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To
All the Principals of the Colleges offering
UG Programs under the Jurisdiction of OU
Hyderabad

Sub: OU – CBCS Structure guidelines from the academic year 2019-20
Award of Grades as per UGC frame work – Implementation from the
Academic year 2021-22 to the 1st year UG Programs-Communication
Reg.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to the subject cited, I am to communicate the formulation of CBCS structure and guidelines from the academic year 2019-20.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Senate meeting held on 03.03.2020 approved the recommendations of a Committee constituted with regard to formulation of CBCS Structure for UG conventional programs from the academic year 2019-20.

1. Language Courses
2. Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses (AECC)
3. Discipline Specific Courses (DSC)
4. Discipline Specific Elective Courses (DSE)
5. Generic Elective (GE)
6. Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC)
7. Project
8. Credits under Non-CGPA (NSS/NCC/Sports/Extra Curricular and Summer Internship)

1. Language Courses: Two language (first language English and second language Regional/Foreign) modular courses be compulsorily studied by a candidate admitted to UG program.

2. **Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses (AECC)** are mandatory for all disciplines. These courses are based upon the content that leads to knowledge enhancement. The students can opt one of the following courses in each of the 1st and 2nd Semesters in the Degree I year.

- i) Environmental Studies
- ii) Basic Computer Skills

The two AECC courses are of 2 credits each and maintain uniformity in the syllabus and examination for all streams at UG level.

3. **Discipline Specific Courses (DSC)** are to be opted by the students as Core Courses based on eligible qualifications, which should compulsorily be studied by the students as Core requirement. A student has to choose 3 DSCs for all streams at UG level. Each DSC includes 4 papers of 5 credits each over a period of 2 years consisting of 4 semesters (I to IV).

4. **Discipline Specific Elective (DSE)** is offered by the main discipline/subject of study. DSE course can be chosen from a pool of courses and may be very specific or specialized or advanced or supportive to the discipline/ subject of study or provides an extended scope or enables an exposure in applied discipline/ subject/ domain related to core course and helps the candidate's proficiency / skill in the core areas of discipline. Each department should offer at least two DSEs in each of the V and VI semesters of the final year UG program. A student has to choose 3 DSEs for all streams at UG level. Each DSE includes 2 papers of 5 Credits each in final year (V and VI Semesters).

5. **Generic Elective (GE) Course** is chosen generally from an unrelated discipline/subject, with an intension to seek exposure. It has been offered as an additional course and each Department has to offer a GE paper with 4 credits in Semester V to the students of other departments. A student has to select one of them among the pool of courses identified by the Department/ Institution/ University

6. **The Skill Enhancement Courses** are value-based and/or skill-based and are aimed at providing hands-on-training, competencies, skills etc. The students are to complete 4 papers among SECs during 3rd and 4th Semesters of UG Program. Among the 4 papers 2 should be from UGC specified Life-Skill Courses and 2 should be from Department Specified Courses. In each semester the student has to choose one each from UGC specified paper and Department Specified papers. Each Department shall offer one SEC paper in each of the 3rd and 4th Semesters.

The following are the UGC specified courses for Curriculum for Life skills (Jeevan Kushal) as Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC).

III Semester

1st SEC

- iii) Communication Skills
- iv) Professional Skills

2nd SEC

Department Specified Courses

IV Semester

3rd SEC

- iii) Leadership and Management Skills
- iv) Universal Human Values

4th SEC

Department Specified Courses

7. **Project Work** is designed to acquire special/advanced knowledge that supplement/support the study, and a student carries out such a project on his own choice with an advisory support by a faculty member. It is considered as a special course involving application of knowledge in solving/ analyzing/ exploring a real life situation/ difficult problem.

The Department/ Institution has to offer the project work in Semester – VI or otherwise student can opt the optional paper offered by the Department, which carry 4 credits.

The Institution/ College has to create Research and Innovation Cell and appoint a Nodal Officer or Coordinator to facilitate the Project Work and also to monitor the progress.

8. Credits under Non-CGPA (NSS/NCC/Sports/Extra Curricular and Summer Internship)

a) System / Policy for Co and Extra Curricular Activities:

Non-CGPA credits can be awarded for students who enrolled for Co and Extra Curricular Activities / General Interest and Hobby Courses / Internships/ Sports/ NCC/ NSS/ Vocational courses/ related courses offered by the University/ institution. At least 2 credits each will be given in a year for the each of the activities in one or combination over a period of three years. A student is expected to complete a minimum of 6 Non-CGPA credits to fulfil the requirements of Holistic Development.

b) Summer Internship:

Internship is a devised to train the students for expanding career opportunities and addressing community needs. Any Field work / Internships of 60 Hours duration to be treated as equivalent to One Credit for Award of Non-CGPA (under co or extra-curricular) requirements. The summer internship of 6 weeks for all streams at UG level after 1st year or 2nd year and will be awarded 2 Credits. However, student may also adopt the UGC specified 'Swachh Bharat Summer Internship' Program during 1st May to 31st July at the end of 1st Year or 2nd Year of UG Program.

Further, with regard to Evaluation as per UGC Framework, the Award of Grades, Grade letter, Grade Points, Credits, Credit Points, SGPA and CGPA be followed in the University as per the table given in the CBCS guidelines in the UGC Frame Work. The Award of Grades will be implemented to the students of 1st year UG Programs who are admitted during the academic year 2021-22.

Award of Grades:

Existing Framework			As per UGC Framework			
Range of % of marks	Grade letter	Grade point	Range of % of marks	Inference	Letter Grade	Grade point
≥85 to 100	O	10	≥90 to 100	Outstanding	O	10
≥70 to <85	A	9	≥75 to <90	Excellent	A+	9
≥60 to <70	B	8	≥60 to <75	Very Good	A	8
≥55 to <60	C	7	≥55 to <60	Good	B+	7
≥50 to <55	D	6	≥50 to <55	Above Average	B	6
≥40 to <50	E	5	≥45 to <50	Average	C	5
<40	F	0	≥40 to <45	Pass	D	4
Absent	Ab	-	<40	Fail (Re-Appear)	F(RA)	0
				Absent (Not Appeared)	Ab (NA)	0
Not eligible for end semester examination				In-Complete	IC	0

This is for your information and for taking further necessary action.

Yours sincerely,



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