

# RGNUL INTERNATIONAL VISITING SCHOLARS PROGRAM



**Rajiv Gandhi National University  
of Law, Punjab, India**



## About the Program

Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab (RGNUL) is initiating a Visiting Scholars program in India. It is one of the first Program started by Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab. The program invites researchers, academicians, and legal policy makers from around the world who wish to conduct comparative research using the multidisciplinary library who are willing to contribute to the Law School's research and teaching programs. The program is designed for experts and professionals from legal institutions and eminent academicians.

## Duration and Seats

RGNUL shall host six (06) Visiting Scholars. Visiting scholars will be allowed for a period of one to six months, depending on the nature of proposal. Visiting Scholars program offers fully funded Visiting Program or partially funded Program, which will be decided on case-to-case basis. Visiting Scholars will be in residence at the Law School.

## Application Requirements

Admission to the Visiting Scholars Program is highly competitive. An appointment as a Visiting Scholar requires a formal approval and is not automatic. Scholars are encouraged to apply for both fully funded and partially funded program separately.

Send the following documents to [visitingscholars@rgnul.ac.in](mailto:visitingscholars@rgnul.ac.in).

- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Areas of Interest
- Research Proposal. The research proposal should be between 3-5 pages long and outline the area on which you intend to focus your research during the Program. The proposal should include the following sections - Research Title, Research Objective, Statement of the Problem and Research Plan, and Bibliography.

Priority will be given to those institutions for the scheme who would reciprocate for exchange of Faculty.

## Contact Us

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# Features

## Faculty Interactions

Discuss research, teaching skills, academic initiatives and exploring new areas of common interests with multidisciplinary faculty members. Curriculum development, course design and international projects may also be discussed.

## Research deliberations

Work independently or in a study group with other researchers to conduct research, write at least two papers and/or make a presentation of your findings at monthly Visiting Scholars Roundtable meetings. Working papers to be published in RGNUL Journals.

## Lectures

Lecture series for the graduate and undergraduate students, joint classes, and seminars. With special permission of the Vice Chancellor, visiting scholars may also audit specific law school courses.

## Law Library

Up-gradation of library resources in consultation with the visiting faculty in his/her area of expertise or international and comparative law collection and access to databases such as Westlaw and LexisNexis. Librarians will assist Visiting Scholars in accessing the print and online resources.

## Special Activities & Workshops

Attend special events planned specifically for Visiting Scholars, including visits to the Local Courts to view Court Proceedings, Jail visits, hands-on research workshops for using the Law Library and electronic databases (LexisNexis, Westlaw, Kluwer Arbitration and SCC Online), and Visiting Scholars Roundtable meetings

## Miscellaneous

This scheme can be extended at the discretion of Vice Chancellor to enable the Visiting Scholars and participate for other academic activities additional to as contemplated in the Policy.

## Assistance to the Visiting Scholars

- RGNUL will provide accommodation.
- Ample research space is available in the Law Library. Research carrels will be reserved, and discussion rooms will be reserved on a short-term basis for the visiting scholars.
- Computer/lab access with wi-fi, Internet access in the campus.
- During their visit the visiting scholars may participate in social gatherings, parties, and other cultural events with PhD Research Scholars, postgraduate and graduate students.

# Deadlines

Applications will be accepted throughout the year. However Scholars must prefer commencing the program in July or February.

Visiting Scholar applicants should ensure that they submit the applications by October, for Session commencing in February to July and by April, for the Session commencing July- December.

Processing period of applications will be 4 weeks from the date of receipt, or may take longer if the application is incomplete. On approval and issuance of an invitation to the Visiting Scholar, University would issue letter of acceptance and supporting documents for applying Indian visa.

Visa/Immigration charges if any would be borne by the applicant.

Application details and procedure will be available at [www.rgnul.ac.in](http://www.rgnul.ac.in). For any information you can write to the coordinator Visiting Scholar Program at the email [visitingscholars@rgnul.ac.in](mailto:visitingscholars@rgnul.ac.in).

## Funding Policy

Selected Scholars would be provided a round trip economy class fare, accommodation, and local hospitality. Duration of the Program would be limited to minimum one month and maximum six months.

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Selection would be based on Research Proposal and Research Plan.