

12.4 Assignment of Thesis Supervisor

A Ph.D. research supervisor will be assigned to every student at an appropriate time in the programme, as decided by individual Departments. The following guidelines will be followed in assigning research supervisor(s): 1. A student shall not normally have more than two supervisors at any given time. The primary supervisor must be from the parent department of the student. 2. Thesis supervisor of a student will normally be appointed from amongst the faculty members at IISER Bhopal in accordance with the guidelines of each Department. In general, supervisor(s) can be chosen any time before completing the course work. Criteria used for assigning thesis supervisor(s) include students' preference for a research area, his/her performance in the interview, and performance in course work at IISER Bhopal. 3. Under special circumstances the Senate may allow a scientist/faculty member from another academic Institution to be a co-supervisor. 4. The assignment or change of supervisor(s) of a student must be intimated to the Office of Academic Affairs. Addition or change of supervisor is not allowed once the thesis is submitted. In case a supervisor of a Ph.D. student is change/added, the student cannot submit his/her thesis until after six months of the change. 5. If the thesis supervisor is a faculty member on probation (at assistant professor or new joiner at associate professor and professor level), the DPGC will appoint a co-supervisor, who is a confirmed faculty member. Once the services of the primary supervisor are confirmed by the Institute, the co-supervisor will be relieved.