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# **PSBU SDG 5 Policy: Gender Identity and Inclusion Policy**

## **Purpose**

Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University (PSBU) is committed to creating a safe, inclusive, and respectful environment for all members of its community, including transgender and gender-diverse individuals. This policy sets out the university's principles, commitments, and actions to ensure equal access, non-discrimination, and full participation for people of all gender identities.

## Scope

This policy applies to all students, staff, faculty, and affiliates of PSBU, as well as external partners engaged in teaching, research, or community activities under the university's auspices. It covers admissions, recruitment, progression, employment, leadership opportunities, and participation in all university programmes and services.

#### **Policy Commitments**

# **Non-Discrimination and Equal Access**

- PSBU ensures that transgender and gender-diverse individuals are afforded the same rights and opportunities as all other members of the university community.
- All university policies, procedures, and practices are implemented without bias on the basis of gender identity or expression.

## **Inclusive Campus Culture**

- The university fosters a campus culture that respects diversity, promotes understanding, and challenges stereotypes or discriminatory behaviour.
- Awareness, training, and advocacy initiatives are provided to staff, faculty, and students to support inclusive practices.

#### **Support and Accommodation**

- Reasonable accommodations will be made to support the participation and wellbeing of transgender individuals, including access to facilities, learning resources, and mentorship programmes.
- Confidential support services are available for students and staff to address concerns related to discrimination, harassment, or gender identity issues.

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# **Integration into Teaching and Research**

- PSBU encourages the inclusion of gender-diverse perspectives in curricula, research, and community engagement projects.
- Academic and professional activities are designed to reflect the principles of equality, diversity, and inclusion.

#### **Collaboration and Best Practice**

 PSBU will engage with national and international organisations, higher education networks, and NGOs to strengthen knowledge, policy development, and advocacy for transgender and gender-diverse inclusion.

## Responsibilities

- **University Leadership** / **Rectorate:** Ensure institutional commitment to gender identity inclusion; allocate resources and support policy implementation.
- Quality Assurance / Institutional Research Office: Monitor policy adherence, collect relevant data, and report annually on outcomes.
- Human Resources Department: Embed inclusive recruitment, retention, and promotion practices that respect gender identity.
- Academic Departments / Faculty: Implement inclusive teaching and learning practices; actively support transgender and gender-diverse students.
- **Gender Equality Committee:** Oversee policy application, provide guidance, and recommend improvements where necessary.

## **Measurement and Accountability**

Key performance indicators include:

- Number of transgender and gender-diverse students and staff supported through university programmes.
- Participation rates in awareness, inclusion, and training initiatives.
- Incidents of discrimination or harassment addressed effectively and promptly.
- Evidence of gender-diverse perspectives included in curricula, research, and community engagement.
- Annual reporting by the Gender Equality Committee on progress and recommendations.

#### **Related Policies and Strategies**

- PSBU Gender Equality and Access Policy
- PSBU Non-Discrimination Policy
- Staff and Student Code of Conduct
- SDG 5 Framework: Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment

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PSBU Anti-Harassment and Anti-Bullying Policies

#### **Review Cycle**

This policy will be reviewed every three years, or sooner if:

- · Legislative or regulatory requirements change;
- Feedback from stakeholders indicates a need for revision;
- Institutional priorities or partnerships evolve;
- Monitoring and evaluation suggest adjustments are needed to improve effectiveness.

#### **External Best Practice Benchmarks**

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<b>Institution / Initiative</b>	Key Features	Relevance to PSBU
University of	Explicit inclusion of transgender	Provides a model for
Melbourne – Gender	and gender-diverse staff and	monitoring, training, and
Diversity &	students, with support	inclusive practices at
Inclusion Policy	programmes and training.	PSBU.
University of	Promotes inclusion for all	Offers guidance for
Sydney – Equity and	gender identities; embeds	embedding gender
Diversity	awareness and support	diversity into policies,
Framework	structures throughout university	curricula, and
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Universities	Recommends inclusive	Aligns PSBU policy with
Australia – Equity	practices, monitoring, and	national higher education
and Inclusion	accountability for gender-	standards.
Guidelines	diverse individuals.	អូត្រះអ ពុឌ្យន៍ ៩ឯ PS /Ul IVERSITY ពុឌ្ធិកសភាសនិប
UNESCO - Inclusive	Supports access and equity for	Provides international
<b>Education Guidance</b>	all learners, including gender-	context for best practices
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Next Review Date: September 2026 (Academic Year 26/27)