

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, Research GOVERNANCE AND COMMUNICATION

The Narh-Bita College's Intellectual Property, Research Governance and Communication policy is intended to sensitize Employees and Students of the College on Intellectual Property matters and provide the needed security and incentives to inspire the discovery of new knowledge.

Intellectual Property

The responsibility for the identification of intellectual property (IP) resides with the individual researcher and/or with their supervisor. The ownership of IP is deemed to reside with the University if the ideas, concepts, principles or issues emanating thereof are the result of activities under which the individual is acting within the terms of their contract. If such issues are the result of external collaborations, ownership shall be determined by the terms of the Research Agreement drawn up between the parties involved in the collaboration.

Research Governance

- a. To adhere to the highest standards of ethics and accountability by ensuring available funds are awarded and managed in a discerning manner and research projects that are considered for financial support meet the relevant criteria of quality and feasibility;
- b. To continuously revise and update the policy and management plans for research;
- c. To ensure central analytical facilities are managed effectively;
- d. To provide for the evaluation of research at the College regularly in terms of its extent, quality and impact; and
- e. To ensure that reports on research activities are given on a regular basis.

Research Communication

The College will use its structures such as the College Relations Office to widely communicate research outputs from its staff and students.

Links with national and international partners

- a. The college will strengthen existing partnerships, develop and maintain relationships with organisations (nationally and internationally) that are important for the promotion of research at the College.
- b. The College will maintain effective collaborations with research institutes in the country to ensure effective collaborative research to address Ghana's developmental challenges.
- c. The College will make an extra effort to strengthen links with the private sector and industry to know the research needs and human resource capacity needs of industry and jointly work at filling the gaps identified.