15.1 Annual Leave

Ph.D. students are entitled for a maximum of one month of paid leave during an academic year with prior approval of thesis supervisor and DoAA. Fellow is not entitled to any other vacations. The leave will be treated as part of the fellow's tenure. The leave due can be carried over to the next year, however, not more than 90 days can be accumulated at any time during the tenure, of this not more than 30 days can be availed in a calendar year with stipend and beyond that the leave will be treated as "Leave Without Stipend". During the first year of fellowship or any uncompleted year, leave may be granted on pro-rata basis. Sanction of leave without stipend may be considered by respective funding agencies under special circumstances. In case fellow proceeds on leave before expiry of fellowship tenure, he/she must join back before the expiry of tenure; failing which the tenure will be deemed to have terminated with effect from the date he/she proceeded on leave.