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### 1. Purpose

The purpose of this document is to describe Gulf University Policy for Infrastructure Facilities and Campus Development.

# 2. Scope

The document applies to all infrastructure facilities and campus buildings at Gulf University.

### 3. Acronyms

| BQA  | Education and Training Quality Authority |
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| COO  | Chief Operating Officer                  |
| GU   | Gulf University                          |
| HEC  | Higher Education Council                 |
| HOD  | Head of department                       |
| QADC | Quality Assurance and Development Center |

# 4. Definitions

**Building Systems:** These are building structures, including roof and exterior walls, mechanical and electrical systems, and related services.

**University Facilities:** These are all lands, buildings, and space owned or leased and operated by Gulf University.

# 5. Policy Statement

- 5.1 Gulf University commits to full compliance with HEC regulations related to building and systems as applicable.
- 5.2 Gulf University considers that the campus plays an important tool to recruit students and attract the best faculty and staff.
- 5.3 Gulf University commits to develop collaborative spaces for learning and research.
- 5.4 Gulf University ensures that facilities and campus development is based on the following principles:

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- fulfilling the University's mission.
- commitment to teaching and learning excellence.
- commitment to high quality services to support students and staff.
- successful and improved university operational practices.
- commitment to human resource planning and professional development.
- commitment to sustainable and healthy living environment, including green infrastructure.
- 5.5 Gulf University is committed to allocating space for specific users through organizational hierarchy and review those allocations periodically, assess utilization and reallocate the needed space as per the need.
- 5.6 Gulf University commits to prepare class schedule considering the capacity of classrooms and number of enrolments.
- 5.7 Gulf University ensures availability and support of technical staff in workshops, laboratories, and computer labs.
- 5.8 Gulf University ensures an appropriate schedule of maintenance for infrastructure and campus facilities across the university.
- 5.9 Gulf University is committed to providing academic space which includes classrooms, laboratories, computer lab, studio, library, faculty offices, and office for management staff. Open spaces with innovative seating arrangements are provided for individual and group work.
- 5.10 Gulf University commits to provide spaces for student sports and recreation facilities.
- 5.11 Gulf University ensures provision of cafeteria with the seating capacity of at least 100 students for eating and collaborative work.
- 5.12 Gulf University ensures adequate space for staff and students in offices, classrooms and laboratories aligned with best practices.
- 5.13 Gulf University ensures regular review and assessment of existing campus inventory to determine short-, medium-, and long-term space needs based on:
  - normal utilization of facilities with hourly targets.
  - future requirements for academic and administrative offices and support areas.
  - future requirements for students' learning and support spaces.
  - Students' enrolment growth.
  - Staff growth.
- 5.14 Gulf University commits to analyze the impact of facilities and campus development on neighboring communities and transportation.
- 5.15 Gulf University commits to engage students, staff members, and the community to benefit from the campus and the activities it holds.

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# 6. Responsibilities

#### HODs, Deans, and Managers are responsible for:

• following this document appropriately.

### COO is responsible for:

• appropriate implementation of this document.

### Vice President for Academic Affairs is responsible for:

• appropriate implementation of this document.

### **QADC** is responsible for:

• ensuring that this document is appropriately implemented.

### University Policy Development and Review Committee is responsible for:

• systematic review of the effectiveness of this document.

# 7. Related Policies

• University Policies

# 8. Related Procedures

• Maintenance Procedures

# 9. Related References and Standards

| BQA | Institutional Reviews Handbook           |
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| BQA | Programs-within-College Reviews Handbook |
| HEC | Building Regulations                     |

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