



# UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

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## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

**Time & Date** : **10.00 a.m., Monday,  
the 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2024**

### Members Present

1. Dr. Mohanan Kunnummal  
Vice-Chancellor (In the Chair)
2. Dr. Gabriel Simon Thattil
3. Dr. Bindu R L
4. Dr. Sumesh Divakaran
5. Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan
6. Dr. R Vasantha Gopal
7. Prof. A M Unnikrishnan
8. Dr. A Bijukumar
9. Dr. Abhilash Pillai
10. Dr. Manju S Nair
11. Dr. Sabu Joseph
12. Dr. Noushad V
13. Dr. Abhayan G S
14. Dr. Arun A Rauf
15. Dr. Swapna T S
16. Dr. E.A Siril
17. Dr. Suneesh C V
18. Dr. Biju T
19. Dr. D Muhammad Noorul Mubarak
20. Dr. Sheeja S R
21. Dr. Bindu T V
22. Dr. Thara Prabhakaran
23. Dr. Rajesh Reghunath
24. Dr. Anees A
25. Dr. Shaji A
26. Sri. Ashraf A
27. Dr. Sudhi S Vijayan
28. Dr. L. Darwin
29. Dr. Seema Jerome
30. Dr. Thalmi B
31. Dr. I Hubert Joe
32. Dr. Sam Solomon
33. Dr. R Lekshmi
34. Dr. V Biju
35. Dr. Girish Kumar R
36. Dr. H. Sylaja
37. Dr. R S Krishnakumar

38. Dr. C.N Vijayakumari
39. Dr. Sandhya R S
40. Dr. Manoj Chacko
41. Dr. Hepsy Rose Mary
42. Dr. G. Prasad
43. Dr. C R Prasad
44. Dr. K.S Suresh Kumar
45. Dr. S Nazeeb
46. Dr. Rahim K
47. Prof. Manoj V
48. Dr. Pramod N
49. Dr. T.R Manoj
50. Adv. R. B Rajeev Kumar
51. Sri. Ajay D N
52. Sri. Ahamed Fazil Y
53. Sri. P S Gopakumar
54. Dr. Vindokumar T G Nair
55. Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G
56. Dr. Shijukhan J S
57. Prof.(Dr.) P M Radhamany
58. Dr. S Jayan
59. Sri. R Rajesh
60. Dr. Gopchandran K G
61. Dr. Sheeba P
62. Dr. Rany S
63. Dr. M.S Anilkumar
64. Dr. P R Unnikrishnapillai
65. Dr. R Sunilkumar
66. Dr. Rajesh S V
67. Dr. Pramod Kiran R B
68. Smt. Maggie J
69. Dr. Sreelekha L
70. Smt. Ashwini Ashok
71. Fr. George Mathew
72. Dr. Manju A
73. Dr. K Radhakrishnan
74. Dr. Sunil V T
75. Dr. Nazneen A
76. Dr. Rejiya C S
77. Dr. Ragaseema V M
78. Dr. Sushama Raj R V
79. Dr. Anzer R N
80. Dr. Aji S
81. Dr. Vinod C Sugathan
82. Dr. Shaji E
83. Dr. Prasad Rajendran
84. Dr. Sheeja P R
85. Smt. Rumla Beegum S
86. Dr. Prakasan P. M
87. Dr. K.P Jayakumar
88. Dr. R Santhosh
89. Dr. J Binoy
90. Dr. Vineetha N R

91. Dr. Sumi V S
92. Dr. Kala Rani K S
93. Dr. Harinarayanan M
94. Dr. Sabu P Thomas
95. Dr. P Vinod

### **Online Presence**

1. Smt. Asha Prabhakaran
2. Dr. S.R Jayasree
3. Dr. Sreekala R.B
4. Prof. (Dr.) Prakash K.C
5. Dr. Meena T Pillai
6. Dr. Manoj Changat

*The meeting was called to order at 10.00 a.m by Dr. Mohanan Kunnummal, Vice-Chancellor in the Chair. He welcomed the members to the meeting.*

### **I. Business brought forward by the Vice-Chancellor and the Syndicate.**

#### **01. Recognition as approved Research Centre – Dept. of Physics, St.Joseph's College for Women, Alappuzha –Consideration of- reg. (Ac.E1)**

An application has been submitted by the Principal, St.Joseph's College for Women, Alappuzha to recognise the Dept. of Physics, St. Joseph's College for women, Alappuzha as an approved research centre of University of Kerala. The Syndicate held on 02.07.2024 vide Item No. 11.12.A2 considered the matter along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research and resolved to constitute an Inspection team comprising of Dr. K.G. Gopchandran, Dr.S.Jayan, Sri. R. Rajesh, Members Syndicate and Dr. V. Biju, Professor & Head, Dept.of Physics, University of Kerala, as the subject expert and the said inspection was conducted at Dept.of Physics, St.Joseph's College for Women, Alappuzha on 29/02/2024.

The following are the major findings in the inspection report furnished by the Inspection Committee.

1. The proposed Centre has its own building for library, reference section etc.
2. The library of the Centre has sufficient number of Books and Journals
3. The Centre has provided separate working facilities to individual scholars.
4. There are two approved research supervisors working as regular faculty in the Centre.
5. A research committee has been constituted comprising of research guides.
6. The Head of Institution has also submitted an undertaking to the University to the effect that adequate funds will be made available for the centre; scholars shall not be admitted beyond the sanctioned strength; academic programmes like seminars, workshops, projects will be undertaken as part of the centre's functioning and a report will be forwarded annually, in the month of December to the University on the functioning of the centre along with the annual fees. In the above circumstances, the inspection team recommended to approve the Dept.of Physics, St.Joseph's College for Women, Alappuzha as a recognized Research Centre of University of Kerala.

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As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor, the matter of recognition of Dept.of Physics, St.Joseph's College for Women, Alappuzha as approved Research Centre under University of Kerala is placed before the Academic Council for opinion.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to recognize the Dept.of Physics, St.Joseph's College for Women, Alappuzha as an approved Research Centre under the University of Kerala.

**02. Appointment of Faculties(Permanent/Guest/Contract) from affiliated colleges (Govt/Aided/Self- financing) as examiners for valuation- Inclusion in the panel irrespective of their period of service – Revision of existing order –Consideration of- Reg. (AR-EB/M&C)**

In accordance with the resolution of the Syndicate held on 31.1.15 vide item No: 05.58, the Guest faculties from Govt/Aided colleges with an experience of 1 or more year is being appointed as additional examiners for the valuation of UG/PG programmes.(U.O.M&C.1.2/1719/2015 dtd 28.3.15)

With the introduction of New Generation courses in both PG & UG programmes there is scarcity of sufficient examiners having the stipulated criteria for valuation of certain papers.

As the FYUG programmes is being introduced in our University from this academic year onwards, list of examiners for almost 1600 papers needs to be prepared as per the syllabus submitted.It is also mandatory to publish the results of all examinations with in a period of one month from the last exam in each semester.

In most of the colleges the Guest faculties/newly appointed teachers may be taking classes for rare subjects/papers.So sometimes there will be no sufficient examiners for the valuation of those papers and this will badly affect the valuation process.

It may noted that in a similar situation, to ensure the timely valuation and publication of results of LLB courses the decision for utilising the services of examiners, with less than 1 year of service, with due certification and consent from the respective Principals and by ensuring revaluation by the Chief examiners,was taken at a meeting convened by the Controller of Examinations on 26.3.2018.

In the above circumstances, the following proposals for relaxation of existing rules are submitted for consideration.

1. As innovative programmes and courses are being introduced,the colleges must ensure that the faculty details of those who are appointed fortaking classes for all programmes be included in the college baskets, at the time of admission itself.
2. To revise the existing order, by including the faculties (Permanent/Contract/Guest) of the affiliated colleges (Govt/Aided/Self-financing) with less than one year experience also in the list of examiners for valuation with the certification from the respective Principals as to their competency and proficiency.

The Syndicate meeting held on 09.09.2024 has resolved to refer the item to the Academic Council.

As per orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the proposals detailed above for revision in the existing criteria for appointment of examiners for valuation of UG/PG programmes,is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate recommendations.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** that faculty (Permanent/ Contract/ Guest) of affiliated colleges (Govt/Aided/Self-financing) having less than 1 year of experience shall also be utilized for valuation of UG/PG programmes, where there is scarcity of faculty having 1 year or more experience, after obtaining a certificate to this effect from the Principals of the colleges concerned with the statement that such examiners have done evaluation of at least one internal examination.

**03. Change of Nomenclature of BPA Programmes to BA Programmes – representation received from College Students Union, Sree Swathi Thirunal Govt. College of Music, Thiruvananthapuram –Consideration of-reg. (Ac.AV)**

The General Secretary, Students Union of Sree Swathi Thirunal Govt.College of Music,

Thiruvananthapuram has submitted a representation as recommended by the Principal to change the nomenclature of the BPA Music (Violin) , BPA Music (Veena) BPA music( Mridangam) and BPA Dance to BA Programmes concerned from 2024 admission onwards. It may be noted that, BPA (Bachelor of Performing Arts) Programmes are offered only in Sree Swathi Thirunal Govt.College of Music, Thiruvananthapuram under the faculty of Fine arts .

Further, a discussion was held on the matter regarding the nomenclature of BPA programmes and related issues in the College Council meeting conducted at SST Govt. College of Music, Trivandrum on 25.03.2024. It is pointed out in the minutes of the meeting that the candidates who passed BPA Programmes faced some difficulties for applying examinations for Job vacancies notified by the Kerala PSC, as the PSC issued the notification with BA/ BSc/ BCom degrees are eligible qualifications. In this situation, BPA graduates are failed to register for such examinations or have to produce Equivalency / Eligibility certificates from university and this causes problems to candidates.

In the light of the request of the Principal, Sree Swathi Thirunal Govt.College of Music, and as per the recommendation of the Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts, the Academic Council at its meeting held on 18.04.2016 resolved to change the nomenclature of MPA in Vocal, Veena, Violine, Mridangam and Dance courses to MA in Music, Veena, Violin, Mridangam and Dance Degree courses wef 2016 admission onwards. An UO No. Ac A IV/1/48837/3.1/2016 dated 16.06.2016 was issued accordingly.

In response to the request to change the nomenclature of BPA programmes, the Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts recommended to consider the following points regarding the proposed nomenclature change,

- 1) **The proposed change involves a terminological adjustment from BPA Music programs to BA Music programs, without any substantive or conceptual modifications to the existing curriculum or program content.**
- 2) **This change is anticipated to assist students in obtaining equivalency and eligibility certificates as required for their academic and professional pursuits.**
- 3) **Additionally, it is expected to address and potentially resolve the discrepancies reportedly encountered by students during the admissions process and in meeting other institutional requirements.**

As per orders of the Vice - Chancellor, the request with regard to change of nomenclature of BPA programmes ( Music, Veena, violin, Mridangam and Dance) to BA programmes from 2024 admission onwards is placed before Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to change the nomenclature of BPA programmes ( Music, Veena, Violin, Mridangam and Dance) to BA programmes ( Music, Veena, Violin, Mridangam and Dance) from 2024 admission onwards.

- 04. Recognition of B.Sc (Chemistry, Zoology, Bio-Technology) (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University for the purpose of Higher studies and employment in the field of Chemistry-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref: 1. Application submitted by Ms. Sruthi M Nair dtd. 11/06/2024**

**2.Minutes of the online meeting of the BoS in Chemistry (UG) held on 07-08-2024 in the presence of the Dean Faculty of Science.**

Ms. Sruthi M Nair submitted an application for recognition of B.Sc (Chemistry,Zoology,Bio-Technology) (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University for the purpose of Higher studies (M.Sc Degree in Chemistry) and employment in the field of Chemistry. The candidate has passed recognised 10+2 pattern of study.

While submitting the application she has attached the B.Sc Chemistry syllabus (I to VI Semesters w.e.f 2014 ) of Bangalore University duly attested by the Principal of the College.

Since the programme is a Triple Main course, she was directed to submit the certified copy

of the syllabus of the Bachelor's programme underwent by her from Bangalore University duly attested by the Registrar of Bangalore University vide a memo dtd 12/06/2024. Also directed to submit the copy of the Transfer certificate from the college.

In response to the memo she has submitted the following documents along with a representation.

1. Downloaded copy of the syllabus of B.Sc Biotechnology (CBCS) (2014-15) and B.SC Zoology CBCS (2018-19 and onwards) from the official website of Bangalore University without any attestation.

2. College ID Card forwarded through e-mail dtd 13/06/2024

In her representation, it was stated that she is unable to get the copy of the syllabus of the Bachelors programme from Bangalore University duly attested by the Registrar.

**The Chairman BoS in Chemistry (Pass)** has remarked that the admission criteria followed by University of Kerala for admission to M.Sc Degree in Chemistry is:- those candidates with Chemistry/Polymer Chemistry as core course and Mathematics as one of the complementary course with eligible CCPA. But the B.Sc Degree (Chemistry, Zoology, Bio-Technology) (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University does not cover Mathematics as a Complementary subject. **Hence this degree can not be recognised for the purpose of studying M.Sc Degree in Chemistry as per the norms of University of Kerala.** Moreover, in the B.Sc Degree in Chemistry (CBCSS) of University of Kerala the credit offered for core course is 46 and a project of credit 4. But in this B.SC (Chemistry, Zoology, Bio-Technology) (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University, the credit offered (acquired) for chemistry, by the candidate, as per the materials produced is found to be only 24. **this is too low to recommend for recognition for the purpose of employment in the field of Chemistry.**

**But, the Dean Faculty of Science** has remarked that Triple majors are introduced by the UGC to enable students to opt for higher education in all the three fields of study for a particular graduate programme. **Therefore eligibility for higher education in Chemistry may be granted to the student.**

As there is no consensus in the remarks offered by the Chairman BoS in Chemistry (Pass) and the Dean Faculty of Science, the matter was placed before online meeting of the BoS in Chemistry (UG) in the presence of the Dean Faculty of Science held on 07-08-2024.

The online meeting held on 07-08-2024 was considered the matter of recognition of B.SC (Chemistry, Zoology, Bio-Technology) (Regular) awarded to Ms. Sruthi M Nair by Bangalore University for the purpose of Higher studies and employment in the field of Chemistry and the following decisions were taken.

Decisions:

**Recognition of Degree for Higher Studies:**

The B.Sc (Chemistry, Zoology, Bio-Technology) (Regular) degree awarded by Bangalore University is recognized for higher studies based on its chemistry content.

The introduction of Triple Majors by the UGC allows students to pursue higher education in any of the three fields studied in their undergraduate program.

**Admission Criteria for M.Sc Chemistry:**

According to the University of Kerala regulations and PG admission prospectus, the admission criteria for M.Sc Chemistry require Mathematics as one of the compulsory complementary subjects.

**Recommendation for Ms. Sruthi M Nair:**

As the above two are contradictory, the board recommends the university to make a suitable decision regarding the application submitted by Ms. Sruthi M Nair for recognition of her B.Sc (Chemistry, Zoology, Bio-Technology) (Regular) degree from Bangalore University for the purpose of higher studies in the field of Chemistry.

B.Sc Degree in Chemistry (CBCSS) of University of Kerala the credit offered for core course is 52. But in this B.Sc (Chemistry, Zoology, Bio-Technology) (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University, the credit offered (acquired) for chemistry, by the candidate, as per the documents produced is found to be only 24 and is too low to recommend for recognition for the purpose of employment in the field of Chemistry.

**Applicability to B.Sc Biotechnology - Multi Major:**

This decision should also apply to students who have secured a B.Sc Biotechnology - Multi major (Biotechnology, Chemistry, Botany/Zoology), a BSc course offered by University of Kerala, as they also lack a Mathematics complementary.

**The Dean Faculty of Science** has endorsed the above recommendations and further directed to place the matter before the Academic Council for consideration.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.SC.(Chemistry, Zoology, Bio-Technology) (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to recognize the B.Sc (Chemistry,Zoology,Bio-Technology) (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University for the purpose of Higher studies in the field of Chemistry, Zoology and Bio-Technology.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to modify the existing PG admission Regulations, incorporating provisions enabling Triple Main graduates of other statutory Universities to pursue higher studies in the University for all the three main programmes, irrespective of the course content.

**05. Uploading the certificates in NAD-DIGILOCKER – Modifying the format of Degree certificate –Consideration of- reg. (Ac.AII)**

Ref : Note to the JR Academic from NAD cell dtd 1.10.2024

The University Grants Commission (UGC) vide letter no.DO.NO. F.1-46/2020(NAD/Digilocker) dated 23.09.2024 has requested all Higher Education Institutions to accept digital copy made available in the DigiLocker platform by the various Boards including Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) and other recognized institutions, as its legally valid documents. The University of Kerala has uploaded 63661 numbers of Degree Certificates of various programmes and started the process of uploading marksheets.

The NAD cell reported that while uploading the degree certificates of candidates of Private registration/annual scheme in NAD DigiLocker portal, they are facing some difficulties in finding out a suitable template. The issue had been reported to the subcommittee of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 21.06.2024 and the committee recommended to take necessary action to make physical and digital certificate same as each other and to place the matter in Academic Council for consideration and implementation. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.09.2024 approved the above recommendations.

In compliance with the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor on the resolution of the Syndicate , the NAD CELL has forwarded the following points for consideration to facilitate the effortless uploading of degree certificates of various programmes to the NAD-Digilocker portal:

- Can't find a match for the templates in DIGILOCKER with the multiple month & year as in the physical degree certificates of private and annual candidates. Hence the same may be modified to single month & year in which the candidate became eligible for final certificate.
- The degree certificates of various programmes issued by the University need to be in uniform format there by can resolve the issue while uploading the same.
- Candidate Code/Register number in the degree certificates of various programmes need to be given uniform format.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the above matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** the following, that

1. The candidate registering for a particular course shall have unique Register number till completion of the programme,
2. The multiple month & year in the physical degree certificates of private and annual candidates shall be modified to single month & year in which the candidate became eligible for final certificate,
3. Uniform format shall be followed for the Candidate Code/Register number in the degree certificates issued by the University for various programmes and
4. Uniform format shall be followed for the degree certificates issued by the University for various programmes.

**06. Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Islamic History awarded by University of Kerala for the purpose of Higher Studies and employment in the field of History- Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)  
Ref: Application submitted by Ms. Hassan J dtd 16/05/2024 (Thesis submitted on 30/05/2024)**

Mr. Hassan J submitted an application for recognition of Ph.D Degree in Islamic History awarded by University of Kerala with thesis titled " Need and Possibilities of a Recognised Madrasa Board under the Government of Kerala" for the purpose of Higher Studies and employment in the field of History. The candidate has passed B.A Degree in Islamic History in 2008, M.A Degree in Islamic History in 2010, B.Ed Degree in Social Science in 2011 from the University of Kerala. He has also completed M.A Degree in History from this University in 2013. He has also qualified NET and JRF in Arab Culture and Islamic Studies.

Later he was admitted to the Ph.D Programme in Islamic History in this University. He has requested to recognise his Ph.D Degree in Islamic History as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of History.

As per the remarks from the Ac E I section, the applicant Mr. Hassan J. has been granted Ph.D. registration in Islamic History based on the P.G. Degree qualified in Islamic History with UGC NET JRF in Islamic History as the eligibility criteria.

Moreover the M.A Degree in Islamic History of the University of Kerala has not been considered as equivalent to M.A Degree in History of this University.

The Chairman BoS in History (PG) has gone through the file regarding the application submitted by Mr. Hassan J for recognising his Ph.D in Islamic History for higher studies and employment in History and it has been remarked that the candidate has qualified M.A Degree in History and M.A Degree in Islamic History. At the same time the candidate has qualified UGC JRF in Islamic History and took his Ph.D in Islamic History. The candidate is not eligible for registering Ph.D in History because he has not qualified the University Entrance Examination and NET Examination in History. Hence the application submitted by the candidate for issuing Eligibility Certificate to the effect that his Ph.D in Islamic History be considered for higher studies and employment in History cannot be recommended. However the possibility of treating the matter in interdisciplinary perspective can be explored. In such case the matter can be discussed in Academic Council and other higher bodies whichever is applicable.

The Dean Faculty of Social Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in History (Pass).

Hence the whole matter regarding the Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Islamic History awarded by University of Kerala with M.A Degree in History as the eligible qualification for the purpose of Higher Studies and employment in the field of History is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to refer the matter to the Combined meeting of the Board of Studies in History (PG) and Islamic History(PG) and to submit a report on the same to the Academic Council, for consideration.

**07. Appointments for the Post of HSST/ HSST(Jr)- Exempting those who possess Diploma in Hindi from acquiring B.Ed- Remarks Sought from General Education Department –Consideration of-reg. (Ac.A III)**

The Director of General Education (Higher Secondary) has informed that the appointments for the post of HSST/HSST(Jr) are done as per rules of KER (Chapter XXXII R 6(2)). As per Note III in the above chapter, it is mentioned that- "*Those who have passed Languages Teachers Training Course (or in the case of category 2(4), those who possess diploma in Hindi teaching) are exempted from acquiring B.Ed*". The Director of General Education (Higher Secondary)has requested directions regarding the instructions to be included for exempting diploma holders from acquiring a B.Ed Degree for appointment in HSST (Hindi) vacancies.

As per the remarks from Chairman, Board of Studies in Education (Pass), for assessing the eligibility of the said Diploma Course in Hindi, the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Hindi (Pass) was sought.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Hindi (UG) remarked that the students who have passed (1) Languages Teachers Training Course and (2) Diploma in Hindi Teaching may be exempted from acquiring B.Ed degree for the appointment for the post of HSST/HSST(Jr) Hindi Teacher. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Hindi (UG).

Based on the above remarks, Dean, Faculty of Education offered her remarks.

**Remarks of Dean, Faculty of Education:**

"As the remarks endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies that the students who have passed (1) Language Teacher Training Course and (2) Diploma in Hindi Teaching may be exempted from acquiring B.Ed degree for the appointment for the post of HSST/HSST (Jr) Hindi Teacher, I wish to add one more statement; those who have passed (1)Language Teacher Training Course and (2) Diploma in Hindi Teaching from Government approved institutions may be exempted from acquiring B.Ed Degree for the appointment for the post of HSST/HSST (Jr) Hindi Teacher."

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** not to exempt the holders of Language Teacher Training Course and Diploma in Hindi Teaching from acquiring a B.Ed Degree for appointment to the post of HSST/HSST (Jr) Hindi Teacher.

**08. Qualification of teachers in Computer Science-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.AIV)**

The Manager, Sree Narayana College, Kollam has requested to provide the qualifications for the post of Assistant Professors in Computer Science. As per the request,Ac F II section forwarded a note regarding the qualification of teachers in Computer Science to place in the Board of Studies in Computer Science(PG). The additional meeting of the BOS in Computer Science(PG) held on 01.02.2024 discussed the matter and recommended to stick on the UGC Regulations 2018.

ie, The Qualification of teachers in Computer Science is,

i) A Master's degree with 55% marks (or an equivalent grade in a point-scale wherever the grading system is followed) in a concerned/ relevant/ allied subject from an Indian University, or an equivalent degree from an accredited foreign university.

ii) Besides fulfilling the above qualifications, the candidate must have cleared the National Eligibility Test (NET) conducted by the UGC or the CSIR, or a similar test accredited by the UGC, like SLET/SET or who are or have been awarded a Ph. D. Degree in accordance with the University

Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2009 or 2016 and their amendments from time to time as the case may be exempted from NET/SLET/SET: Provided, the candidates registered for the Ph.D. programme prior to July 11, 2009, shall be governed by the provisions of the then existing Ordinances/ Bye-laws/ Regulations of the Institution awarding the degree and such Ph.D. candidates shall be exempted from the requirement of NET/SLET/SET for recruitment and appointment of Assistant Professor or equivalent positions in Universities/ Colleges/ Institutions subject to the fulfilment of the following conditions:

- a) The Ph.D. degree of the candidate has been awarded in a regular mode;
- b) The Ph.D. thesis has been evaluated by at least two external examiners;
- c) An open Ph.D. viva voce of the candidate has been conducted;
- d) The Candidate has published two research papers from his/her Ph.D. work, out of which at least one is in a referred journal;
- e) The candidate has presented at least two papers based on his/her Ph.D work in conferences/seminars sponsored/funded/supported by the UGC / ICSSR/ CSIR or any similar agency. The fulfilment of these conditions is to be certified by the Registrar or the Dean (Academic Affairs) of the University concerned.

**OR**

B. The Ph.D degree has been obtained from a foreign university/institution with a ranking among top 500 in the World University Ranking (at any time) by any one of the following: (i) Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) (ii) the Times Higher Education (THE) or (iii) the Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) of the Shanghai Jiao Tong University (Shanghai).

The Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 vide item no. I.41 considered the matter regarding qualification of teachers in Computer Science and resolved to defer the item to the next Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the matter regarding qualification of teachers in Computer Science is placed in the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to comply with the UGC Regulations 2018 on the matter of qualifications, for the post of Assistant Professors in Computer Science.

**09. Minimum Qualifications for Direct Recruitment for the Discipline of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology –Consideration of-Reg. (Ac.A IV)**

Ad.H Section had requested to initiate necessary action to fix the qualifications for appointment to the posts of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, and to incorporate the same in the University Regulations. As per the orders, remarks from the Chairman, Board of Studies in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology regarding the minimum qualifications for the post of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor in the Nanoscience and Nanotechnology Department has been obtained. The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BosS in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology .

As per the remarks from the Chairman, Board of Studies in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology the minimum Qualifications for Direct Recruitment for the Discipline of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology is as follows:

**I. Assistant Professor:**

**Eligibility (A or B):**

**A.**

- i) A Master's degree with 55% marks (or an equivalent grade in a point-scale wherever the grading system is followed) in Physics/Chemistry/Nanoscience and Nanotechnology from an Indian University, or an equivalent degree from an accredited foreign university.

ii) Besides fulfilling the above qualifications, the candidate must have cleared the National Eligibility Test (NET) conducted by the UGC or the CSIR, or a similar test accredited by the UGC, like SLET/SET in Physics /Chemistry/ Nanoscience and Nanotechnology or who are or have been awarded a Ph. D. Degree in Physics/ Chemistry/Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, in accordance with the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2009 or 2016 and their amendments from time to time as the case may be exempted from NET /SLET/ SET:

Provided, the candidates registered for the Ph.D. programme prior to July 11, 2009, shall be governed by the provisions of the then existing Ordinances/Bye laws/Regulations of the Institution awarding the degree and such Ph.D. candidates shall be exempted from the requirement of NET/SLET/SET for recruitment and appointment of Assistant Professor or equivalent positions in Universities/Colleges/Institutions subject to the fulfillment of the following conditions:

- a) The Ph.D. degree of the candidate has been awarded in a regular mode;
- b) The Ph.D. thesis has been evaluated by at least two external examiners;
- c) An open Ph.D. viva voce of the candidate has been conducted;
- d) The Candidate has published two research papers from his/her Ph.D. work, out of which at least one is in a refereed journal;
- e) The candidate has presented at least two papers based on his/her Ph.D work in conferences/seminars sponsored/funded/supported by the UGC / ICSSR/ CSIR or any similar agency. The fulfilment of these conditions is to be certified by the Registrar or the Dean (Academic Affairs) of the University concerned.

Note: NET/SLET/SET shall also not be required for such Masters Programmes in disciplines for which NET/SLET/SET is not conducted by the UGC, CSIR or similar test accredited by the UGC, like SLET/SET.

**OR**

**B.**

The Ph.D degree has been obtained from a foreign university/institution with a ranking among top 500 in the World University Ranking (at any time) by any one of the following: (i) Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) (ii) the Times Higher Education (THE) or (iii) the Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) of the Shanghai Jiao Tong University (Shanghai).

Together with the eligibility stipulated in A and/or B above, following additional requirements shall be treated as mandatory:

1. Expertise in the synthesis and characterization of nanomaterials
2. Expertise in at least (but not limited to) one of the following applications of nanomaterials:
  - a. Nanomaterials for energy conversion and storage
  - b. Nanomaterials for clean water, environment and sustainable development
  - c. Nanomaterials for biological applications, sensors, medicine etc.
  - d. Nanomaterials for mechanical and other engineering applications
  - e. Nanomaterials for catalysis and other chemical applications
  - f. Nanomaterials for electronic, magnetic, optical and other physical applications
  - g. Any other relevant areas of interest of applications of nanomaterials, which the expert selection committee may deem fit
3. Proven track record of publications in areas related to synthesis, characterization and applications of nanomaterials or theoretical or computational nanoscience, in peer reviewed SCOPUS -indexed or WEB OF SCIENCE or UGC-CARE listed journals, with at least one publication in the area of nanoscience and nanotechnology.

**Note: The Academic score as specified in Appendix II (Table 3A) for Universities, and Appendix II (Table 3B) for Colleges, as published in the UGC Regulations, July 2018 and the subsequent amendments published in the Gazette of India, shall be considered for short-listing of the candidates for interview only, and the selections shall be based only on the performance**

**in the interview.**

## **II. Associate Professor:**

### **Eligibility:**

- i) A good academic record, with a Ph.D. Degree in Physics/ Chemistry /Nanoscience and Nanotechnology.
- ii) A Master's Degree in Physics/Chemistry/Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, with at least 55% marks (or an equivalent grade in a point-scale, wherever the grading system is followed).
- iii) A minimum of eight years of experience of teaching and/or research in an academic/research position equivalent to that of Assistant Professor in a University, College or Accredited Research Institution/industry with a minimum of seven publications in the in peer reviewed SCOPUS -indexed or WEB OF SCIENCE or UGC-CARE listed journals. and a total research score of Seventy- five (75) as per the criteria given in Appendix II, Table 2 of the UGC Regulations, July 2018 and the subsequent amendments published in the Gazette of India.

The following additional requirements shall be treated as mandatory:

1. Expertise in the synthesis and characterization of nanomaterials
2. Expertise in at least (but not limited to) one of the following applications of nanomaterials:
  - h. Nanomaterials for energy conversion and storage
  - i. Nanomaterials for clean water, environment and sustainable development
  - j. Nanomaterials for biological applications, sensors, medicine etc.
  - k. Nanomaterials for mechanical and other engineering applications
  - l. Nanomaterials for catalysis and other chemical applications
  - m. Nanomaterials for electronic, magnetic, optical and other physical applications
  - n. Any other relevant areas of interest of applications of nanomaterials, which the expert selection committee may deem fit
3. Proven track record of publications in areas related to synthesis, characterization and applications of nanomaterials or theoretical or computational nanoscience, in peer reviewed SCOPUS -indexed or WEB OF SCIENCE or UGC-CARE listed journals. Out of the minimum of seven publications required under eligibility (iii) above, at least four publications must be in the area of nanoscience and nanotechnology
4. Out of the minimum of eight years of experience of teaching and/or research, as stipulated in eligibility (iii) above, four years must be in the area of nanoscience and nanotechnology

## **III. Professor:**

### **Eligibility (A or B):**

#### **A.**

- i) An eminent scholar having a Ph.D. degree in Physics/ Chemistry/ Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, and published work of high quality, actively engaged in research with evidence of published work with, a minimum of 10 research publications in the peer-reviewed or UGC-listed journals, out of which at least six must be in the area of nanoscience and nanotechnology and a total research score of 120 as per the criteria given in Appendix II, Table 2 of the UGC regulations, July 2018 and the amendments published in the Gazette of India.

- ii) A minimum of ten years of teaching experience in university/college as Assistant Professor/ Associate Professor/Professor, and/or research experience at equivalent level at the University/National Level Institutions, out of which at least six years must be in the area of nanoscience and nanotechnology, with evidence of having successfully guided doctoral candidate.

**OR**

**B.**

An outstanding professional, having a Ph.D. degree in Physics/Chemistry /Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, from any academic institutions (not included in A above)/industry, who has made significant contribution to the knowledge in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, supported by documentary evidence provided he/she has ten years' experience.

Together with the eligibility stipulated in A and/or B above, following additional requirements shall be treated as mandatory:

1. Expertise in the synthesis and characterization of nanomaterials
2. Expertise in at least (but not limited to) one of the following applications of nanomaterials:
  - a. Nanomaterials for energy conversion and storage
  - b. Nanomaterials for clean water, environment and sustainable development
  - c. Nanomaterials for biological applications, sensors, medicine etc.
  - d. Nanomaterials for mechanical and other engineering applications
  - e. Nanomaterials for catalysis and other chemical applications
  - f. Nanomaterials for electronic, magnetic, optical and other physical applications
  - g. Any other relevant areas of interest of applications of nanomaterials, which the expert selection committee may deem fit.

The Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 considered the matter regarding Minimum Qualifications for Direct Recruitment for the Discipline of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology and resolved to defer the item to the next Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the matter regarding Minimum Qualifications for Direct Recruitment for the Discipline of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology is placed in the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to constitute a subcommittee comprising of the following members to hold wider discussion and to fix the academic qualifications for Direct Recruitment to the post of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology and submit the same to the Academic Council:

1. Chairman Board of Studies in Physics (PG)
2. Chairman, Board of Studies in Chemistry (PG)
3. Chairman, Board of Studies in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology
4. Chairman, Board of Studies in Opto Electronics and
5. Chairman, Board of Studies in Electronics

**10. Academic qualifications prescribed for the post of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor in the Futures Studies Department-Consideration of-Reg.**

**(Ac.AIV)**

Ad.H Section has forwarded the file to ascertain the Academic qualifications prescribed for the post of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor in the Futures Studies Department and to initiate necessary action to update the University Regulations by incorporating the said qualifications in the Regulations. The Chairman, BOS in Futures Studies was sought remarks regarding this and the matter was placed in the annual meeting of Board of Studies held on 06.04.2024. The meeting approved the qualification of teachers as follows:

The Department of Futures Studies was established in the university in 1989-90 by the support of UGC with an M.Phil program in Futures Studies. The Department is having four permanent positions of Assistant Professors and One Associate Professor. The existing basic educational qualification for the post of Assistant Professor/ Associate Professor are as follows. These qualifications were fixed in 1990's at the time of the starting of the Department when only the M.Phil program was running in the Department.

I ).Good Academic record with at least 55% marks or an equivalent grade at Master Level in the following relevant subjects from an Indian University or an equivalent Degree from a Foreign University.

a)Futures Studies b)Computer Science c) Operations Research d)Engineering e)Mathematics f)Statistics g)Economics h) Management

Note:1 Candidates besides fulfilling the above qualification should have cleared the eligibility test for Lectureship conducted by UGC/CSIR or similar test accredited by the UGC. However the candidates who have passed Ph.D Degree in the concerned subject are exempted from NET qualification. Note.2 A relaxation of 5% marks at Masters Level is allowed to Ph.D degree holders who have passed their Masters Degree prior to 19.10.191.

**OR**

II). A First Class Masters Degree in Technology Management (ME/M.Tech). In the absence of the candidates with above qualifications, First Class Masters Degree holders(ME/M.Tech) in Electronics and Communication/ Computer Science and Engineering /IT may be considered. The candidates must have undergone an AICTE approved programme for the above qualifying degree. Such candidates may also be exempted from passing UGC,NET.

Note 3. A relaxation of 5% marks may be provided at the Graduate and Masters level for the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe/Differently-abled (Physically and visually differentlyabled)/Other Backward Classes (OBC) (Non Creamy Layer) categories for the purpose of eligibility and for assessing good academic record during direct recruitment to teaching positions. The eligibility marks of 55% marks (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and the relaxation of 5% to the categories mentioned above are permissible, based on only the qualifying marks without including any grace mark procedures.

The academic programs of the department changed substantially according to the requirements in time to time. Currently the department is offering Masters programme in Technology Management (M.Tech) under faculty of Engineering & Technology and Data Science ( M.Sc. Data Science) under the faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology. The department also offers Ph.D programme in Futures Studies since last thirty two years and Ph.D program in Technology Management since last ten years.

In order to strengthen these programs, and to propose new innovative academic programs, the existing qualifications needs substantial modifications. The board discussed the item recommended the following minimum educational qualifications for appointment of Assistant Professor / Associate Professor in the Department of Futures Studies.

Minimum Educational Qualifications for Assistant professor / Associate Professor

A Masters Degree in any one of the following subjects with at least 55% marks (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed)

a) Futures Studies  
b) Technology Management  
c) Data Science  
d) Mathematics  
e) Statistics  
f) Economics  
g) Management  
h) Computer Science with specialization in Data Science / Artificial Intelligence / Machine learning

Note: All the other qualifications for Assistant Professor and Associate Professor prescribed by the latest UGC guidelines and approved by the University of Kerala should be applicable.

**OR**

II.) First Class Masters Degree in Technology Management (ME/M.Tech). The candidates must have undergone an AICTE approved programme for the above qualifying degree. Such candidates is also exempted from passing UGC, NET.

The matter regarding academic qualifications prescribed for the post of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor in the Futures Studies Department was placed as item no. I.42 on the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024. The Academic Council considered the matter

and resolved to defer the item to the next Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the matter is placed in the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to hold a combined meeting of the concerned Boards of Studies under the Faculty of Applied Science and Technology, Faculty of Science and Faculty of Management, to fix the academic qualification for the post of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor in the Department of Futures Studies.

**11. M.Ed Degree Course– Proposal on the validity of offering the previous scheme for the readmission candidates Consideration of-reg. (Ac.AIII)**

As per the Regulations of 2018 Scheme M.Ed Degree Programme, "A candidate cannot complete the course in different schemes. In case such a situation arises, the candidate has to cancel the earlier semesters already appeared or studied and has to take re-admission to the first semester in the revised scheme."

The Academic Council held on 10.05.2024, while considering the matter of readmission of M.Ed candidate Smt. Athira S Lekshmi (2018 Scheme, 2021-23 batch) in the previous scheme vide item no 28, further resolved to entrust the Dean, Faculty of Education to submit a proposal on the validity of offering the previous Scheme for the readmission candidates if the existing Scheme has been revised.

The Dean, Faculty of Education has submitted the following proposal:-

**Proposal on the validity of offering the previous scheme for the readmission candidates if the existing Scheme has been revised.**

*"As per the Regulations for M.Ed Degree Course (2018 Scheme & 2022 Scheme) the maximum duration for completing a programme of study be restricted to S+4 semesters for semester programmes unless otherwise specified by apex bodies, where 'S' stands for normal or minimum duration prescribed for completion of the Programme- as far as Scheme exists.*

*Whenever programme of study or scheme of instruction is changed in a particular year, the candidate can be permitted for readmission in the pre-revised scheme within the course completion period. ie, S+4. The Principal in the college has the responsibility of ensuring that the candidate has done all the course work as per the pre-revised scheme within the stipulated time. This shall be effected from 2022 admission onwards."*

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to accept the proposal submitted by the Dean, Faculty of Education to modify the Regulations for *M.Ed Degree Course (2018 Scheme & 2022 Scheme)* as follows:

**“***Whenever programme of study or scheme of instruction is changed in a particular year, the candidate can be permitted for readmission in the pre-revised scheme within the course completion period. ie, S+4. The Principal in the college has the responsibility of ensuring that the candidate has done all the course work as per the pre-revised scheme within the stipulated time. This shall be effected from 2022 admission onwards”.*

**12. FYUGP - Fixing of Eligibility criteria and calculation of Index Mark calculation– Reporting of - reg. (Ac.AV)**

Four Year Under Graduate Programmes, Curriculum Framework and Regulations, 2024 for FYUGP in the Affiliated Colleges/ UITs have been approved vide Item No. (1) 30 of the

Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024.

The Academic Council, vide Item No (I) 39 of the Minutes of its Meeting held on 10.05.2024, resolved to approve the Scheme and Syllabus of the courses in Food Technology under FYUGP, to be implemented w.e.f 2024 admissions, recommended by the Board of Studies in Food Technology and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science and UO No. 5740/2024/UOK dated 11.07.2024 was issued accordingly.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Food Technology has forwarded Eligibility Criteria and Method of Index mark calculation for admission of candidates to FYUGP in Food Technology vide email dated 16.05.2024 as follows.

**Eligibility Criteria**

Any Candidate who has passed plus two of the Higher Secondary Board of Kerala or any other equivalent with Physics chemistry Biology or Mathematics.

Weightage of 20% will be given for the candidate who studied Biology or Homescience.

Additional weightage of 5 marks will be given for those who studied Vocational subjects Dairy Technology or Marine Fisheries and Sea food Processing in Vocational Higher Secondary Education or equivalent.

**Index Mark Calculation**

Marks obtained for Physics+Chemistry ,+ Biology or Mathematics .+ 20% weightage for Biology /Home science+Additional weightage of 5 marks for those who studied vocational subjects Dairy technology / Marine Fisheries and Seafood Processing in VHSE Equivalent. Additional bonus and normalization of index as per Kerala university norms and Guidelines.

The Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Food Technology vide email dated 16.05.2024.

Considering the exigency for publishing the prospectus for the admission to the FYUGP, Eligibility criteria and method of Index mark Calculation for admission of candidates to FYUGP in Food Technology, recommended by the Chairman, BoS and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science was included in the UG prospectus.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, by ratifying the inclusion of the Eligibility criteria and method of calculating Index mark in the UG Prospectus 2024-25 and approving the eligibility criteria & calculation of index marks for admission of candidates to FYUGP in Food Technology, as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Food Technology (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science and U.O No. 5741/2024/UOK dated 10.07.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**13. First Degree Programme in Tamil under CBCS System revised w.e.f 2022 admissions - Corrections in the Credits for Additional Language courses for Career-related First Degree Programmes, Additional Language courses in Tamil for Restructured B.Sc Programmes made applicable to Career related First Degree Programmes (B.A/ B.Com) - Reporting of - reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Tamil under CBCS System was revised w.e.f 2022 admissions vide U.O No. 4701/2022/UOK dated 17.06.2022.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Tamil, vide emails dated 22.08.2023 and 07.09.2023, recommended that the credits for Additional Language courses in Tamil for Career-related First Degree Programmes 2(a), TM 1111.3 & TM 1211.3 may be corrected as 3, in the Syllabus of the said programme. Also, recommended that the Syllabus of Additional Language courses in Tamil for Restructured B.Sc Programmes (as noted in the Syllabus) may be made applicable to Career related

First Degree Programmes (B.A/ B.Com) under CBCS System 2(a). The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, vide email dated 07.10.2023, endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Tamil.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to correct the credits for Additional Language courses in Tamil for Career-related First Degree Programmes 2(a), TM 1111.3 and TM 1211.3 as 3 and the Syllabus of Additional Language courses in Tamil for Restructured B.Sc Programmes is made applicable to Career related First Degree Programmes (B.A/ B.Com) under CBCS System 2(a) in the Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Tamil under CBCS System, revised w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Tamil (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies. UO No. 265/2024/UOK dated 06.01.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**14. First Degree Programmes under CBCS System - Scheme and Syllabus for Language Course in Syriac revised in OBE mode w.e.f 2022 admissions – Corrections in the Credits for Additional Language courses for B.Com programme – Reporting of – reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus for Language course in Syriac for various First Degree Programmes under CBCS System was revised in the OBE pattern w.e.f 2022 admissions vide UO No. 7783/2022/UOK Dated: 07.10.2022.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Hebrew and Syriac, vide email dated 12.10.2023, recommended to correct the Credits for Additional Language courses for B.Com programme - SR 1111.2 & SR 1211.2 as 4 in the Syllabus for Additional Language courses in Syriac for various First Degree Programmes under CBCS System, revised w.e.f 2022 admissions. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, vide email dated 16.10.2023, endorsed the recommendation of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Hebrew and Syriac.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to correct the Credits for Additional Language courses for B.Com programme - SR 1111.2 & SR 1211.2 as 4 in the Scheme and Syllabus for Additional Language courses in Syriac revised w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Hebrew and Syriac and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies. UO No. 262/2024/UOK dated 05.01.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**15. M.Sc Climate Change and Disaster Management - Eligible qualification for higher education in Environmental Sciences-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AIV)**

The Postgraduate students of M.Sc Climate Change & Disaster Management, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala submitted a request letter to Chairperson, Board of Studies in Environmental Sciences to consider their PG programme as an eligible degree for higher education in Environmental Sciences. In the additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Environmental Sciences held on 11.08.2023 it was recommended to include the M.Sc Degree in Climate Change & Disaster Management as an eligible degree for higher education in Environmental Sciences. The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology has endorsed the same.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to Academic Council, for the M.Sc Degree in Climate Change & Disaster Management offered by

Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala being considered as an eligible qualification for higher education in Environmental Sciences as recommended by the Board of Studies in Environmental Sciences and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

UO No.5934/2024/UOK dated 18.07.2024 has been issued in this regard.  
This matter is reported to the Academic council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***  
**The Academic Council NOTED the matter**

**16. B.Voc Degree Programme in Data Science offered by St.ThomasCollege(Autonomous), Thrissur - Eligible qualification for all M.Sc Programmes in Computer Science and MCA under University of Kerala-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AIV)**

The Principal-in-Charge, St.Thomas College(Autonomous), Thrissur has requested to include B.Voc Data Science degree programme in the list of courses eligible to apply for M.Sc Computer Science, MCA, M.Sc Data Science, M.Sc Computer Science with specialisation in Machine Learning, M.Sc Applied Statistics and Data Analytics and M.Sc Computer Science with specialisation in Artificial Intelligence.

The Chairman, BoS in Computer Science(PG) remarked that B.Voc Data Science degree programme may be permitted as an eligible programme for all M.Sc programmes in Computer Science and MCA programmes in Kerala University. The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology has endorsed the same.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to Academic Council, for the B.Voc Data Science degree programme offered by St.Thomas College(Autonomous), Thrissur being considered as an eligible qualification for all M.Sc programmes in Computer Science and MCA programmes under University of Kerala as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Computer Science(PG) and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and technology.

UO No.7152/2024/UOK dated 21.08.2024 has been issued in this regard.

This matter is reported to the Academic council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***  
**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**17. Corrections in the syllabus of M.Sc Computer Science w.e.f 2024 admission Onwards-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.A IV)**

The Examination wing has sought clarification on some discrepancies noticed in title mentioned in the index part and syllabus part of the Scheme and Syllabus of M.Sc Degree Programme in Computer Science revised with effect from 2024 admission onwards. The Chairman, Board of Studies in Computer Science(PG) has clarified the correct titles as detailed below:

Semester	Discrepancy noticed	Correct title as clarified by the Chairman, BoS in Computer Science(PG)
1	Title for CS 513 (CS 513 Data Structures and Algorithms in the index part whereas in the syllabus part it is CS 513 Full Stack Web Development)	Title for CS 513 is Data Structures and Algorithms
1	Title for CS 514 (CS 514 Full Stack Web Development in the index part whereas in the syllabus part it is CS 514 Data Structures and Algorithms)	Title for CS 514 is Full Stack Web Development

2	Title for Elective I - CS 524 A (Elective I CS 524 A Cyber Forensics & Cyber Laws in the index part whereas in the syllabus part it is Elective I CS 524 A Computer Forensics & Cyber Laws)	Title for Elective I: CS 524 A-Cyber Forensics & Cyber Laws
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The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Computer Science(PG).

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to effect correction in the respective titles in the syllabus of M.Sc Computer Science Degree programme revised with effect from 2024 admissions as recommended by the Chairman, BoS in Computer Science(PG) and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

UO No.6648/2024/UOK dated 02.08.2024 has been issued in this regard.

This matter is reported to the Academic council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**18. Eligibility criteria for admission to M.Sc Biotechnology Programme - w.e.f 2025 admission-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AIV)**

The students of B.Sc Botany and Biotechnology Degree Programme in affiliated colleges under University of Kerala submitted a request to give special weightage for B.Sc Botany and Biotechnology students for M.Sc Biotechnology admission. In the additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Biotechnology (PG), it was recommended that 25% of the seats be reserved for candidates with a B.Sc Biotechnology Degree (Biotechnology as a core course/double and triple main) for M.Sc Biotechnology admission in affiliated colleges. The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology has endorsed the same.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor subject to reporting to Academic Council, that 25% of the seats be reserved for candidates with a B.Sc Biotechnology Degree (Biotechnology as a core course/double and triple main) for M.Sc Biotechnology admission in affiliated colleges as recommended by the Board of Studies in Biotechnology(PG) and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

UO No.7581/2024/UOK dated 04.09.2024 has been issued in this regard.

This matter is reported to the Academic council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**19. Scheme and Syllabus of MA Sanskrit General and Special,w.e.f.2024 admissions-modified incorporating the Scheme and Syllabus of Jyothisha –Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)**

The Scheme and Syllabus of MA Degree Programme in Sanskrit General and Sanskrit Special (Jyothisha,Nyaya,Vedanta,Vyakarana and Sahitya) w.e.f.2024 admissions, for affiliated colleges was revised vide UO No.Ac.AII/2 /FOOS/ UOK/ 2023-24(3) dtd 01.07.2024 . It has later been noted that the syllabus of Jyothisha was not incorporated in the syllabus appended with the UO dtd 1.7.2024 .

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council,to modify the Scheme and syllabus of MA Sanskrit General and Sanskrit Special (Sahitya, Nyaya,Vyakarana,Vedanta and Jyothisha) revised w.e.f. 2024 admissions, incorporating the scheme and syllabus of Sanskrit Special-Jyothisha and UO No.Ac.AII/2/FOOS/UOK/2023-24(3) dtd 05.08.2024 has been issued accordingly. (Copy of UO appended).

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

*Resolution of the Academic Council*

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**20. First Degree Programme under CBCS system - Correction in the Credits for Additional Language Courses in Latin for B.Com programme revised w.e.f 2022 admissions - Reporting of - reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus for Additional Language Courses in Latin for First Degree programmes BA/ B.Sc/ B.Com & Career-related First Degree programmes BA/B.Sc/B.Com and Additional Language Course in French for First Degree Programmes B.Com under CBCS system was revised w.e.f 2022 admissions vide UO No. 5956/2022/UOK dated 30.07.2022.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in French and Latin, vide remarks dated 12.09.2023, recommended to correct the Credits for Additional Language courses of B.Com Degree programme - LT 1111.2 & LT 1211.2 as '4' in the Syllabus of Additional Language courses in Latin for various First Degree Programmes under CBCS System revised w.e.f 2022 admissions. The Dean, Faculty of Arts, vide email dated 07.10.2023, endorsed the recommendation of the Chairman, Board of Studies in French and Latin.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to correct the Credits for Additional Language courses in Latin for B.Com Degree programme - LT 1111.2 & LT 1211.2 as '4' in the Syllabus of Latin, revised w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in French and Latin and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts. UO No. 264/2024/UOK dated 05.01.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

*Resolution of the Academic Council*

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**21. Double Main First Degree programme in English and Media Studies (BA) –considered as an eligible qualification for admission to MA Malayalam with Media Studies-reporting to the Academic Council-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)**

A candidate who has passed Double Main First Degree Programme in English and Media Studies(BA) has requested to include the said programme among the eligible courses for admission to MA Malayalam with Media Studies.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Malayalam (PG), considered the request and recommended that BA English and Media Studies can be considered as eligible for MA Malayalam with Media Studies. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies endorsed the recommendation of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Malayalam (PG).

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to the Double Main First Degree programme in English and Media Studies(BA) of the University of Kerala being considered as an eligible qualification for admission to MA Malayalam with Media Studies, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Malayalam (PG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, subject to reporting to Academic Council. UO No. 7416/2024/UOK dtd 31.08.2024 has been issued in this regard.

The above matter is reported to the Academic Council.

*Resolution of the Academic Council*

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**22. Scheme and Syllabus for Career related First Degree Programme in Malayalam and Mass Communication under CBCS System 2(a) revised w.e.f. 2021 admissions – Correction in Course Codes of Core Courses - Reporting of – reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus for Career related First Degree Programme in Malayalam and Mass Communication under CBCS System 2(a) was revised w.e.f. 2021 admissions vide UO No. Ac AV/3/Malayalam/2021 dated 16.07.2021.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Malayalam (UG), vide email dated 14.04.2023, recommended to correct the codes of the courses Niroopanasahithyam and Nattarivupadanam as MX 1441 and MX 1541 respectively in the Scheme and Syllabus of Career related First Degree Programme in Malayalam and Mass Communication under CBCS system revised w.e.f. 2021 admissions. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, vide email dated 25.04.2023, endorsed the recommendation of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Malayalam (UG).

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to correct the course codes of the Core Courses 'Niroopanasahithyam' and 'Nattarivupadanam' in the IV and V Semester as MX 1441 and MX 1541 respectively in the Scheme and Syllabus of Career related First Degree Programme in Malayalam and Mass Communication under CBCS system revised w.e.f. 2021 admissions, as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Malayalam (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies. UO No. 266/2024/UOK dated 08.01.2024 is issued accordingly

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**23. B.Tech Degree Course (2008 Scheme-2012 Admission)– Mercy chance examination to the failed candidates –Reporting of- reg. (Ac.A III)**

Several requests have been received from the failed candidates B.Tech Degree course (2008 Scheme-2012 Admission) for granting Mercy Chance examination.

"As per the regulation of B.Tech Degree Course (2008 Scheme ) "A candidate who could not complete the programme and pass all examinations within ten (10) years since his first admission to the B.Tech programme will not be allowed to continue and he has to quit the programe".

The Regular chance of 2012 admission batch of B.Tech Degree course (2008 Scheme) expired on 2022 and mercy chance examination has not been granted to that batch.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate at its meeting held on 29.08.2024 considered the above matter and recommended to grant one mercy chance to the candidates of B. Tech Degree Course (2008 Scheme - 2012 Admission), subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.09.2024, vide item No. 14.10.09 resolved that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 29.08.2024 be approved.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor subject to reporting to the Academic Council to grant one mercy chance to the candidates of B.Tech Degree Course (2008 Scheme - 2012 admission). Accordingly U.O.No.Ac.AIII/8392/2024/UOK dated: 03.10.2024 has been issued.

The above decision to grant one mercy chance to the candidates of B.Tech Degree Course (2008 Scheme - 2012 Admission) and issuance of University Order in this regard is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**24. Post Graduate Diploma in Communication and Journalism- Mercy Chance Examination –Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)**

A request has been submitted by Sri. Narendra Mohan V for conducting mercy chance examination of Post Graduate Diploma in Communication and Journalism, since the supplementary chance for the course is over.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 29.08.2024 considered the request of the candidate and recommended to grant one mercy chance, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.09.2024, vide item no.14.10.01, resolved to approve the above recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

The Vice Chancellor has accorded sanction to grant one mercy chance examination to the Post Graduate Diploma in Communication and Journalism, subject to reporting to the Academic Council. U.O No.Ac.AII/8631/2024/UoK dated 14.10.2024 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**25. Career-related First Degree Programme in Social Work (BSW) (2023 admission onwards) - Discrepancies in the Course titles rectified-Reporting of- reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus of Career-related First Degree Programme in Social Work under CBCS had been revised in OBE pattern, vide UO No.6508/2023/UOK dated 22.07.2023 with effect from 2023 admissions.

Mismatches were noted in the titles of the following courses in the Index and content part of the Scheme and Syllabus of the said programme. The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Social Work as per email dated 20.11.2023, recommended and forwarded the corrected titles of courses as detailed below:

SI No	Semester	Course Title prescribed
1	I	SW 1121 : Introduction to Social Work Profession
2	IV	SW 1444 : Working with Children in Difficult Circumstances
3	V	SW 1561 B : Social Work Practice with Dalits and Tribes
4	VI	SW 1641 : Social Work with Differently Abled
5	VI	SW 1643 : Integrated Practice of Social Work

The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences vide email dated 22.11.2023, endorsed the recommendations of the Chairperson.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to effect the corrections in the Titles of courses in the Scheme and Syllabus for Career related First Degree Programme in Social Work (BSW) revised w.e.f 2023 admissions, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Social Work and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences. **A UO No. 9710/2023/UOK dated 30.11.2023 was issued for the same.**

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**26. Scheme and Syllabus for Career-related First Degree Programme in Computer Applications (BCA) under CBCS System revised w.e.f 2021 admissions- Modification of Team Selection Criteria of Major Projects – Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus for Career-related First Degree Programme in Computer Applications (BCA) under CBCS System 2(b) was revised w.e.f 2021 admissions vide UO No. 3496/2021/UOK, dated 18.07.2021. The group size for Major Project in the Sixth Semester was given in the Project Guidelines as 'maximum 3 members' whereas it was noted as '3 to 5 members' under the title 'Selection of Team' given in the Syllabus.

The Chairman, BoS in Computer Science (UG) clarified vide E-mail dated 19.11.2023, that the group size for Major Project of Career-related First Degree Programme in Computer Applications (BCA) is '3 to 5 members' and the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology vide E-mail dated 27.11.2023 endorsed the same.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to Academic Council, to correct the group size for Major project in Semester VI as '3 to 5 members' in the Syllabus for Career related FDP in Computer Applications (BCA) under CBCS system w.e.f 2021 admissions, as recommended by the Chairperson, BoS in Computer Science (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

A UO No. 1039/2024/UOK dated 01.02.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**27. Distribution of internal marks for Major and Minor Project for Career related FDP in Computer Applications (BCA) and Computer Science- Reporting - reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Internal : External marks division for 'CS 1445 : Minor Project' in Semester IV and 'CS 1644 : Major Project' in Semester VI was corrected as 20:80 in the Scheme and Syllabus of Career-related First Degree Programme in Computer Science (B.Sc) under CBCS system 2(b) revised w.e.f 2021 admissions vide UO No 7127/2023/UoK dated 16.08.2023.

The Chairperson, BoS in Computer Science (UG) vide e-mail dated 06.09.2023 intimated that the changes in the internal:external distribution of marks for Major project in VI semester (CP 1645) and Minor Project in Semester IV (CP 1445) in the Career related First Degree Programme in Computer Application (BCA) may also be corrected as 20:80. Also, recommended the distribution of 80 marks for external valuation of project for BCA and B.Sc Computer Science as follows. The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology vide e-mail dated 17.12.2023 endorsed the recommendations of the Chairperson.

Quality of work and report (Documentation & Methodology)	-30
Presentation of project	-25
Viva	-25
Total	-80

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to correct the Internal : External marks division for 'CS 1445 : Minor Project' in Semester IV and 'CS 1644 : Major Project' in Semester VI of Career related FDP in Computer Applications (BCA) as 20:80 respectively and to effect the distribution of marks for external valuation (80) of project for Career related FDP in Computer Applications (BCA) and Computer Science, as recommended by the Chairman, BoS in Computer Science (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology. A UO No. 10457/2023/UOK dated 30.12.2023 was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**28. Modification of Eligibility Criteria for admission and index mark calculation for FYUG Programmes in BCA and B.Sc Computer Science(from 2024 admissions)- Reporting of – reg. (Ac.AV)**

The eligibility criteria for admission to Career-related First Degree Programmes in Computer

Science (B.Sc) and Computer Application (BCA) under CBCS System had been modified vide UO No. Ac A IV/60/2022/UOK dated 03.01.2022 and the eligibility criteria of Career-related First Degree Programme in Computer Application (BCA) was further modified vide UO No. 6114/2024/UOK dated 10.07.2023.

A student who had completed CBSE 12th Standard with Biology, Physics, Chemistry, English and Information Technology as subjects had requested to consider IT as eligible for BCA admission for the year 2024. The Chairperson, BoS in Computer Science (UG) vide e-mail dated 07.06.2024 clarified that 'for admission to B.Sc Computer Science and BCA programmes, CBSE students who studied Information technology are also eligible' and also remarked that 'the criteria for admission and index Mark calculation be modified accordingly'. The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology had endorsed the clarification of the Chairperson vide e-mail dated 12.06.2024. The programmes have been switched over to Four year UG Programmes with effect from 2024 admissions.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to modify the Eligibility criteria and index mark calculation for admission to the Four-Year UG Programmes (FYUGP) in Computer Application (BCA) and Four year UG programme in Computer Science (B.Sc), as follows with effect from 2024 admissions as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Computer Science (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology.

#### **Bachelor of Computer Application (BCA)**

##### Eligibility criteria for admission

"A pass in Higher Secondary or any other examination recognized as equivalent thereto by the University of Kerala with Computer Science / Computer Applications / Mathematics/ Informatics practices (IP) / Information Technology as one of the optional subjects".

##### Index mark calculation

"Total marks in Higher Secondary + Highest marks for Computer Science / Computer Applications / Mathematics / Informatics Practices / Information Technology"

#### **B.Sc Computer Science**

##### Eligibility criteria for admission

"A pass in Higher Secondary (Science stream) or any other examination recognized as equivalent thereto by the University of Kerala with Computer Science/Computer Application /Mathematics/ Informatics practices (IP) / Information Technology as one of the optional subjects".

##### Index mark calculation

"Total marks in Higher Secondary + Highest marks for Computer Science / Computer Application / Mathematics / Informatics Practices / Information Technology"

The Eligibility criteria stated in the UO No. Ac A IV/60/2022/UOK dated 03.01.2022 and UO No. 6114/2024/UOK dated 10.07.2023 was modified to this extent and a UO No. 5110/2024/UOK dated 25.06.2024 was issued.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

#### *Resolution of the Academic Council*

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

#### **29. Mercy Chance Examination-PG Diploma in Counselling (Geriatric) conducted by the Centre of Geriatric Studies-granted-orders issued-reporting-of-reg. (Ac.AII)**

Request has been received from a candidate of PG Diploma in Counselling (Geriatric) of 2019-2020 batch, conducted by the Centre of Geriatric Studies vide paper read as (1) above, to grant a supplementary chance for clearing the failed papers.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 29/06/2024, vide item no:3, considered the matter of granting one more supplementary chance examination to the failed candidates of PG Diploma in Counselling (Geriatric) to clear failed papers and recommended to grant one mercy chance subject to reporting to the Academic Council. The Syndicate, at its meeting held on 2/7/2024 vide item no:11.163.03, resolved that the above recommendation of the meeting of the

Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations be approved.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to grant one mercy chance examination ,subject to reporting to the Academic Council,to the failed candidates of PG Diploma in Counselling(Geriatric) to clear the failed papers.

U.ONo.Ac.AII/1/Couns(Geriatric)/2024 dtd 11/07/2024 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**30. Mercy Chance- M Sc Clinical Nutrition and Dietetics-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)**

A failed candidate of M.Sc Clinical Nutrition and Dietetics course offered through SDE has requested to grant one mercy chance examination to pass the failed papers.SDE has been offering the course from 2008 admission onwards.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations, considered the request of the candidate of M.Sc Clinical Nutrition and Dietetics offered through SDE and recommended to grant one mercy chance, subject to reporting to the Academic Council. The Syndicate, resolved that the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations be approved.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to grant one mercy chance to the failed candidates of M.Sc Clinical Nutrition and Dietetics offered through SDE from 2008 admissions, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

**U.O No:5736/2024/UOK dtd 10.07.2024 has been issued in this regard.**

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**31. Ph.D. Thesis Evaluation Report- Modification of Format- Approved- Reporting of-Reg. (Ac.EII)**

The Syndicate, at its meeting held on **10.11.2020**, vide Item No.49.D11, considered the matter regarding the modification of the format of Ph.D. thesis Evaluation Report along with the proposal submitted by the committee comprising of the Director, Research, the Dean, Faculty of Arts and the Dean, Faculty of Management, after considering the formats proposed by the Director, Research and the Director, IQAC and resolved to approve the same with modification as per the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 09.11.2020.

But **Part III (the recommendation part)** of the above said Evaluation Report is creating confusion to the examiners as well as the dealing sections, as many of the examiners are recommending ***b)Recommended for award subject to the condition that the queries for modifications suggested by me are clarified at the Viva- Voce*** and in the detailed Evaluation Report they are recommending ***Corrections/ modifications to be made in the thesis.***

Thus the proposed format of the Evaluation Report was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research for consideration and taking an appropriate decision, as per the orders of the Honourable Vice- Chancellor. As per the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 21.12.2023, the Syndicate at its meeting held on 28.12.2023 has resolved to constitute a sub-committee comprising of **Dr. K. G. Gopchandran, Dr.P. M. Radhamany, Members Syndicate, Director, Research, Dean, Faculty of Science, Dean, Faculty of Commerce, Dean Faculty of Applied Sciences &Technology, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies** to study the matter and to submit a report with regard to the same.

The SubCommittee meeting was held on **21.02.2024** and the members of the SubCommittee discussed in detail the matter regarding modification of the **Part III (the recommendation part)** of

the PhD Thesis Evaluation Report. The Sub Committee has prepared a modified Format of the PhD Thesis Evaluation Report. The Syndicate held on **02.07.2024**, vide Item No. 11.11.D21, considered the Report of the Subcommittee along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 04.05.2024 and *resolved to approve the Report of the Subcommittee subject to reporting to the Academic Council.*

Thus the resolution of the Syndicate approving the Report of the Subcommittee which prepared a modified Format of the PhD Thesis Evaluation Report is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**32. First Degree Programme in Home Science under CBCS System- Scheme and Syllabus revised with effect from 2022 admissions - Correction in the Credits allocated for the Practical Course in the 3rd and 4th Semesters - Reporting of - reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus for First Degree Programme in Home Science under CBCS system was revised w.e.f 2022 admissions vide UO No.4285/2022/UOK dated 26.05.2022.

The Board of Studies in Home Science (UG), at its Online Additional Meeting held on 08.02.2024 recommended the following corrections in the credits allotted for Practical papers of 3rd and 4th Semesters in the Scheme and Syllabus of the First Degree Programme in Home Science under CBCS System revised w.e.f. 2022 admissions:

1. **To transfer one credit of Core course - HS 1342 Child Development and Welfare (Practical) in Semester III to Core Course - HS 1641 Physiology, Nutrition and Dietetics in Semester VI, thus enhancing the credits of HS 1641 from '2' to '3'.**
2. **To transfer one credit of the Core course- HS 1442 Resource Management (Practical) in Semester IV to the Course- HS 1643 Communication for Development in the VI semester, thus enhancing the credits of HS 1643 from '2' to '3'.**

The Dean, Faculty of Science, vide email dated 06.03.2024, endorsed the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Home Science (UG).

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, for effecting the above corrections in the credits allotted for Practical papers of 3rd and 4th Semesters in the Scheme and Syllabus of the First Degree Programme in Home Science under CBCS System revised w.e.f. 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Board of Studies in Home Science (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science. UO No. 3152/2024/UOK dated 09.04.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**33. B.Arch Degree Course (2008 Scheme -2010 Admission) – Mercy chance to appear for examinations of the failed subjects - Reporting of- reg. (Ac.AIII)**

Many candidates of the B.Arch Degree Course ( 2008 Scheme - 2010 Admission) requested for granting a mercy chance examinations of B.Arch degree course 2008 Scheme (2010 Admission).

"As per the regulation of B.Arch Degree Course 2008 Scheme 'A candidate who could not complete the programme and pass all examinations within twelve (12) years since his first admission to the B.Arch programme will not be allowed to continue and he has to quit the programme".

The regular chance of 2010 Admission batch of B.Arch Degree course (2008 Scheme) expired on 2022 and Mercy Chance examination has not been granted to that batch.As per the report from Tabulation section, approximately 8 candidates have to clear the examinations of B.Arch (2008 Scheme-2010 Admission).

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 29.08.2024

considered the above matter and recommended to grant one mercy chance to the candidates of B. Arch Degree Course (2008 Scheme - 2010 Admission), subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.09.2024, vide item No. 14.10.11 resolved that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 29.08.2024 be approved.

The Vice Chancellor subject to reporting to the Academic Council accorded sanction to grant one mercy chance to the candidates of B.Arch Degree Course (2008 Scheme - 2010 Admission). Accordingly U.O No. Ac.AIII/8493/2024/UOK Dated: 08.10.2024 has been issued.

The above decision subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to grant one mercy chance to the candidates of B.Arch Degree Course (2008 Scheme - 2010 Admission) and issuance of University Order in this regard is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**34. Revised scheme and syllabus of MA Degree Programme in Economics for affiliated colleges with effect from 2024 admission onwards-modifications-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)**

The Scheme and Syllabus of M.A Degree Programme in Economics for affiliated colleges has been revised with effect from 2024 admission onwards vide U.O no.Ac.AII/5424/2024/UOK dated 03.07.2024.

The additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Economics(PG) held on 07.08.2024 recommended the following modifications in the scheme and syllabus of M.A Degree Programme in Economics for affiliated colleges w.e.f 2024 admission onwards:-

1. The course code given for the model question paper of Social Choice and Welfare Economics is changed from EC 5013 to EC 508.

2. The components of CA and ESA be modified as follows:-

**Continuous Assessment (CA): 25 marks** for the Papers other than the Paper "EC 541: Financial and Securities Market Analysis"

<b>Components</b>	<b>Marks</b>
Assignment	10
Seminar	5
Test Paper (average of two) test papers	10
Total	25

**End Semester Assessment (ESA): 75 marks:** This will be through a three hour written examination consisting of 10 multiple choice questions (each question with four choices), each carrying 1 mark, 7 short answer questions to be chosen out of 10 questions, each carrying 5 marks, and 3 descriptive questions to be chosen out of five questions, each carrying 10 marks.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences has endorsed the above recommendations of the Board of Studies in Economics(PG).

The Vice Chancellor has approved to modify the scheme and syllabus of Degree Programme in Economics for affiliated colleges w.e.f 2024 admission onwards as per the recommendation of the Board of Studies in Economics(PG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, subject to reporting to the Academic Council. U.O No.Ac AII/7407/2024/UOK dated 31.08.2024 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**35. Scheme and Syllabus of Double Main First Degree Programme in Geology and Digital Surveying under CBCS system - Correction of Credits for Core Course - Reporting of – reg. (Ac.AV)**

New generation/ Double Main First Degree Programmes under CBCS System were implemented with effect from 2020 admissions vide UO No.Ac.AV.1/New.Gen&DM/2020 dated 13.11.2020. The Course structure for Double main programmes under CBCS System was approved vide U.O No.Ac.AV.1/New.Gen& DM/2020 dated 20.03.2021, according to which the credits required for Core course I including Dissertation is '48' and the Credit required for Core course II including Dissertation is '47'.

Discrepancies in the Scheme and Syllabus of Double Main First Degree Programme in Geology and Digital Surveying under CBCS system implemented w.e.f 2020 admissions were reported vide letter dated 15.06.2023 from the Principal, Fathima Matha National College, Kollam (Autonomous), that the minimum credits (120) required for the programme is not satisfied as the Credits allotted for the Core Course I (Geology) is '47' and to modify the credit of the Course GLD 1341 Crystallography and Mineralogy in the III Semester from '3' to '4'.

The Board of Studies in Geology (UG) at its Meeting held on 03.07.2023, recommended to change the total credits for Core Course I Geology to '48' and the credits for the course GLD 1341: Crystallography & Mineralogy in the III Semester to '4' in the Scheme and Syllabus of Double Main First Degree Programme in Geology and Digital Surveying. The Dean, Faculty of Science, vide email dated 10.07.2023, endorsed the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Geology (UG).

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to change the total credits for Core Course I Geology to '48' and the credits for the Course GLD 1341: Crystallography & Mineralogy in the III Semester to '4' in the Scheme and Syllabus of Double Main First Degree Programme in Geology and Digital Surveying under CBCS system implemented w.e.f 2020 admissions, as recommended by the Board of Studies in Geology (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science. UO No. 522/2024/UOK dated 16.01.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**36. Unitary and Integrated LL.B Courses – 2020 Scheme - Recent Changes in the Laws Incorporated in the Syllabi - Orders issued - Reporting of - Reg. (Ac.AIII)**

The additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Law (Pass) held on 10.07.2024 considered the matter of incorporation of the recent changes in the Laws in the syllabi of LL.B courses and recommended to substitute the syllabi of the papers : Law of Crimes - Paper I - Penal Code, Law of Crimes - Paper II- Criminal Procedure Code and Law of Evidence with Law of Crimes - Paper I - The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Law of Crimes - Paper II - The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and Law of Evidence - The Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam respectively for the Unitary/Integrated LL.B Courses from 2024-25 admission batch onwards and further recommended to modify the Syllabi of the papers: Labour and Industrial Law - I, Labour and Industrial Law - II, Environmental Law, Company Law and Administrative Law.

The additional meeting Faculty of Law held on 23.07.2024 approved the recommendations of the BoS in Law (Pass) and the Vice Chancellor granted sanction to implement the substitutions and modifications in the syllabi of Unitary/Integrated LL.B Courses as recommended by the BoS in Law (Pass) and endorsed by the Faculty of Law. Accordingly, U.O No. Ac AIII/6707/2024/UOK Dated: 05.08.2024 was issued. The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the incorporations in the Syllabi of LL.B courses and issuance of U.O No.Ac AIII/6707/2024/UOK Dated: 05.08.2024 is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**37. Scheme and Syllabus for First Degree Programme in Geography (B.Sc) under CBCS System w.e.f 2022 admissions - Discrepancy in Course codes - Corrected- Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus for First Degree Programme in Geography under CBCS system was revised w.e.f 2022 admissions vide UO No. 4283/2022/UOK dated 25.05.2022.

The Course code for the Core course 'Climatology and Oceanography' in the II Semester was mentioned as GG 1221 in the Course structure and as GG 1241 in the detailed part of the Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Geography under CBCS System, revised w.e.f 2022 admissions.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Geography remarked that the course code of Climatology & Oceanography' is GG 1241. The Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the remarks of the Chairman.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, for effecting corrections in the course code of 'Climatology and Oceanography' as GG 1241 in the Scheme and Syllabus for First Degree Programme in Geography (B.Sc) under CBCS system revised w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Geography and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science. A UO No. 7051/2023/UOK dated 14.08.2023 was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**38. Revision of Fees for Recognition of Degrees/Diplomas of Other Universities and Eligibility Certificates - University Order - Reporting to the Academic Council - Reporting of – Reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref:** 6948/2024/UOK, Dated: 13.08.2024

This report informs the recent revisions to the fees associated with recognition of degrees/diplomas and eligibility certificates, as approved by the Syndicate.

**Background:**

The Standing Committee on Finance recommended a revision of these fees on December 22nd, 2023. The Syndicate reviewed this recommendation on December 28th, 2023, and referred it back to the Standing Committee for further discussion.

Following reconsideration, the Standing Committee reiterated its recommendation for increased fees on April 30th, 2024. Ultimately, the Syndicate approved these revised fees at its meetings held on May 9th and July 2nd, 2024. Also, the Finance endorsed the same.

**Revised Rates of Fee:**

Sl.No.	Item	Enhanced Fee (₹)
1.	Fee for Eligibility Certificate for +2 Courses	525/-*
2.	Fee for Eligibility Certificate for UG & PG Programmes and Professional Courses within Kerala	525/-*
3.	Fee for Eligibility Certificate for UG Programmes Outside Kerala	750/-*
4.	Fee for Eligibility Certificate for PG Programmes Outside Kerala	1000/-*
5.	Fee for Eligibility Certificate for Professional Courses Outside Kerala	1000/-*
6.	Fee for Eligibility Certificate for Foreign Degree/Diplomas	5250/-*
7.	Fee for Course Recognition	2625/-*
8.	Fee for Course Recognition of Foreign Degree/Diplomas	5250/-*

\*A 5% increase in service rates, as per U.O. No. Ad.A5.03/9871/2019, Dated: April 1st, 2019, is included in the revised fees.

The Vice Chancellor has granted sanction for the implementation of these revised fees.

Therefore, the matter is reported to the Academic council. **(The University Order pertaining to the above is appended)**

*Resolution of the Academic Council*

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**39. Revised Scheme of Post Graduate Diploma programme in Psychological Counselling - approval- Reporting of-reg. (CSS)**

The Head, Department of Psychology, University of Kerala has forwarded the revised scheme of Post Graduate Diploma programme in Psychological Counselling with effect from 2024 admissions for approval.

*The revised scheme of the programme was placed before the CSS Academic Committee held on 25.04.2024 and recommended that the Scheme be approved, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.*

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.



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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CSS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE**

Date & Time : 25.04.2024, 12.00 noon

Venue : Syndicate Room, Palayam

**Members Present:**

1. Prof. (Dr) Mohanan Kunnummal, Vice-Chancellor & Chairman, CSS (in the chair)
2. Prof.(Dr.) R. Jayachandran, Vice-Chairman, CSS
3. Prof. (Dr.) Radhamany P. M, Department of Botany
4. Prof.(Dr.) R. B. Binoj Kumar, Department of Geology
5. Prof.(Dr.) V. Biju, Department of Physics
6. Dr. Aji S, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science
7. Dr. Shaji E, Director, IQAC

**Item No. 2: Post Graduate Diploma in Psychological Counseling- revision of Scheme reg**

The Head, Department of Psychology has submitted revised scheme (60 Marks ESA & 40 Marks CA) for the Programme Post Graduate Diploma in Psychological Counseling to be implemented from 2023 Admissions.

As per the revised scheme, there shall be separate minimum of 40% for external examinations for all courses. Aggregate minimum (CA +ESA) pass mark for a course shall be 50%.

The revised scheme for the Programme Post Graduate Diploma in Psychological Counseling is placed for consideration and recommendation.

**Recommendation: *The Committee recommended that the revised Scheme for the Programme Post Graduate Diploma in Psychological Counseling be approved, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.***

Sd/-

Vice Chairman, CSS

Sd/-

Vice Chancellor and Chairman, CSS

*Resolution of the Academic Council*

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**40. Fixation of criteria for improvement of CA marks of B. Des Fashion Design degree programme-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AIV)**

The Principal, IFTK, Kollam has forwarded a request seeking clarification on Improvement of CA marks for B. Des Fashion Design Degree programme. The candidates of B. Des - Fashion design

degree programme who failed due to low internal marks have been granted the provision to improve their C A marks as per U O No. AcAIV/02/15464/2021 dated 27/07/2021, with further clarifications provided in U.O. No. 3932/2022/UOK dtd 21/05/2022. But the percentage of internal mark below which a candidate can approach for improvement is not mentioned in the Uos concerned. Since BOS in Applied Arts has been expired and not constituted yet, the remarks of Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts was sought in this regard. The Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts remarked that only failed candidates who secured less than 50% marks for CA part may be permitted to improve their marks.

The Vice Chancellor approved the remarks of the Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts, that "only failed candidates of B.Des in Fashion Design who secured less than 50% marks for CA part may be permitted to improve their marks" as recommended by the Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts, subject to reporting to Academic Council. U.O. No. 7708/2024 dtd 09/09/2024 had been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**41. Scheme and Syllabi for First Degree Programme in Arabic under CBCS System revised w.e.f. 2020 & 2022 admissions - Correction of Course Code for Elective Course in the Sixth Semester - Reporting of - reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabi for First Degree Programme in Arabic under CBCS system (Core, Complementary and Language courses) were revised w.e.f 2020 & 2022 admissions vide UO No.3416/2020/UOK dated 02.11.2020 and UO No. 4728/2022/UOK dated 18.06.2022 respectively. The Chairman, Board of Studies in Arabic (UG), vide email dated 04.04.2023, recommended to correct the course Drama offered in the Sixth semester of First Degree Programme in Arabic under CBCS System as an Elective course with Course code AR 1661 and to effect the correction in the Scheme and Syllabi for First Degree Programme in Arabic under CBCS System revised w.e.f from both 2020 & 2022 admissions. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, vide email dated 12.04.2023, endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Arabic (UG).

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to correct the course 'Drama' offered in the Sixth semester of First Degree Programme in Arabic under CBCS System as an Elective course with Course code AR 1661 and to effect the correction in the Scheme and Syllabi for First Degree Programme in Arabic under CBCS System revised w.e.f from both 2020 & 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Arabic (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies. UO No. 364/2024/UOK dated 10.01.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**42. Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Tamil under CBCS System revised w.e.f 2022 admissions - Correction in the Course Codes and Credits for Additional Language courses in the 3rd and 4th Semesters for B.A/B.Sc Programmes - Reporting of – reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus for First Degree Programme in Tamil under CBCS System was revised in the w.e.f 2022 admissions vide UO No. 5196/2022/UOK Dated: 07.07.2022.

The Course Code for Additional Language courses for B.A/B.Sc Programmes of 3rd and 4th Semesters were given as TM 1311 & TM 1411 instead of TM 1311.1 & TM 1411.1 respectively in the Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Tamil under CBCS System revised w.e.f 2022 admissions. Also, the Course Credits for Additional Language for B.A/B.Sc Degree Programmes (Idaikkaala Tamil) of 3rd Semester was given as '4' in the Scheme and '3' in the detailed Syllabus.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Tamil, vide email dated 06.02.2024, recommended to correct the

Credits for Additional Language courses for B.A/B.Sc programmes of Third and Fourth Semesters as-TM1311.1& TM1411.1 respectively instead of TM 1311 and TM 1411 and also to change the Course Credits for Additional Language for B.A/B.Sc Degree Programmes (Idaikkaala Tamil) of Third Semester as '4' in the Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in tamil under CBCS System, revised w.e.f 2022 admissions. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, vide email dated 07.03.2024, endorsed the recommendation of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Tamil.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, for effecting the above corrections in the Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Tamil Under CBCS System revised w.e.f 2022 admissions as recommended by the Chairman,Board of Studies in Tamil (U.G) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies. UO No. 4114/2024/UOK dated 16.05.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**43. First Degree Programmes Under CBCS System - Mercy Chance Examination granted to 2018 admissions -Reporting of –reg. (Ac.AV)**

Applications were received from the candidates of First Degree Programmes Under CBCS System of 2018 admissions requesting Mercy Chance Examinations to clear backlogs.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 01.03.2024 recommended to grant one Mercy Chance examination to the candidates of 2018 admission subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 15.03.2024, vide Item No. 09.92.04 resolved that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 01.03.2024 be approved.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to implement the resolution of the Syndicate and UO No. 4323/2024/UOK dated: 24/05/2024 has been issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**44. Scheme and Syllabus for Career related First Degree Programme in Management Studies (BMS) - Hotel Management under CBCS system(2022 admission onwards) - Corrections in the Course codes approved–Reporting of- reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus for Career related First Degree Programme in Management Studies (BMS) Hotel Management under CBCS system 2(b) revised in Outcome Based Education (OBE) mode implemented w.e.f 2022 admissions was approved vide UO No. 8341/2022/UOK Dated: 27.10.2022.

In the Syllabus part, it has been noted that the same course code 'BH 1243' is allocated to two Courses in the II Semester 'Food Production and Patisserie II' and 'Food and Beverage Service II' whereas separate course codes are given in the index part as 'BH 1243 : Food Production and Patisserie II ' and 'BH 1244 : Food and Beverage Service II' .

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Business Management (UG) vide E-mail dated 05.05.2023, clarified that the disparity in the course codes that 'the course code of the paper 'Food Production and Patisserie II' is 'BH 1243' and that of 'Food and Beverage Service II' is 'BH 1244' and recommended to make changes in the syllabus accordingly. The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson as per E-mail dated 11.05.2023.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to effect the above corrections in the Syllabus of Career-related First Degree Programme in Management Studies (BMS) Hotel Management revised w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended

by the Chairperson, BoS in Business Management (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies.

A UO No. 9768/2023/UOK dated 02.12.2023 was issued on the matter.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**45. Clarifications in the syllabus of MCA w.e.f 2024 admission onwards-Reporting of-Reg. (Ac.A IV)**

The Examination wing has sought some clarifications on the Syllabus of the two year MCA Programme in Learning Outcomes - based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) revised with effect from 2024 admission onwards. The Chairman, Board of Studies in Computer Science (PG) has clarified as detailed below:

**1. Bridge Course:**

The students who haven't undergone Mathematics and Computer Science as a core or complementary course for their Undergraduate programme have to study these courses in the First semester itself and appear for the examination conducted by the University and the new scheme is also applicable to the same rules.

**2. Letter Grades:**

For each course letter grades and grade points are given to indicate the achievement of objectives, based on the evaluation of students performance in individual courses.

**3. Credits**

The credit and grading system is introduced in MCA Degree Program from the 2024 admission onwards and also the letter grades, corresponding grade points and credits are to be displayed in the semester mark lists and consolidated mark list.

**4. MOOC Courses:**

- MOOC course is 30-hour certificate course, and in certain cases, the courses are offered in a week-long programme. So, both can be considered.
- The candidates should attend the MOOC Course before I and III semester completion.
- Platforms recommended for taking the MOOC course is SWAYAM, Coursera, NPTEL or similar.
- The college authorities will intimate the completion details of MOOC Course like internal mark submission before publishing the results of the respective semesters.

**5. Department Council**

The term 'department council' refers to the department within the college itself and does not involve the University.

The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Computer Science(PG).

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to effect the above clarification in the syllabus of two year MCA Programme in Learning Outcomes - based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) revised with effect from 2024 admissions as recommended by the Chairman, BoS in Computer Science (PG) and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

UO No.8179/2024/UOK dated 26.09.2024 has been issued in this regard.

This matter is reported to the Academic council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**46. Scheme and Syllabus of Career related First Degree Programme in Physics & Computer Application (B.Sc) (2021 admission onwards) - Correction in Course code of Open Courses in Vth Semester-reported-reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus for courses in Computer Application of Career related First Degree Programme in Physics and Computer Application (B.Sc) under CBCS system was revised w.e.f 2021 admissions vide UO No. 3496/2021/UOK dated 18.07.2021 and that of courses in Physics of the said programme was revised w.e.f 2023 admissions vide UO No.6142/2023/UOK dated 03.07.2023.

The Course code for the Open courses in the V Semester was mentioned as PC 1581.A, PC 1581.B and PC 1581.C in the Course Structure and detailed part of the Syllabus. The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Computer Science (UG) vide E-mail dated 07.11.2023, recommended to correct the course code of Open courses as PC 1551.1, PC 1551.2 and PC 1551.3 respectively. The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology vide E-mail dated 06.12.2023, endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson.

Sanction was therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, for effecting corrections in the course codes of Open courses in the V Semester as PC 1551.1, PC 1551.2 and PC 1551.3 in the Syllabus of Career related FDP in Physics and Computer Application (2021 admission onwards) as recommended by the Chairperson, BoS in Computer Science (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

A UO No. 10464/2023/UOK dtd 30.12.2023 was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**47. Mercy Chance - B.A/B.Sc/B.Com(SDE-2018 admn)- granted- Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)**

As per the U.O no.Ac.AIV/1/Uniform Span Period/2016 dated 15/07/2016 related to Uniform Span Period, the maximum duration for completing a programme is restricted to S+4 for semester programmes. The UO was came into effect from 2016-2017 admission onwards. Hence, the failed candidates of B.A/B.Sc/B.Com (SDE-2018 admn) candidates have requested for conducting mercy chance examination to clear the failed papers.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 04.05.2024 considered the matter and recommended to grant one mercy chance to the failed candidates of B.A/B.Sc/B.Com(SDE-2018 admission), subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The Syndicate, vide item no.10.97.11 of the minutes of the meeting, held on 09.05.2024 resolved to approve the above recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

The Vice-Chancellor has directed to implement the above resolution of the Syndicate. Accordingly, U.O No.Ac.AII/4327/2024/UoK dated 24.05.2024 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**48. Four Year Under graduate Programmes (UoK - FYUGP) - Approval of Scheme and Syllabus of Additional Language course in Latin from 2024 admissions- Reporting to the Academic Council - reg. (Ac.AV(A))**

Four Year Under Graduate Programmes UoK- FYUGP Curriculum Framework and Regulations, 2024 for the implementation of Four year Under Graduate Programmes in the Affiliated Colleges / UIT's from the Academic Year 2024-25, have been approved by the Academic Council vide Item No. (1).30 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 and U.O No.4271/2024/UOK dtd 22.05.2024. was issued accordingly.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic

Council, to approve the Scheme and Syllabus of Additional language courses in Latin under FYUGP to be implemented w.e.f 2024 admissions, as recommended by the the Chairperson, BoS in French and Latin and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts. U.O No. 6314/2024/UOK dated 26.07.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***  
**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**49. Corrections in the Syllabus of B.Voc Degree Programme in Travel and Tourism w.e.f 2020 admission onwards- reporting of –reg. (Ac.AIV)**

The Regulation, Scheme and Syllabus for B.Voc Degree Programme in Travel and Tourism was approved with effect from 2020 admission. The tabulation wing pointed out some discrepancies in the name of the courses as noticed in the index and syllabus part of the programme. The Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass) furnished the actual name of the courses , as detailed below :

Semester	Code	Course Title
1	BVTT 04	Principles and Practice of Tourism - I
	BVTT 05	Organizational Behaviour
3	BVTT 13	Tour Guiding and Escorting
	BVTT 14	Human Resource Management
	BVTT 18	Tour Guiding and Escorting
	OJT	Tour Operations
4	BVTT 24	Customer Relationship Management
	OJT	House Keeping Operations
5	BVTT 27	Ethical, Legal and Regulatory Framework for Tourism
	BVTT 28	Travel Agency and Tour Operation Management
6	BVTT 31	Destination Planning and Management
	BVTT 32	Tourism Management and E- Tourism

The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Business Management (Pass)

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to effect the above corrections with regard to the names of courses in the scheme and syllabus of B.Voc Degree Programme in Travel and Tourism (with effect from 2020 admission onwards), as recommended by the Chairman, BoS in Business Management (Pass) and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies.

U.O.No.7422/2024/UOK dated 29.08.2024 has been issued in this regard.

This matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***  
**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**50. Corrections in the Syllabus of B.Voc Degree Programme in Travel and Tourism w.e.f 2020 admission onwards- reporting of –reg. (Ac.AIV)**

The Regulation,Scheme and Syllabus for B.Voc Degree Programme in Travel and Tourism was approved with effect from 2020 admission.Some discrepancies noticed in the syllabus by the tabulation section have been clarified and University order U.O.No.9164/2023/UOK dated: 06.11.2023 has been issued.The tabulation section further sought clarification on point 3 of the above said University Order, whether the subjects BVTT 13,BVTT14,BVTT 15, BVTT16, BVTT 19, BVTT 20 etc are practical or theory courses.

The Chairperson Board of Studies in business Management (pass) further clarified that BVTT 13, BVTT14, BVTT15, BVTT16, BVTT19, BVTT20, BVTT21 and BVTT22 are theory courses

whereas BVTT17, BVTT18, BVTT23 and BVTT24 are practical courses. The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies has endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson, BoS in Business Management (pass).

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to Academic Council, to effect the above correction in the syllabus of B.Voc Travel and Tourism degree programme as recommended by the Chairperson, BoS in Business Management (pass) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies.

U.O.No.691/2024/UOK dated 22.01.2024 has been issued in this regard. This matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**51. FYUGP in English Language and Literature introduced w.e.f 2024 admission- Approval of courses under Additional specialisation streams, " Genre Fiction and " Cultural Studies"- Reporting of –reg. (Ac.AV (A))**

The Scheme and Syllabi for the courses in English Language and Literature under FYUGP, has been approved by the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 and U.O.No.32912/2024/UOK dated 02.07.2024 has been issued accordingly.

The Additional meeting of the Board of Studies in English (UG) held on 27.05.2024, recommended to specify courses for additional specialisation streams for the FYUGP in English Language and Literature. The Dean, Faculty of Arts 12.06.2024, endorsed the recommendations of the Board.

The specialisations and the courses that can be opted under each are listed below:

**I.Genre Fiction**

1. UK3DSEENG203 Fairy Tale Studies
2. UK4DSEENG201 Young Adult Narratives
3. UK5SEEN302 Crime Fiction
4. UK6DSEENG304 Horror Narratives
5. UK7DSEENG400 Speculative Fiction and Fantasy.

**II. Cultural Studies**

1. UK3DSEENG205 Introducing Game Studies
2. UK4DSEENG200 Urban Studies
3. UK4D SEENG203 People, Texts and Voices.
4. UK6DSEENG303 Folklore Studies
5. UK7D SEENG401 Voices of Resistance
6. UK7DSEENG402 Graphic Narratives
7. UK7DSEENG403 Narrating the Multiverse.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to approve the specialisation streams, " Genre Fiction and " Cultural Studies" and the courses under each stream for FYUGP in English Language and Literature introduced w.e.f 2024 admissions, as recommended by the Board of studies in English (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts and U.O No. 5697/2024/UOK dated 09.07.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**52. Recognition of the M.B.A. Degree in Marketing (through Distance Mode) (2015-2017) awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore - considering of – Reg.(Ac.C)**

**Ref:** Application submitted by Mr. Pravin P, dated: 13/08/2024

Mr. Pravin P. applied for course recognition for the M.B.A. Degree in Marketing (through Distance Mode) (2015-2017) awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore. **The purpose of the recognition is for equivalency with corresponding M.B.A. of this University.**

He completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala and pursued B.Tech. Degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering (Regular) from the University of Calicut which is also recognised by this University.

It may be noted that the period of study of the candidate is **2015-17** and as per the details in UGC DEB website, Bharathiar University had no approval in this period to offer courses through distance mode. However, the University continues to issue eligibility certificates for M.B.A. programs (in general) offered before the 2017-2018 academic year based on a specific University Order No. Ac.C/2/29345/2012, dated: 07-01-2013. **(Appendix 1)**

University Order 2008/2022/UOK, dated: 14.03.2022, states that the Academic Council resolved not to recognise distance education degrees awarded by other universities unless approved by the Distance Education Bureau (DEB) of UGC, starting from the 2017-2018 academic year **(Appendix 2)**.

In light of this, remarks of both the Chairman, BOS in Business Management (PG) and Dean, Faculty of Management Studies were obtained.

**Remarks of the Chairman, BOS in Business Management (PG):**

1. During the period of study, University of Kerala had four semesters and two-year Distance Programme.

1. Comparison of Coursework: The number of courses studied in Bharathiar University is less than 60% of those offered by the University of Kerala during the relevant period.

2. DEB Approval: Bharathiar University did not have DEB approval during the period when the M.B.A. (Marketing) (Distance Education) program was offered.

3. M.B.A. (Marketing) offered by Bharathiar University cannot be made equivalent to the M.B.A. (Distance) of the University of Kerala.

**Remarks of the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies:**

1. Endorsed the Remarks of the Chairman.

2. Previous Equivalency: The Dean has suggested considering equivalency if the University of Kerala had previously granted equivalency to the M.B.A. Distance Program of Bharathiar University to any candidates who enrolled to the course during 2015-2017.

Due to the differing opinions, a note was sent to the BOS in Business Management (PG) for further discussion. However, the Chairman recommended bringing the matter before the Academic Council for consideration.

Hence the entire matter regarding the recognition of the M.B.A. Degree in Marketing (through Distance Mode) (2015-2017) awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to recognize the M.B.A. Degree in Marketing (through Distance Mode) (2015-2017) awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

**53. Implementation of 4th Amendment to the UGC Regulation 2018 in the University- Reporting of – Regarding. (Ac.FII)**

The Govt of India Gazette Notification No.F.1/2017(EC/PS) dated 18.07.2018, introduced UGC Regulations 2018 and the Academic Council of University of Kerala considered the implementation of the said Regulations. The UGC Regulations on Minimum Qualifications for

appointment of teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges, 2018 were approved by the Academic Council and the same was implemented w.e.f 18/07/2018. Accordingly UO No.Ac.F II/General/UGC-R-2018/2019 dated 20.03.2020 was issued.

**According to clause 6.3 of the UGC Regulation 2018, which reads as follows:**

"The criteria for promotions under Career Advancement Scheme laid down under these Regulations shall be effective from the date of notification of these Regulations. However, to avoid hardship to those faculty members who have already qualified or are likely to qualify **shortly under the existing regulations**, a choice may be given to them, for being considered for promotions under the existing Regulations. This option can be exercised only within three years from the date of notification of these Regulations.

**According to the 3rd amendment to the UGC Regulations 2018 the same has been substituted as follows :**

"The criteria for promotions under Career Advancement Scheme laid down under these Regulations shall be effective from the date of notification of these Regulations. However, to avoid hardship to those faculty members who have already qualified or are likely to qualify **within six months (till 17th January, 2019)** as per the UGC Regulations on Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education, 2010, a choice may be given to them either, for being considered for promotions under the 2010 or 2018 Regulations. This option can be exercised only up to 31st December 2023 and the date of eligibility shall be retained as the date of promotion. On the date of submission of the application, the candidate should fulfil all eligibility criteria required for promotion"

*The 3rd Amendment is Implemented in the University vide UO no. Ac FII/9899/2023/UOK dated 06.12.2023.*

**Now, according to the 4th amendment to the UGC Regulation ,(Notification No F-9-1/2020(PS/MISC)Pt. Vol II dated 6th June 2024) Clause 6.3 in the UGC (3rd Amendment) Regulations, 2023 shall be substituted with the following**

"The criteria for promotions under Career Advancement Scheme laid down under these Regulations shall be effective from the date of notification of these Regulations. However, to avoid hardship to those faculty members who have already qualified or are likely to qualify **till 31st December 2024** as per the UGC Regulations on Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education, 2010, a choice may be given to them either for being considered for promotions under the 2010 or 2018 Regulations. The date of eligibility shall be retained as the date of promotion. On the date of submission of the application, the candidate should fulfill all eligibility criteria required for promotion."

The matter regarding Implementation of 4th Amendment to the UGC Regulation 2018 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Teaching and Non – Teaching Staff of Private Colleges held on 23.08.2024 and the committee recommended to implement the 4th Amendment to the UGC (Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education) Regulation 2018 w.e.f 6th June 2024.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.09.2024 considered the matter, vide item no.14.04.B50 and resolved to implement the same in the University w.e.f 6th June 2024, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

In the light of the decision of the Syndicate, the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council has accorded sanction to implement the 4th Amendment to the UGC (Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education) Regulation 2018 in the University w.e.f 6th June 2024. UO no. Ac.FII/8596/2024/UOK dated 14.10.2024 dated 14.10.2024 has been issued accordingly.

Hence, the matter of implementation of the 4th Amendment to the UGC (Minimum

Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education) Regulation 2018 in the University w.e.f 6th June 2024 and issuance of U.O in this regard, is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**54. B.Com(Hearing Impaired)-2019 scheme-eighth semester-Clarification in course title-BCM 1843, as Business Ethics and Corporate Governance- Reporting of-Reg. (Ac.AIV)**

The tabulation section sought clarification on title of the third paper, **BCM 1843**, in the eighth semester of B. Com Hearing Impaired(2019 scheme) degree programme. In the Index part, the name of the course is specified as Business Environment and Ethics. But, in the detailed syllabus part, it is provided as Business Ethics and Corporate Governance. For obtaining clarity in this regard, the file was forwarded to the Chairman, BOS in Commerce(Pass) .

The Chairman remarked as the course coded as BCM:1843 for the VIII semester can be titled as 'Business Ethics and Corporate Governance'. The Dean, Faculty of Commerce endorsed the views of the Chairman and ascertained the course title of BCM : 1843 as 'Business Ethics and Corporate Governance'. The Vice Chancellor, approved to correct the title of the course **BCM 1843**, in the eighth semester of B. Com Hearing Impaired(2019 scheme) degree programme as **Business Ethics and Corporate Governance**, subject reporting to Academic Council. U. O. No. 8914/2024/UOK dated 21/10/2024 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**55. Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Marine Biology awarded by Annamalai University- Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)  
Ref: Application submitted by Smt. Sreeja P Sreedhar dtd 14/10/2014**

Smt. Sreeja P Sreedhar submitted an application for recognition of Ph.D Degree in Marine Biology awarded by Annamalai University with the thesis titled " Haematology of Rabbit Fish, *SiganusJavus* (L.,1766) and Milkfish, *Chanos Chanos* (Forsskal, 1775) from VellarEstuary,Southeast Coast of India" for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the filed of Zoology. The applicant has passed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by this University. She has passed B.Sc Degree in Zoology of this University.She passed M.Sc Degree in Coastal Aquaculture (Regular) awarded by Annamalai University which is recognised as equivalent to M.Sc Degree in Zoology of thisUniversity.

It may be noted that the Ph.D Degree awarded to the candidate has already been recognised for availing advance increment vide U.O No. AcC/2/006770/2017 dtd 24/11/2014.

**The Chairman BoS in Zoology (PG)** has remarked that the candidate has applied for the recognition of the Ph.D Degree awarded by the Annamalai University with the Ph.D Degree of Zoology for higher studies and employment. Since the Ph.D Degree has already been recognised by the University of Kerala for the increment of the candidate in the faculty of Zoology,it may be recognised for higher studies and employment in the filed of Zoology of this University. **The Dean Faculty of science** has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Zoology (PG) that recognition may be given to the Ph.D Degree for higher studies and employment in the field of zoology.

Hence, the whole matter regarding the recognition of Ph.D Degree in Marine Biology awarded by Annamalai University with the thesis titled " Haematology of Rabbit Fish, *SiganusJavus* (L.,1766) and Milkfish, *Chanos Chanos* (Forsskal, 1775) from VellarEstuary,Southeast Coast of India" is placed

before the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to recognize the Ph.D Degree in Marine Biology awarded by Annamalai University with the thesis titled " Haematology of Rabbit Fish, *Siganus Javus* (L.,1766) and Milkfish, *Chanos Chanos* (Forsskal, 1775) from Vellar Estuary, Southeast Coast of India" for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Zoology.

**56. Recognition of Examination –Degrees of State Boards- Statutory Universities – Deemed Universities- other Institutions –Approved by the Vice-Chancellor- Reporting to the Academic Council –reg. (Ac.C)**

On the basis of the recommendations of the Chairman of various Boards of Studies and the Deans of respective faculties, the degrees/Examinations/Diplomas awarded by States Boards/Statutory Universities / Institutions as per the details shown in the statement appended are recognized as equivalent to the corresponding examinations/Degrees of this University either on reciprocal basis or recognized as an eligible qualifications for specific purposes such as higher studies or employment as the case may be, by the Vice-Chancellor Subject to reporting to the Academic Council in exercise of the powers conferred on him as per section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act of 1974. Hence the matter is reported to the Academic council. The Statement Showing the Degrees Examinations recognized is appended.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**57. Recognition of B.A Degree in History (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through PSGR Krishnammal College for Women (Autonomous), Coimbatore- Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref: Application submitted by Ms./MrJanani.A dated:15.07.2024**

Ms/Mr Janani. A submitted an application for recognition of B.A Degree in History (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through PSGR Krishnammal College for Women (Autonomous), Coimbatore for the purpose of getting it equivalent to B.A. History for higher education and employment.

The applicant has undergone 10 + 2 pattern of study recognised by the University of Kerala. She/He has submitted the scheme and syllabus of the course duly attested by the Principal of the College and remitted the required amount of fee of Rs.1050/- towards this purpose. The college is accredited by NAAC with A++ grade.

The Chairperson BoS in History (Pass) has remarked that the detailed syllabus submitted along with the application is almost similar to that of the University of Kerala. Hence, he has recommended to grant recognition to the B.A.Degree of the applicant from Bharathiar University through PSGR Krishnammal College for Women (Autonomous),Coimbatore as equivalent to B.A History of the University of Kerala. He has marked 70-80% adequacy and quality to the submitted scheme and syllabus in comparison to the scheme and syllabus of the University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Science has endorsed the recommendation of the Chairperson BoS in History (Pass).

The whole matter regarding recognition of B.A Degree in History (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through PSGR Krishnammal College for Women (Autonomous), Coimbatore as equivalent to B.A History of the University of Kerala is placed in the meeting of the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to recognize the B.A Degree in History (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through PSGR Krishnammal College for Women (Autonomous), Coimbatore as equivalent to B.A History of the University of Kerala.

**58. Recognition of B.A Degree in Communicative English (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref:** Application submitted by Ms./Mr. Akhila Danties dated: 07.10.2024

Ms/Mr. Akhila Danties submitted an application for recognition of B.A Degree in Communicative English (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam for the purpose of getting it equivalent to B.A Degree in English for higher education including for doing B.Ed. in English and employment.

The applicant has undergone 10 + 2 pattern of study recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairperson BoS in English (Pass) has remarked that the degree acquired by the candidate can be considered equivalent to B.A English and Communicative English of the University of Kerala. 80-90% similarity is found in the submitted syllabus and equivalency have been marked in the proforma.

The Dean, Faculty of Arts has endorsed the recommendation of the Chairperson.

Hence, the whole matter regarding recognition of the B.A Degree in Communicative English (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam as equivalent to the B.A English and Communicative English of the University of Kerala is placed before the meeting of the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to recognise the B.A Degree in Communicative English (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam as equivalent to the B.A English and Communicative English of the University of Kerala.

**59. Issuance of Eligibility Certificate to B.A Degree in History and Tourism Studies (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University and B.Ed Degree in History & Tamil (Regular) awarded by The Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University which are awarded with Tamil as Medium of Instruction-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref:** Applications for Eligibility Certificate submitted by Simitha S dated: 02.07.2024

Simitha S submitted applications for Eligibility Certificate for the B.A Degree in History and Tourism Studies (Regular) awarded by ManonmaniamSundaranar University (Application No: 083235) and B.Ed Degree in History & Tamil (Regular) awarded by The Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University (Application No:083243.) Both the Degrees are recognised by the University of Kerala.

The applicant has undergone 10 + 2 pattern of study recognised by the University of Kerala.

It may be noted that:

1. The B.A Degree in History and Tourism Studies (Regular) awarded by ManonmaniamSundaranar University is recognised by the University of Kerala as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in History as per U.O No. Ac.C/024899/2016 19-01- 2017.
2. Further, the above said degree is also recognised as an eligible qualification for doing B.Ed. in Social Science as per U.O No:8956/2024/UOK dated:22.10.2024 in file No:Ac.C/082056/2024.
3. The B.Ed Degree in History & Tamil (Regular) awarded by The Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University is recognised by the University of Kerala for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed. Degree in Social Science is the prescribed qualification as per U.O No.5125/2023/UOK Dated: 13.06.2023.

On verification of the certificates, it is found that the applicant has undergone both the programme **with Tamil as medium of Study**. The medium of Instruction of the Degrees of the University of Kerala and other universities inside Kerala are English and hence in normal cases degrees awarded with English as medium of study are recognised as equivalent to the corresponding degree or for higher studies and employment.

However, the applicant, in her e-mail request dated: 20.07.2024, has informed that she is in need of an Eligibility Certificate for employment as High School Teacher in Tamil medium schools. Hence, remarks were sought from the Chairpersons of the Boards of studies in History (Pass) and Education (Pass) and Deans of the Faculties of Social Science and Education for:

1. for extending the existing recognition of the above U.G Degree to all those who obtained the same under Tamil medium, with a B.Ed. Degree in Social Science (Tamil Medium) for the purpose of employment as High School Teacher in Tamil Medium Schools.
2. Whether the applicant is eligible for higher studies under the University of Kerala where Medium of Instruction is English.

The Chairperson BoS in History (Pass) has remarked that, as per the notes the B.A Degree in History and Tourism (Regular) of Manonmaniam Sundaranar University is recognised for higher studies and employment. Hence it is recommended to issue Eligibility Certificate to the applicant for employment as High School Teacher in Tamil Medium Schools. (and not in Malayalam medium schools.). However, he has not recommended eligibility for higher studies and opined that it is not admissible as the existing Statutes of the University of Kerala is against the same.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences has endorsed the recommendation of the Chairperson BoS in History (Pass).

The Chairperson BoS in Education (Pass) remarked that the applicant is eligible for employment as High School Teacher in Tamil Medium provided the applicant holds recognised Under Graduate Degree along with a B.Ed. Degree in Social Science.

The Dean, Faculty of Education endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson BoS in Education (Pass). Hence, the whole matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration of the following points:

1. the above recommendation may be generalised for all Optionals of the B.Ed. programme, as it should naturally be applicable to other Optionals as well, where the medium of instruction is Tamil.
2. to issue Eligibility Certificate to all applicants who hold recognised Under Graduate and B.Ed. Degree, which are awarded with Tamil as Medium of Instruction, for the purpose of employment as High School Teacher in Tamil Medium Schools.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to issue Eligibility Certificate to the applicants who hold recognised Under Graduate and B.Ed. Degree, which are awarded with Tamil as Medium of Instruction, for the purpose of employment as High School Teacher in Tamil Medium Schools.

**60. Recognition of B.A. Degree in Foreign Language and Intercultural Studies (Regular) awarded by Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal (Deemed to be University) –Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref: Application submitted by Ms./Mr Sisira Sasidharan dated: 01.11.2023**

Ms/Mr Sisira Sasidharan submitted an application for recognition of B.A. Degree in Foreign Language and Intercultural Studies (Regular) awarded by Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal (Deemed to be University) for the purpose of for higher education in German Language. The applicant has undergone 10 + 2 pattern of study recognised by the University of Kerala. The Deputy Registrar, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal (Deemed to be University) has certified that Ms. Sisira Sasidharan was a bonafide student of Bachelor Programme at MAHE and has completed the B. A Foreign Languages and Intercultural Studies Programme (2020-2023)

with a Specialisation in German at the Department of Languages, MAHE.

The **Chairperson BoS in German** has recommended that the B.A. Degree in Foreign Language and Intercultural Studies (with German as Language of specialisation) (Regular) awarded by Manipal Academy of Higher Education can be considered as eligible for higher studies in German Language.

The **Dean, Faculty of Arts** has endorsed the recommendation of the Chairperson of the Board of Studies in German.

Hence, the whole matter regarding recognition of the B.A. Degree in Foreign Language and Intercultural Studies (with German as Language of specialisation) (Regular) awarded by Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal (Deemed to be University) as an eligible qualification for higher studies in the field of German Language is placed in the forthcoming meeting of the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to recognize the B.A. Degree in Foreign Language and Intercultural Studies (with German as Language of specialisation) (Regular) awarded by Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal (Deemed to be University) as an eligible qualification for higher studies in the field of German Language.

**61. Recognition of M.Sc. Degree in Space Science (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref: Application submitted by Ms./Mr Linta Prem Kumar dated: 12.08.2024.**

Ms/Mr. Linta Premkumar submitted an application, along with duly attested scheme and syllabus for recognition of M.Sc. Degree in Space Science (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University for the purpose of getting it equivalent to M.Sc. Degree in Physics for higher education and employment in the field of Physics.

The applicant has undergone 10 + 2 pattern of study recognised by the University of Kerala. He/She passed B.Sc. Physics (Regular) from Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairperson BoS in Physics (P.G) has remarked that the syllabus of M.Sc. Space Science Programme of Mahatma Gandhi has approximately 70-75% similarity with the syllabus of the University of Kerala. Considering this it is recommended to grant recognition for higher education and employment.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the recommendation of the Chairperson. The whole matter regarding recognition of M.Sc. Degree in Space Science (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Physics is placed before the meeting of the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to recognize the M.Sc. Degree in Space Science (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Physics.

**62. Recognition of B.Sc Degree in Biochemistry (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through PSG College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous)-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref: Application received from Smt.Priyadarsini.S.K dated 03.07.2024**

Smt.Priyadarsini.S.K had submitted the scheme and syllabus of B.Sc Degree in Biochemistry (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through PSG College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous) for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment. She had completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

It has been seen in the mark list submitted by the candidate that PSG College of Arts and Science (Autonomous) is accredited by NAAC with 'A' grade (Third cycle)

The Chairman, BoS in Biochemistry has remarked that the syllabus attached in the application of Smt. Priyadarsini.S.K for recognition of B.Sc Degree in Biochemistry (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through PSG College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous) is verified. The syllabus has covered all the Biochemistry courses and related elective courses equivalent to courses in Biochemistry of University of Kerala. So the B.Sc Biochemistry (Regular) Degree awarded by Bharathiar University through PSG College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous) can be given recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Biochemistry. Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.Sc Degree in Biochemistry (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through PSG College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous) as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher studies and employment is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to recognize the B.Sc Degree in Biochemistry (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through PSG College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous) as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

**63. Recognition of M.Tech Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation (Regular) awarded by APJ Abdulkalam Technological University for the purpose of either equating it with M.Sc Degree in Electronics or considering this as a higher qualification than M.Sc Degree in Electronics of this University-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref: Application submitted by Shri. Thomaskutty Mathew dtd 05/04/2024**

Shri. Thomaskutty Mathew submitted an application for recognition of M.Tech Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation (Regular) awarded by APJ Abdulkalam Technological University **for the purpose of either equating it with M.Sc Degree in Electronics or considering this as a higher qualification than M.Sc Degree in Electronics of this University for employment purpose (Assistant Professor in Electronics)**. The candidate has passed recognised 10+2 pattern of study. Later he passed B.Tech Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation from MG University, Kottayam and is recognised as equivalent to B.Tech Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation of this University. He has also cleared NET Exam in Electronic Science conducted by UGC.

As per the verification of the application, it is to be noted that the candidate has applied for the post of Assistant Professor in Electronics vide KPSC Notification (Category Number 52/2021) for which the eligible qualification is M.Sc Degree in Electronics or Equivalent Degree. As per the notification, the candidate needs to equate his M.Tech Degree with M.Sc Degree in Electronics of this University, but he does not have the basic qualifications required for M.Sc Electronics Course of this University. ie; B.Sc Physics/Electronics/Photonics or equivalent qualifications. Also, the admission criteria of both M.Sc Electronics and M.Tech Applied Electronics and Instrumentation are different.

But as per the U.O No. 8380 dtd 28.10.2022 issued by this University, the Eligible qualification for the post of Assistant Professor in Electronics are noted as Masters Degree in Electronics or M.Tech Degree in Electronics Engineering or Equivalent degree with at least 55% Marks and the applicants must have cleared National Eligibility Test (NET). (U.O Enclosed).

As per the said U.O, the M.Tech Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation acquired by the candidate needs to be recognised either as equivalent to M.Sc Degree in Electronics of this University or as equivalent to M.Tech degree in Electronics Engineering or recognised as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Electronics Engineering.

In response to the memo for specifying the Faculty in which the candidate completed his M.Tech Degree, he has forwarded a document obtained from APJ Technological University via e-mail, in which it was certified that Sri. Thomaskutty Mathew (TVE17ECAI18) completed his M. Tech degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation during 2017- 2019 **under the branch of Electronics and Communication Engineering(Specialization-Applied Electronics and Instrumentation) from the College of Engineering Trivandrum.** He has also forwarded a mail stating that as per the conversation with APJ KTU Dean (Academics), the APJKTU does not have faculty of studies, as they do not have school of studies. The APJ KTU is currently only having Affiliated Colleges and all the degrees are awarded under A P J Abdul Kalam Technological University.

**The Chairman BoS in Electronics** and other members of the BoS in Electronics made a thorough review of both the Syllabi of M. Tech Applied Electronics and Instrumentation and M. Sc Electronics, and concluded that the course content is not similar. Additionally the M.Tech degree is a professional degree which comes under the Faculty of Engineering, whereas the MSc Electronics falls under the faculty of Applied science and Technology. Consequently, the M.Tech Applied Electronics and Instrumentation degree course cannot be equated with the M.Sc Electronics degree course. **However, after discussing with the BoS members, most of them pointed out that M.Tech Applied Electronics and Instrumentation could be considered for employment purposes exclusively for the position of Assistant professor in Electronics.**

**The Dean Faculty of Applied Science and Technology** has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Electronics that the syllabi of M.Tech Applied Electronics and Instrumentation and M.Sc Electronics are not similar. Hence the M.Tech Degree acquired by the candidate can not be equated with M.Sc Degree in Electronics. However, **the M.Tech Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation (Regular) awarded by APJ Abdulkalam Technological University can be considered for employment purposes exclusively for the position of Assistant professor in Electronics.**

The file was then forwarded to the Chairman BoS in Engineering (PG) for obtaining the remarks. As directed by the **Chairman BoS in Engineering (PG)** the matter was placed before the additional online meeting of BoS (PG) in Engineering held on 07.10.2024 .

**The Additional Online Meeting of the BoS in Engineering (PG) vide item no. X** has considered the matter regarding the recognition of M.Tech Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation (Regular) awarded by APJ Abdulkalam Technological University and **endorsed the BoS (Electronics) and decided that the M.Tech Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation degree course can not be equated with the M.Sc Electronics Degree course but can be considered for employment purposes exclusively for the position of Assistant professor in Electronics.**

**The Dean Faculty of Engineering and Technology** has considered the request submitted by Mr. Thomaskutty Mathew, and remarked the following points.

1. It is mentioned in paragraph 3 of Note #27 in the note file that “M.Tech Applied Electronics and Instrumentation could be considered for employment purposes exclusively for the position of Assistant professor in Electronics”. It is also reported in paragraph 4 of Note #27 in the note file that “the Dean Faculty of Applied Science and Technology has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Electronics”.
2. The Academic Section of the University has also forwarded a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) held on 07/10/2024 at 10.30 am in the online mode. The recommendation in the minutes on this case is read as “M.Tech Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation can be considered for employment purposes exclusively for the position of Assistant Professor in Electronics”.

**In these grounds, the Dean Faculty of Engineering and Technology has recommended that a certificate may be issued stating that a person holding an M.Tech Applied Electronics and Instrumentation from APJKTU who is having an Engineering Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation can be considered as equally eligible with candidates holding**

**an M.Sc Degree in Electronics for the purpose of getting appointed as Assistant professor in Electronics.**

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.Tech Degree in Applied Electronics and Instrumentation (Regular) awarded by APJ AbdulKalam Technological University is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to refer the matter to the combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Electronics and Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) for reconsideration.

**64. Issuance of Eligibility Certificate of B.A Degree in Sociology awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi after obtaining Diploma in Commercial Practice of State Board of Technical Education, Government of Kerala –Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref:Application received from Smt.Aiswarya S Nair dated 23.10.2024**

Smt.Aiswarya.S.Nair had submitted an application for Eligibility Certificate of her B.A Degree in Sociology awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi after passing Diploma in commercial Practice from State Board of Technical Education, Government of Kerala .She had submitted the 10th certificate, Mark list, Certificate and transfer certificate of Diploma in Commercial Practice awarded by State Board of Technical Education, Government of Kerala. She had also submitted the marklist, Provisional Certificate and migration certificate of B.A Degree in Sociology from Indira Gandhi National Open University.

She has also submitted a document (Course completion status) stating that the students qualifying BPP are advised to apply for admission in B.A/B.Com, etc. through online,as per schedule from IGNOU. The applicant has pursued her **B.A** Sociology programme from IGNOU based on the qualifying BPP (Bachelor of Participatory Programme) conducted by IGNOU and not based on the Diploma Course.

It may be noted that the B.A Degree in Sociology awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi is recognised by the University of Kerala provided the candidate fulfills a recognised 10+2 pattern of study. But, the candidate does not possess plus two.

It may also be noted that as per the regulation relating to recognition of Degrees of Other Universities, unless otherwise specified, Degrees/ Examinations of other Universities means the Degree/ Examination awarded/passed after having undergone the prescribed course of instruction by the duly recognized, regular/correspondence/ private study not less than 10+2 (12) / 10+2+3(15) / 10+2+3+2(17) years of study pattern in Board/University other than the University of Kerala. The eligibility criteria for admission to the B.A Degree in Sociology is a recognised 10+2 pattern of study ( ie;A Pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto.)

It may be noted that the Diploma in Commercial Practice, State Board of Technical Education, Government of Kerala is recognised by the University of Kerala as equivalent to Pre-degree examination for admission to the first year of B.Com Degree course of this University.

Smt.Aiswarya S Nair had earlier submitted an application for recognition of Diploma in Commercial Practice awarded by State Board of Technical Education for the purpose of higher studies (B.Com LLB Integrated course - 5 year) and the same is recognised as an eligible qualification for doing Integrated B.Com LL.B Five Year course of this University after obtaining recommendations from the Chairman, BoS in Law (Pass) and the Dean, Faculty of Law and sanction has been granted by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for the same and the U.O 5668/2024/UOK dated 09.07.2024 andEligibility Certificate were issued to the candidate accordingly. Now, the purpose of the candidate mentioned in the application is doing three year LL.B course in this University, by virtue of her B.A degree in Sociology from IGNOU.

The Chairperson, BoS in Sociology (Pass) has remarked vide mail dated 01.11.2024, that as the applicant has attained the highest qualification ie; BA Degree from IGNOU her request for three year degree course in LL.B can be considered. Degree in Sociology was pursued by her as her diploma course was considered as qualifying by IGNOU. As she has passed BA Degree her case can be considered compassionately at the first instance.

Again a mail was forwarded to the Chairperson, BoS in Sociology (Pass) from the section, stating that the applicant has pursued her **B.A Sociology programme from IGNOU based on the qualifying BPP (Bachelor of Participatory Programme) conducted by IGNOU and not based on the Diploma Course and requested to offer her remarks in this regard.**

Then the Chairperson, BoS in Sociology (Pass) has again remarked vide mail dated 02.11.2024 that, considering the fact that the applicant has attained the highest qualification ie; BA Degree from IGNOU, her request for three year degree course in LL.B can be considered. As she has passed BA Degree, her case can be considered compassionately.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences has remarked that the B.A in Sociology obtained by the candidate from IGNOU may be considered as an eligible qualification for admission to the three year LL.B programme offered by the University of Kerala.

Hence the whole matter regarding issuance of Eligibility Certificate of B.A Degree in Sociology awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi after obtaining Diploma in Commercial Practice of State Board of Technical Education, Government of Kerala is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to issue Eligibility Certificate to the B.A Degree in Sociology awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi after obtaining Diploma in Commercial Practice from State Board of Technical Education, Government of Kerala for the purpose of admission to three year LL.B programme.**

**65. Recognition of B.S.W Degree (Regular) awarded by Bengaluru City University through St.Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bengaluru –Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

**Ref: Application received from Sri.Rushabh Mohan Nair dated 28.10.2024**

**Sri.Rushabh Mohan Nair** had submitted the scheme and syllabus of Bachelor of Social Work Degree (Regular) awarded by Bengaluru City University through St.Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bengaluru for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment. He had completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Social Work has remarked that the candidate submitted the scheme and syllabus approved by Bengaluru City University. It was found that the syllabus satisfies the requirement of a BSW programme in terms of content, field work content and evaluation. Hence, the application for course recognition may be approved for both academic and educational purposes.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences has recommended and approved the same.

The Chairman, BoS in Social Work and the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences have marked higher education in the proforma.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.S.W Degree (Regular) awarded by Bengaluru City University through St.Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bengaluru as an eligible qualification for higher education is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the B.S.W Degree (Regular) awarded by Bengaluru City University through St.Joseph's College (Autonomous), Bengaluru as an eligible qualification for higher education.**

**66. FYUGP - Scheme and Syllabus for French - Ability Enhancement Course (AEC) in French open for all – Approved - Reporting of – reg. (Ac.AV(A))**

The Scheme and Syllabi of courses in different disciplines for the Four year UG Programmes in Affiliated Colleges to be implemented w.e.f 2024 admissions were approved vide UO No. 32912/4/2024/UOK dated 02.07.2024.

The Board of Studies in French & Latin at its meeting held on 15.07.2024 recommended to make the Ability Enhancement Course (AEC) in French under FYUGP open for all, by removing the description as AEC for B.A/B.Sc/B.Com in the Syllabus. The Dean, Faculty of Arts, vide e-mail dated 26.07.2024 endorsed the same.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to make the Ability Enhancement Course (AEC) in French under FYUGP open for all, by removing the description as AEC for B.A/B.Sc/B.Com in the Syllabus, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in French & Latin and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts. UO No.7993/2024/UOK dated 20.09.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**67. FYUGP - Scheme and Syllabus of basket of courses under Oriental Studies for offering as Minor courses in Language discipline from 2024 admissions - reporting of – reg. (Ac.AV(A))**

The Scheme and Syllabi of courses in different disciplines implemented w.e.f 2024 admissions was approved vide UO No. 32912/4/2024/UOK dated 02.07.2024. The students of Four year UG Programmes in Affiliated Colleges are permitted to select Minor courses from related disciplines vide Letter No. B3/385/2022-HEDN dated 22.06.2024 from Higher Education Department, Govt of Kerala.

The meeting of the Chairmen, Board of Studies (UG) in Language disciplines under the Faculty of Oriental Studies held on 17.07.2024 recommended to create a basket of courses under the Faculty of Oriental Studies duly recommended by the Board of Studies (UG) concerned, for offering as Minor courses in Language discipline under FYUGP.

The Board of Studies in Hindi (UG), Tamil (UG), Arabic (UG), Malayalam (UG) and Sanskrit (UG) created a basket of courses under the Faculty of Oriental Studies for offering as Minor courses in Language discipline under FYUGP. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, vide email dated 18.07.2024 endorsed the same.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, for creating the basket of courses under Oriental Studies for offering as Minor courses in Language discipline under FYUGP, prepared by the Board of Studies in Hindi (UG), Tamil (UG), Arabic (UG), Malayalam (UG) and Sanskrit (UG) and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies. UO No.7943/2024/UOK dated 19.09.2024 is issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**68. B. A. Journalism and Mass Communication - eligible qualification to apply for the post of Photographer in Kerala Police Service department, where the Photography course under the BFA programme is the prescribed qualification-Reporting of-re. (Ac.AIV)**

The candidates of Career Related First Degree Programme in Journalism and Mass Communication and Video Production had requested to issue special certificates equating Photo Journalism course (Third Semester) in their degree programme with the subject "Photography" in the syllabus of BFA degree programme of University of Kerala, to apply for the post of Photographer in

the Kerala Police Service Department, notified by Kerala PSC, where the Photography course under the BFA programme is the prescribed qualification.

As the Board Of Studies in Applied Arts has been expired, the remarks from the Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts has been obtained in this regard. The Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts recommended that candidates of B.A. in Journalism and Mass Communication may be considered eligible to apply for the post of Photographer in the Kerala Police Service department, notified by Kerala PSC, where the Photography course under the BFA programme is the prescribed qualification.

The Vice Chancellor approved the above remarks of the Dean subject reporting to Academic Council and U. O No. 7036/2024/UOK dtd 16/08/2024 had been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**69. Scheme and Syllabus of the First Degree programme in Hindi under CBCSS System revised w.e.f 2023 admissions-Correction in Course Titles and Credits- Effected- Reporting of –reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and Syllabus for the First Degree Programme in Hindi under CBCS System was revised w.e.f 2023 admissions vide UO No. 6188/2023/UOK dated: 12.07.2023. Certain discrepancies have been reported in the Scheme and Syllabus i.e,

- The Course Title for HN 1232 was given as 'Paristhithik Path aur Hindi Sahitya' in the Scheme and 'Paristhithik Paat aur Hindi Sahitya' in the detailed Syllabus.
- Course Title for HN 1241 'Hindi Sahitya ka Itihas (Reethikaltak) in the Scheme and 'Hindi Sahitya ka Itihas (Reetikaltak)' in the detailed Syllabus.
- Credits for Additional Language Courses in Hindi (HN 1111.4 and HN 1211.4) for Career Related First Degree Program (B.Com) were given as '4' instead of '3' in the Scheme and Syllabus.
- Course title & Course Type of Common Course for B.Com, HN 1211.2 is given as 'Hindi Kavita aur Anuvad- Common course II' in the Scheme and 'Hindi Kavita aur Anuvad- Common Course I' in the detailed Syllabus.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Hindi (UG) vide e mail dated 08.07.2024 above, recommended to correct the Course Title for HN 1232 as 'Paristhithik Path aur Hindi Sahitya' and HN 1241 as 'Hindi Sahitya ka Itihas (Reetikaltak)', to correct the Credits of Additional Language courses in Hindi (HN1111.4 & HN1211.4) for Career related First Degree Program (B.Com) as '3' in the Scheme and Syllabus. Course title & Course Type of Common Course for B.Com, HN 1211.2 as Hindi Kavita aur Anuvad - Common course II in the detailed Syllabus.

The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, vide e-mail dated 26.07.2024 has endorsed the recommendations of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Hindi (UG).

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, for effecting the above corrections in the Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Program in Hindi under CBCS System revised w.e.f 2023 admissions, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Hindi and the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies. UO No.8700/2024/UOK dated 15.10.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**70. First Degree Programmes under CBCS System- Mercy Chance granted to the candidates of 2013-2016 admissions-Reporting of -reg. (Ac.AV)**

Applications were received from the candidates of First Degree Programmes under CBCS System of 2013-2016 admissions requesting Mercy Chance examinations to clear The backlogs.

Mercy Chance examination was granted to the candidates of First Degree Programmes under CBCS System of 2013 admissions vide UO No.Ac.AV/1/2018 dated 25.02.2020 and 2014 admissions vide UO No.Ac AV.1/Mercy Chance/2021 dated 17.11.2021.The candidates of First Degree Programmes of 2016 admissions were granted additional chance for registering to the 5th Semester Supplementary Examinations vide UO No. AcAV/3/UG/Additional Chance/2021 dated: 30.10.2021 and Supplementary examinations for the IV and VI Semesters and Mercy Chance Examinations for I, II and III Semesters vide UO No. 2322/2022/UOK dated 23.03.2022.

Further, one last Mercy Chance was granted to the candidates of 2010 admission onwards for all courses for which the permissible chances stands expired except CBCSS (2010 Scheme) under the Direct Grading System, vide UO No. 3245/2022/UOK dated: 27.04.2022.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 01.03.2024 considered the request from the candidates of First Degree Programmes under CBCS System of 2013, 2014 and 2016 admissions for granting one more Mercy Chance examination and recommended to grant one last and final Mercy Chance examination to the candidates of 2013 admission to 2016 admission, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The Syndicate, vide Item No. 09.92.05,09.92.08 and 09.92.09 at its meeting held on 15.03.2024 has resolved to approve the recommendation of the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, to grant one one last and final Mercy Chance Examination to the failed candidates of the First Degree Programmes under CBCS System of 2013-2016 admission, subject to reporting to the Academic Council. UO No. 3176/2024/UOK dated: 09.04.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**71. Scheme and Syllabus of the First Degree programme in Political Science revised in OBE mode w.e.f 2022 admission-Correction in Course Credits reporting of- reg. (Ac.AV)**

The Scheme and syllabus for the First Degree Programme in Political Science under CBCS system was revised w.e.f 2022 admissions vide UO No. 8156/2022/UOK dated 19.10.2022.Discrepancies were noted in the syllabus of First Degree Programme in Political Science revised w.e.f 2022 admissions.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Political Science (UG) has recommended to correct the credits for Complementary Courses offered by Political Science to other First Degree Programmes for II, III and IV Semesters as 3 credits in the Scheme and Syllabus of the First Degree Programme in Political Science revised w.e.f 2022 admissions vide email dated 11.02.2024.The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences has endorsed the recommendation of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Political Science (UG) vide email dated 13.03.2024.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, for effecting corrections in the Credits for Complementary courses offered by Political Science to other First Degree Programmes for II, III and IV Semesters as 3 credits in the Scheme and Syllabus of the First Degree Programme in Political Science revised w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Political Science (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences. UO No.5715/2024/UOK dated 10.07.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**72. Recognition as Research Centre - Department of Economics, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram-reg. (Ac.EI)**

The Principal, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram has forwarded an application to recognize the **Department of Economics** of the Institution, as an approved Research Centre of University of Kerala.

As per the Resolution of the Syndicate meeting held on 15.03.2024, vide Item No. 09.106.A13, the Inspection team comprising the following members have visited **Department of Economics, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram** on 07.05.2024.

- Dr. P. M. Radhamany, Member, Syndicate
- Dr. Shijukhan J. S., Member, Syndicate
- Dr. Sheeja S. R., Professor & Head, Dept of Economics, University of Kerala, Kariavattom, Tvpm (Subject expert)

Following are the major findings of the Inspection team:

1. The proposed Centre is having a separate own building for library and reference section.
2. The library of the Centre have a collection of at least of 3000 books in commerce related topics and 12 hard copy Journals
3. The Centre has provided separate working facilities for individual scholars.
4. There are two approved research supervisors working as regular faculty in the Centre.
5. A research committee has been constituted comprising research guides.
6. The Head of Institution has also submitted an undertaking to the University to the effect that adequate funds will be made available for the centre; scholars shall not be admitted beyond the sanctioned strength; academic programmes like seminars, workshops, projects will be undertaken as part of the centre's functioning and a report will be forwarded annually, in the month of December to the University on the functioning of the centre along with the annual fees.

In the above circumstances, the Inspection team recommended to approve the Department of Economics, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram, as a recognized Research Centre of University of Kerala.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.09.2024 vide item No.14.03.A9 considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 13.08.2024, on the matter regarding the recognition of Department of Economics, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram, as approved Research Centre along with the Inspection report submitted by the Inspection team and **resolved to approve the Inspection report and place the matter before the Academic Council**. The Syndicate resolved to approve the same.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of granting recognition to the **Department of Economics, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram**, as approved Research Centre of the University of Kerala, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and opinion.

*Resolution of the Academic Council*

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to recognize the **Department of Economics, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram** as an approved Research Centre under the University of Kerala.

**73. Allocation of uniform course code for all PG programmes in the event of duplication of course code and course name for both 2020 and 2023 schemes of M.Sc Zoology with specialization in Biosystematics and Biodiversity --reg. (Ac.AII)**

The tabulation section has requested to allot separate course code for 2020 and 2023 scheme of M.Sc. Zoology with specialization in Biosystematics and Biodiversity since the SLCM software is facing difficulty in recognizing the courses in different schemes having same title.

It may be noted that initially when the PG programmes were semesterized w.e.f 2001 admission onwards, all courses for a particular programme was allotted with a two letter alphabet code following three digit number code. The alphabet codes vary for subjects namely PH for Physics, CH for Chemistry, ZO for Zoology BO for Botany etc. The alphabet code follows a number code

i.e,211,212,213,214 for I semester,221,222,223,224 for II semester, 231,232,233,234 for III semester and 241,242,243,244 for IV semester. This pattern was applicable to all PG programmes under semester system. Later when the new generation programmes were introduced in the year 2020 and new alphabet codes were allotted to the programmes. It was also decided to start the number code with '5' instead of '2'.

eg:-for M.Sc. Zoology Programme with Specialization in Biosystematics and Biodiversity, the course code in the first semester are ZOBB511, ZOBB512, etc, in second semester ZOBB521,ZOBB522etc, in third semester ZOBB531,ZOBB532etc, and in fourth semester ZOBB541,ZOBB542 etc. All courses in a PG programmes were allotted an alphabet code following number code for recognizing the programme. Any alteration in the course code may affect the uniformity of the pattern.

The Director, Computer Centre has reported that while developing the software, the ITI team has allotted unique identification codes for each course, like candidate code, as informed from the University. It is also stated that duplication of course code will affect the following areas.

1. Semester and Examination Registration side of candidates
2. Question Paper Management
3. Chief Superintendent Level
4. Camp Management
5. Tabulation

Hence it is requested to allot course codes as follows for M.Sc Zoology Programme with Specialization in Biosystematics and Biodiversity:

a) If the course code is ZO 511 it shall be considered as ZO 511-A, where A denotes the first scheme change for the course

b) If there is any syllabus change later it shall be considered as ZO 511-A1

In this connection the following points may also be noted.

- 1) The University at the introduction of semester system for PG programmes allotted course code for each courses.

Eg:-For conventional M.Sc Zoology programme ,the course codes are ZO 211,ZO212..in the first semester

- 2) The course codes allotted were unique since the code begins with a two letter subject code which differs for various programmes.

Eg:CH for Chemistry,ZO for Zoology,BO for Botany etc

3) In the event of revision of syllabus, the course codes for various programmes were identified by scheme and the course code remains unaltered i.e 2020scheme,2023 scheme etc

4)New generation PG programmes were introduced from 2020 admissions and course codes were allotted by prefixing digit '5' instead of '2' as per resolution of the Academic Council.Eg: ZOBB511 etc.

The course codes of all the PG programmes revised afterwards began with the digit '5'. Since the course codes for PG programmes are part of scheme and syllabus and allotted as per the recommendation of the Boards of Studies, endorsement by the Faculties and with the approval of the Academic Council, any change in the same has to be placed before the Board of Studies.

The meeting of the Chairmen of PG Board of Studies with the Registrar, Controller of Examinations, Director, KUCC and the SLCM section was held on 24.09.2024 for resolving the issues in allotment of course codes and the following recommendations were made:

**1. To include the last two digits of the year of revision for the scheme and syllabus in the existing course code.**

**2. To hold additional online meetings of all PG Boards of Studies to approve this recommendation and to frame guidelines for the allocation of course codes.**

The additional online meetings of PG Boards of Studies were held and all the Boards agreed with the suggestion to include last two digits of the year of revision for the scheme and syllabus in the existing course code.

As per orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the allocation of uniform course code for all PG programmes as recommended by the online meeting held on 24.09.2024 with the Registrar, Controller

of Examinations, Director, KUCC, and the Chairmen of PG Boards of Studies and recommended by the PG Boards of Studies, ie., **To include the last two digits of the year of revision for the scheme and syllabus in the existing course code** is placed before the meeting of the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** to include the last two digits of the year of revision for the scheme and syllabus in the existing course code of all the PG programmes.

**74. CSS-The revision & approval of Syllabi of certain Programmes/Courses-Reporting to the Academic Council-reg. (Ac.D)**

Ref: Minutes of the CSS Academic Committee held on 29.06.2024

The Vice Chairman, CSS, has forwarded the CSS Academic Committee minutes held on 29.06.2024 and the Syllabi of the following programmes/courses for revision & approval.

Sl No.	Name of Department / Centre	Name of Programme
<b>Revision of Syllabi</b>		
1	Institute of Management in Kerala	Master of Business Administration
2	Department of Botany	M.Sc. Botany (Specialization in Biodiversity Conservation)
3	Department of Botany	M.Sc Genetics and Plant Breeding
4	Department of Statistics	M.Sc. Statistics
5	Department of Statistics	M.Sc. Applied Statistics and Data Analytics
6	Inter University Centre for Evolutionary and Integrative Biology	M.Sc. Zoology with Specialization in Integrative Biology
7	Department of Hindi	PG Diploma programme in Translation, Administrative Drafting and Reporting in Hindi (Revised scheme and structure of Syllabus)
<b>The approval of Syllabi of proposed new courses of MA Music</b>		
8	Department of Music	Proposed new courses of M.A. Music (MUS-DE-5110 Selected Compositions for Performance: I (Practical) and MUS-DE-5210 Selected Compositions for Performance: II (Practical))

The CSS Academic Committee held on 29.06.2024, vide item no.12, 15, 6 considered the syllabi of the above Programmes/Courses and recommended to approve the syllabi subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the action taken by the CSS Academic Committee in approving the Syllabi of the above mentioned Programmes / Courses are reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**75. CSS-The revision of Syllabus of MSc.Biotechnology Programme in the University Department-Reporting to the Academic Council-reg. (Ac.D)**

Ref: Minutes of the CSS Academic Committee held on 19.08.2024

The Vice Chairman, CSS, has forwarded the minutes of the meeting of the CSS Academic Committee held on 19.08.2024 and the Syllabus MSc.Biotechnology offered by the Department of Biotechnology of the University for revision and approval.

The CSS Academic Committee held on 19.08.2024, vide item no.8 considered the revision of syllabus of MSc.Biotechnology and recommended that the revised Syllabus of the

MSc.Biotechnology Programme be approved and be implemented with effect from 2024 Admission, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the action taken by the CSS Academic Committee in approving the revision of Syllabus of the MSc.Biotechnology Programme with effect from 2024 Admission, is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**76. CSS-Revision of Syllabus of Foundation course of FYUG Programme in English Language and Literature(2024 Admission onwards)-Reporting to the Academic Council-reg. (Ac.D)**

**Ref: Minutes of the CSS Academic Committee held on 19.08.2024**

The Vice Chairman, CSS, has forwarded the minutes of the meeting of the CSS Academic Committee held on 19.08.2024 and the Syllabus of the Foundation course of FYUG Programme in English Language and Literature for revision & approval.

The revision in the Syllabus of the Foundation course of FYUG Programme in English Language and Literature is detailed below:

1. S2 SEC Functional English and S1 AEC Translation Practice are mutually exchanged and S2 AEC Functional English is introduced while the present S1 AEC Academic Writing is shifted to S4 SEC
2. The new S1 AEC is Functional English: Listening and speaking and S2 AEC is Functional English: Reading and Writing.
3. S1 MDC Popular Literature and Culture moved to S2 as VAC 2
- 4.S2 MDC Women and Law in India is moved to S3 as VAC 2

The CSS Academic Committee held on 19.08.2024, vide item no.17 considered the matter and recommended to approve the revised syllabus of Foundation course of FYUG Programme in English (2024), subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the action taken by the CSS Academic Committee in approving the revised Syllabus of Foundation course of FYUG Programme in English Language and Literature (2024 Admission onwards) in the University Department, is reported to the Academic Council.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council NOTED the matter.**

**77. Mar Ivanios College(Autonomous), Thiruvananthapuram-Alternative assessment and Evaluation Methods for Students with Cognitive/Intellectual Disabilities-FYUGP-Reg. (Ac.D)**

**Ref: Letter No.965/MIC/2024 dated 22.10.2024**

The Principal & Secretary, Governing Body, Mar Ivanios College(Autonomous), Thiruvananthapuram has submitted a Concept Note on Reforming Assessment Methods for Intellectually Disabled Students, titled "Adapting alternative assessment and Evaluation Methods for Students with Cognitive/Intellectual Disabilities", prepared by the Divyangjan Committee of the College. The Concept note proposes the introduction of customized assessment methods tailored specifically for intellectually disabled students.

The objective is to move beyond scribe assistance and traditional written exams, and to offer alternative forms of assessment methods that align with the strengths of the respective students. It is informed that the note was reviewed and recommended by two external experts, who included Dr. P.T. Baburaj, the State Commissioner for persons with Disabilities and Dean, Faculty of

Behavioural Sciences, MG University, Kottayam. The document was discussed in detail by the Academic Council of the College and was approved by the Council for implementation for UG students from 2024-2025 FYUGP batch onwards.

The document is sent to the University for needful action as per provisions laid down in UGC(Conferment of Autonomous Status upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges)Regulations, 2023/Chapter VIII B of the Kerala University Act 1974 as amended by the University Laws(Third Amendment)Act 2014/ The University Laws(Amendment) Bill 2021.

As per the University Laws(Third Amendment)Act, 2014 under the rule **69 P. Powers of University over Autonomous Colleges**, sub-section (3), provided that where the Autonomous College which submit the proposal has not been informed of the decision within thirty working days from the date of submission of the proposal to the University, the proposal shall be deemed to have been approved by the University except when proposal is against national interest.

Under the rule (4), sub-section(d), provided that in framing the Manual of Examinations, an Autonomous College shall ensure that the safeguards in the Examination Manual of the University itself are, mutatis mutandis incorporated in the Manual of examination for the conduct of examinations of the Autonomous College.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the Concept Note on Reforming Assessment Methods for Intellectually Disabled Students, titled "Adapting alternative assessment and Evaluation Methods for Students with Cognitive/Intellectual Disabilities", prepared by the Divyangjan Committee of the Mar Ivanios College (Autonomous) is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

("Concept Note on Reforming Assessment Methods for Intellectually Disabled Students"- is appended)

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** that Reforming Assessment Methods for Intellectually Disabled Students is a larger policy matter that shall have to be discussed in a broader perspective in tune with the directives of the University Grants Commission, Higher Education Council and in consultation with all Boards of studies under the University.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to entrust the Controller of Examinations to hold discussions with all Boards of Studies and experts from Mar Ivanios College (Autonomous) to formulate general guidelines for assessment methods for intellectually disabled students and submit its report based on the proposal submitted.

**ALSO RESOLVED** to intimate Mar Ivanios College (Autonomous) that the implementation of the proposal submitted can be considered only after formulation of general guidelines on the subject matter.

**78. Qualifying coursework examination and conduct of Pre-submission Seminar to the Research Scholars registered for Ph.D. before the commencement of Regulations for the Award of Ph.D. Degrees, University of Kerala 2009- considering of-reg-(Ac.El)**

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.09.2024, vide item no. 14.03.D4 considered the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research held on 13/08/2024 on the matter of granting extension of three months to Smt. Savithry T.K, part-time Research Scholar in Library & Information Science who has registered for Ph.D. programme before the commencement of UGC Regulations 2009 and resolved to grant extension of three months, for submitting the thesis after levying fine as stipulated in the UO. Dated 23/11/2023.

**The Syndicate further resolved to place the matter of qualifying the Course Work**

examination and the conduct of Pre-submission Seminar, which are compulsorily made applicable to those Research scholars coming under the purview of the 'Regulations for the award of Ph.D. Degrees, University of Kerala 2009,' to the Research Scholars registered for Ph.D. research prior to the said Regulations, before the Academic council for consideration . The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has ordered to implement the same.

It may be noted that, "The Course work of six months duration is introduced for all Ph.D. Programmes with effect from July 2009 session onwards", vide U.O. dated 10.07.09. As per the said U.O., there will be three papers for the Course Work, with one paper on Research Methodology and the other two papers related to the area of research. Candidates having M.Phil Degree are exempted from writing the examination on Research Methodology".

Later, it was modified vide U.O. dated 01.03.2013, i.e. "Ph.D. Research Scholars who have registered prior to July 2009 session and who have not submitted their thesis or synopsis were permitted to appear for Ph.D. Coursework examination and such candidates have to complete the coursework exam by July 2014".

It may also be noted that as per UO. dated 21.01.2021, *one more paper namely 'Research and Publication Ethics(RPE)' (as Paper II) has also been incorporated, along with the existing three papers, without exemption for M.Phil. scholars, in the Ph.D. Course Work examination, from January 2021 session onwards.*

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of qualifying the Course Work examination and the conduct of Pre-submission Seminar, which are compulsorily made applicable to those Research scholars coming under the purview of the 'Regulations for the Award of Ph.D. Degrees, University of Kerala 2009,' to the Research Scholars registered for Ph.D. Research prior to the said Regulations, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and opinion.

#### ***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** that qualifying the Course Work examination and the conduct of Pre-submission Seminar for Research scholars coming under the purview of the 'Regulations for the Award of Ph.D. Degrees, University of Kerala 2009,' shall be made mandatory to those Research Scholars who have registered for Ph.D. Research prior to July 2009 session and are yet to submit their Ph D thesis.

#### **79. Permission to register for doing Part-Time Ph.D Programme to the Civil Service**

##### **Officers/Professional and people working in Industries –Consideration of- reg. (Ac.EI)**

The Syndicate at it's meeting held on 20.05.2023, considered the request, for permitting Civil Service Officers/Professionals and people working in Industry to do Ph.D research in Part-time mode. The Syndicate vide item no:57.110 **resolved to consider the request of Civil Service Officers/Professional and people working in Industry for doing part-time Ph.D Programme provided they have Masters Degree in the concerned discipline and are eligible to do research as per the norms prescribed by UGC in this regard. Also the candidate can submit application to the Registrar during the two sessions(July and January) and examination for selection and interview will be conducted by the Doctoral Committee. However number of seats for such candidates will be decided by the Doctoral Committee, considering the nature of synopsis, the track record and the credentials of the applicants and further resolved to place the matter before the Academic Council.**

As per the U.O No. Ac.E1/A4(2)/2019 dated 06.05.2019, provision for Part-time Ph.D registration is restricted to the following categories.

a) Teachers working on regular basis in Govt/Govt-Aided Schools in HSE/VHSE/HSA within the State.

- b) Lecturers on regular basis in DIET, Teachers in TTI/SCERT/SIEMAT within the State. c) Teachers working on regular basis in teaching Departments/Centres of this University. d) Teachers working on regular basis in Govt/Aided Colleges including those under DTE/ DME within the State.
- e) Teachers working on contract basis in Teaching Departments of this University.
- f) Faculty Members working on regular basis in the Quasi-State Govt. institutions within the State.
- g) Lecturers working on contract basis in KUCTE, UIT, UIM and Self financing colleges affiliated to the University provided they have service of 5 academic years.
- h) Permanent employees of this University.
- i) Scientists working on regular basis in State/ Central Govt research organisations within the State, with a continuous service of 5 years.
- j) Executives working on regular basis in State/Central Govt PSU within the State with a continuous service of 5 years.

As per the U.O No. 7390/2022/UOK dated 23.09.2022 and U.O.No. 3856/2023/UOK dtd 04.05.2023, provision for granting Part-time Ph.D research has been extended to the candidates working in the Technical / Innovative areas in the Kerala Development and Innovation Strategic Council(K-DISC) and also to teachers working in the Universities within the State respectively.

The Syndicate held on 20.05.2023 considered the request and resolved to place the matter before the Academic Council. The Academic Council at it's meeting held on 21.11.2023 considered the matter and resolved that the granting of Part-time PhD programme shall be extended to Civil Service Officers/Professionals and People working in Industries, Research Assistant and Technical Assistants working on regular basis. It may be noted that the matter of identifying the categories/grades of employees eligible for part-time PhD registration was also placed before the Academic Council, but no specific decision has been made on this matter. Hence, the **Syndicate at it's meeting held on 15.03.2024 vide item No.09.106.A2 again considered the matter and resolved to forward the matter of specifying the category/ grade/ industrial standard etc.to be satisfied for granting Part-time Ph.D. registration to the Civil Service officers / Professionals / People working in Industries/ Research Assistants / Technical Assistants etc. to the Standing Committee of the Academic Council.**

It may also be noted that the Syndicate held on 09.05.2024, vide item No;10.102.A18, in another matter, considered the proceedings for permitting Ph.D programmes through Part-time mode, as mentioned under Clause 13 of the UGC Regulations, 2022 and **resolved to grant Part-time Ph.D registration to applicants who satisfy all eligibility conditions stipulated in UGC Regulations,2022,subject to approval of Academic Council.** The Academic Council, at it's meeting held on 10.05.2024, considered the matter vide item No; 19 and **resolved to approve the same.** Accordingly U.O. No. Ac E1/5731/2024 dtd 10.07.2024 has been issued. The above provision for granting Part-time Ph.D. registration is also applicable to all the categories / grades of Civil Service Officers/Professionals and People working in Industries, Research Assistant and Technical Assistants working on regular basis.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of identifying the categories/ grades among the Civil Service Officers/Professionals and People working in Industries, Research Assistants and Technical Assistants working on regular basis, eligible for part-time PhD registration, is placed before the Academic Council, as resolved by the Syndicate held on 15.03.2024, for consideration and appropriate decision.

#### ***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED** that the resolution of the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 vide item No; 19 to grant Part-time Ph.D registration to applicants who satisfy all eligibility conditions stipulated in UGC Regulations,2022, be followed.

## **(II) Business brought forward by the Faculties**

### **01. Faculty of Law**

#### **01. Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty of Law held on 23.07.2024 - For Consideration - Reg. (Ac.AIII)**

A special meeting of the Faculty of Law was held on 23.07.2024 for discussing various issues related to LL.B Courses and considering the urgency, sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor to implement Item no. IV-A-I of the minutes, regarding incorporation of the recent changes in the Laws in the Syllabi of LL.B courses, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty of Law held on 23.07.2024 is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and approval.

#### **Minutes of the Additional Meeting (2024-25) of the Faculty of Law held at 10.30 am on Tuesday, 23th July 2024 at Deans Room, Faculty Guest House, Senate House Campus, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.**

#### **Members Present:**

1. Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan (in the Chair)
2. Dr. Money Veena V R
3. Dr. Rakendu C K
4. Sri. Safi Mohan M R
5. Dr. Meenakumary S
6. Dr. Hameema M
7. Smt. Saleena U
8. Sri. Anil Kumar G

The meeting started at 10.30 am as scheduled. The Dean welcomed all the members to the meeting and the agenda items were discussed and the following recommendations were made.

#### **I. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Faculty of Law held on 30.04.2024.**

Nil

#### **II. Matters referred to the Faculty by the Vice-Chancellor /Syndicate / Academic Council**

Nil

#### **III. Panel of Question Paper Setters and Examiners.**

Nil

#### **III. Recommendation of various Boards of Studies comprised in the Faculty – consideration of the Minutes of:**

##### **1. Additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Law(Pass) held on 10/07/2024.**

#### **IV-A Recommendations of the Board of Studies in Law (Pass) in the Additional meeting held at 11.00 am on 10.07.2024 at Deans' Room, Faculty Guest House, Senate House Campus, TVPM**

##### **IV-A-I. Syllabi and Text Books**

The Annual meeting of the Board of Studies in Law (Pass) held on 15.04.2024 decided to constitute a sub-committee for incorporating the recent changes in Laws in the syllabi of LL.B courses and also to

conduct a workshop in that regard. The Annual meeting of the Faculty of Law held on 30.04.2024 approved the recommendation and the workshop was held on 23.05.2024 at Kariyavattom campus. The minutes of the workshop, submitted by the Dean, Faculty of Law, is placed before the Board for consideration.

### **Recommendation**

*Board of Studies(Pass) approved the syllabus and text book. Board of Studies recommend to substitute Law of Crimes -Paper I-Penal Code, Law of Crimes-Paper II-Criminal Procedure Code and Law of Evidence with Law of Crimes-Paper I-The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Law of Crimes-Paper II-The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and Law of Evidence-The Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam respectively from 2024 admission onwards.*

*The above mentioned substitution shall be applicable to the ongoing batch of students in the following manner:*

Paper	Integrated Five Year LLB Course	Unitary LLB Course
Law of Crimes-Paper I-The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita	-	-
Law of Crimes-Paper II-The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita	5 <sup>th</sup> Semester 2022 admission/Batch onwards (Paper II).	3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester 2023 Admission/Batch onwards (Paper II).
Law of Evidence-The Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam	6 <sup>th</sup> Semester 2022 admission/Batch onwards(Paper IV).	4 <sup>th</sup> Semester 2023 Admission/Batch onwards(Paper IV).

*The amended Syllabi is incorporated for Labour and Industrial Law I, Labour and Industrial Law-II, Environmental Law, Company Law and Administrative Law to the upcoming semesters in the following manner.*

Paper	Integrated Five Year LLB Course	Unitary LLB Course
Administrative Law	6 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper IV	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Paper IV
Company Law	8 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper IV	4 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper IV
Labour and Industrial Law-I	8 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper III	5 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper III
Labour and Industrial Law-II	9 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper III	6 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper IV
Environmental Law	9 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper II	5 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper IV

**Faculty approved the recommendation of the Board of Studies to substitute Law of Crimes - Paper I - Penal Code, Law of Crimes - Paper II- Criminal Procedure Code and Law of Evidence with Law of Crimes - Paper I - The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Law of Crimes - Paper II - The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and Law of Evidence - The Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam respectively from 2024-25 admission onwards.**

**The above mentioned substitution shall be applicable to the ongoing batch of students in the following manner.**

Paper	Integrated Five Year BA LLB Course	Integrated Five Year B.Com/BBA LLB Course	Unitary LLB Course
Law of Crimes-Paper I-The	-	-	-

Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita			
Law of Crimes-Paper II-The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita	5 <sup>th</sup> Semester 2022 admission/Batch onwards (Paper II)	5 <sup>th</sup> Semester 2022 admission/Batch onwards (Paper II)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester 2023 Admission/Batch onwards (Paper II).
Law of Evidence-The Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam	6 <sup>th</sup> Semester 2022 admission/Batch onwards(Paper IV)	6 <sup>th</sup> Semester 2022 admission/Batch onwards(Paper V)	4 <sup>th</sup> Semester 2023 Admission/Batch onwards(Paper IV)

**The amended Syllabi shall be incorporated for Labour and Industrial Law - I, Labour and Industrial Law - II, Environmental Law, Company Law and Administrative Law to the respective semesters in the following manner.**

Paper	Integrated Five Year BA LLB Course	Integrated Five Year B.Com/BBA LLB Course	Unitary LLB Course
Administrative Law	6 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper III (2022 admission/Batch onwards)	6 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper IV (2022 admission/Batch onwards)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Paper IV (2024 admission/Batch onwards)
Company Law	8 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper III (2021 admission/Batch onwards)	8 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper IV (2021 admission/Batch onwards)	4 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper III (2023 admission/Batch onwards)
Labour and Industrial Law-I	8 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper II (2021 admission/Batch onwards)	8 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper III (2021 admission/Batch onwards)	5 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper III (2022 admission/Batch onwards)
Labour and Industrial Law-II	9 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper III (2020 admission/Batch onwards)	9 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper III (2020 admission/Batch onwards)	6 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper IV (2022 admission/Batch onwards)
Environmental Law	9 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper II (2020 admission/Batch onwards)	9 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper II (2020 admission/Batch onwards)	5 <sup>th</sup> Semester Paper IV (2022 admission/Batch onwards)

*Considering the urgency of the matter, Faculty further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendations exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.*

**IV-A-2. Unitary and Integrated LL.B Courses - 2020 Scheme - Clarification Sought by the Tabulation Section regarding Supplementary Examinations applicable to Re-admitted Candidates in Classification of Results - Reg -**

As per Para 8(f) of the Regulations of Unitary/Integrated LL.B Courses (2020 Scheme), Classification of result is as follows

*Distinction – 80% and above*

*First Class - 60% and above, but below 80%*

*Second Class-50% and above, but below 60%*

As per Para 8 (g) of the same Regulations, Ranking shall be done on the basis of the marks obtained by the candidate in the whole examination (Six semesters/Ten Semesters) passed in the first chance.

*First Class shall also be awarded to candidates who passed the whole examinations with 60% or*

*above along with the immediate junior batch and not thereafter.*

The tabulation section concerned has sought clarification regarding the classification of Results in the case of Re-admitted candidates who successfully completes the LL.B Course in the supplementary examinations.

In a previous case of Unitary Degree Course in Law (2011 Scheme), regarding granting of mercy chance examinations to re-admitted candidates, the then Chairman, BoS in Law (Pass) *had remarked that for deciding on eligibility for number of chances of examination or for mercy chances of examination, the reference year must be the year of admission of the batch in which he is re-admitted.*

### **Recommendation**

*Para 8(f) and 8(g) of the Regulations of Unitary/integrated LLB Courses (2020 Scheme) require no interference.*

### **IV-A-3. Eligibility Criteria for Admission to Integrated Five Year LL.B Courses - Clarification sought by the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations - Reg -**

The Commissioner for Entrance Examinations, Govt. of Kerala, vide letter Dated: 26.05.2024, has sought clarification regarding the criteria for admission to Integrated LL.B Courses, in light of the Judgement of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in W.P No. 18822 of 2022 & W.M.P No.s 18171 & 18172 of 2022, in order to prepare prospectus for admission to Integrated LL.B Courses.

1. Whether diploma obtained after the 10th class can be considered as an eligible qualification for obtaining admission to Integrated Five year LL.B courses.

2. Whether the academic qualification stipulated as per the Bar Council of India Part IV Rules of Legal Education 2008 or that of the Bar Council of India Part IV Rules of Legal Education - 2019 (Draft) be considered as the basic qualification for attaining admission to Integrated LL.B Courses.

As per the Regulations of Integrated LL.B Courses (2020 Scheme), Para 4, No candidate shall be admitted to the course unless he has passed the Higher Secondary Examination of the Government of Kerala or any other examination recognized as equivalent thereto by this University with not less than 45% marks for general category, 42% for OBC and 40% marks for SC and ST.

### **Recommendation**

*1) As per the Regulations of Integrated LLB Courses(2020 Scheme) Para 4, any examination recognized by the Kerala University as equivalent to Higher Secondary Examination by the Govt. Of Kerala can be considered as an eligible qualification for obtaining admission to Integrated Five Year LLB Course.*

*2) BCI Regulations 2008 can only be considered.*

### **IV.A-4. Discussion on the Proposed Scheme and Syllabus of the Integrated BA (Economics) LL.B Degree Course submitted by the Principal, Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira, for Approval.**

The proposed scheme & syllabus of the Integrated Five Year BA(Economics) LL.B Degree course submitted by the Principal, Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira, for approval was placed before the BoS in Economics (UG) for consideration. The BoS in Economics (UG) held on 19.05.2024 considered the Syllabus and decided to approve the syllabus with certain rectifications. Accordingly the Principal, Mar Gregorios College of Law submitted scheme and syllabus incorporating corrections as directed by the Board of Studies in Economics (UG), for consideration. The Scheme and Syllabus of the Integrated Five Year BA(Economics) Degree Course submitted by the Principal, Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira, is placed before the Board for consideration.

**Recommendation**

*The Scheme and Syllabus of the Integrated Five Year BA(Economics) LLB Degree Course submitted by the Principal, Mar Gregorios College of Law is approved by the Board of Studies provided that the changes in scheme and subjects brought in by the BoS meeting on 10.07.2024 are to be made applicable to the same.*

**The Faculty endorsed the recommendations from Item No. IV-A-2 to IV-A-4.**

**IV-A-5. Unitary Degree Course in Law and Unitary Degree Course in Law (Evening) - Issuance of Equivalency/One and the Same Certificate - Reg-**

The Board of Studies in Law (Pass) at its annual meeting held on 15.04.2024 vide item no. IV-B-7 & IV-B-13 considered 1) Application for Equivalency from candidates and 2) Representation from the Principal, Kerala Law Academy Law College, TVPM, for One and Same certificate between Unitary Degree Course in Law under the code 474 & Unitary Degree in Law (Evening) under the code 472 and recommended as follows:

**IV-B-7 - The Scheme, Syllabus & Academic Curriculum of both the courses are the same except timing of conducting the courses. The BoS unanimously recommended to issue an appropriate certificate for the best advantage of the students.**

**IV-B-13 - The Board considered the Letter dtd: 03/04/24 from the Principal, Kerala Law Academy Law College, Thiruvananthapuram, as additional agenda Item No. 13. As per the letter, it is learnt that Kerala Law Academy Law College is conducting Five batches of Three year Unitary LL.B Degree Course wherein Three batches as regular course (code – 474) & Two batches as evening course (code – 472). The Board found that Regulations, Scheme, Pass Criteria, Publication of results & Ranking for both the batches are same. The Board unanimously resolved to recommend that the University may issue appropriate certificate for the benefit of students.**

The Annual meeting of the Faculty of Law held on 30.04.2024 approved the above recommendations and the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 approved the Minutes of the Annual meeting of the Faculty of Law.

Meanwhile as per the Circular Dated: 20.05.2024 received from the Bar Council of India, Para 10 regarding 'General Timing for conduct of classes/courses by CLEs', it is stipulated that *LL.B Three year/Five year is a regular course and there is no concept of evening classes. Central of Legal Education can run law courses only in accordance to Rule-2(xxiii) of Rules of Legal Education, 2008, which states that a course should run for at least five hours a day continuously with an additional half an hour recess every day and should have less than thirty hours of working schedule per week. As per Clause-5 of Schedule-III of the Rules of Legal Education, classes can be conducted only between 8 am to 7 pm in an institution, which is not fully residential. However, the Library may remain open till 10 pm. Also stipulated that approval of affiliation of any Center of Legal Education may be revoked with immediate effect without giving notice, if the CLE is found violating the above Rules.*

For the clarification sought from the Dean, Faculty of Law, regarding whether Equivalency certificate be issued or One and the Same certificate be issued or both be issued, the Dean, Faculty of Law has directed to place the matter in the next meeting of the BoS in Law (Pass) for consideration.

**Recommendation**

**Opinion of Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan, Dr. Money Veena V R, Dr. Hameema M**

*The Principal, Kerala Law Academy Law College in his letter dated 03.04.2024 has admitted that they are conducting five batches of Three Year Unitary LLB Degree Courses wherein 3 batches as Regular Course(Code 474) and 2 batches as Evening Course(Code 472).*

*The Statutory body entitled by Law to recognize LLB Degree is Bar Council of India. The BCI in the Circular BCI:D:468/2024/Gr-006/2024(LE) dated 20.05.2024, Para 10 stipulates that there is no concept of Evening classes. In the light of the above circular, we are not in a position to issue Equivalency/ one and the same certificate to the students of Evening Courses.*

*If the Principal, Kerala Law Academy produces Certificate of Recognition from BCI and University of Kerala for conducting evening courses, we have no objection in issuing one and the same/equivalency certificate.*

**Opinion of Dr. Ajitha Nair L, Sri.Viji S**

*The University Regulations for both the courses is one and same. Until and unless separate regulations and separate rules are made for both the courses, both the courses can only be considered as one and same.*

*Moreover the scheme and syllabus, mode and conduct of examinations including awarding marks and ranks are one and the same.*

*Hence, we are of the opinion that both the courses are one and same.*

By a 3:2 majority, the Board decided not to issue Equivalency/ One and the Same Certificate.

**Opinion of Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan, Dr. Money Veena V R, Dr. Hameema M, Dr. Meenakumary S & Smt. Saleena U**

**Endorsing the majority opinion of BOS regarding item IV-A-5. The matter may be placed before Syndicate in the light of circular dated: 20.05.2024 of BCI and the decisions of Supreme Court of India, if any regarding conduct of evening batch of LL.B.**

**Opinion of Dr. Rakendu C K**

**The University Regulations for both the courses is one and the same. Until and unless separate regulations and separate rules are made for both the courses, both the courses are considered as one and the same.**

**Since the word 'evening' is inserted by the Syndicate, Syndicate can decide to give the equivalency certificate.**

**Opinion of Sri. Safi Mohan M R**

**On IV-A-5 issue, I would like to support Dr. Ajitha Nair L and Sri. Viji S opinions. I consider their opinion are more relevant and logical.**

**Opinion of Sri. Anil Kumar G**

**I second the opinion of Dr. Ajitha Nair L & Sri. Viji S that both the courses are One and Same. The members of the Faculty by a 5:3 majority decided not to issue Equivalence/One and the Same certificate, and the Dean recommended to place the matter before the Syndicate for appropriate decision.**

Sd/-

**Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan  
Dean, Faculty of Law**

Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan, Dean Faculty of law moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Law as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 23/07/2024 be approved.

***Resolution of the Academic Council***

**The Academic Council RESOLVED** that the recommendations of Faculty of Law on item No. IV-A-1 be **NOTED** and the recommendations from item. Nos.IV-A-2 to IV-A-4 as contained in the minutes **be approved**.  
Further **RESOLVED** to defer item No. IV-A-5 to the next meeting of the Academic Council.

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*The Vice-Chancellor thanked all members for their whole-hearted co-operation.  
The meeting came to a close at 11.20 AM.*

**Sd/-  
REGISTRAR**

**Sd/-  
VICE-CHANCELLOR**

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11.11.2024