

# ANTI DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology provides everybody with equal opportunity irrespective of caste, creed, language, or gender. The Institution ensures that every staff/student inside the campus enjoys equal rights in the process of offering or receiving education. The Anti Discrimination cell looks after the related matters (if any) of depriving a student, or staff, or group of students on the basis of caste, creed, language, ethnicity, gender, or different ability.

- Sathyabama does not discriminate any student/staff on the basis of race, colour, religion, disability, national origin, or any other characteristic protected by applicable law.
- Our policy of Non-discrimination in campus applies to admission, opportunities, discipline, placements, participation in all events organised, access to benefits and training and all other aspects of campus life.
- Students with questions or concerns about any type of discrimination in the campus are encouraged to bring these issues to the attention of the Convener/Members of Anti Discrimination Cell through mail or in person. Students can voice their concerns and submit reports without fear of retaliation.

# **Responsibilities of Convener and Members :**

It is imperative that Convener and Members not only adhere to but enforce this Policy. They have a special obligation not to engage in discrimination, harassment, retaliation or sexual assault. All management and supervisory personnel have an affirmative duty and are required to promptly report any discrimination, harassment, retaliation or sexual assault that they observe, learn about from others, or reasonably suspect has occurred with respect to an employee.

### **Complaint Procedure:**

Students and Staff members of the Institution are encouraged to report discrimination, harassment or retaliation, including but not limited to any Discriminatory Practice, in accordance with this Policy. The Institution may investigate any conduct that violates this Policy, even in the absence of a complaint, and take remedial action where appropriate.

### Anti-harassment policy:

Sathyabama provides a safe and pleasant environment where everyone is treated with fairness and respect.

- The conduct prohibited by anti harassment policy, whether verbal, physical, or visual, includes any discriminatory action and any welcome or unwelcome conduct that is inflicted on someone because of that individual's protected status.
- Among the types of conduct prohibited by this policy are epithets, slurs, jokes, negative stereotyping, intimidating acts, and the circulation or posting of written or graphic materials that show hostility toward individuals because of their protected status.
- Anti harassment policy forbids harassment based on gender regardless of whether the offensive conduct is sexual in nature and regardless of whether it rises to the level of a legal violation.
- Any unwelcome conduct based on gender is also forbidden by this policy regardless of whether the individual engaged in harassment and the individual being harassed are of the same or are of different genders.

# Confidentiality

• The Institution will maintain the confidentiality of the complaint, and the privacy of the persons involved, to the greatest extent possible, consistent with its goal of conducting a thorough and complete investigation and to the extent permitted by law.