



6.1.1 The institutional governance and leadership are in accordance with the vision and mission of the Institution, and it is visible in various institutional practices such as NEP implementation, sustained institutional growth, decentralization, participation in the institutional governance and in their short term and long-term Institutional Perspective Plan.

<b>Particulars</b>	<b>Gujarat University Weblink</b>
Vision & Mission	<a href="https://www.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/University/missionvision">https://www.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/University/missionvision</a>
NEP – 2020	<a href="https://www.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/nepsyllabus">https://www.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/nepsyllabus</a>
Institute of Indic Studies	<a href="https://www.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/details/337">https://www.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/details/337</a>
Perspective Plan	<a href="https://iqac.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/strategicplan">https://iqac.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/strategicplan</a>
University Act and Statues which ensures the decentralization , participation in the Institutional governance	<a href="https://iqac.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/Downloads/ACT%20OF%20GU.pdf">https://iqac.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/Downloads/ACT%20OF%20GU.pdf</a> <a href="https://iqac.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/Downloads/Statutes%20of%20GU.pdf">https://iqac.gujaratuniversity.ac.in/Downloads/Statutes%20of%20GU.pdf</a>

### **Vision**

- To be a Center of Excellence
- Providing Value Based Quality Education
- Efficiency With Financial Sustainability
- Leading to Socio – economic Welfare of the Society through Enrichment of Human Capital

## **Mission**

- Empowering Student through Modernized Syllabi
- Innovation in Teaching
- Promotion Of Research, Consultancy and Extension for the Benefit of the Society
- Quality Improvement to Enhance Global Competitiveness

The Gujarat University derives its power and privileges from the Gujarat University Act 1949, of the State Legislative.

The court (Senate) is the chief authority of the University. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the court makes statutes setting forth in detail the broad provisions of the Act, e.g., the composition of the statutory bodies, definition of their powers, mode of election etc.

The Executive Council is the executive authority of the University and deals with matters such as prescribing conditions governing the various activities of the University.

The Academic Council is in-charge of the academic affairs of the University and is responsible for the maintenance and standards of instructions, education, and examinations subject to the provisions of the Act and statutes made under the Act.

The University is headed by the Vice-Chancellor and operates in a democratic manner, with representation from both faculties and students. Elections for the Senate are held annually. College principals manage college administration. While teachers do not form a formal administrative structure, they are represented in key University bodies such as the Academic and Executive Councils.

The Registrar is the chief administrative officer, overseeing all officers within the University. Details about the University's administrative sections are provided in Appendix -20. Both teaching and non-teaching staff have the right to voice their grievances through their respective unions, with four unions representing non-teaching staff alone. The University also recognizes associations for principals and non-teaching staff of affiliated colleges. As a result, the University serves as a regulator and a bridge among educational stakeholders.

However, the Government of Gujarat issued The Gujarat Public University Act on September 25, 2023, covering all state public universities in Gujarat. On July 30, 2024, the government issued new statutes. Under the new act and statutes, the university officers and boards include the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, Director of the Board of Examination, Finance and Account Officer, Director of Research, Director of Sub Campus University/Regional Center, Director of Innovations, Startups, Internship, Collaboration Technology and Linkages, Director of Knowledge Resource Center, Director of Lifelong Learning and Extension, Director of Students Development, Director of National Service Team, Director of Sports and Physical Education, University Legal Officer, Board of Management, Executive Council, Academic Council, Board of Deans, Director of School of Studies, Board of Studies, Board of Post Graduate Education in Colleges, Board of Examinations and Evaluations, Board of Research, Board of Sub Campuses/Regional Centers of Universities, School of Studies, Board of University Departments and Interdisciplinary Studies, Board of Lifelong Learning and Extension, Board of Information Technology, Board of International and National Linkages, Board of Innovation, Incubations and Inspire, Board of Students Development, and Board of Sports and Physical Education.

The University is governed under the aegis of the Gujarat University Act, 1949. There has been amendment in its Ordinances for decentralization of functioning of the University. The Ordinance O62 D of the GU Act, 1949 authorizes to sanction expenditure to various functionaries of the University.

The Finance Committee of the 26.08.16 vide its Resolution 5 revised and increased the financial powers of its signatories and recommended to Executive Council for approval. The same Finance Committee vide its Resolution 12 increased the financial powers of the Directors of the School.

The Grant Section of the University designed and drafted the Standard Operating System for Inviting and Implemented Individual Research Project, Departmental Project and Research Project for Women Scientist, Researcher at the University.

The University Departments, Faculties and Staff receive grants for Individual Research Projects, Departmental Research Projects, and Research Fellowships for Women Scientist and Researchers at University. The utilization procedure for these grants is operated through the Grant Section for the approval for the Competent Authority and the Statutory Bodies. The Grants received was administered through a Centralized Accounting Procedure and a common Bank Account. The Accounting Procedure of these grants is along with the University

Common Accounts and vouchers are maintained and numbered with University General Accounts. This created delay in the production of the utilization certificate, payment to the vendors and catering to the requirement of the interest component accrued on the balance grants to the funding agencies. Moreover, the Funding Agencies demanded the implementation of Public Financial Management System (PFMS) in Expenditure, Advance, and Transfer Modules (EAT) and started using PFMS to route the funds to the University.

In order to ease the operations of Project and Departmental Grants by the Principal and Project Investigators, a Standard Operating Procedure was draft and approved by the Finance Committee dated 22/3/2018 and approved by the Executive Council in its meeting dated 13-06-2018 vide Resolution No. 4.

These SOP for Projects decentralized the powers to use funds at the school level with the Director of Schools, Head of Departments and Principal Investigators. Also, there is a provision of creation a separate Bank Account for each project operational till the tenure of the Project to be implemented by the Project Investigator, Co-Investigator, Head of the Department, Director of the School and/or Registrar. The Project Investigator have to approach the Grant Section for seeking sanction of financial approval for expenditures from the Competent Authorities and Statutory Bodies only. Thus, this procedure simplified the functioning of the Project Grant at the Department and School level thereby inducing administrative independence and ease of using funds. Thereby resulting in timely submission of Utilization Certification duly audited by the Chartered Accountant.

Gujarat University established the Institute of INDIC Studies, demonstrating its commitment to exploring and promoting traditional Indian knowledge. In addition, the university has founded the Department for Validation of INDIC Knowledge through Advanced Research (DWIKAR). This department is dedicated to validating and enhancing traditional Bharatiya wisdom, with a particular focus on holistic healing practices.

As part of its initiative to integrate the Indian knowledge system into its curriculum, Gujarat University offers two-credit courses at all levels of its undergraduate programs. Students can choose from a variety of options that focus on different aspects of the Indian knowledge system. Furthermore, the university has made it mandatory for all boards of studies to incorporate at least one unit related to the Indian knowledge system into their respective subjects.

In addition to these efforts, Gujarat University offers more than ten online programs on the Indian knowledge system, available to all students. This wide array of courses ensures that students have ample opportunities to engage with and learn from traditional Indian wisdom, enriching their educational experience and broadening their understanding of diverse cultural perspectives.