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## **Pedagogical Innovation Awards**

### **BACKGROUND:**

GTU Innovation Council is the 1<sup>st</sup> large scale innovation ecosystem which has tried to bring the culture of innovation all across the university and its associated ecosystem during the past 2 years. An innovation system at such a scale and depth has never been attempted anywhere else in the world. Deans, Directors, Principals, Sankul Co-Chairs (Academic) and Sankul Co-Chairs (Industry), HODs, faculties, Sankul directors, Udisha Innovation Club Coordinators, TPOs, Industry Leaders associated with GTU, Trustees and other stakeholders have put in a considerable amount of efforts in making it happen under the leadership of Honourable VC, GTU, Dr. Akshai Aggarwal.

To recognize the work at an individual and at an institutional level, GTU Innovation Council has decided to appreciate all such contributors at individual and institutional level during GTU Innovation Sankul Day on 14<sup>th</sup> of Feb 2013 at Ahmedabad.

We are trying to include all notable efforts, which have helped GTU Innovation Council in setting a new benchmark in the innovation ecosystems itself. We believe that by acknowledging such innovations adopted by you, these may be codified and documented. This will help scaling up such initiatives all across GTU and beyond. Learning from the innovative steps, adopted by you, will not only inspire more than 17,000 faculties within GTU but thousands of them from all other universities across the nation. We would like to appreciate the best practices adopted by We are confident that these policy innovations and efforts made at GTU will be the next generation practices within academia for fostering innovation at all the other Universities.

**We welcome nominations from Directors, Principals, Sankul Co-Chairs (Academic) and Sankul Co-Chairs (Industry), HODs, faculties, Sankul directors, Udisha Innovation Club Coordinators, TPOs, Industry Leaders associated with GTU, Trustees and other stakeholders.** The awards will recognize unique efforts in setting up innovation culture, ecosystem, administration, innovation process, innovation dissemination, innovative measures in IPR and associated efforts, industry-academic cooperation, entrepreneurship and other similar efforts. One person may be nominated in one category or he/she may be nominated for more than one categories, out of those mentioned below:

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## **CATEGORIES OF AWARDS:**

1. Innovations/Improvements in pedagogy for better student comprehension and student engagement
  - a. Student engagement would include:
    - Better student attendance in class/college/campus
    - Better social outcomes through student initiatives/projects
  - b. Better student comprehension: Better student results or improvement in project qualities
  - c. New procedures/methods that increase the linkages of students with industry and external academia
  - d. Improve the research/innovation output of the Institution through students and faculties
  - e. Initiatives to improve comprehension on IPR issues/entrepreneurship and similar efforts among students and faculties
  - f. Preparation of outstanding courseware and making it available to students
  - g. Participation in ALVCOM video telecast program of GTU
  - h. Encouraging students to participate in GTU Design Your Courseware program
2. Innovations/Improvements in administrative features, which
  - a. Improve coordination between students and faculties
  - b. Improve faculty-faculty collaboration/coordination
  - c. Improve interdepartmental collaboration/coordination
  - d. Improve the linkages between the college and local innovation stakeholders such as Sankul members including academic colleagues and industry members
  - e. Improve working of the Innovation Sankuls programs
  - f. Improve collaboration/coordination with other local academic institutes
3. Creating or setting up New ICT or online enable processes to improve any aspect of administration of institute
4. Visualizing and/ or Organizing programs initiated to improve the realization of Sankul goals
5. Improving media outreach and creating awareness on Innovation
  - a. Improved dissemination of Innovation/Knowledge through college to external stakeholders such as Media, Industry
  - b. Improved relationships with local media

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6. New processes and systems developed to measure innovation/ academic performance improvement and hence improving innovation culture in your class/department/college/campus.
5. New products/Services/policy innovations being worked upon or completed under your leadership or coordination.
6. College, which has contributed max no of IDPs/UDPs/SIPs which have benefited users like MSMEs or others (A validated proof of the claims will be required.).
7. Creating innovative Incentive schemes to encourage innovations:
  - a. Awarding failures such as those who have initiated significant efforts but couldn't succeed but invested significant amount of efforts
  - b. Financial and other incentives to protect IPR, commercialise new ideas
  - c. Non-Monetary schemes to motivate students
8. Innovative steps taken for promoting extracurricular activities. E.g Sports, cultural activities and other efforts.
9. Innovative steps for skill development, entrepreneurship development, capacity building of faculties/students and providing exposure.
10. Glorious failure Innovation award: If anyone has made concrete and dedicated efforts for bringing in innovation either in product/process or policy at his/her place but not succeeded significantly and feels that effort is worth learning for others. We wish to appreciate all innovation leaders who have adopted such heroic steps but not succeeded significantly.
11. Individual efforts for making radical impact in existing inert ecosystem and bringing impact via innovative ways.
12. Bringing new policy/strategies at your local environment and hence influencing the policies at larger level by virtue of the impact at your local exercise. This also includes introducing out of the box strategies and making impact at local and other stages.

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13. Bringing significant contributions either by individual/institutional/team to central efforts of GTU Innovation Council or ITIA, ITAP , Skills Council, DSTU, Youth Fest, Administration, examination, curriculum development etc.

## **THE PROCESS OF AWARDS:**

The best nominations in respective category will be awarded. One can apply in one or multiple (if your efforts are related to A few categories) category. One can self-nominate and simultaneously nominate others keeping him/her informed.

- A) Self-Nomination
- B) Nominating others

**Last date of nomination entry online: 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2013**

A jury chaired by Honourable VC will choose the best nominations and awards will be given during the GTU Innovation Sankul Day function on 14<sup>th</sup> of Feb 2013.

## **FAQ:**

1. Who can apply/nominate?
  - i. Any faculty member
  - ii. HOD
  - iii. Principal/Director
  - iv. TPO
  - v. Udsiha/Innovation Club Coordinator
  - vi. Sankul Co-chair, (Both industry and academic)
  - vii. Sankul Director
  - viii. Industry person
  - ix. Trustee
  - x. Journalists/innovation promoters based in GIC
  - xi. Any other stakeholders associated with GTU ecosystem

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## 2. Questions for evaluation of faculty /applicants for pedagogic innovation awards:

- i. Brief explanation of the various innovation activities that you have promoted /contributed in the past 2-3 years at your department/college/campus /Sankul etc.
- ii. Brief explanation about innovations you have introduced as the leader in your field for setting innovation culture ( e.g being a faculty , principal, director, administrator, Sankul Co-chair, Sankul director, Udisha Club/innovation Club coordinator, trustees, industry co-chairs, industry person, TPOs etc)
- iii. Describe in brief about your contributions/impacts in your respective category of award nomination.
- iv. State clearly the challenges, you faced while implementing your efforts in your respective award category and how you could manage to overcome them.
- v. Have you tried to share your methods, learning and support system to help other colleagues /ecosystem at different place/sectors? If so then please specify in details such efforts. Please describe the impact if others adopted your efforts at their ecosystem.
- vi. Mention 5 action plans which you have conceived to further accelerate your efforts in your respective category and share a brief note on that.
- vii. What motivates you to make such efforts for setting innovation mind-set? Which policy support, that can easily be done, can scale your efforts at your and other's place?
- viii. Why do you think the innovation award in your sector should be given to you? Describe in brief

**In your nomination, please try to address as many of the above issues as possible.**

N.B.- At a later date, similar awards are proposed to be declared for students at sankul/zonal level. This declaration does not include awards for students.

### Online Nomination Form

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1m6\\_RIBCeaDsPpjBxRDo31XjTc-ggllzIG408399SXnl/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1m6_RIBCeaDsPpjBxRDo31XjTc-ggllzIG408399SXnl/viewform)

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