

Capital University of Science and Technology

Policy for Foreign Evaluation of PhD Thesis

- (1) A PhD dissertation shall be cleared for foreign review if its similarity index is less than 20% in total, and less than 5% from a single source. Similarity from the student's own published work carried out during the PhD studies shall be excluded.
- (2) A PhD dissertation shall be reviewed by at least two foreign experts from a technologically / academically advanced country as per the list published by the HEC from time to time.
- (3) BASR shall approve a panel of three foreign reviewers out of five proposed by the concerned Dean in consultation with the supervisor.
- (4) A foreign review recommending revisions shall be accepted under the Supervisor's certificate and if a review is asking for major revisions, it shall be sent back to the concerned reviewer, after corrections, if so desired by the reviewer.
- (5) A PhD dissertation must have at least two out of three positive foreign reviews to make the scholar eligible for the final defense.