

Policy on National Linkages

National Linkages and agreements endorse collaboration with national scholars and universities, which provides a unique environment in which to meet the Institute's vision, mission of teaching, research, and public service. Linkages between institutions across the nation and IoBM are developed through mutual agreement and provide mutual benefits. The emphasis is on mutual collaboration.

Policy

To facilitate this involvement and to provide IoBM's stakeholders with appropriate guidelines for the establishment of linkages with institutions across the nation.

Following criteria and procedures are provided to faculty and departments.

- Any agreement under the scope of this policy, prior to being executed in accordance with IoBM's bylaws, must be reviewed and approved by the President, Dean and HoD.
- Linkages may result from the initiative of an individual faculty member, department head, or administrative official of the Institute.
- Those requesting that a linkage agreement be initiated must ensure that the above guidelines are met, and complete the request of National Linkage Agreement.
- Successful National linkages remain so due to faculty and/or departmental ownership of the collaboration.

Linkage agreements may be categorized into three types, which are mutually exclusive:

1. Institutional Linkages:

A comprehensive institutional linkage reflects a formal understanding between individual institutions or groups of institutions. An institutional linkage agreement must be based on administrative decisions and commitments at all levels and require approval of the President.

2. Departmental Linkages:

Linkage with counterpart departments of national institutions may involve faculty, student and/or collaborative research or other scholarly activities. Department-level linkages are formalized through the department chair and require approval of the President.

3. Individual Linkages:

Individual faculty may develop collaborative activities with colleagues across the nation, without a formal linkage agreement. Because such collaboration involves the name and/or resources of the Institute, Dean's approval is required. The Office of President should receive notification of the activities. The goals and objectives of each linkage activity should be complementary to the vision, mission and purpose of the Institute and consistent with and reflected in its strategic plan. The elements of the linkage program will be specific and periodically reviewed by ORIC and QEC and in conjunction with the effort, those responsible for generating or continuing the linkage will be asked to report the linkage activity on an annual basis to the Ed Admin's Office.