easy mobility.
2. Elevator service is provided for deserving students.
3. Wheelchairs are provided for campus use.
4. Select toilets are designed to be user-friendly for students with disabilities.
5. Pedestrian-friendly pathways enhance mobility.

Outcomes:

1. Program Accessibility: Students experience enhanced accessibility and ease in pursuing their academic programs.
2. Positive Campus Experience: The policies and practices contribute to a satisfying and enriching campus experience for students with disabilities.


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