UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
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Minutes of the Meeting of the Academic Council

Time & Date : 10.00 a.m., Saturday, the 15th April, 2017
Place of Meeting : Senate Chamber, University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram

Members Present:-
1. Prof. (Dr.) P.K. Radhakrishnan
   Vice-Chancellor (in the chair)
2. Dr. N. Veeramanikandan
   Pro-Vice-Chancellor
3. The Director of Physical Education,
   University of Kerala.
4. Dr. M. Jeevanlal
5. Dr. Radhamany P. M.
6. Prof. R. Mohanakrishnan
7. Dr. Shaji K.
9. Adv. A.A.Rahim
10. Sri. B. S. Jyothi Kumar
11. Sri. M. K. Abdul Rahim
12. Sri. M. Sreekumar
13. Dr. R. Lathadevi
14. Dr. K. Manickaraj
15. Adv. K. H. Babujan
16. Dr. A. S. Lila
17. Dr. M. Sarngadhavan
18. Dr. P. J. Jacob
19. Dr.K.C. Sunny
20. Dr. J. Rajan
21. Dr.G.Padma Rao
22. Dr. M. C. Subash Peter
23. Dr.V.S.Sharma
24. Dr. Suresh Jnaneswaran
25. Dr. Achuth Sankar.S.Nair
26. Dr. A. Bijukumar
27. Dr. Thajudeen A. S.
28. Dr. Rajesh S. V.
29. Dr. A. Jayakumaran Nair
30. Dr. Suhara Beevy S.
31. Dr. S.M.A.Shibli
32. Dr. S. Resia Beegam
33. Dr. Aji. S.
34. Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair
35. Dr. Abdul Salim. A.
36. Dr. A. Theresa Susan
37. Dr.Jaya. D.S.
38. Dr.A.P. Pradeep Kumar
39. Dr.R. S. Krishnakumar
40. Dr.Jayachandran R.
41. Dr.V. Sathish
42. Dr.K. S. Chandrasekar
43. Dr.Ampotti A. K
44. Dr.Bismi Gopalakrishnan
45. Dr.Humayoon Kabir S.
46. Dr.S. Kunjamma
47. Dr.G. Suresh Singh
48. Dr.T.M.Bhavana
49. Dr.Sainaba. M.
50. Dr.Bena Issac
51. Dr.G.Subodh
52. Dr.Joseph Antony
53. Dr.Immanuel Thomas
54. Dr.Shaila. C.A.
55. Dr.Sobha. B. Nair
56. Dr.C.Satheesh Kumar
57. Dr.T.Vijayalekshmi
58. Dr.G. Prasad
59. Dr.Zeenath. K.S.
60. Dr.Latheesh. D.
61. Sri.Abhayan. G.S.
62. Dr.Pramod Kiran. R.B.
63. Smt.Maggie. J.
64. Dr.Anil Chandran. S.
65. Dr.S.Rani
66. Sri. Suresh. S.
67. Smt.Thara Prabhakaran
68. Dr.N.Vipinchandran
69. Dr.N.Shaji
70. Dr.S.Prema
71. Sri.Jino Ninan
72. Dr.S.K.Subhash
73. Sri.Sunil. V.T.
74. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran
75. Dr.Lekshmi. R.
76. Dr.Sunil John
77. Dr.A.Muhammed Thaha
78. Dr.K.G.Padmakumaran Nair
79. Smt.Jairani. P.S.
80. Dr. S. Anil Kumar
81. Dr.P.K.Sreekumar
82. Dr.V.S.Joy
83. Dr.Gladston Raj. S.
84. Dr.Abin T. Mathews
85. Sri.R.Indulal.
86. Dr.E.Shaji
87. Smt.Aswathy Sugunan.
88. Dr.S.Venumohan
89. Dr.A.P.Alavi Bin Mohamed Bin Ahamed
90. Dr.R. Sunilkumar
91. Dr.Prakash Pillai. R.
92. Dr.Bijukumar. K.
93. Dr.V.Gopakumar
94. Sri.Pradeep Kumar. K.
95. Sri.Shiju Joseph
96. Dr.K.Santhosh
The meeting was called to order at 10.00 a.m. by Prof.(Dr.) P.K.Radhakrishnan, Vice-Chancellor in the Chair. He welcomed the members to the meeting.

(I) Business brought forward by the Vice-Chancellor and the Syndicate.

01. Judgement dated 27.05.2016 on WPC No. 25080/2011 of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala - Reconsideration of the matter regarding the provisions of classification of results of LL.B Degree Course – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.A.III)

Mr. Biveesh. U.C., LL.B (3 year) Degree student (2004-2007 batch) who passed with 63.6% aggregate marks, filed WPC No.25080 in the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala against the refusal of awarding First Class despite the fact that he had scored above 60% marks. Though he had registered for the II semester examinations in October 2005 (regular chance) he did not appear for the examinations and later passed the II semester examinations in November 2006 scoring 246 marks out of 400. He was not awarded first class as the Regulations stipulate that candidates who pass each semester examination at a single sitting alone are eligible for Distinction, First Class and Rank.

The Court has observed that as the examination manual being prepared by a subcommittee constituted by the Syndicate, the Court should keep itself aloof without any interference on academic matters under Article 226 of the Constitution. However the Honourable Court has given its considered views and is of the opinion that the University shall reconsider the provisions of classification of results and take appropriate decision in the matter on the grounds that the provisions in the examination manual disqualifying such brilliant students from being awarded first class in such circumstances even when he is absent in the whole of the examinations, while such disqualification is not entailed to those who cancel the examination even after writing the examination, is arbitrary, apart from being illogical and hence requires reconsideration.

In disposing the Writ Petition, the Court ordered that having regard to the factual aspects in this case, the Vice-Chancellor shall place the matter before the Syndicate/ Academic Council who shall take appropriate decision in the matter as expeditiously as possible.

The Syndicate held on 21.10.2016 and 27.10.2016 vide item no.21.86 considered the matter and resolved that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations and Students Discipline. The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations and Students Discipline held on 01.12.2016 considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Academic Council to consider the matter positively and to take appropriate decisions whether the Regulations can be overruled and the same was approved by the Syndicate held on 23.12.2016. (Item no. 23.10).

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended that there is no need to amend the existing Regulations.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that Sri.Biveesh.U.C be awarded first class for the LLB degree course as a special case, overruling the Regulations, in the light of the direction of the Hon’ble High Court on the observations made regarding the usage ‘single sitting’ in the Regulations.

Further resolved to entrust the matter of framing of guidelines for amending the existing provisions in the Examination Manual relevant to this matter, to a sub-committee comprising Sri.M.Sreekumar (Convenor) Dr. M.Jeevanlal, Dr.Achuthsankar.S. Nair, Sri.R.Indulal and Dr.A.P.Pradeepkumar and to submit the report within 2 months.


Smt.Meera. R., submitted attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of M.Sc. Degree in Applied Psychology (Regular) awarded by Pondicherry University, Puducherry for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The candidate had obtained 10+2 pattern of study, and she had obtained her B.A.Degree in English, Psychology and Sociology (Triple Main) from Bangalore University through Jyoti Nivas College (Autonomous) which are recognized by the University of Kerala.
The Chairman, BoS in Psychology (PG) recommended that the Syllabus and the admission criteria are comparable with the M.Sc. Psychology course of Kerala University. Hence the M.Sc. Degree in Applied Psychology (Regular) awarded by Pondicherry University may be recognized as equivalent to the M.Sc. Degree in Psychology of Kerala University for employment and higher education purpose and the Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman, BoS in Psychology (PG).

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for M.Sc. Degree in Applied Psychology (Regular) awarded by Pondicherry University, Puducherry for higher studies and employment.

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**03. Recognition of the B.Sc. M.L.T. Degree awarded by IGNOU, New Delhi – Consideration of – reg.**

Smt. Julie Joseph submitted the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Sc. M.L.T. Degree awarded by IGNOU, New Delhi, for course recognition for higher studies to do M.B.A. Course. She had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in M.L.T. (Pass) remarked that the B.Sc. M.L.T. Degree awarded by IGNOU cannot be equated to B.Sc. M.L.T. Degree of Kerala University and hence not an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Medical Lab Technology. Further stated that the degree can be recognized specifically for admission to M.B.A. Course, if approved by the BoS in Management.

The Chairman, BoS in Business Management (P.G) remarked that it is to be clarified as to how a degree which cannot be equated with a corresponding degree of this University can be recognized as an eligible qualification for admission to the M.B.A. Programme. The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies recommended to grant recognition to B.Sc. M.L.T. Degree awarded by IGNOU as sufficient qualification for getting admission to the M.B.A. Programme of the University of Kerala.

The Academic Council held on 18th April, 2016 vide Item No.47, considered the matter of recognition of B.Sc. M.L.T. Degree awarded by IGNOU, and resolved to refer the matter to the Combined meeting of the Board of Studies in M.L.T. (Pass) and Board of Studies in Management (PG).

The Combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Medical Lab Technology (M.L.T) and Business Management (PG) held on 24th September 2016 decided to consider B.Sc. M.L.T. three year Degree awarded by IGNOU as a basic Degree sufficient to pursue M.B.A. Programme at University of Kerala under the 10+2+3 pattern with 50% marks and cannot be made equivalent to B.Sc.(M.L.T) degree awarded by University of Kerala. The Dean, Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the said recommendation.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.Sc. M.L.T. Degree awarded by IGNOU, New Delhi as an eligible qualification for admission to MBA Programme.

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**04. Recognition of B.A. Degree in History, Economics and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University - request received from Smt.Beena.P.V. – Consideration of - reg.**

Smt. Beena.P.V. sought course-recognition of B.A. Degree in History, Economics and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University for the purpose of considering as equivalent to B.A. Degree in History of the University of Kerala for employment purpose. She had obtained 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in History (Pass) recommended to recognise the B.A.Degree in History, Economics and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University. The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences remarked that the University has to deliberate on the issue and take a policy decision on the acceptability of the very concept of 'three main' programmes, irrespective of the standing of the
University /Institution that conducts the courses and recommended that the matter may be placed before the Academic Council.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.A. Degree in History, Economics and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University for employment in ‘History’.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the matter be referred to the Board of Studies, in view of the difference of opinion of the Chairman and the Dean.

05. Recognition of Bachelor of Planning awarded by School of Planning and Architecture, Vijayawada - Request received from Sri.Rajeev.R. – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)

Sri.Rajeev.R submitted the attested copy of scheme and syllabus of Bachelor of Planning awarded by School of Planning and Architecture, Vijayawada for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The candidate has undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass I) remarked that the B.Plan, 4 Year course conducted by School of Planning and Architecture, Vijayawada is approved by MHRD and recognized by Institute of Town Planning India. Since Kerala University is not offering B.Plan Course, this cannot be equated to any other degree programme of Kerala University. However B.Plan can be considered for the eligibility for pursuing M.Planning and Planning related programmes for higher studies and the degree B.Plan can also be considered for Planning and Planning related employments. The Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass I).

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for Bachelor of Planning (B. Plan) awarded by School of Planning and Architecture, Vijayawada for pursuing M. Planning and planning related programmes and employment related to ‘Planning’.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the applicant may be advised to approach the KTU.

06. Recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Biotechnology awarded to Dr.Babitha. S. by the University of Kerala – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)

Dr. Babitha.S. submitted the thesis of Ph.D. Degree in Biotechnology awarded by the University of Kerala titled “Microbial Pigment Production” for course recognition for submission to the Kerala P.S.C. for employment to the post of Lecturer in Zoology.

The candidate had obtained 10+2 pattern of study and B.Sc. Degree in Zoology, M.Sc. Degree in Zoology, and B.Ed. in Natural Science from M.G. University which are all recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Zoology (P.G) recommended that the topic of research was in the area of Zoology and hence may be approved as an eligible qualification for the employment in the field of Zoology and higher education. The Dean, Faculty of Science, endorsed the recommendation of the Chairman, BoS in Zoology (P.G.).

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for Ph.D. Degree in Biotechnology awarded to Dr. Babitha. S., by the University of Kerala for higher education and employment in ‘Zoology’.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the PhD Degree awarded to Dr.Babitha.S., by the University of Kerala for the thesis titled “Microbial Pigment Production” be recognized for the purpose of higher education and employment in ‘Zoology’.

07. Recognition of B.E. Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Coimbatore Institute of Technology, Coimbatore (Autonomous) - Request received from Smt. Prescilla.K.–Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Prescilla.K submitted the attested copy of the scheme and syllabus of B.E. Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Coimbatore Institute of Technology, Coimbatore (Autonomous) for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass III), recommended to grant recognition to the B.E. Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through
Coimbatore Institute of Technology, Coimbatore (Autonomous) as equivalent to B.Tech. Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering of the University of Kerala for higher studies and employment. The Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology agreed to the recommendations of the Chairman.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.E. Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Coimbatore Institute of Technology, Coimbatore (Autonomous) for higher education and employment in ‘Electrical and Electronics Engineering.’

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council
recommended to grant recognition for B.E. Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Coimbatore Institute of Technology, Coimbatore (Autonomous) for higher education and employment in ‘Electrical and Electronics Engineering.’

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.E. Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Coimbatore Institute of Technology, Coimbatore (Autonomous) be recognized for higher education and employment in ‘Electrical and Electronics Engineering.’

08. Amendment to the Regulations of the Two Year M.Ed. Curriculum (2015 Scheme) – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.L)

The Academic Council at its meeting held on 4th October 2016, vide Item No.59, considered and resolved to approve the modifications in the Regulations for the Two Year M.Ed. Curriculum (2015 scheme) as recommended by the Chairperson, BoS in Education (PG) and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Education and U.O.No.Ac.A.III/2/M.Ed-Regln/Modi/2016 dated 17/11/2016 was issued in this regard.

Amendment

“That, in Second Para of Clause (g) ‘Medium of instruction and Examination’ of the Regulations for the Two year M.Ed. Curriculum (2015 scheme), the first two lines viz. “For a pass in the examination, a candidate should secure a minimum of 50% marks in aggregate with a minimum of 40% in each Theory paper in the External Examination of the University. There is no minimum for CE including practicum of each course in both the semesters” stands modified as noted below.

1. For Internship (INT1), there has to be a pass minimum of 50%. This mark shall be given by the Head of the Institution in consultation with the concerned Teacher/Teachers in charge of Internship.

2. For research proposal, 25 marks each has been allotted for external and internal. The student shall get a pass minimum of 50% in the external as well as internal i.e., 12.5 each.

3. For dissertation and viva-voce (DIS1) also, a pass minimum of 50% is needed i.e., an aggregate 100 out of 200 for dissertation and 25 out of 50 for viva voce is needed for a pass.

4. For Internship 2 (INT2) also, a pass minimum of 50% is needed i.e. the candidate should secure 25 out of 50 for a pass. This mark shall be given by the Head of the Institution in consultation with the concerned Teacher/Teachers in charge of Internship.

5. For a pass in the examination, a candidate should secure a minimum of 50% marks in aggregate with a minimum of 40% in each theory paper in the external examinations of the University. There is no pass minimum for CE for the core and elective papers.

6. A candidate may be permitted three more chances other than the regular chance to enable the candidate to complete the course.

7. A candidate has to reappear for the failed paper or papers only and shall obtain minimum 50% marks for ESA for each failed paper, for a pass in that paper.

The amendment to the Regulations of the Two Year M.Ed. Curriculum (2015 Scheme) was placed before the Academic Council for consideration and adoption as specified under section 25 (ii) of the Kerala University Act, 1974.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to approve the proposed amendment.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the above proposed amendment be approved for adoption as specified under section 25 (ii) of the Kerala University Act, 1974.

09. Amendment to the Regulations of B.Ed Degree Course (2015 Scheme) – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.L)

The Academic Council at its meeting held on 4th October 2016, vide item no.I.66; considered and noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the following modifications made in the clauses 7, 15 and 16 of the Regulations of Two year B. Ed Degree Course 2015 Scheme and U.O No. Ac.A.III/2/B.Ed/2016 dated 16/02/2017 was issued.
AMENDMENT

“That, in the Regulations relating to Two Year B. Ed Degree Course (2015 scheme), the following clauses may be modified as:

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| **Clause 15:** | **Clause 15:** |
| If a passed candidate wants to improve his/her grade he/she can appear for the theory examination and improve the grades within two years of completion of the course, if the same scheme exists. | "If a candidate wants to improve his/her grade he/she can appear for the theory examination and improve the grades for the first and second semesters in the next immediate chance, if the same scheme exists.” |

| **Clause 16:** | **Clause 16:** |
| Course betterment is limited to theory alone. For course betterment in theory, candidates have to appear for the concerned examinations with the regular schedule. Higher marks of the two ie., marks before betterment and after betterment whichever is higher will be considered. | “Improvement is limited to theory paper alone. For improvement in theory, candidates have to appear for the concerned examinations with the regular schedule. Higher marks of the two i.e., marks before betterment and after betterment whichever is higher will be considered.” |

The above amendments relating to the modifications in the Regulations of B. Ed Degree Course (2015 Scheme was placed before the Academic Council for consideration and adoption as envisaged under section 25 (ii) of the Kerala University Act, 1974.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to approve the proposed amendment with modification, as follows:

**First Paragraph of Clause (7):** “A candidate shall be considered to have satisfactory attendance if s/he earns not less than 75% attendance for theory classes and 90% for school internship. Six point grade system shall be followed in rating attendance. Attendance shall be noted in letter grades in the mark list. The attendance range and the respective grade are as follows: Gr:A+(95 to 100%), Gr:A (90 to <95%),Gr:B+(85 to <90%),Gr:B (80 to<85%), Gr:C+(75 to <80%) Gr:C(below 75). (For calculating percentage of attendance decimals shall be rounded to the nearest whole number)”.

**Clause 15:** “If a candidate desires to improve the grade s/he shall appear for the theory examination and improve the grades for the first and second semesters in the immediate successive chance, provided the same scheme exists without change.”

**Clause 16:** “Improvement shall be limited to theory paper and not practicals. For improvement in theory, candidates shall have to appear for the examinations with the regular schedule concerned. The candidates shall be eligible for the higher marks secured before betterment or after betterment, as the case may be.”
The Academic Council considered the matter as envisaged under Section 25 (ii) of the Kerala University Act, 1974 and resolved that the proposed amendment be approved with modification, as follows:

First Paragraph of Clause (7): “A candidate shall be considered to have satisfactory attendance if s/he earns not less than 75% attendance for theory classes and 90% for school internship. Six point grade system shall be followed in rating attendance. Attendance shall be noted in letter grades in the mark list. The attendance range and the respective grade are as follows: Gr:A+(95 to 100%), Gr:A (90 to <95%), Gr:B+(85 to <90%), Gr:B (80 to <85%), Gr:C+(75 to <80%) Gr:C(below 75). (For calculating percentage of attendance decimals shall be rounded to the nearest whole number)”.

Clause 15: “If a candidate desires to improve the grade s/he shall appear for the theory examination and improve the grades for the first and second semesters in the immediate successive chance, provided the same scheme exists without change.”

Clause 16: “Improvement shall be limited to theory paper and not practicals. For improvement in theory, candidates shall have to appear for the examinations with the regular schedule concerned. The candidates shall be eligible for the higher marks secured before betterment or after betterment, as the case may be.”

10. Eligibility Criteria for admission to M.A Degree course in Arabic in affiliated Colleges – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.A.II)

The Board of Studies in Arabic (PG), at its meeting held on 27th August 2016 recommended to add the following qualifications under the eligibility criteria for admission to M.A Arabic course in affiliated colleges with effect from 2017 admission onwards.

1. CBCSS Pattern
   (a). B.A Communicative Arabic of the University of Kerala (Career-related 2(a) CBCSS Programme) as core course securing not less than 1.8 CGPA (S) out of 4 OR of any other University which is recognized as equivalent there to.

2. Annual Pattern
   Change “B.A/B.Sc. with a pass in Afzal-ul-Ulama (Oriental title) examination of the University of Kerala or Calicut University” as follows:
   “B.A with a pass in Afzal-ul-Ulama (Oriental title) of the University of Kerala OR of any other University which is recognized as equivalent there to”.

The above recommendation of the Board of Studies in Arabic (PG), regarding the eligibility criteria for M.A Degree course in Arabic in affiliated colleges was endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to approve the modified eligibility criteria for admission to MA Degree Programme in Arabic in affiliated Colleges with effect from 2017 admissions.

11. Guidelines for Issue of Degree, Diploma and Certificates obtained under ODL mode – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.A.IV)

As per the letter No. D.O.F.No. 2-6/2016 (DEB-111) dated 31.10.2016 received from UGC regarding guidelines for issue of Degree, Diploma and Certificates obtained under ODL mode it is stated that the University Grants Commission has noticed that some Institutions/Universities offering education through Open & Distance learning (ODL) mode issue the Degrees, Mark sheets, Diploma, certificates etc. to the students without indicating the mode of delivery of the programme. This University also comes under the said category as the marklists / certificates issued to the candidates of SDE do not reflect the mode of delivery of the Programme.

In order to erase the ambiguities between conventional mode degree (s) with that of ODL mode degree (s), the Commission at its meeting held on 2nd September 2016 has decided that all the
Institutions/Universities offering programmes through ODL mode are essentially required to mention “Mode of delivery: ODL/Distance” on all the documents issued to students during or after the completion of programme.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended that the modes of delivery such as Distance Study and Private Study be mentioned in all the documents issued to the candidates who appear for the exams through the SDE/Private mode during or after the completion of programme, with effect from 2017 admissions.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the mode of delivery of ‘Distance Study’ be mentioned in all the documents issued to the candidates who appear for the exams through the SDE mode during or after the completion of the programme w.e.f 2017 admissions.

12. First Degree Programme under CBCS system – Position Certificate for job / higher studies – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.A.V)

The ULMC at its meeting held on 20-11-2013 while considered the requests received from the students, who had successfully completed their First Degree Programmes under CBCS system, to issue them rank/position certificate for applying for merit scholarship awarded by the UGC and recommended to issue position certificate provisionally (upto 10 positions) on the basis of the Grade points obtained by them for CGPA(s). Accordingly, the provisional Position Certificates are issued to the candidates of First Degree Programmes under CBCS system in the format prescribed by the UGC.

The candidates have now requested to issue Position Certificates for job opportunities and higher studies in the Original stationery of the University as done in the case of other examinations.

It was noted that we cannot rank students in the traditional way in grading system as the sharp comparative judgment is difficult based on a subjective assessment.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended that the certification of First position based on the highest CGPA be carried out to the benefit of students, exclusively for the purpose of availing merit scholarships awarded by UGC/University.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the certification of First position based on the highest CGPA be carried out to the benefit of students.


Dr.Kunjikannan. R, HoD, Assistant Professor, Department of Physical Education, University College, Thiruvananthapuram submitted application duly recommended by Head of the Institution and the Chairman, BoS Physical Education (PG) for granting approval as Research Guide in Physical Education under the faculty of Physical Education

As per the list of standard Journals in Physical Education approved by the University, proceedings of all UGC sponsored National Seminars and Workshops with ISBN Number are considered to be as approved journals. The articles/papers of Dr.Kunjikannan. R., are both published in the proceedings of UGC sponsored National / International Seminars with ISBN Number

Though the applicant has fulfilled all other requisites, the matter discussed was as to whether the above decision confined to the subject Physical Education would stand, if it is not so in the case of all other subjects in general.

The Syndicate while considering the Minutes of the Standing Committee on Academics and Research at its Meeting held on 23/12/2016 resolved to refer the matter to the Academic Council.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council not recommended since the articles mentioned in the application were published in Conference Proceedings and not in journals approved by the UGC.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the two publications of Dr.Kunjikannan.R in the proceedings of UGC Sponsored National/ International Seminars with ISBN number be accepted for the purpose of granting guideship to him, considering the norms at the time of submitting the application.

The Board of Studies in Education (Pass) at its annual meeting held on 22/12/2016 considered the clarification sought by the tabulation section on grading of attendance and recommended that Clause XIV(i) in the Regulations of two year B.Ed Degree Course in Special Education (Intellectual Disability) which states that “A candidate shall be permitted to appear for the examination if he/she has a minimum of 75% attendance for each semester” be modified as follows.

“A candidate will be considered to have satisfactory attendance if she/he earns not less than 75% attendance for theory classes and 90% for school internship. Six point grade system is followed in rating attendance. Attendance will be noted in letter grades in the mark list. The attendance range and respective grades are as follows:

- **Gr: A+** (95 to 100%), **Gr: A** (90 to < 95%), **Gr: B+** (85 to < 90%), **Gr: B** (80 to < 85%), **Gr: C+** (75 to < 80%), **Gr: C** (below 75%). (For calculating percentage of attendance decimals will be rounded to the nearest whole number).” The Dean, Faculty of Education endorsed the above recommendations.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, approved to modify the Clause XIV(i) in the Regulations of two year B.Ed Degree Course in Special Education (Intellectual Disability) and U.O.No.Ac.A.III/2/B.Ed(SE-ID)/2017 dated 14/02/2017 was issued in this regard.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

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15. **B.Arch. Degree Course – Improvement of Sessional marks after completion of the course – sanctioned of – reporting of – reg.**
(Ac.A.III)

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council accorded sanction to extend the provision for improvement of sessional marks of B.Tech. Degree Course granted vide U.O.No.Ac.A.III/4/2015 dated 06.06.2015 to the B.Arch. Degree Course also, for the failed candidates after completion of the course. U.O.No.Ac.A.III/4/2017 dated 13.2.2017 was issued in this regard.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

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16. **Faculty of Engineering & Technology – Minutes (Item I) of the Additional Meeting held on 14-12-2016 (Scheme & Syllabus of B.Tech. & B.Arch. Courses) – Approved by the Vice-Chancellor – reporting of – reg.**
(Ac.A.III)

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council approved the Scheme and Syllabus of 8\textsuperscript{th} Semester B.Tech. and 8\textsuperscript{th} to 10\textsuperscript{th} semesters of B.Arch Degree Courses (2013 scheme) as recommended by the BoS in Engineering (Pass I, II & III) and endorsed by the Faculty of Engineering & Technology at its meeting held on 14-12-2016 (vide Item I). U.O.No.Ac.A.III/4/Engg/Tech/2016 dated 07.01.2017 was issued in this regard.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

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17. **Revised Scheme and Syllabus of M.Com Degree Course in affiliated Colleges with effect from 2014 admissions – Syllabi of Electives Streams (1) Marketing (2) Banking and Insurance - approved – reporting of – reg.**
(Ac.A.IV)

The Regulations, Scheme and Syllabus of the M.Com Degree course was revised with effect from 2014 admission vide U.O No. Ac.AIII/1/FoC/IV-C-1/2014 Dated 01/07/2014. Since the revised syllabi for the Electives (1) Marketing and (2) Banking and Insurance were not framed along with, the annual meeting of Board of Studies in Commerce (PG) held on 23\textsuperscript{rd} December 2015 recommended the revised Syllabus of M.Com Electives - (1) Marketing and (2) Banking and Insurance.

The Faculty of Commerce at its meeting held on 14.10.2016 considered the syllabi recommended by the Board of Studies and resolved to authorize the Chairman, Board of Studies in Commerce (PG) to revise the scheme and syllabus of M.Com Electives with certain modifications and re submit the same.

Accordingly the Chairman, Board of Studies in Commerce (PG) re-submitted the scheme and syllabus of M.Com Elective streams (1) Marketing (2) Banking and Insurance with modifications as suggested by the Faculty and it was endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Commerce.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council approved the Scheme and Syllabus of M.Com Elective streams (1) Marketing (2) Banking and Insurance to be implemented with
effect from 2015 admission onwards in the affiliated Colleges and U.O.No. Ac.AIV/3/M.Com
Electives/2016 dated 21.10.2016 was issued in this regard.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

18. Lateral Entry admission to MCA Degree Course – Number of Seats – Reporting of – reg.
(Ac.A.IV)

The Academic Council at its meeting held on 19th May 2015 resolved to introduce MCA Lateral Entry admission into the Third Semester from 2016 onwards for the candidates with BCA / B.Sc. Computer Science Degree or an Equivalent Degree recognised by the University and UO No. Ac.AIV/3/54/Lateral Entry/2015 dated 29.06.2015 was issued. The Academic Council at its meeting held on 18th April 2016 resolved that admission through Lateral Entry be made to a maximum of 20% of the vacant seats.

The Colleges offering MCA degree course represented that the maximum limit of vacant seats fixed for Lateral Entry admission is not in tune with the directives of AICTE.

The Admission Supervisory Committee also specify that the admission to MCA Lateral Entry may be made to a maximum of 20% of sanctioned intake.

AICTE informed, vide Letter No. F. No AICTE/AB/NR/MCA-L.E/2016 dated 14.10.2016 that admission to MCA Lateral Entry may be made to a maximum of 20% of Sanctioned intake plus unfilled vacant seats of first year which shall be over and above supernumerary of the sanctioned intake.

The Dean remarked that Lateral Entry admission may be changed from 20% of the vacant seats to a maximum of 20% of the sanctioned intake plus unfilled vacant seats of first year which shall be over and above supernumerary of the sanctioned intake as per the AICTE norms.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to Reporting to the Academic Council, accorded sanction that Lateral Entry admission to second year (3rd Semester) MCA degree be made for the candidates with BCA/B.Sc Computer Science degree or an equivalent degree recognised by the University, upto a maximum of 20% of sanctioned intake plus unfilled vacant seats of first year which shall be over and above supernumerary of the sanctioned intake and U.O.issued in this regard. (U.O.No.Ac.AIV/2/MCA-L.E/2016 dated 02.12.2016.)

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.
Further resolved that the matter be referred to the Standing Committee of the Academic Council for clarification on the number of seats to be earmarked for lateral entry admission to MCA Degree Programme.

(Ac.A.IV)

The Scheme and Syllabus of M.Sc Bio-Informatics for 2016 admission does not define the components of CA marks within it. The maximum marks for Continuous Assessment (CA) for M.Sc. Bio-Informatics is 40 where as that for other P.G. semester subjects is 25. The Chairman , Board of Studies in Computational Biology and Bio-informatics , who is also the Dean of the Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology clarified the components for Continuous Assessment (CA)-40marks for theory paper and practical as shown below:

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The Chairman also recommended that the pattern may be redone to confine to the general PG regulation in the next revision. The Vice Chancellor, after having examined the matter, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, accorded sanction in accordance with the recommendations of the Chairman, who is also the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology, and a U.O. was issued (U.O No. Ac AIV/2/Components of CA Marks/2017 dated 14.02.2017) in this regard.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

### 20. Granting of Grace time for the submission of Ph.D. thesis to Research Scholars who have completed their research period – reporting of – reg. (Ac.E.I)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 19-11-2016 (Item #22.30) had resolved to grant grace time for submission of Theses up to 30th November, 2017 in respect of all research students, who have already exceeded the prescribed time limit of 5 years/8 years of full-time/part-time research respectively, for completing their research subject to the approval of the Academic Council.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council considered the above resolution of the Syndicate in detail and recommended that the University Order U.O.No.AcEI/2016 dated 24.10.2016 be suitably modified to cope with the said resolution of the Syndicate and the revised decision be executed in accordance with the directives contained in Judgment of the Hon’ble High Court of Kerala dated 25.10.2016 and to seek the approval of UGC in this regard.

The Vice-chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act has approved the above recommendations and modified University Order (UO) was issued incorporating the above in the best interest of the student community. It was reiterated therein that granting registration for research leading to the award of Ph.D Degree in respect of all applicants, from January, 2016 Sessions onwards shall be strictly in accordance with the UGC Regulations, 2009 and 2016 as the case may be. The provision for granting extension of research period beyond the prescribed time limit of 5 years / 8 years of full-time and part-time research respectively for research students covered under UGC Regulations, 2009 is dispensed with for accommodating fresh meritorious candidates in the limited number of seats.

It was further ordered that UO. No. Ac.E.1/2016 dated 24-10-2016 issued in line with the interim order of the Hon’ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) No. 17725 stands cancelled with immediate effect and that the decisions taken by the University on requests received up to 16-01-2017 to the advantage of existing research students, in accordance with the said UO shall sustain.

It was further accentuated by the Vice-Chancellor that modifications in the last date of submission of Theses up to 30th November, 2017 specified in this order, shall be subject to the final approval of UGC, as ordered by the Hon’ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) 12532 of 2016(N) dated 25-10-2016 and that the thesis submitted by existing research scholars, covered under the said extension, under the guidance of supervisory teachers who require relaxation as per UGC, Regulation 2009 shall be adjudicated only under the directives of the UGC.

Accordingly a University Order No. Ac.El/2016-17 dated 16.01.2017 was issued.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

The Academic Council considered the matter and noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor. Further resolved that the UO no. Ac.El/2016-17 dated 16-01-2017 be re-examined whether it is completely in tune with the judgment of the Hon’ble High Court.

### 21. UGC Regulations 2010 – API based on PBAS – Approval of Finalised Templates & issuance of University Orders – Reporting of – reg. (Ac.F.II)

The University Grants Commission had brought in the 2nd, 3rd and 4th amendments to the Principal UGC Regulations 2010 vide notifications dated 13th June 2013, 4th May 2016 and 11th July 2016 respectively. University orders, in connection with these Amendments were issued vide references read as papers (1) to (6). The matter was reported to the Academic Council held on 4th October, 2016 vide U.O.No.Ac.F.II/General/UGC.-R 2010/2014 dated 18-11-2015, U.O.No.Ac.F.II/General/UGC.-R

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

As per U.O No.Ac AIV/1/01986/2002 dated 23-07-2002, Private Registration offered for PG courses were discontinued and decided to be offered only through the University School of Distance Education from 2002 onwards. Consequent to the withdrawal of approval of the SDE for the year 2015-16 by the UGC, the Syndicate at its meeting held on 14/12/2015 resolved that the UG/PG programmes that need not require laboratory facilities be offered through private registration. Since with the existing Regulations the PG courses were not feasible to be offered under private registration, the matter was referred to the Academic Council.

Accordingly, the matter was considered by the Academic Council at its meeting held on 18/4/2016 resolved to restart private registration mode for PG programmes that do not require lab facilities on the condition that the private registration mode be made terminable on restoring the recognition of SDE from the UGC and to entrust the Standing Committee on Academic Council to prepare the Regulations for the Post Graduate programmes under annual pattern. The Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 20/5/2016 recommended to approve the draft regulations applicable to all PG courses to be offered under private registration in the annual pattern. The Vice Chancellor subject to reporting to the Academic Council approved the regulations as recommended by the Standing Committee of the Academic Council and was implemented vide U.O No.Ac.AII/1/23958/2016 Dated, 31.05.2016.

The implementation of the General Regulations for the Post-Graduate Programmes under Annual Pattern, was reported to the Academic Council held on 4th October 2016.

The meeting of the Deans concerned and the Chairpersons of the PG Boards of Studies held on 21.06.2016, recommended to identify the following 14 PG programmes, as having no practical components and entrusted the respective PG Boards of Studies to reframe the existing syllabi of the programmes under
semester pattern in accordance with the Regulations for the PG Programmes under annual pattern to be offered under private study.

1. M.A History
2. M.A Political Science
3. M.A Economics
4. M.A Sociology
5. M.A. Public Administration
6. M.A Islamic History
7. M.A. Philosophy
8. M.A English
9. M.A Malayalam
10. M.A. Hindi
11. M.A Sanskrit (General)
12. M.A Tamil
13. M.A Arabic

Considering the matter in detail, the Vice-Chancellor, in exercise of powers vested on him by virtue of the provision under 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974, approved the syllabi of above programmes reframed as per the General Regulations for the Post-Graduate Programmes under annual pattern and accorded sanction to reintroduce private registration for the above said PG courses subject to the condition that the private registration mode be terminable on restoring the recognition of the University SDE from the UGC, as resolved by the Academic Council held on 18.04.2016. U.O No.Ac.A.II/1/2016 dated 22.11.2016 was issued in this regard.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

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The modifications in the Regulations/Course Pattern (2015) of the MASLP as well as BASLP Degree Courses noted below, as recommended by the former Chairman, Board of Studies in BASLP and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Medicine, was approved by the Vice-Chancellor subject to reporting to the Academic Council, and U.O.s (No. Ac.AIII/3/BASLP/2016 and Ac.AIII/3/MASLP/2016 dated 11.11.2016) were issued accordingly.

<p>| Regulation, Course Pattern and Pattern of Examination – Corrections/Modifications |
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| Clause                        | Present         | Revised       |
| MASTER OF AUDIOLOGY AND SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY (MASLP) |
| Regulation - 9 b |
| Practical Examinations (fifth semester has to be deleted) |
| (sixth semester has to be deleted) |
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| Second, fourth and sixth |
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BACHELOR OF AUDIOLOGY AND SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY (BASLP)
Course Pattern and Pattern of Examination - All Semesters – “Minimum Requirements”

- 30% marks
- 30% marks in clinical skill matrix

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

**The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.**

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25. First Degree Programme in Economics under CBCS system – Components for Continuous Evaluation (CE) of the Foundation course II EC 1321 “Informatics” for III semester – with effect from 2015 admissions – Approved – Orders issued - reporting of – reg. (Ac.A.V)

The Academic Council approved the revised scheme and syllabus for First Degree Programme in Economics under CBCS system with effect from 2015 admissions and U.O.No.Ac.A.V/1/Economics/2015 dated 07-11-2015 was issued in this regard.

As per the revised scheme and syllabus the CE marks for the Foundation Course II, EC 1321 “Informatics” for III semester of First Degree Programme in Economics under CBCS system, shall be awarded on the basis of practical examination. The Chairman, Board of Studies in Economics (Pass) recommended the following criteria for distribution of marks for consolidation of CE marks for the said course.

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

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, approved the above recommendations of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Economics (Pass) as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences. U.O.No.Ac.A.V/1/Economics/2017 dated 14-02-2017 issued in this regard.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

**The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.**

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26. First Degree Programmes under CBCS system - Consolidation of grade points of candidates readmitted from Direct Grading system to Indirect Grading system under different scheme and syllabus - Consolidation of results – Approved - Orders issued - reporting of - reg. (Ac.A.V)

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, approved the formula submitted by the Director, Computer Centre for the consolidation of results of candidates readmitted from Direct Grading system to Indirect Grading system, with the same syllabus and U.O.No.Ac.AV/1/ULMC/2012 dated 15-10-2016 was issued in this regard.

The ULMC at its meeting held on 9th December 2016 considered the requests received from the candidates readmitted from Direct Grading System to Indirect Grading System with a different scheme and syllabus, to combine their Grade Points secured by them under Direct Grading System and Indirect Grading System for Consolidation and finalization of results (CCPA) and recommended the following:

1. To extend the formula for consolidation of Grade Points of candidates readmitted from Direct Grading System to Indirect Grading System with the same syllabus issued earlier vide U O No.Ac AV/1/ULMC/2012 dated 15-10-2016 to the students who were readmitted from Direct Grading System to 5th and 6th semesters of Indirect Grading System, with a different scheme and syllabus.
2. Such readmitted candidates of 5th and 6th semesters who wish to improve/reappear the examinations taken earlier to their readmission, shall do the same in the scheme and syllabus in which they have undergone the course of study of such semesters.
3. The said formula is not applicable for the students readmitted from Direct Grading System to 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th semesters under Indirect Grading System, with a different scheme and syllabus.
These candidates have to reappear for all the examinations as per the current scheme and syllabus under Indirect Grading System.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, approved the above recommendations of the ULMC. U.O No.Ac.AV/1/ULMC/2012 dated 06-01-2017 was issued accordingly. The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

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The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice Chancellor. Further resolved that the U.O No.Ac.AV/1/ULMC/2012 dated 06-01-2017 be re-examined and appropriate changes made, if required.

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27. First Degree Programmes under CBCS system - Consolidation of grade points of candidates readmitted from Direct Grading system to Indirect Grading system - Formula for consolidation of results – Approved - Orders issued - reporting of - reg. (Ac.A.V)

The First Degree Programmes under CBCS system was introduced in the colleges affiliated to the University with effect from 2010 admissions with Direct Grading system. Later as per the recommendation of the 'Prof.Hrdaya Kumari Committee report', Indirect Grading system was introduced with effect from 2013 admissions. Candidates who studied under Direct Grading system and sought readmission in the Indirect Grading system were directed to appear for the examinations as per existing scheme & syllabus including the examinations of the semesters which they have undergone prior to their readmission. The readmitted students have now requested to combine their results under the direct and Indirect grading system for consolidation and finalization of their CCPA.

The ULMC at its meeting held on 31-03-2016 entrusted the Director, Computer Centre to study the possibility of combining the results, in further consultation as required, with the expert committee constituted for the study of consolidation of results. Accordingly the Director, Computer Centre submitted the following formula for consolidation of grade points of candidates readmitted from Direct Grading system to Indirect Grading system:

Calculation of CCPA for readmitted candidates

\[ \text{CCPA} = \frac{\sum (\text{CPoi} + \text{CPni})}{\sum (\text{Coi} + \text{Cni})} \]

where

- \( \text{CPoi} \) = Total Credit Points in old scheme (converted to new scheme)
- \( \text{CPni} \) = Total Credit Points in new scheme
- \( \text{Coi} \) = Total Credits in old scheme
- \( \text{Cni} \) = Total Credits in new scheme
- \( i \) = semester

Conversion of old scheme into new scheme

\[ \text{CPoi} = \sum \left( \frac{(\text{ESEni} + \text{CEni})}{10} \right) * \text{Ci} \]

where

- \( \text{ESEni} \) = ESE in old scheme * 20
- \( \text{CEni} \) = CE in old scheme * 5
- \( \text{Ci} \) = Credits in old scheme
- \( i \) = semester

The ULMC at its meeting held on 28-09-2016 considered the above formula submitted by the Director, Computer Centre for consolidation of grade points of candidates readmitted from Direct Grading system to Indirect Grading system and approved the formula subject to the following conditions.

1. The syllabus followed by the candidates before readmission and the syllabus in which they are readmitted should be the same.
2. The readmitted candidates who wish to improve/reappear the examinations taken earlier to their readmission, shall do the same in the scheme & syllabus in which they have undergone the course of study of such semesters.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, approved the formula for the consolidation of results of candidates readmitted from Direct Grading system to Indirect Grading system submitted by the Director, Computer Centre and recommended by the ULMC. U.O.No.Ac.AV/1/ULMC/2012 dated 15-10-2016 was issued in this regard.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

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The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.
28. Consideration of applications for registration for research under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.E.I.)

An application for part-time registration in respect of Smt. Ammu Kripalal, Assistant Professor, Electronics and Communication Engineering, Vidya Academy of Science and Technology (Self financing College) under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology in January, 2016 session has been received. While processing the above application, the following resolutions of the Academic Council held on 4th October, 2016 were also considered.

The Academic Council vide item No.20, 21 and 22 considered the matter of granting recognition to Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering and Department of Mechanical Engineering of Government Engineering College, Barton Hill, Thiruvananthapuram and Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, TKM College of Engineering, Kollam and resolved not to approve the departments as a Research Centre of University of Kerala as the affiliation of the college stands shifted to KTU and Research programmes are offered in the approved research centres under the KTU.

The affiliation to all the Engineering Colleges, other than the colleges directly under the control of Universities of the State have already been transferred to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University (KTU) from the academic year 2015-16 onwards. Going in line with the above resolution of the Academic Council, University may also have to think of stopping the granting of fresh approval of research supervisors and fresh registration for candidates under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, once the last regular batch of B.Tech. under this University complete their course in the year 2018.

However, the Faculty of Engineering was included in the notification inviting applications online from eligible candidates for registration for full-time and part-time research leading to award of Ph.D Degree of the University upto the January, 2017 session and there are also applicants for the same. Further, Engineering and Technology has also been included in the Notification for the Ph.D Entrance.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council not recommended since the College in question is affiliated to KTU.

29. Dr. Morassa Sayadi from Iran - Representation to do Post Doctoral Research in “Documentation of Sanskrit” with Dr. Kunjamma.S, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Linguistics as Supervising Guide and Dr. C. A. Shaila, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Sanskrit as Co-guide and Department of Sanskrit, Kariavattom as Research Centre - Application from – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.D)

The Director, Centre for Global Academics has forwarded a representation from Dr. Morassa Sayadi, holder of Iranian Passport No.A30486096, requesting to grant permission to do Post Doctoral Research with Dr. Kunjamma.S, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Linguistics as Supervising Guide and Dr. C. A. Shaila, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Sanskrit as Co-guide and Department of Sanskrit, Kariavattom as Research Centre.

The following points was noted in this regard:
1. Dr. Morassa Sayadi has been awarded Ph.D in Sanskrit on 20.08.2014 with Department of Sanskrit as Research Centre.
2. She has requested to do Post Doctoral Research in Sanskrit.
3. This is the first time an International scholar is applying for Post Doctoral Research programme with University of Kerala.
4. There is no separate norms for Post Doctoral Programme for International Scholars.
5. The Regulations for Admission of International Students and International Co-operation is also silent regarding the Post Doctoral Programmes offered to International Scholars.
6. However there is a Regulation for the award of University Post Doctoral Fellowship issued vide UO No. Ac.EVII/2016 dated 31.05.2016. (Copy of Regulations attached).
7. As per Clause 5.4 of the regulations “There shall be no age bar for award of regular post-doctoral fellowship, subject to the condition that the candidates shall apply for PDF within two years from the date of award of Ph.D Degree.”
8. In this case the scholar has been awarded Degree on 20.08.2014.
The matter was placed before the Executive Committee of the CGA and the recommendations were placed before the Syndicate held on 23.12.2016, vide item no. 23.67.02, and the Syndicate resolved to refer the matter to the Academic Council.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to accept the request since the candidate, being a foreigner and to suggest Dr. Kunjamma S. as the Mentor.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the request be accepted condoning the delay in applying for PDF.
Further resolved that the existing Regulations for PDF shall be made applicable to Foreign scholars also.

30. Amendment to Regulation relating to Recognition of Examinations/Degrees of State Boards/Statutory Universities/Deemed Universities/Other institutions – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.L)

The Academic Council at its meeting held on 04-10-2016; vide Item No.60 considered and resolved to approve the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved 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 State Boards/Statutory Universities/Institutions as per the details shown in the Statement appended as recognized as equivalent to the corresponding Examinations/Degrees of this University either on reciprocal basis or for specific purposes such as higher studies or employment and further resolved to delete ‘specific purpose of admission to M.Phil. in Bioinformatics programme of Kerala University’ included under the recommendation of the Chairman, BoS in Education against serial no.1 of Appendix.

The Degrees, Diplomas awarded by other Universities and recognized by the University of Kerala have to be incorporated in the ‘Regulations relating to Recognition of Examinations and Degrees of other Universities’ by an amendment. As such, an amendment proposal is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and approval.

Amendment Proposal

“That, in Chapter IV – Norms for granting Recognition / equivalence to Examinations, Degrees etc. of Universities or Bodies of foreign Countries of the Regulations relating to recognition of examinations and Degrees of Other Universities, the following be added to the existing entries under relevant Universities/institutions under the Heading “Degrees and Examinations of other Universities and institutions’ recognized by the University of Kerala.”

(List of degrees/examinations appended).

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to approve the proposal for amendment.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved to approve the amendment proposal. (List of degrees/examinations appended).

31. Amendment to the Regulations of the Two Year B.Ed. Degree in Special Education (Intellectual Disability) 2015 Scheme – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.L)

The Academic Council at its meeting held on 4th October 2016, vide Item No.I.67; considered and noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the modification made in the existing Clause XVII (pass Minimum) in the Regulations of the two year B.Ed. Degree Course in Special Education (Intellectual Disability) 2015 Scheme and U.O.No.Ac.A.III/2/B.Ed.(SE-ID)/2016 dated 16/02/2017 had been issued in this regard.

AMENDMENT

“That, the following be incorporated under Clause XVII – “PASSING MINIMUM” of the Regulations of Two Year B.Ed. Degree Course in Special Education (Intellectual Disability) 2015 Scheme”:

“Minimum marks required for a pass in internal is 40%”

The above amendment to the Regulations of the Two Year B.Ed. Degree Course in Special Education (Intellectual Disability) 2015 Scheme, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and adoption as envisaged under section 25(ii) of the Kerala University Act, 1974.
The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to approve the proposed amendment with modification, as follows:

“That, the following be incorporated under Clause XVII – “PASS MINIMUM” of the Regulations of Two Year B.Ed. Degree Course in Special Education (Intellectual Disability) 2015 Scheme”.

“Minimum marks required for a pass in internal shall be 40 per cent”

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the amendment be approved with the following modifications:-

“That, the following be incorporated under Clause XVII – “PASS MINIMUM” of the Regulations of Two Year B.Ed. Degree Course in Special Education (Intellectual Disability) 2015 Scheme”.

“Minimum marks required for a pass in internal shall be 40 percent”

32. Recognition of Five Year BBA.LLB (Hons) Degree (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam - Request from Smt. Shilpa Lal – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Shilpa Lal submitted the attested copy of the scheme and syllabus of Five Year BBA.LLB (Hons) Degree (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies LLM of the University of Kerala. She had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

Both the Chairman, BoS in Law (Pass) and the Dean, Faculty of Law recommended to grant recognition to the Five Year BBA.LLB (Hons) Degree (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam for the purpose of higher education and employment in the field of Law.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for Five Year BBA.LLB (Hons) Degree (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam for higher studies and employment.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the Five Year BBA.LLB (Hons) Degree (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam be recognized for higher studies and employment.

33. Recognition of Five Year Integrated M.Sc. Degree in Photonics (Regular) awarded by Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi - Request from Smt. Keerthana.K.S. – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Keerthana.K.S submitted the attested copy of the scheme and syllabus of Five Year Integrated M.Sc. Degree in Photonics (Regular) awarded by Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies M.Phil. Degree in Photonics in the Department of Optoelectronics. She had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Optoelectronics and the Dean, Faculty of Applied Science and Technology recommended to grant recognition to the Five Year Integrated M.Sc. Degree in Photonics (Regular) awarded by Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi for higher education and employment in the area of Optoelectronics.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for Five Year Integrated M.Sc. Degree in Photonics (Regular) awarded by Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi for higher studies and employment in ‘Optoelectronics’.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the Five Year Integrated M.Sc. Degree in Photonics (Regular) awarded by Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi be recognized for higher studies and employment in ‘Optoelectronics’.

34. Recognition of M.E. Degree in Micro Electronic Systems (Regular) awarded by Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore – Request received from Sri. Emil Mathew Joseph – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)

Sri. Emil Mathew Joseph submitted the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of M.E. Degree in Micro Electronic Systems (Regular) awarded by Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore for course recognition for the purpose of employment in the field of Electrical and Electronics Engineering. The candidate had obtained 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala and he had obtained his B.Tech. Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering from University of Kerala.
The Chairman, BoS in Engineering (PG) recommended that the M.E. Degree in Micro Electronic Systems (Regular) awarded by Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore may be recognized as eligible qualification for employment and higher studies in the area of Electrical and Electronics Engineering and the Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology endorsed the same.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for M.E. Degree in Micro Electronic Systems (Regular) awarded by Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore for higher studies and employment in ‘Electrical and Electronics Engineering’.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the M.E. Degree in Micro Electronic Systems (Regular) Degree awarded by Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore be recognized for higher studies and employment in “Electrical and Electronics Engineering”.

35. Recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Faculty of Science awarded by Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore - Request received from Smt. S. Reshmi – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. S. Reshmi submitted the thesis of Ph. D Degree in Faculty of Science awarded by Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore titled “Investigations on Azide Functional Polymers as Binders for Solid Propellants” for course-recognition for the purpose of applying for guideship in University of Kerala. She has undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognised by the University of Kerala. She has obtained B.Sc Degree and M.Sc. Degree in Chemistry from University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Chemistry (PG) remarked that the Ph.D degree is awarded by an Indian premier institution for the work, the quality and quantity of which is high standard and acceptable. Good publications have also been achieved and the Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the remarks. The Chairman, BoS in Chemistry (PG) and the Dean, Faculty of Science recommended to grant recognition to the Ph. D Degree in Faculty of Science awarded by Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore for higher education and employment in Chemistry.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for Ph.D. Degree in the Faculty of Science awarded by Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore for the thesis titled “Investigations on Azide Functional Polymers as Binders for Solid Propellants”, for higher studies and employment in Chemistry.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the Ph.D Degree in the Faculty of Science awarded by Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore to Smt. S. Reshmi for the thesis titled “Investigations on Azide Functional Polymers as Binders for Solid Propellants”, be recognized for the purpose of higher studies and employment in ‘Chemistry’.

36. Recognition of B.Sc. Degree in Biotechnology, Chemistry, Genetics (Regular) awarded by Osmania University through Loyola Academy Degree & PG College (Autonomous) - Request from Smt. Nisha Mathew – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Nisha Mathew submitted the attested copy of Scheme and Syllabus of B.Sc. Degree in Biotechnology, Chemistry, Genetics (Regular)awarded by Osmania University through Loyola Academy Degree & PG College (Autonomous) for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Biotechnology. She had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Biotechnology (Pass) and Dean, Faculty of Applied Science and Technology recommended to grant recognition to the B.Sc. Degree in Biotechnology, Chemistry, Genetics (Regular) awarded by Osmania University through Loyola Academy Degree & PG College (Autonomous) for the purpose of higher education and employment in the field of Biotechnology.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.Sc. Degree in Biotechnology, Chemistry, Genetics (Regular) awarded by Osmania University through Loyola Academy Degree & PG College (Autonomous) for higher studies and employment in ‘Biotechnology’.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.Sc. Degree in Biotechnology, Chemistry, Genetics (Regular) awarded by Osmania University through Loyola Academy Degree & PG College (Autonomous) be recognized for higher studies and employment in ‘Biotechnology’.
37. Recognition of M.Sc. (Food Technology) awarded by Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning (Deemed) - Letter from the Registrar, Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning (Deemed) – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

The Registrar, Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning (Deemed) forwarded the Scheme and Syllabus of M.Sc. (Food Technology) for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

The Chairman, BoS in Home Science (P.G) and the Dean, Faculty of Science recommended to grant recognition to the M.Sc. (Food Technology) awarded by Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning (Deemed) as equivalent to the M.Sc. Degree in Food and Nutrition of the University of Kerala for higher education only.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for M.Sc. (Food Technology) (Regular) awarded by Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning (Deemed) for higher studies and employment in ‘Food and Nutrition’.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the M.Sc. (Food Technology) awarded by Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning (Deemed) be recognized for higher studies and employment in ‘Food and Nutrition.’ after ensuring that at least one batch of students have successfully completed the course.


Sri. Thankappan, Alias Biju.G, submitted the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Com. with Computer Application Degree (Regular) awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University through S. Vellaichamy Nadar College (Autonomous), Madurai for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The candidate had obtained 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Commerce (Pass) recommended that the B.Com. with Computer Application Degree (Regular) awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University through S. Vellaichamy Nadar College (Autonomous), Madurai be recognized as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Commerce. The Dean, Faculty of Commerce recommended that the B.Com. with Computer Application (Regular) Degree awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University through S. Vellaichamy Nadar College (Autonomous), Madurai be granted recognition as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment at par with B.Com. Degree of the University of Kerala.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.Com. with Computer Application Degree (Regular) awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University through S. Vellaichamy Nadar College (Autonomous), Madurai for higher studies and employment.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.Com. with Computer Application (Regular) Degree awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University through S. Vellaichamy Nadar College (Autonomous), Madurai be recognized for higher studies and employment.


Smt.Mohini Kumari. M.H., submitted application for recognition of B.A Degree in Education, Political Science and Sociology awarded by Karnataka State Open University, Mysore for the purpose of employment (teaching job in Political Science). The candidate had passed SSLC and preuniversity course, recognised by University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Political Science (Pass) recommended to grant recognition to the B.A Degree in Education, Political Science and Sociology awarded by Karnataka State Open University, Mysore as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment. The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences remarked to place the matter before the Academic Council for taking a policy decision, since the University of Kerala does not offer B.A Degree in Education, Political Science and Sociology.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to refer the matter back to the Chairman, BoS for a detailed scrutiny of the documents submitted by the applicant.
The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the matter be referred back to the BoS for further recommendations after a detailed scrutiny of the documents submitted by the applicant.

40. Recognition of B.C.A. Degree (Regular) awarded by Karnataka University, Dharwad through P.C. Jabin Science College (Autonomous), Hubli - Request from Smt. Manuja Mathai - Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Manuja Mathai submitted the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of B.C.A. (Regular) Degree awarded by Karnataka University through P.C. Jabin Science College (Autonomous), Hubli for course recognition for the purpose of both higher studies and employment. The candidate had obtained 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Computer Science (Pass) remarked that as the eligibility criteria, minimum pass requirements and Syllabus are at par with that of our University, the B.C.A. (Regular) Degree awarded by Karnataka University through P.C. Jabin Science College (Autonomous), Hubli is recommended for the eligibility for higher studies and employment and the Dean, Faculty of Applied Science and Technology endorsed the recommendations.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended (1) that the Dean, Faculty of Science in the Agenda Note be corrected as Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology. (2) To grant recognition for B.C.A. Degree (Regular) awarded by Karnataka University, Dharwad through P.C. Jabin Science College (Autonomous), Hubli for higher studies and employment.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.C.A. (Regular) Degree awarded by Karnataka University, Dharwad through P.C. Jabin Science College (Autonomous), Hubli be recognised for higher studies and employment.


Sri. Sooryan J.S. submitted the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of M.Tech. Degree in Systems Analysis and Computer Applications (Regular) awarded by N.I.T. Karnataka for course recognition for the purpose of both higher studies and employment in the field of Electronics and Communication. The candidate had obtained 10+2 pattern of study, B.Tech. Degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering from Calicut University which are recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Engineering (PG) remarked that the N.I.T. Surathkal is an Institute of National Importance. Eligibility Certificate stating that the M.Tech. degree in Systems Analysis and Computer Application (Regular) of N.I.T. Karnataka is recognized by University of Kerala as equivalent to M.Tech. degree of this University has been issued vide Folio No. Ac.C/014913/2015 dtd.12/02/2015. Now the applicant has acquired M.Tech Degree in Systems Analysis and Computer Application after qualifying B.Tech Degree in Electronics and Communications Engineering from the University of Calicut. The University of Kerala does not offer M.Tech Course in Systems Analysis and Computer Applications. The M.Tech. Degree in Systems Analysis and Computer Applications (Regular) awarded to Sri. Sooryan J.S., by N.I.T. Karnataka may be recognized as eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the area of Electronics and Communication Engineering. The Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman.


The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the M.Tech. Degree in Systems Analysis and Computer Application (Regular) Degree awarded by N.I.T. Karnataka, Surathkal be recognised for higher studies and employment in ‘Electronics and Communication Engineering’, provided the candidate has qualified B.Tech. Degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering recognised by University of Kerala.

42. Recognition of M.Sc. Biophysics (Regular) Degree awarded by M.G. University, Kottayam - Request received from Smt. Amrutha M. - Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Amrutha M., submitted the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of M.Sc. Biophysics (Regular) Degree awarded by M.G. University, Kottayam for course recognition for the purpose of higher
the candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study and B.Sc. Degree in Microbiology from Bharathiar University which are recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Computational Biology and Bioinformatics who is also the Dean, Faculty of Applied Science and Technology recommended to recognise M.Sc. Biophysics (Regular) offered by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam as an eligible qualification for admission to M.Phil in Computer Aided Drug Design.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for M.Sc. Biophysics (Regular) Degree awarded by M.G. University, Kottayam as an eligible qualification for admission to M.Phil in Computer Aided Drug Design.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the M.Sc. Biophysics (Regular) Degree awarded by M.G. University, Kottayam be recognized as an eligible qualification for admission to M.Phil in Computer Aided Drug Design.

43. Recognition of B.Sc. Mathematics (Regular) Degree awarded by Bharathiar University through P.S.G. College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Coimbatore - Request received from Sri. G.Viswanathan – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Sri.G.Viswanathan submitted the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Sc. Mathematics (Regular) Degree awarded by University of Madras (May 1981) through P.S.G. College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Coimbatore for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies [to do L.L.B. (evening) course]. Since 1982, P.S.G. College of Arts and Science stands affiliated to Bharathiar University. The candidate had obtained 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Mathematics (Pass) recommended that the B.Sc. Mathematics (Regular) Degree awarded by Bharathiar University through P.S.G. College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Coimbatore be recognized as equivalent to the B.Sc. Mathematics (Regular) of Kerala University for higher studies and employment and the Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.Sc. Mathematics (Regular) Degree awarded by Bharathiar University through P.S.G. College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Coimbatore as equivalent to the B.Sc. Mathematics (Regular) Degree of Kerala University.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.Sc. Mathematics (Regular) Degree awarded by Bharathiar University through P.S.G. College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Coimbatore be recognised as equivalent to the B.Sc. Mathematics (Regular) Degree of University of Kerala.

44. Recognition of M.B.A. Degree through distance mode awarded by Alagappa University, Karaikudi - Request received from Smt. Salini. S. - Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Salini. S., submitted attested copy of the Scheme and Syllabus of M.B.A Degree through distance mode awarded by Alagappa University for course-recognition for the purpose of employment. She had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, recognised by the University of Kerala and B.A and M.A Degree in English Language and Literature from the University of Kerala. It may be noted that the M.B.A Degree through Distance mode awarded by the Alagappa University, Karaikudi is already recognised as equivalent to M.B.A Degree (I.D.E) of the University of Kerala for higher studies. Also, M.B.A Degree through Distance mode awarded by the Alagappa University, Karaikudi is given Programme wise recognition from 2010-2011 to 2012-2013 by the Distance Education Bureau (DEB).

The Chairman, BoS in Business Management (P.G) and the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies recommended to grant eligibility to the M.B.A Degree through distance mode awarded by Alagappa University for employment, which is applicable for M.B.A (IDE) candidates of University of Kerala.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for M.B.A Degree through distance mode awarded by Alagappa University, Karaikudi for employment, applicable for M.B.A (SDE) candidates of University of Kerala.
The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the M.B.A Degree through distance mode awarded by Alagappa University, Karaikudi be recognised for employment, applicable for M.B.A (Distance) candidates of University of Kerala.

45. Recognition of B.A. Degree in Economics, Political Science and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Christ University, Bangalore (Deemed) - Request received from Smt. Neethu Santhan – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Neethu Santhan submitted attested copy of the Scheme and Syllabus of B.A Degree in Economics, Political Science and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Christ University, Bangalore (Deemed) for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies in Political Science and employment. She had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Political Science (Pass) recommended to grant recognition to the B.A Degree in Economics, Political Science and Sociology (Regular) awarded by the Christ University, Bangalore for higher studies and employment. The Dean, Faculty of Social Science remarked that the candidate may be granted eligibility for getting admission to M.A. Political Science and also for employment purpose.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.A. Degree in Economics, Political Science and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Christ University, Bangalore (Deemed) for higher studies and employment in Political Science.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.A Degree in Economics, Political Science and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Christ University, Bangalore (Deemed) be recognised for higher studies and employment in 'Political Science'.

46. Recognition of B.A. Double Main Degree in Malayalam and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Calicut University - Request received from Smt. Sofiya A.P. - Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Sofiya A.P., sought for course-recognition of the B.A. Double Main Degree in Malayalam and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Calicut University for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The candidate has already completed B.Ed. in Social Science from this University and from her request it is seen that her B.Ed. Marklists and Degree certificate have not been issued for want of Eligibility Certificate of her B.A. Degree.

Considering the request of the candidate, the Chairman, Board of Studies in Sociology (Pass) has remarked that the file may be placed before the Board of Studies in Sociology (Pass).

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Studies in Sociology (Pass) held on 29/11/2016 Vide Item NoVI.(a), recommended for the recognition of B.A. Double main degree in Malayalam and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Calicut University for Higher Studies and employment in the subject Sociology.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences remarked that the matter may be placed before the Academic Council for approval.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.A. Double Main Degree in Malayalam and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Calicut University for Higher Studies and employment in 'Sociology'.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.A. Double Main Degree in Malayalam and Sociology (Regular) awarded by Calicut University be recognized for higher studies and employment in ‘Sociology’.

47. Recognition of M.Tech Degree in VLSI Design (Regular) awarded by Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur through Shri. Ramdeo Baba College of Engineering and Management, Nagpur (Autonomous) - Request from Smt. Suma. G.S. – Consideration of– reg. (Ac.C)

Smt Suma. G.S. submitted the attested copy of the syllabus and scheme of M.Tech. Degree in VLSI Design (Regular) awarded by Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur through Shri. Ramdeo Baba College of Engineering and Management, Nagpur (Autonomous) for the purpose of getting course recognition for higher studies and employment. All lower degrees of the candidate are recognised by University of Kerala.

The annual meeting of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology held on 05.03.2016 resolved to refer the matter to a sub committee as recommended by the BOS (PG) at its meeting held on 29.01.2016.
The Academic Council held on 18.04.2016 approved the resolution. The report of the sub committee was placed before the Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) held on 25.11.2016 and the Board recommended to grant recognition for M.Tech. Degree in VLSI Design (Regular) awarded by Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur through Shri. Ramdeo Baba College of Engineering and Management, Nagpur (Autonomous) as equivalent to the M.Tech. Degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering of University of Kerala. The Faculty meeting held on 14.12.2016 endorsed the recommendation of the Board.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for M.Tech Degree in VLSI Design (Regular) awarded by Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur through Shri Ramdeo Baba College of Engineering and Management, Nagpur (Autonomous) as equivalent to the M.Tech. Degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering of University of Kerala. The Faculty meeting held on 14.12.2016 endorsed the recommendation of the Board.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the M.Tech. Degree in VLSI Design (Regular) awarded by Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur through Shri. Ramdeo Baba College of Engineering and Management, Nagpur (Autonomous) be recognised as equivalent to the M.Tech. Degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering of University of Kerala.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the M.Tech. Degree in VLSI Design (Regular) awarded by Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur through Shri. Ramdeo Baba College of Engineering and Management, Nagpur (Autonomous) be recognised as equivalent to the M.Tech. Degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering of University of Kerala.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for M.A. Degree in Public Administration through distance mode awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Thirunelveli as equivalent to M.A. Degree in Public Administration of the University of Kerala.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the M.A Degree in Public Administration through distance mode awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Thirunelveli be recognised as equivalent to M.A. Degree in Public Administration (Distance mode) of University of Kerala.

48. Recognition of M.A Degree in Public Administration through distance mode awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Thirunelveli - Request received from Sri. Satheesh Babu. B. – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)

Sri. Satheesh Babu. B., submitted the attested copy of the scheme and syllabus of M.A Degree in Public Administration through distance mode awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment. He had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, recognised by the University of Kerala and completed B.C.A Degree through distance mode from Manonmaniam Sundaranar University which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

The meeting of the Board of Studies in Public Administration held on 30-11-2016, considered the granting of recognition of M.A Degree in Public Administration through distance mode awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University and recommended that the Academic Council may recognise the M.A Degree in Public Administration awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Science sought clarification from the Chairman, BoS in Public Administration on equivalence with a specific Degree of the University of Kerala for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The Chairman, BoS in Public Administration clarified that the decision of the Board is to recommend to the Academic Council to grant recognition to the M.A Degree in Public Administration through distance mode awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University as equivalent to M.A Degree in Public Administration of the University of Kerala for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The Dean, Faculty of Social Science endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Public Administration.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for M.A. Degree in Public Administration through distance mode awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Thirunelveli as equivalent to M.A Degree in Public Administration of the University of Kerala.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the M.A Degree in Public Administration through distance mode awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Thirunelveli be recognised as equivalent to M.A. Degree in Public Administration (Distance mode) of University of Kerala.

49. Recognition of B.Sc. Degree in Zoology (Regular) awarded by Bharathidasan University through Seethalakshmi Ramaswami College (Autonomous), Thiruchirappalli – Request received from Smt. V.B. Seema – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. V.B. Seema submitted the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Sc. Degree in Zoology (Regular) awarded by Bharathidasan University through Seethalakshmi Ramaswami College (Autonomous), Thiruchirappalli, for course recognition for the purpose of Higher studies and employment. The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Zoology (Pass) recommended to recognize the B.Sc. Degree in Zoology (Regular) awarded by Bharathidasan University through Seethalakshmi Ramaswami College (Autonomous), Thiruchirappalli as equivalent to B.Sc. Degree in Zoology of University of Kerala for Higher Education and employment and the Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman.
The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.Sc. Degree in Zoology (Regular) awarded by Bharathidasan University through Seethalakshmi Ramaswami College(Autonomous), Thiruchirappalli as equivalent to B.Sc. Degree in Zoology of University of Kerala.

**The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.Sc. Degree in Zoology (Regular) awarded by Bharathidasan University through Seethalakshmi Ramaswami College (Autonomous), Thiruchirappalli be recognized as equivalent to BSc Degree in Zoology of University of Kerala.**

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Shri. Krishna Deepth Chandra Mohan Thulasi, submitted the copy of the syllabus of Master of Science Degree in Electronic Engineering awarded by Staffordshire University, U.K for course recognition for the purpose of employment as Assistant Professor in Govt. Engineering Colleges. He has obtained B.E. Degree in Electronics and Communication from Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli, which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

As remarked by the Chairman was placed in the Board of Studies in Engineering (P.G). The Board of Studies in Engineering (P.G) at its meeting held on 19/08/2015 recommended to grant recognition to the M.Sc. Degree in Electronics Engineering awarded by Staffordshire University, U.K as equivalent to M.Tech. Degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering of the University of Kerala for higher studies and employment. The Faculty of Engineering and Technology at its meeting held on 05/03/2016 resolved that the matter be re-examined by the Board of Studies in Engineering (P.G) and the said recommendation was approved by the Academic Council at its meeting held on 18-04-2016.

The Board of Studies in Engineering (P.G) at its additional meeting held on 25/11/2016 reiterated that as the Staffordshire University is accredited in UK and the said degree is equated with Master of Engineering (Electronics) by AIU, the decision of the Board taken at its meeting held on 19/08/2015 to grant recognition be approved. The Faculty of Engineering and Technology at its additional meeting held on 14/12/2016 endorsed the recommendation of the Board.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended not to grant recognition since the duration of the course in question is only one year.

**The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved not to grant recognition to the Master of Science Degree in Electronic Engineering awarded by Staffordshire University, U.K since the duration of the course is only one year.**

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**51. Recognition of M.Sc. Degree (Process Engineering and Energy Technology) awarded by Hochschule Bremerhaven University - Request received from Sri. Remsy Tharakan - Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)**

Sri. Remsy Tharakan submitted the scheme and syllabus of M.Sc. Degree (Process Engineering and Energy Technology) awarded by Hochschule Bremerhaven University for course-recognition for the purpose of employment. He has also submitted an equivalency certificate from AIU stating that the said degree is equated with Master of Engineering degree in the corresponding field of an Indian University. He has undergone 10+2 pattern of study, and obtained B.Tech. Degree in Dairy Technology from Indira Gandhi Agricultural University, recognized by the University of Kerala as equivalent to B.Tech Degree of this University.

The Chairman, BoS in Engineering (P.G) recommended to grant recognition to M.Sc. Degree (Process Engineering and Energy Technology) awarded by Hochschule Bremerhaven University as an eligible qualification for employment in the field corresponding to Process Engineering and Energy Technology. The Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman, BoS in Engineering(P.G) and remarked that M.Sc. Degree in Process Engineering and Energy Technology of Hochschule Bremerhaven University can be recognized as an eligible qualification for employment.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to defer the item for detailed study.

**The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the item be referred to the BoS for detailed study.**
52. Recognition of B.Sc Degree in Plant Biology and Plant Biotechnology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University - Request from Smt. Anslet.C. – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Anslet. C. submitted the attested copy of the scheme and syllabus of B.Sc degree in Plant Biology and Biotechnology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies (including B.Ed) and employment. She had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Botany (Pass) and the Dean, Faculty of Science recommended to grant recognition to the B.Sc Degree in Plant Biology and Plant Biotechnology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University for higher education and employment.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.Sc Degree in Plant Biology and Plant Biotechnology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University for higher studies a and employment in ‘Botany.’

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.Sc Degree in Plant Biology and Plant Biotechnology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University be recognized for higher studies (including B.Ed) and employment, in ‘Botany’.

53. Recognition of M.Phil.Degree in Management (Regular) awarded by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education (Deemed), (Noorul Islam University), Kumaracoil - Letter from the Registrar, Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education (Deemed), (Noorul Islam University), Kumaracoil – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

The Registrar, Noorul Islam University (Deemed),Kumaracoil forwarded the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of M.Phil.Degree in Management (Regular) awarded by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education (Deemed),(Noorul Islam University), Kumaracoil for course recognition for the purpose of considering it as equivalent to M.Phil.Degree in Management of the University of Kerala.The Registrar has also informed that the M.Phil. Courses are conducted in accordance with the UGC Regulations 2009/2016 as the case may be.

The Chairman, BoS in Business Management (P.G) recommended to grant recognition to the M.Phil.Degree in Management (Regular) awarded by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education (Deemed), (Noorul Islam University), Kumaracoil as equivalent to M.Phil. Degree in Management of University of Kerala for Higher Education and the Dean, Faculty of Management endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to obtain clarification from the Registrar of the University in question regarding the number of Batches that have successfully completed the M.Phil. programme in Management so far.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that clarification be obtained from the Registrar, Noorul Islam University (Deemed), Kumaracoil regarding the number of batches that have successfully completed the MPhil programme.

54. Recognition of B.B.A (Bachelor of Business Administration) awarded by University of Madras through Distance Mode - Request from Sri. Ambu.S. Charuvil – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Sri. Ambu.S. Charuvil submitted the attested copy of Scheme and Syllabus of B.B.A (Bachelor of Business Administration) awarded by University of Madras through Distance Mode for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies, MBA under the University of Kerala and employment. The candidate has undergone 10+2 pattern of study, recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Business Management (Pass) recommended to grant recognition to the B.B.A (Bachelor of Business Administration) Degree awarded by University of Madras through Distance Mode for the purpose of higher education and employment and the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the views of the Chairman.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.B.A (Bachelor of Business Administration) awarded by University of Madras through Distance Mode for higher studies and employment.
The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.B.A (Bachelor of Business Administration) awarded by University of Madras through Distance Mode be recognized for higher studies and employment for which the BBA (Distance mode) Degree of University of Kerala is an eligible qualification.


Sri.Athul Sivan.S.R., submitted the attested copy of the syllabus of B.S-M.S degree in Physical Sciences awarded by IISER, Thiruvananthapuram for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment. He had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Physics (Pass) remarked that the syllabus of Core course of the BS Degree is almost the same as the First Degree Programme in Physics of the University of Kerala and the course can be recognised for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The Chairman, BoS in Physics (P.G) commented that the content of the syllabus is in good agreement with M.Sc Physics of the University of Kerala and the Integrated BS-MS Degree in Physical Sciences awarded by IISER, Thiruvananthapuram may be recognised as equivalent to the M.Sc Degree in Physics of this University for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Physics (Pass) and the Chairman, BoS in Physics (P.G).

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for Integrated BS-MS degree in Physical Sciences awarded by IISER, Thiruvananthapuram for higher studies and employment in ‘Physics’.

56. Recognition of Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A) Degree awarded by Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai - Request from Smt. Anupama. U.R. - Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Smt.Anupama.U.R., submitted attested copy of the Scheme and Syllabus of B.B.A degree awarded by Tamil Nadu Open University for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment. She had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Business Management (Pass) recommended to grant recognition to the B.B.A Degree awarded by Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai for higher studies. The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies recommended to grant recognition to the B.B.A Degree awarded by Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai for both higher studies and employment.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) Degree awarded by Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai for higher studies and employment.

57. Approval of Syllabi for M.Phil. Programmes (Credit and Semester System) 2016 Admissions – Consideration of – reg. (CSS)

The syllabi for M.Phil. Programmes (Credit and Semester System) 2016 Admissions as recommended by the CSS Academic Committee Meeting held on 02.12.2016 was placed before the Academic Council for approval. Copy of the short minutes attached.
Date & Time : 02-12-2017, 03.30 p.m.

Item No.3  Approval of Syllabi for M.Phil. Programmes (Credit and Semester system) 2016 Admissions.

The HoDs of Departments (list appended) have forwarded the syllabi of M.Phil. Programmes (Credit and Semester System), 2016 – 2017 batch. The syllabi are placed before the CSS Academic Committee for discussion and recommendation for placing before the Academic Council for approval. 

Decision Taken: The Committee discussed the syllabi of the Departments (list appended) in detail, and recommended for placing before the Academic Council.

Sd/-
Dr. T.S. Anirudhan
(Vice-Chairman, CSS)

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to refer the item back to CSS to rectify the errors that have crept into the draft syllabi.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the item be referred back to CSS Academic Committee for rectification of the errors that have crept into the draft syllabi.

58. Approval of Syllabus of Research Methodology for Ph.D. Course Work Examination – Consideration of – reg.  

The Syllabus of Research Methodology for Ph.D. Course Work Examination as recommended by the CSS Academic Committee Meeting held on 07.11.2016 and 02.12.2016 was placed before the Academic Council for approval.

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Date & Time : 07-11-2016, 04.00 p.m.

Item No.6  Approval of Syllabus of Research Methodology for Ph.D. Course Work Examination.

The HoDs of 38 Departments have forwarded the syllabi of Research Methodology for Ph.D. Course work Examination. The syllabi presented in a uniform manner as five units are placed before the CSS Academic Committee for discussion and recommendation for placing before the Academic Council for approval.

Decision Taken: The Committee discussed and recommended the submitted syllabi and decided to place the syllabi before the Academic Council for approval. The Committee also decided to seek explanation from the HoDs who have not submitted the syllabi till date.

Sd/-
Dr. T.S. Anirudhan
(Vice-Chairman, CSS)

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to refer the item back to CSS to rectify the errors that have crept into the draft.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the item be referred back to CSS Academic Committee for rectification of the errors that have crept into the draft syllabi.


The revision of course codes for two papers of M.Sc. Actuarial Science, without change in course title and syllabus recommended by the CSS Academic Committee Meeting held on 07.11.2016 was placed before the Academic Council for approval. Copy of the short minutes attached.

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Venue : Vice-Chancellor’s Chamber
Date & Time : 07-11-2016, 04.00 p.m.
Item No.7. Revision in course codes of two papers of M.Sc. Actuarial Science

The Professor and Head, Department of Demography has submitted the request for revision of course codes for two papers of M.Sc. Actuarial Science, without change in course title and syllabus. The course code of ‘Techniques of Demographic Analysis – I’ is to be changed from DEM 513 to DAS 514 and the course code of ‘Techniques of Demographic Analysis – II’ is to be changed from DEM 521 to DAS 524. The same is placed before the CSS Academic Committee for approval.

Decision Taken: The Committee recommended the revision of course codes of M.Sc. Actuarial Science (course code of ‘Techniques of Demographic Analysis – I’ to be changed from DEM 513 to DAS 514 and the course code of ‘Techniques of Demographic Analysis – II’ to be changed from DEM 521 to DAS 524), subject to reporting before the Academic Council for approval.

Sd/-

Dr. T.S. Anirudhan  
(Vice-Chairman, CSS)

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to refer the item back to the Department of Demography to resubmit the proposal in accordance with the provisions of CSS Regulations in respect of PG Programmes.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the item be referred back to the Dept of Demography for resubmitting the proposal redrafted in accordance with the provisions of CSS Regulations in respect of PG Programmes.

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60. Detailed Scheme and Syllabus of P.G.Diploma in Arabic Translation – Consideration of – reg. (CSS)

The P.G.Diploma in Arabic Translation Programme at the teaching Department of Arabic as recommended by the CSS Academic Committee Meeting held on 24.10.2016 was placed before the Academic Council for approval. Copy of the short minutes attached.

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Venue : Vice-Chancellor’s Chamber  
Date & Time : 24-10-2016, 04.00 p.m.

Item No.4. Detailed Scheme and Syllabus of P.G.Diploma in Arabic Translation for recommendation for placing before the Academic Council.

The Head of the Department, Department of Arabic has submitted the detailed Scheme and Syllabus of P.G.Diploma in Arabic Translation Programme. The same is placed before the CSS Academic Committee for discussion and recommendation for placing before the Academic Council for approval.

Decision Taken: The Committee recommended the Scheme and Syllabus of P.G.Diploma in Arabic Translation Programme for placing before the Academic Council.

Sd/-

Dr. T.S. Anirudhan  
(Vice-Chairman, CSS)

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to refer the item back to the Department of Arabic for effecting required corrections regarding the title of programme.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the item be referred back to the Dept of Arabic for effecting required corrections regarding the title of the programme.

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61. Introduction of Grading System for PG programmes of Departments of University – Consideration of – reg. (CSS)

The introduction of Grading System for PG programmes of Departments of University of Kerala as recommended by the CSS Academic Committee Meeting held on 04.02.2017 was placed before the Academic Council for approval. Copy of the short minutes attached.
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Venue : Vice-Chancellor’s Chamber  
Date & Time : 04-02-2017, 04.00 p.m.

Item No.2  Introduction of Grading System for PG Programmes of Departments of University.  
The draft proposal prepared by the CSS Subcommittee constituted for introduction of Grading System for PG programmes of Departments of University of Kerala is placed for discussion and recommendation for placing before the Academic Council for approval.  

Decision Taken: The Committee discussed the proposal for introduction of Grading System for PG programmes of Departments of University of Kerala and recommended for placing before the Academic Council for approval.

Sd/-  
Dr. T.S. Anirudhan  
(Vice-Chairman, CSS)

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to withdraw the item.

The Academic Council resolved to withdraw the item, as the matter is included in item no.62.

62. Revision of the Regulations of PG Programmes in Departments of University – reporting of – reg. (CSS)  
The revision of Regulations for PG programmes of Departments of University of Kerala with effect from 2017 Admission as approved by the CSS Academic Committee Meeting held on 18.02.2017, subject to ratification of the Academic Council. Copy of the short minutes attached.

Sd/-  
Dr. T.S. Anirudhan  
(Vice-Chairman, CSS)

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to note the action reported.

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to ratify the action taken by the CSS Academic Committee Meeting held on 04.02.2017 in having approved the Revision of the Regulations of PG Programmes in Departments of University with effect from 2017 admissions. (Regulations appended)  

Further resolved that required modifications, if any, be considered by the Academic Committee (CSS) and incorporated with the approval of the Academic Council.
63. Regulations for Award of M.Phil Degrees, University of Kerala-2016- Approved – Review of – reg. (Ac. AII)

The University Grants Commission, notified the U.G.C (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of M.Phil/Ph.D Degree) Regulations, 2016 in the Gazette of India dated 05.07.2016. Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, to the UGC Regulations 2016, being implemented w.e.f 05.07.2016 subject to reporting to the Academic Council as per the U.O No.Ac.E1/10685/2016 dated 20.07.2016.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council framed the draft Regulations for Award of M.Phil Degrees, University of Kerala, 2016 separately, in line with the UGC Regulations, 2016 and recommended to approve and implement the same.

The Vice Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 10 (13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974, approved the Regulations for award of M.Phil Degree, University of Kerala 2016 being implemented in the University with effect from 05.07.2016 and U.O No.Ac.A.II/2016 dated 20.08.2016 was issued in this regard. The matter was reported to the Academic Council held on 04th October 2016 vide Item No. 81.

The regulations were laid before the Senate; at its meeting held on 21st February 2017 and 22nd February 2017 vide Item No. II (03) and it was resolved to resubmit the same after clarifying the total credits and reconsideration of clauses 3.1, 6.3, and 9.1 of the Regulations with the UGC Regulation, by the Academic Council.

Clause 6.1 of the Regulations describes the total credits of M.Phil Programme and is as follows:

6.1 The course work for M.Phil. shall be of a minimum of 12 credits and a maximum of 16 credits. The M.Phil. dissertation work shall be of 20 credits.

The other said clauses read as follows:

3.1 Candidates for M.Phil. programme shall be granted admission through an entrance test conducted by the University. However, for those students who qualify UGC-NET/JRF, UGC-CSIR-NET/JRF, SLET, GATE and research fellowships of central and state Government departments/agencies as approved by the University, as the case may be, shall be eligible for exemption from the entrance test. Teacher fellowship holders shall also be granted exemption from the entrance test for admission to M.Phil.

6.3 All courses prescribed for M.Phil. course work shall be in conformity with the credit hour instructional requirements and shall specify content, instructional and assessment methods duly approved by Academic Committee of CSS in the University.

Clause 9 of the Regulations describes the Academic, administrative and infrastructure requirement for offering M.Phil. programmes and is as follows:

9.1 Post-graduate Departments of affiliated Colleges and Research laboratories of Central/State Government with at least two Ph.D. qualified teachers/scientists in the Department concerned along with required infrastructure, supporting administrative and research promotion facilities as per these Regulations, stipulated under sub-clause 9.2, shall be considered eligible to offer M.Phil. programmes, provided the other conditions specified by the University are fulfilled.

9.2 Post-graduate Departments of Colleges and Research laboratories of Central/State Government with adequate facilities for research as mentioned below alone shall be allowed to offer M.Phil. programmes:

9.2.1 In case of science and technology disciplines, exclusive research laboratories with sophisticated equipment as specified by the University with provision for adequate space per research scholar along with computer facilities and essential software, and uninterrupted power and water supply;

9.2.2 Earmarked library resources including latest books, international journals, e-journals, extended working hours for all disciplines, adequate space for research scholars in the Department/Library for reading, writing and storing study and research materials;

9.2.3 Colleges may access the required facilities of the neighbouring Institutions/Colleges, or of those Institutions/Colleges/R&D laboratories/Organizations which have the required facilities.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to refer the matter to the Academic Council for consideration.
The Academic Council reconsidered clause 3.1, 6.3 and 9.1 of the Regulations for Award of M.Phil Degrees, University of Kerala-2016 and resolved that the following modifications be made:

3.1: ‘However, for those students who qualify UGC-NET/JRF, UGC-CSIR-NET/JRF, SLET, GATE and research fellowships of central and state Government departments/agencies as approved by the University, as the case may be, shall be eligible for exemption from the entrance test. Teacher fellowship holders shall also be granted exemption from the entrance test for admission to M.Phil’ be deleted.

6.3: ‘and reported to the Academic Council’ also be added at the end of the clause.

64. Recognition of B.Com Information Systems Management (Regular) Degree awarded by University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women (Autonomous), Chennai - Request from Smt. Bhagya Krishnan – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Bhagya Krishnan submitted the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Com. Information Systems Management (Regular) Degree awarded by University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women (Autonomous), Chennai for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The candidate obtained 10+2 pattern of study recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Commerce (Pass) recommended to grant recognition to the B.Com Information Systems Management (Regular) Degree awarded by University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women (Autonomous), Chennai as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Commerce and the Dean, Faculty of Commerce endorsed the recommendation of the Chairman.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.Com Information Systems Management (Regular) Degree awarded by University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women (Autonomous), Chennai as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.Com. Information Systems Management (Regular) Degree awarded by University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women (Autonomous), Chennai be recognised as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment.

65. Review and revision of curricula of all Academic Departments - Instructions of the UGC – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.A.IV)

The Secretary, UGC vide D.O. letter No. 9-2/2017 (CPP-II) Dated 31.01.2017 addressed to the Vice-Chancellors of all Universities has conveyed the observation that in a world changing at breakneck speed, any conceptual innovations and technological breakthroughs are subjected to further alterations and upgradation within a short span since their launch. In such a vibrant climate, the responsibility to address the needs created by self-activating change lies at the door of Educational leaders, Classroom Teachers, Academic administrators, and Community leaders. In a recently held meeting of the Group of Secretaries on Education and Social Development with the Honourable Prime Minister, it was recommended that curricula of all Academic Departments in Universities should be reviewed and revised at least once in every three years and should focus on the existing and potential demand and supply of skill sets to make the University/College students employable.

The UGC therefore requested to accord top priority to the matter and take immediate action so that the curricula of various programs offered at the University are revised and adopted for quick implementation by the University and the Colleges affiliated to it.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to entrust the Standing Committee of the Academic Council to evolve the guidelines for framing curriculum and to monitor the process of revision of Syllabi, of all programmes for which syllabi were revised prior to 2015, by 31.03.2018.

The Academic Council noted the letter dtd.31.01.2017 of the UGC.

66. Recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Forestry awarded by Forest Research Institute (Deemed University) - Request from Sri. N. Ratheesh – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Sri. N. Ratheesh submitted the original thesis titled “Soil Microflora of Fire Affected Areas in Evergreen and Deciduous Forest Ecosystems in the Western Ghats”, for course recognition of Ph.D. Degree in
Forestry awarded by Forest Research Institute (Deemed University), Dehra Dun for the purpose of getting advance increment/promotion and other career related to Botany. The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study and obtained B.Sc. Degree in Botany from this University and M.Sc. Degree in Botany from Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam which are recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Botany (P.G), recommended that the Ph.D. Degree in Forestry awarded by Forest Research Institute (Deemed University), Dehra Dun can be recognized as an eligible qualification for Higher Education and Employment in the subject of Botany and the Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for Ph.D. Degree in Forestry awarded by Forest Research Institute (Deemed University) for the thesis titled “Soil Microflora of Fire Affected Areas in Evergreen and Deciduous Forest Ecosystems in the Western Ghats”, as an eligible qualification for Higher Studies and Employment in 'Botany'.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the Ph.D. Degree in Forestry awarded by Forest Research Institute (Deemed University), Dehra Dun, to Sri. N. Ratheesh for the thesis titled “Soil Microflora of Fire Affected Areas in Evergreen and Deciduous Forest Ecosystems in the Western Ghats”, be recognised as an eligible qualification for the purpose of Higher studies and Employment in ‘Botany’.

67. Recognition of B.B.A. Degree (Computer application) awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University through Distance Education - Request from Shri. Mahesh Sundar.V.L. – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Shri. Mahesh Sundar.V.L., submitted the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of B.B.A. Degree (Computer Application) awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University through Distance Education, for course recognition for the purpose of Higher studies and Employment. The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala. He has undergone the B.B.A. Degree (Computer Application) course during January 2008 - December 2010.

The Chairman, BoS in Business Management (Pass) recommended to grant recognition to the B.B.A. Degree (Computer application) awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University through Distance Education for the purpose of Higher Education in University of Kerala and the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.B.A. Degree (Computer application) awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University through Distance Education for Higher Studies and Employment.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.B.A. Degree (Computer application) awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University through Distance Education be recognised for higher studies and employment for which the BBA Degree (Distance mode) of University of Kerala is an eligible qualification.

68. Text Book on Environmental Studies for First Degree Programmes (BA/B.Sc) under CBCS system – approval of – reg. (Ac.A.V)

The Dean, Faculty of Arts remarked that the textbook “Greening the Earth” has a number of limitations as it goes deep into pure science with scientific terms and statistical data making it not convenient for the English teachers. The teaching hours for the Paper Environmental Studies that the University has introduced for BA/BSc Programme for the first time from the second semester were taken from the English Department. Therefore it is clear that the teaching material must contain substantial component that English teachers can handle with ease. Hence the Dean, Faculty of Arts recommended to introduce the textbook “Greening the Earth” for the academic year 2016 and on the same time she has recommended to withdraw the same textbook from 2017 by introducing another new textbook which can be taught easily for English teachers.

The standing committee of the Academic Council recommended to authorise the Dean, Faculty of Arts, to prepare, in consultation with the Chairman Board of Studies, an edited volume to be prescribed as text book and for publication by the University of Kerala.

The Academic Council considered the above and resolved to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Academic Council for detailed study and examining the feasibility of including ‘Environmental Studies’ under Part-III.
The Standing Committee of the Academic Council at its meeting held on 20.05.2016, examined the feasibility of including Environmental studies under part III, and resolved to authorise the Dean, Faculty of Arts to Prepare an edited volume, giving due weightage for the essays/other literary work on Environmental Science and to place the same together with a detailed note, citing its role in imparting knowledge on environment at the Degree level, for consideration and for subsequently placing it before the Academic Council for a decision. The Council also observed that the edited volume, so prepared if approved as the prescribed text, can be published by the University.

Accordingly, the Dean, Faculty of Arts, Prepared and submitted the textbook of Environmental studies for undergraduate programmes.

The matter was placed before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 3rd December 2016 and the Committee resolved to recommend that the matter be discussed further at Core-Committee to suggest modifications, if any, required in the draft prepared by the Dean, Faculty of Arts.

The Core Committee of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 17/12/2016 recommended to approve the proposed textbook submitted by the Dean, Faculty of Arts in consultation with the experts and to place the matter again before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council for suitable modifications, if any.

The above recommendations were considered by the Standing Committee of the Academic Council and recommended to place draft of the proposed textbook before the Academic Council for an appropriate decision.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to place the text book prepared by the Dean, Faculty of Arts, with the inputs from experts, for consideration of the Academic Council.

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The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the matter be referred to the BoS in English (Pass).

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Sri. Benish.S., submitted the attested copy of Scheme and Syllabus of B.Com. Degree (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University through Scott Christian College (Autonomous), Nagercoil for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies (for LL.B Course) and employment.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Commerce (Pass) recommended to grant recognition to the B.Com. Degree (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University through Scott Christian College (Autonomous), Nagercoil for higher studies and employment. The Dean, Faculty of Commerce recommended to grant recognition to the B.Com Degree (Regular) of the University of Kerala.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for B.Com. Degree (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University through Scott Christian College (Autonomous) as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the B.Com. Degree (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University through Scott Christian College (Autonomous), Nagercoil be recognised as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment.

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70. **Issuance of Eligibility Certificate of M.A Degree in Indian Music awarded by University of Madras after passing B.Tech Degree in Electronics and Biomedical Engineering from Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi – Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)**

Smt. Devika.M.Prakash applied for Eligibility Certificate of M.A Degree in Indian Music awarded by University of Madras. On verification it is found that her U.G Degree is B.Tech Electronics and Biomedical Engineering from Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT). B.Tech Electronics and Biomedical Engineering Degree from Cochin University of Science and Technology(CUSAT) is recognized as equivalent to B.Tech Degree of this University.

The academic eligibility for admission to M.A Music of University of Kerala is B.A with Music as optional main subject under part III securing not less than 45% mark for that part /BPA degree.
holders (Vocal) Music. So the candidate does not fulfill admission criteria for M.A. Degree in Music in the affiliated colleges under the University of Kerala. However, as per the Kerala University regulation relating to the recognition of degrees and examinations, General decision 26, any degree holders who are talented and interested in Music shall be given admission to M.A. Degree in Music in IDE of this University and such students should undergo an aptitude test both in theory and practical vide U.O No. Ac.AIV/1/34413/2004 dated 18/06/2005. Further the M.A. Music offered through SDE of University is recognized as equivalent to M.A. Music (Regular) of this University.

M.A. Degree in Indian Music of the University of Madras is already recognized as equivalent to M.A. Degree in Music of the University of Kerala. The Chairman, BoS in Music (P.G) remarked that the BoS recommended to issue eligibility certificate to Smt. Devika M. Prakash as a special case because of the following reasons:

1. The candidate has secured First Rank in M.A. Music from University of Madras, which is equivalent to the M.A. Music of the University of Kerala.
2. As is known, SDE Music M.A. Music Programme offered by the University of Kerala only stipulates a Bachelor’s Degree in any subject with a pass in an aptitude test as criteria for the admission. All other Universities of Kerala State also follow the same criteria for M.A. Music (Regular) admission.
3. The candidate is UGC NET qualified (Nov 2014) and is eligible for Assistant Professor Post. For these reasons, the BoS recommended eligibility to the candidate as a special case.

The recommendations made were found to be candidate specific (points 1 and 3).

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to issue Eligibility Certificate of M.A. Degree in Indian Music awarded by University of Madras after passing B.Tech/ other Degrees recognized by the University of Kerala, for higher studies and employment.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that M.A. Degree in Indian Music awarded by University of Madras after passing B.Tech Degree/ other degrees recognised by University of Kerala be recognised for higher studies and employment for which MA Music (Distance mode) Degree of University of Kerala is an eligible qualification.

71. Recognition of Dual Degree of BS-MS Programme awarded by Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Thiruvananthapuram - Request from Smt. Anjana P. Joy – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Smt. Anjana P. Joy submitted an attested copy of scheme and Syllabus of BS-MS Programme (Biological Science Major and Chemical Science Minor) awarded by IISER, Thiruvananthapuram for higher studies and employment in the field of Botany and Zoology.

When placed for remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Botany (Pass), it was recommended that the said course may be recognized as equivalent to B.Sc. Degree in Botany of the University of Kerala, for higher studies and employment. The Dean, Faculty of Science also endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Botany (Pass). Based on the said recommendation sanction has been accorded to grant recognition to the BS-MS Dual Degree (Regular) awarded by IISER, Thiruvananthapuram as equivalent to B.Sc. Botany of Kerala University for higher studies and employment. U.O.No.Ac.C/020469/2015 dated 14/01/2016 has been issued in this regard which has invited complaints of equating an Integrated PG degree to a UG degree of the University. The Chairman, Board of Studies in Botany (PG) remarked that the matter of recognition of said course for higher studies and employment may be placed before the BoS. The minutes of the Combined Meeting of the Board of Studies in Botany held on 26-09-2016, recommended that the syllabus BS-MS Dual Degree in Biological Sciences (Regular) awarded by IISER cover not up to the level (80%) for giving recognition as eligible M.Sc. Degree in Botany of the University of Kerala.

The combined meeting of Zoology (Pass & P.G) at its meeting held on 10/11/2016 considered the matter of recognition of Dual Degree in BS-MS Programme awarded by IISER and the members of combined UG & PG Board of Studies examined, the syllabus of IISER BS-MS Course in the three centres and observed that the syllabus has many omissions when compared to B.Sc. And M.Sc. Degree in Zoology of University of Kerala with over lapping of only 50% topics.

The Dean, Faculty of Science remarked that the matter may be placed before the Faculty of Science for a general recommendation.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to grant recognition for Dual Degree of BS-MS Programme awarded by Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER),
Thiruvananthapuram (and other Centres of IISER across the Country), being a national institute of international repute, as equivalent to M.Sc. Degree in Zoology, Botany and all subjects under Biological and Life Sciences for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the matter be referred to the combined meeting of BoS in Zoology (Pass) and (PG) and BoS in Botany (Pass) and (PG).

72. Policy Statement on Anti-Plagiarism – Consideration of – reg. (Ac. AII)

As per the recommendations of the Core Committee of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council, held on 01/09/2016, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology, was entrusted to conduct technical study to measure the level of plagiarism in Ph.D thesis awarded by the University. Accordingly the “Report of the statistical study on observed range of similarity of content with other sources, in Ph.D thesis accepted by the University of Kerala and to propose a limit for Plagiarism”, was submitted by the Dean at the Core Committee of Standing Committee of Academic Council held on 24.11.2016.

The Core Committee resolved to recommend that the researchers who are submitting Theses/ Dissertation for adjudication shall have to obtain the statement showing the percentage of similarity in the contents with other sources using the UGC recognized software URKUND and forward it along with the theses as separate document. It is further recommended that the percentage of similarity in the contents with other sources excluding references shall not exceed 10 per cent and this may be made mandatory with a view to avoiding plagiarism in the theses/ dissertations. It was also recommended that this may be made applicable to the Project reports at the Masters level too.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council, held on 03.12.2016, while considering the minutes of the Core Committee of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 24.11.2016, recommended that the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology be entrusted to prepare and submit a detailed report before the Core Committee for further discussions on the matter.

The Core Committee of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 17.12.2016 discussed the detailed report so submitted and entrusted the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology to prepare a Policy Statement indicating the measures to be taken by the University for preventing plagiarism for being discussed by the Core Committee and the recommendations thereon being placed before the Academic Council through the Standing Committee of the Academic Council.

The draft Policy Statement submitted by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology was placed before the Core Committee of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held 13/3/2017 for discussion. It was recommended that, the draft be revised based on the discussion and to place it before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council for consideration.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 20/3/2017 recommended to approve the Policy Statement on Anti-Plagiarism with minor modifications and that the document be placed before the Academic Council.

The Standing Committee of Academic Council held on 20/3/2017 recommended to approve the draft Policy Statement on Anti-Plagiarism adding the word ‘shall’ after the word ‘candidate’ under clause 13.

The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved that the draft policy statement (appended) on Anti-Plagiarism be approved with the following modifications:

Clause 4: “P.G. Diploma & Masters” be deleted.

Clause 13: The word ‘shall’ be added after the word ‘candidate’.

73. Recognition of Examinations/Degrees of State Boards/Statutory Universities/Deemed Universities/other Institutions – Approved by the Vice-Chancellor – Reporting of – reg. (Ac.C)

On the basis of the recommendations of the Chairman of various Boards of Studies and Deans of respective Faculties, the Degrees/Examinations/Diplomas awarded by State Boards/Statutory Universities/ Institutions as per the details shown in the statement appended are recognized as equivalent to the corresponding Examinations/Degree of this University either on reciprocal basis or recognized as an eligible qualification 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 power conferred on him as per Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act of 1974. The Statement showing the Degrees/Examinations recognized is appended.
The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor (Statement appended).

74. M.A. Degree course in Mass Communication and Journalism – Allotment of marks for attendance and the Components of CA marks – Clarification – Approved – Reporting of – reg.  
   (Ac.A.II)

The Scheme and Syllabus of M.A. Degree course in Mass Communication and Journalism was approved and implemented with effect from 2015 Admissions.

Subsequently the Examination Section sought clarification regarding the allotment of marks for attendance and components of CA marks of M.A. Degree course in Mass Communication and Journalism.

As per remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Communication and Journalism, the allotment of marks for attendance and components of CA marks of M.A. Degree course in Mass Communication and Journalism may be given as per the PG Regulations of the University. The Dean, Faculty of Arts endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Communication and Journalism.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, approved the allotment of marks for attendance and components of CA marks of M.A. Degree course in Mass Communication and Journalism as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Communication and Journalism and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts. U.O.No.Ac.A.II/4/2017 dt. 20/03/2017 was issued in this regard.

The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

75. Implementation of M.Phil Degree Courses (Credit and Semester System) offered at University Teaching and Research Departments and University College, Thiruvananthapuram with effect from 2016 admission onwards – reporting of - reg.  
   (Ac.D)

The regulations for the award of M.Phil Degree Courses offered by University of Kerala, have been implemented vide U.O. No. Ac.AII/2016 dated 20.08.2016, with effect from 05.07.2016. However, in order to supplement and complement the said regulations, and to spell out the procedures to be followed on matters arising out of the implementation of the Regulations, the M.Phil Monitoring Committee has formulated certain Guidelines to be followed from 2016 admissions onwards and the Deputy Registrar, Credit and Semester System had requested to issue a University Order for the implementation of Guidelines for M.Phil Degree Course with effect from 2016-17 admissions onwards.

The CSS Academic Committee at its meeting held on 13.01.2017, vide item No.2, approved the guidelines for M.Phil admission with effect from 2016 batch onwards and decided to entrust the Registrar to issue an University Order in this regard. Since the guidelines include amendment to components of S2 (Clause 4.2) and also the grading system (Clause 6) and other regulation related descriptions, the guidelines were approved by the Vice-chancellor subject to reporting to the Academic Council and U.O No.Ac.D/1/8051/2017 dated 22.03.2017 was issued in this regard.

The Academic Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

II. Business brought forward by the Faculties.

1. (i) - Faculty of Arts.  
   (Ac.A.II)

   In the absence of Dr.G.S.Jayasree, Dean, Faculty of Arts, Dr. N.Veeramanikandan, Pro Vice-Chancellor moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Arts as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 22-03-2017 be approved.

   The Academic Council resolved that
   (i) the recommendation of the Faculty of Arts as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 22-03-2017 be approved, excluding item no. IV.A and item IV.B in respect of BoS in English (Pass & P.G).
   (ii) IV (H) IX : need not be agreed to.

2. (ii) - Faculty of Social Sciences.  
   (Ac.A.II)

   Dr. Suresh Jnaneswaran, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Social Sciences as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 16-03-2017 be approved.

   The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Social Sciences as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 16-03-2017 be approved with the modification noted: Item IV.E (4) B.A Course in Public Administration in place of BA Course in International Politics and Public Administration
3. (iii) - Faculty of Oriental Studies. (Ac.A.II)

Dr. G. Padma Rao, Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Oriental Studies as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 20-03-2017 be approved.

The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Oriental Studies as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 20-03-2017 be approved, with the modifications noted -

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<td>be referred back to the Board of Studies in Tamil (PG) for recommendations.</td>
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4. (iv) - Faculty of Fine Arts. (Ac.A.IV)

Dr. V.S. Sharma, Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts, moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Fine Arts as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 14-03-2017 be approved.

The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Fine Arts as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 14-03-2017 be approved, with the modifications noted -

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5. (v) - Faculty of Science (Ac.A.II)

Dr. M.C. Subhash Peter, Dean, Faculty of Science moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Science as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 18-03-2017 be approved.

The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Science as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 18-03-2017 be approved, with the modifications noted -

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6. (vi) - Faculty of Commerce (Ac.A.IV)

Dr. M. Sarngadharam, Dean, Faculty of Commerce, moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Commerce as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 14-10-2016 and 15-03-2017 be approved.

The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Commerce as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 14-10-2016 and 15-03-2017 be approved.

7. (vii) - Faculty of Law. (Ac.A.III)

Dr. K.C. Sunny, Dean, Faculty of Law, moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Law as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 27-02-2017 be approved.

The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Law as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 27-02-2017 be approved, with the modifications noted –

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| IV A.6 | to agree in principle to extend the provision for improvement of internal
assessment to the LLB students. To entrust the BoS(Pass) to propose the terms and conditions for implementation of the same.

Item no. V.2: to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges.

8. (ix) - Faculty of Engineering & Technology. (Ac.A.III)

In the absence of Dr.K.Vijayakumar, Dean, Faculty of Engineering & Technology Dr.N.Veeramanikandan, Pro Vice-Chancellor moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 03-03-2017 be approved.

The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Engineering & Technology as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 03-03-2017 be approved, with the following modifications:

Item no. IV.A.4: on condition that one batch of students shall have successfully completed the course.

Item no. IV.A.7: to refer the matter back to the BoS for more clarity in the recommendations.

Item no. IV.B.9.2: to refer the matter to the Syndicate.

9. (viii) - Faculty of Education. (Ac. A.III)

Dr.PJ.Jacob, Dean, Faculty of Education, moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Education as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 09-03-2017 be approved.

The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Education as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 09-03-2017 be approved.

10. (xi) - Faculty of Ayurveda & Siddha (Ac.A.III)

Dr.A.S.Lila., Dean, Faculty of Ayurveda & Siddha moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Ayurveda & Siddha as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 09-03-2017 be approved.

The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Ayurveda & Siddha as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 09-03-2017 be approved.

11. (xiv) - Faculty of Management Studies (Ac.A.IV)

Dr.J. Rajan, Dean, Faculty of Management Studies moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Management Studies as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 16-03-2017 be approved.

The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Management Studies as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 16-03-2017 be approved, with the following modifications:

Item no. IV.4.1.2: to refer the matter back to the BoS in Business Management (PG) for revising the Syllabus after conducting workshop.

Item no. VIII: not to recognize the BBA Degree in Aviation –Off-Campus

Item no XI.9.2: to refer the matter to the Syndicate.

12. (xv) - Faculty of Physical Education (Ac.A.IV)

Dr.K.K.Venu, Dean, Faculty of Physical Education moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Physical Education as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 18-03-2017 be approved.

The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Physical Education as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 18-03-2017 be approved.

13. (xvi) - Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology (Ac.A.IV)

Dr.Achuthsankar S. Nair, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 08-03-2017 be approved.
The Academic Council resolved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 08-03-2017 be approved with the following modifications:

Item no.IV.4.6.8.1: minimum mark for admission to M.Sc Degree course in Electronics shall be in accordance with the general P.G. Regulations

(III) Resolutions given notice of by the members

1. Sri. R. Indulal
   It is resolved that the internal assessment of LL.B. courses must be conducted strictly according to parameters fixed by the University.
   The resolution was seconded by Dr. Suresh Kumar
   The Vice-Chancellor replied that the same is being followed and shall be ensured.

2.  സി. കെ. മുഹീൻ കുമാർ
   കലാശാലയ്ക്ക് LNCPE ആഴ്ച 2017-18 സാമ്പത്തിക പര്യായം B.P.Ed. കൊണ്ട്‌ മുറിച്ചു വരുന്നതിന് സ്ഥാനത്ത്‌ BPES കൊണ്ട്‌ പുനർലേഖനം ചെയ്യാൻ പ്രവാഹമായി സമര്‍ത്തിയ്ക്കാവുന്നതാണ്‌ ഇത്‌ പകരം തുടർന്നിരിക്കുന്നു.
   The resolution was seconded by Sri.R.Indulal
   The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be examined and approval of NCTE is also required for B.P.Ed. Course.

3.  സി. അ. രാജേഷ്. രുമൽണ
   കലാശാലക്ക്  പൊതുമുദ്ര പരിശീലനത്തിലെ ഡയറയറ്റ്‌ 1961- ൽ എകദേശാഹനിഷഡ്‌ അനുഥാനം കൊണ്ടു് ഗവേഷണാഭ്യാസം ആദ്യത്തെ  മേഖലയിലെ മൂല്യപ്രാപ്ത്‌ പ്രാപ്ത പ്രൊഫസുഷണല്‌ സീ‌ കണക്കാക്കുന്നു.
   The resolution was seconded by Dr.S.Venumohan.
   The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered.

4.  സി. കെ. കാളാകെന
   കലാശാലക്ക്‌ ഗർഹസ്ഥതയിലെ പ്രാമാണിക യോഗ്യതയും പുതിയ പ്രാമാണിക യോഗ്യതയും വിവദിക്കുന്ന പ്രാമാണിക യോഗ്യതയും അതോ അനുയോജ്യ അല്ലാത്ത പ്രാമാണിക യോഗ്യതയും കൊണ്ടു് പലതായി അനുവദിക്കുന്നില്ല.
   The resolution was seconded by Dr.K.Bijukumar
   The Vice-Chancellor replied that the guideship can only be granted as per the existing regulations.

5.  ലി. ഡാംസ്‌ ബപ്പി
   കലാശാലക്ക്‌ പാഠപഠാത്തിലെ പാഠാണ്യഭരണ പുതിയ പ്രാമാണിക യോഗ്യതയും പരിശീലനത്തിലെ പാഠാണ്യഭരണ പുതിയ പ്രാമാണികയും കൊണ്ടു് പലതായി അനുവദിക്കുന്നില്ല.
   The resolution was seconded byDr.Baby Shakeela.
   The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered.

6.  സി. അല. കുമാർനാഥ്
   തമിഴ്‌മുഖൻ സഹോദരന്റെ പ്രാമാണിക യോഗ്യതയും അനവധി പ്രാമാണിക യോഗ്യതയും പാഠാണ്യഭരണത്തിലെ പാഠാണ്യഭരണ പാഠേണ്ണ പ്രാമാണിക യോഗ്യതയും പരിശീലനത്തിലെ പാഠാണ്യഭരണ പ്രാമാണിക യോഗ്യതയും കൊണ്ടു് പലതായി അനുവദിക്കുന്നില്ല.
   The resolution was seconded by Dr.S.Anilkumar
   The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered.
7. **Resolution 7.**
The resolution was seconded by Dr. N. Shaji
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the same has already been forwarded to the UGC.

8. **Resolution 8.**
The resolution given notice of by Sri. Safimohan was not moved as the member was absent.

9. **Resolution 9.**
The resolution was seconded by Dr. S. Anilkumar
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter cannot be considered as it is against the existing regulations.

10. **Resolution 10.**
The resolution was seconded by Dr. K. Santhosh
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered.

11. **Resolution 11.**
The resolution was seconded by Dr. Sureshkumar
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered.

12. **Sri. R. Indulal**
It is resolved that the semesters of the undergraduate and post graduate courses must be rationalized to ensure 90 working days/450 working hours before the conduct of the End-Semester Examinations.
The resolution was seconded by Dr. K. Santhosh
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the same is being followed and shall be ensured.

13. **Sri. R. Indulal**
The resolution was seconded by Dr. S. Venumohan
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered.

14. **Sri. R. Indulal**
The resolution was seconded by Sri. R. Indulal
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered.

15. **Sri. R. Indulal**
It is resolved that the undergraduate curricula and syllabi must be revised in workshops of college teachers organized by the University.
The resolution was seconded by Sri. Jino Ninan
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered.
The Vice-Chancellor thanked all the members for their co-operation.
The meeting was adjourned sine-die at 7.15 p.m.

Sd/-          Sd/-            Sd/-
Registrar                                            Pro-Vice-Chancellor                                       Vice-Chancellor
CE in charge

University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram.
Date : 15.04.2017.
Appendix to Item No.30.

**LIST OF DEGREES/EXAMINATIONS OF OTHER UNIVERSITIES/INSTITUTIONS - APPROVED BY THE VICE CHANCELLOR - REPORTING TO THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL ON 4th OCTOBER-2016**

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<td>Ac.C/022393/2016 Dated 29-04-2016</td>
<td>Bangalore University B.A.(Triple Main) Degree in History, Economics and Political Science (Regular)</td>
<td>Recognized as an eligible qualification for admission to B.Ed. Degree (Social Sciences) of the University of Kerala.</td>
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<td>Chairman, BoS in Education (Pass) Can be considered as an eligible qualification for admission to B.Ed. (Social Sciences) of the University of Kerala. Dean, Faculty of Education</td>
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<td>Ac.c/020683/2015 Dated 06-05-2016</td>
<td>University of Calicut M.A. Degree in Vocal (Regular)</td>
<td>Recognized for higher studies and employment in the field of Music.</td>
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<td>Chairman, BoS in Music (P.G) The matter may be referred to the BoS in Music (P.G) for final decision. *The meeting of the BoS in Music (P.G) held on 22nd January 2016 vide item No. V of its minutes it is recommended for both higher studies and employment in the field of Music.</td>
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<td>Ac.C/2022391/2016, Dated 24.11.2015</td>
<td>Karnataka State Open University, Mysore M.A. Degree in Economics</td>
<td>As equivalent to M.A. Degree in Economics of the University of Kerala for higher studies and employment</td>
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<td>Chairman, BoS in Economics (P.G) who is also the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences Recognized as equivalent to M.A. Degree in Economics of the University of Kerala for higher studies and employment.</td>
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M.Sc. Degree in Chemistry (Regular)  
As an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Chemistry  
**Chairman, BoS in Chemistry (P.G.)**
Recognized as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Chemistry  
**Dean, Faculty of Science**
Endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Chemistry (P.G.)

### 34. Ac.C/020838/2016, Dated 25-08-2016
Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam  
B.Sc. Degree in Physics-Electronic Equipment Maintenance (Regular)  
Recognized as an eligible Degree as B.Sc. Degree in Physics of the University of Kerala for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Physics.  
**Chairman, BoS in Physics (Pass)**
The matter was placed before the Additional meeting of the BoS in Physics(Pass)  
*The meeting of the BoS in Physics (Pass) held on 3rd June 2016 of its minutes it is recommended for higher studies.*  
**Dean, Faculty of Science**
Endorsed the recommendation of Chairman BoS in Physics (Pass) it is recommended as an eligible B.Sc. Degree in Physics of the University of Kerala for higher studies and employment in the field of Physics

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### Appendix to Item No.62

**Regulations for Post-Graduate Programmes**  
in the Teaching Departments of the University of Kerala (2017)

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Section 1: Scope, Effect and Definitions

1.1 SCOPE & EFFECT
The Regulations framed herein shall apply to all regular post-graduate programmes including M.A, M.Sc, M.Com, M.Ed, M.S.W, M.B.A, M.T.A, M.Tech, L.L.M. and postgraduate diploma conducted by the Teaching Departments of the University of Kerala. These Regulations shall come into force from 2017 admission onwards.

1.2 DEFINITION
In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:
‘Assessment components’ mean any instrument of assessment used for continuous assessment, like test papers, assignments, term papers, group discussion, field work etc.
‘Academic Calendar’ means a calendar issued semester wise by the University specifying timelines of admission, classes, holidays, examinations, extra-curricular activities etc.
‘Annual Student Survey’ means a survey administered on all students admitted to a PG programme to understand their academic and social background and aspirations.
‘CSS Academic Committee’ means the Committee by that name constituted under these Regulations.
‘Core Course’ means a Course offered by a Dept. to the students in their PG programme, closely related to the subject of the PG programme.
‘Credit’ means numbers attached to each course which define their weightage in the whole programme.
‘Credit transfer’ means transfer of credits into and out of a programme as per provision of the credit transfer regulations of the University.
‘Cumulative grade point average’ means weighted average of grade points for all courses completed by a student up to any given semester, the weightage being done with respective credits.
‘Continuous Assessment’ means a type of assessment aimed at giving continuous feedback about teaching and learning to teachers and students respectively, done during the progress of a semester.
‘Course Brochure’ means a detailed brochure of each course that expands on the course outlines.
‘Department’ means Department of Teaching and Research as defined in Act and Statutes.
‘Department Council’ means council by that name in every department, constituted according to the statutes.
‘Elective Course’ means a course that is offered by a Dept. to students of PG programmes of any Dept., with choice, in areas that are closely or distantly related to the subject of the PG programme.
‘End-Semester Assessment’ means summative assessment of courses at the end of a semester.
‘Extenuating Circumstances’ means unavoidable personal challenges or circumstances which impact the ability of a student to complete, or attend tests, examinations etc. and are significantly disruptive matters outside the control of the student, such as personal accident, injury or illness of self or close family member or natural disasters, pregnancy related confinement etc.
‘Faculty’ means faculty as defined in Act and Statutes of the University.
‘Foreign Student’ means a student who is not an Indian national and does not include Non-resident Indians.
‘Formal Communication’ means any communication for which there is a proof of receipt, including signed paper receipts or electronic communication such as email or S.M.S to address/numbers provided by students in their application forms.
‘Grade’ means a letter indicating the level of achievement of learning objectives of a course.
‘Grade Point’ means a numeric attached to every grade that serves to combine grades, when semester/programme performance is to be evaluated.
‘Grade Point Average’ means weighted average of grade points corresponding to grades obtained in a set of courses.
‘Grade Sheet’ means statement of courses completed, credits associated, grades awarded, grade point average and explanatory notes, issued in each semester.
‘Induction Programme’ means programme of normally 3 days duration aimed at introducing a newly admitted student to the University system, infrastructure and programme objectives, along with exposure to an array of learning habits appropriate in higher education.
‘Negotiated Courses’ mean elective courses tailor-made on request from students.
‘Non-Taught Courses’ mean core or elective courses which are not transacted through traditional lecturing, such as laboratory courses, seminars, projects, case studies, internship, field work etc.
‘Programme’ means a framework of different types of courses along with specification for requirements of different types of credits to be earned, for successful completion.
‘Plagiarism’ means dishonest academic practice including using scholarly content from external sources in unacceptable quantum and/or without due acknowledgement.
‘Regular programme’ means a programme that is transacted in face-to-face manner by the teacher and does not involve distance/part-time learning.
‘Super-numerary seats’ mean seat allotted over and above the sanctioned strength for specific purposes, which will lapse, if not used for that purpose.
‘Statutes’ mean statutes of the University of Kerala.
‘Student mobility’ means flexibility for student to enter or exit programmes at different points and to transfer credits from other Depts., schools and external institutions, as per provisions of this regulation.
‘Student feedback’ means opinion of students on teaching and learning effectiveness, collected at different times in a semester/programme.
‘Semester’ means an academic term of normally 5 months (15-18 weeks), including end-semester examinations, having academic work equivalent to 90 teaching days.
‘Streams’ means major grouping of subjects of PG programmes:
   i. **Science and Technology**
   ii. **Social Sciences:**
      - Archaeology, Commerce, Economics, Education, History, Islamic History, Law, Library & Information Science, MBA (Management), MBA (Tourism) (IMK), Philosophy, Politics, Sociology, MSW.
   iii. **Arts and Humanities:**
      - Arabic Language and Literature, Communication & Journalism, English Language and Literature, German Language and Literature, Hindi Language and Literature, Linguistics, Malayalam Language and Literature, Music, Russian Language and Literature, Sanskrit General Language and Literature, Tamil Language and Literature.
‘Taught Courses’ mean core or elective courses which are mainly transacted through traditional lecturing.
‘University’ means University of Kerala established under Act 17 of 1974.

Chapter 2

Academic Coordination and Administration

The academic coordination and administration of PG programmes shall be vested in the CSS Academic Committee and Dept. Councils as per the provisions laid out in this regulation.

2.1 CSS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE (CSSAC)

There shall be a CSS Academic Committee (CSSAC) constituted by the Vice-Chancellor to coordinate and administer PG programmes. The committee shall consists of:
   a. The Vice-Chancellor (Chairperson)
   b. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor
   c. Member of the Syndicate representing University teachers
   d. Three Deans of the University
   e. Two Heads of the University Departments other than Deans
   f. Three University teachers other than Deans and Heads of Departments
The Vice-Chancellor shall be the Chairperson of the CSSAC. A senior professor nominated by the Vice-Chancellor from among the members of the CSSAC shall be the Vice-Chairperson and convener of the CSSAC. The term of office of the CSSAC shall be two years; but the CSSAC once constituted shall continue in office until a reconstituted committee assumes office. The CSSAC shall meet at least once in two months. The rules of business of Faculties (vide sections 14 of chapter 10 of Statutes of the University) shall, mutatis mutandis, be applicable to CSSAC.

The CSSAC shall be competent to:
- Recommend syllabus designed by Dept. Councils for approval of the Academic Council.
- Approve the results of each semester for PG programmes.
- Approve the results of the PG programmes.
- Oversee admission to PG programmes and approve the rank list for admissions, and take other decisions on academic matters related to PG programmes within the purview of the regulations.

Immediately upon adoption of these regulations, CSSAC shall formulate and notify guidelines detailing implementation of the system, including procedures and forms.

CSSAC Vice-chairman shall have an office headed by an officer not below the rank of a Deputy Registrar and having sufficient staff to manage the administration of CSS system including registration, entrance examination, conduct of semester examinations, issue of certificates and related matters.

The CSSAC shall have the following Sub committees, nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.

2.1.1 Standing Committee on CSSAC:
It shall consist of four teacher members nominated by the Vice-Chancellor, from among the CSSAC members including CSSAC Vice-Chairman, who shall be the Convener of the committee. The standing committee shall have mandate as assigned to it by the CSSAC from time to time.

2.1.2 Sub-Committee on Student Grievance Redressal (SGR):
It shall consist of three teacher members nominated by the Vic-Chancellor including CSSAC Vice-Chairman, who shall be the Convener of the committee. Dept.’s. Union Chairperson shall be a permanent invitee to the committee. The sub-committee on SGR shall meet whenever student grievances are brought to the notice of the CSSAC. The complainant(s) shall be invitee(s) in the meetings of the committee.

2.1.3 Sub-Committee on Admissions:
It shall consist of three teacher members nominated by Vice-Chancellor from among the CSSAC members, including CSSAC Vice-Chairman, who shall be the Convener of the Committee. The Director of Computer Centre and two teachers (who are not members of CSSAC) nominated by the Vice-Chancellor shall be permanent invitees to the committee. The committee shall meet, as and when required, to resolve matters related to admissions.

2.2 ROLE OF DEPARTMENT COUNCIL (DC)
The Department Council (DC) shall, with regard to PG programmes, be competent to design programmes and courses, prescribe course delivery strategies, assessment and evaluation practices and teacher evaluation by students. The Council shall meet at least thrice every semester and shall consolidate the results of the students for each semester in time and forward it to the CSSAC.

2.3 FACULTY ADVISORS
The Departmental Council shall nominate a faculty advisor from among the teachers of the Dept. for each PG programme. The faculty advisor shall generally mentor the students and monitor the progress of the programme and bring to the notice of Department Council, deviations, if any, from academic calendar and from any provision of the regulations. Faculty advisor shall maintain student portfolios.

2.4 FACULTY COORDINATOR
A faculty coordinator shall be nominated by the DC for each semester to coordinate smooth running of courses and oversee the course assessments and process the registrations for courses and examinations.

Chapter 3
Admission to PG Programmes

3.1 ELIGIBILITY
i. Students who have pursued 10+2+3 scheme and obtained a Bachelor Degree from the University of Kerala or a degree recognized as equivalent thereto, and who have secured the following, shall be eligible for admission to PG programmes:
   - CGPA of 2 or above in a 4-point scale or
   - 3.5 or above in a 7-point scale or
   - 5 or above in a 10-point scale or
   - 50% or above in case of Bachelor Degrees which award marks

Relaxation for candidates from SC/ST category shall be as follows:
a. **CGPA of 1.8 or above in a 4-point scale**
b. **3.15 or above in a 7-point scale**
c. **4. 5 or above in a 10-point scale**
d. **45% or above in case of Bachelor Degrees which award marks.**

**ii.** Candidate shall secure at least 25% (20% for SC/ST category) of the average marks of the stream in the entrance examination conducted as per Section 3.4.

**iii.** Candidate shall hold Bachelor degree in subjects specified in Schedule I, for admission to corresponding PG programmes. The CSSAC shall be competent to recommend revisions to Schedule I from time to time, on recommendations of the Department Councils.

**iv.** Any candidate admitted to a PG programme of this University in any subject in earlier years shall not be eligible to apply for admission to any PG programme. Candidates re-admitted after a break shall not come under this category.

**v.** Any candidate already holding a post-graduate degree by regular mode, shall not be eligible to apply for admission to any PG programme; provided that admission to M.Tech programmes shall be exempted from this restriction.

**vi.** Multiple Applications: A candidate may apply for a maximum of three PG programmes at a time.

**3.2 NOTIFICATION OF ADMISSIONS**
Call for applications for admission shall be notified before 1st March of every year. At least one advertisement shall be issued in nationally prominent newspapers in Malayalam and English. Date, time and venue(s) of entrance examination shall be announced in the advertisement and notification. Prospectus detailing the admission process and nature and scope of each PG programme shall be issued to each applicant; provided that visually challenged students shall be issued prospectus in Braille print.

**3.3 APPLICATIONS**
Candidates shall apply on-line and in the prescribed form and they shall also submit a statement of purpose for higher studies with the application.

**3.4 ENTRANCE EXAMINATION**

**3.4.1 Entrance examination as mandatory entry requirement**
There shall be an entrance examination for admission to each PG programme and no candidate shall be admitted to a PG programme without taking the entrance examination; provided that the restrictions do not apply to SC/ST candidates admitted to vacant seats, foreign candidates and sponsored candidates; provided further that (a) for M.Tech programmes, candidates with GATE/UGC-CSIR-NET shall be ranked first and admitted based on the respective test scores and the candidates ranked based on entrance examination of the University shall be admitted to the remaining seats only. (b) For MBA programme, scores of C-MAT(AICTE), K-MAT(Kerala) and CAT(IIM) shall be considered in lieu of the entrance examination of the University.

**3.4.2 Nature of entrance examinations**
Entrance examinations shall consists of 100 Multiple Choice Questions covering subject knowledge at Bachelor level and/or logical and numerical reasoning, for maximum of 2 hours.

**3.4.3 Conduct of Entrance Examinations**
The Department Council shall set model QPs for entrance examinations and the Controller of Examinations shall arrange to set the QPs. The office of the CSSAC shall conduct the entrance examinations. No re-examination shall be provided to absentees, under any circumstance. It shall be competent of the CSSAC to sanction special arrangements for differently-abled candidates.

**3.4.4 Marking of Entrance Examinations**
The answer scripts of the entrance examination shall be marked digitally or by the teachers of the respective Department.

**3.4.5 Negative Marks**
There shall be 0.25 negative mark for each wrong answer in entrance examination.

**3.4.6 Re-valuation**
There shall be no revaluation of entrance examination answer scripts

**3.5 RANK LIST**
Rank list for admissions shall be prepared by giving equal weightage to entrance exam performance and CGPA of bachelor degree for semesters upto 5 in case of 6-semester programme and penultimate semester/year for other programmes). For sponsored candidates, ranking shall be based on 80% weightage for CGPA/aggregate marks at bachelor level and 10% for work experience (1%/year) and 10% for an interview conducted by Department Council. The rank list shall be published and the rank position shall be formally communicated to each candidate.
3.6 **BONUS MARKS FOR NSS/NCC**

Bonus marks shall be awarded to holders of:

a. *NCC Certificates signed by NCC Director and issued by the Directorate of NCC.*

b. *NSS Certificates signed by the Vice-Chancellor and issued to volunteers who have completed 240 hours of work within a period of two years.*

The benefit of bonus marks for purpose of admission can be availed by the candidates only under any one category (either NCC or NSS). For certificates with ‘C’, ‘B’ and “A” grades, 0.5, 0.4 and 0.3% enhancement in index marks shall respectively be given.

3.7 **SEATS AND RESERVATIONS**

Each Dept. Council shall recommend the number of seats for PG programmes taking into account the academic resources and shall be approved by the CSSAC and form **Schedule II** of this regulation. Reservations for SC/ST, OBC and other such categories shall be as per the norms in this regard, issued by the University from time to time.

3.8 **SUPER-NUMERARY SEATS**

For each PG programme, there shall be super-numerary seats for

a. *one candidate who is in the rank list and who is not a native of Kerala, in case no such student has secured admission in the programme in the concerned year through the rank list.*

b. *One foreign candidate eligible as per relevant regulations for foreign students.*

c. *Students who have won the titles of Kalathilakam or Kalaprathibha in University Youth Festivals in their Bachelors Programme, in any programme of their choice provided that he/she is eligible for admission to that programme.*

d. *One Sponsored candidate from Govt./R&D Institutions/Industries, with minimum of 2 years of work experience.*

e. *One student with disability of 40% or above when the sanctioned seats are below 25 and two students, if the sanctioned seats are above 25 (the acceptability as related to subjects in science and technology stream shall be decided by CSSAC based on recommendations of the respective Departmental Council).*

3.9 **ADMISSION AND FEES**

Candidates ranked for admission shall present themselves for verification of records on announced date and time. The original certificates except transfer certificate shall be returned the same day after verification by respective Heads of Departments. Candidates shall pay prescribed fees of two kinds (i) one-time fee to be paid at the time of admission only and (ii) tuition fee to be paid in each semester. Tuition fee in each stream shall be the same.

3.10 **MISREPRESENTATION**

Any willful misrepresentation or forgery of documents shall result in expulsion of the candidate from the programme and/or withdrawal of the degree.

**Chapter 4**

**Credit & Semester System (CSS)**

4.1 **THE CSS FRAMEWORK**

P.G. programmes shall be under credit and semester system (CSS). In CSS, each academic year shall be organized into two semesters, with a vacation of one month during the whole programme: Each semester shall have a minimum of 100 working days and a minimum of 30 hrs. in a five day week. The semester schedules shall be as follows:

- **Odd Semester**
  - August to January (inclusive of end-sem exams)
- **Even Semester**
  - January to June (inclusive of end-sem exams)

Each programme shall be offered as choice of courses of different types, each normally having an assigned credit associated with it. Teaching and learning shall be aided by feedback obtained through continuous (in-sem) assessment. Each course performance and overall semester performance, as well as overall programme performance shall be evaluated and assigned grades, as per the grading scale mentioned in section 6.1.

4.2 **CORE COURSES**

Each Dept. shall offer a choice of core courses to the students in their PG programme. The core courses shall be closely related to the subject of the PG programme.

4.3 **ELECTIVE COURSES**

Each Dept. shall offer a choice of elective courses in areas that are closely or distantly related to the subject of the PG programme to students of PG programme of any Dept. Further, provided that Departments may offer specific extra-departmental electives exclusively for students of other Depts. shall, after due consideration of teaching resources available, make every effort to ensure that students have a choice of elective courses. However, the student shall be guided by the Faculty Advisor who shall consider the relevance of the course for the student and also his/her abilities. In general, no student may register for electives exceeding 8 credits in
4.4 ADD-ON AND ADDITIONAL SKILL ACQUISITION COURSES
Department Council may designate appropriate electives as Add-on Courses or Additional Skill Acquisition Courses. Add-on courses shall be those that are logical to be considered as a part of the programme in view of the programme objectives. Add-on Elective Courses shall have credits and grades which shall be used in computing the SGPA and CGPA. Additional Skill Acquisition Courses need not be logically related to the programme objectives and shall have credits and grades, which shall not be used in computing and SGPA and CGPA, but shall be included in the Grade Sheet. Add-on and Additional Skill Acquisition Courses shall be indicated as such in the grade sheets.

4.5 AUDIT COURSES
Audit courses are courses that do not carry credits and are not graded.

4.6 NEGOTIATED COURSES
Negotiated Courses are elective courses that are designed and offered on request from students.

4.7 NON-TAUGHT COURSES
Non-Taught Courses are core or elective courses which are not centered on teaching, such as laboratory courses, seminars, projects, media production, case studies, internship, and field work. They can be offered by each Dept. and shall have credit assignments and evaluation procedures suitably defined as per provisions of these regulations.

4.8 CREDITS
Credits are numbers attached to each course which define their weightage in the whole programme. One credit is defined as
i. weightage of a taught course with 1 contact hour/week/semester or
ii. weightage of a non-taught course with 2 contact hour/week/semester.

4.9 COURSE CREDITS
Every taught course shall have 2, 3 or 4 credits. Extra-departmental electives shall have 2 credits. For non-taught courses, following guidelines are applicable: (a) seminars, term-papers, case studies, internship (of minimum 3 weeks) and field work shall have 2 credits each. (b) Laboratory courses shall have maximum of 4 credits. (c) Projects in Social Sciences and Arts & Humanities streams shall have maximum of 6 credits. (d) Projects in Science and Technology stream may have project credits of maximum of 20, when a whole semester is devoted to projects. In this case, the core and elective requirements shall be deemed to be met in that semester.

4.10 PROMOTION OF INTER-DISCIPLINARITY
All Departments shall offer at least one extra-departmental elective every year. Every student of 2-year PG programmes shall, during the whole programme, register for at least one elective course from outside Department and one elective course from outside School under which the Dept. falls; provided that students of Schools with single Dept. may register for two electives from outside the Dept.

4.11 PROGRAMME CREDITS
The minimum and maximum credit requirements for successful completion of the PG programmes are as follows:

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Provided that the CSSAC shall be competent to amend the above limits to conform to the mandatory guidelines of statutory authorities such as AICTE, Bar Council and NCTE, issued from time to time, and the same shall be reported to the next Academic Council.

4.12 DURATION OF PG PROGRAMMES
PG programmes shall normally be of 2 year duration, with 4 semesters, except LLM and PG Diploma,
for which the duration shall be 1 year with 2 semesters. The maximum number of semesters that can be taken by a candidate to complete a PG programme shall be 8 semesters, except for LLM and PG Diploma for which it shall be 4 semesters.

4.13 CSS HANDBOOK & WEBSITE
Every student shall be issued in hard/soft copy, a CSS Handbook at the time of admission, containing these regulations and all other relevant information. CSSAC shall maintain a web site for providing comprehensive information about CSS and shall upload an annual report in the web site.

Chapter 5
Curriculum Design & Delivery

5.1 COURSE AS A STAND-ALONE UNIT
Each course shall be designed as a stand-alone unit of academic experience.

5.2 COURSE TITLE AND CODE
Each course shall have a unique title and code. The code shall consist of maximum four alphabets indicating the Dept. and 3 digits; first digit indicating the level of the course (4 for PG programmes), second digit indicating the semester and the last digit indicating the serial number of the course in that semester. CSSAC may suitably amend these codes for special purposes, maintaining a reasoned structure.

5.3 COURSE SYLLABUS OUTLINE
Course syllabus outline shall be a brief telegraphic statement of the topics to be dealt with in the course, designed by the Dept. Council for each course. This shall include statement of course objective, assessment strategy and course references.

5.4 PROGRAMME SYLLABUS
Programme Syllabus shall be a statement of programme objectives along with course syllabus outline of each course offered by the Department.

5.5 COURSE BULLETIN
The University shall make available to all students a Bulletin listing all the courses offered in every semester specifying the credits, the pre-requisites, list of topics the course intends to cover, the instructor who is giving the course, the time and place of the classes for the courses and the nature and schedules of assessments.

5.6 DETAILED COURSE BROCHURE
Detailed Course Brochure shall be issued to each student of a course by the respective teacher(s) offering the course. This shall be an expanded version of the course syllabus outline and shall typically consist of the following sections: Course title, course credits, name of teachers offering the course, course aims, learning outcomes, expanded syllabus, expanded core and supplementary references (including web resources), assessment strategies and any other noteworthy details of the course. The Course brochure shall be filed by the Department Councils and also reported to the CSSAC.

5.7 ACADEMIC CALENDAR
Academic calendar issued by CSSAC (which shall conform to semester definition as in section 4.1 of these regulations) shall be followed by each department.

5.8 INDUCTION PROGRAMME
Every School and Department may arrange induction programme for students in the first week of their admission into the programme and the induction may be normally 3 days duration aimed at introducing the University system, infrastructure and programme objectives to students of PG programmes, along with imparting an array of learning habits appropriate in higher education. Each student shall be made aware of the University Graduate Attributes.

5.9 REGISTRATION
Every student shall register for a set of courses of his/her choice, from the courses on offer, taking into consideration the advice from faculty advisor. Registration shall be done in the prescribed form within 2 weeks after commencement of a semester. With the consent of the Faculty Advisor, a student can drop out of any course within 3 weeks after registration, by applying in prescribed form.

5.10 CURRICULUM TRANSACTION STRATEGIES
It shall be up to the teacher teaching a course to choose the most appropriate curricular transaction strategies. However, the Dept. Council or CSSAC may issue general guidelines in this regard for due consideration by teachers. Teachers may consider the following approaches for curricular transactions (i) lecturing (ii) experiential learning (iii) service learning (iv) critical pedagogy (v) field study (vi) activity based learning (vii) discourse method (viii) interactive learning (ix) eLearning and (x) group discussions.

5.11 STUDENT FEEDBACK
Student feedback on teaching and learning shall be collected for each course as a means of improving teaching. Student feedback shall be of two types. (i) Mid-sem qualitative feedback to be directly collected by the teacher teaching the course. (ii) quantitative feedback collected centrally by a committee.
authorized by the Vice-Chancellor. At the end of the programme, a programme feedback shall be collected from students, compiled and discussed by DC.

5.12 **REVISIONS OF SYLLABUS**

It shall be the responsibility of the Department Council to revise the syllabus from time to time. Minor revisions (such as additions, deletions, modifications of sub-topics, additions of latest reference materials etc.) shall be done as and when required, by the course teachers while issuing course bulletins. Such revisions shall, by and large, confine to the Course Syllabus outline approved by the Academic Council. The Department Council shall comprehensively revise the syllabus at least once in three years. Such major revisions shall involve collecting inputs from (i) alumni (ii) industry/academies (iii) employers (iv) peer inputs from subject experts outside the University. Revised syllabus shall be placed for approval of the Academic Council through the CSSAC.

5.13 **PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

A minimal set of reading materials printed in Braille press shall be provided, free of cost, to visually challenged students.

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**Chapter 6**

**Assessment and Evaluation**

6.1 **GRADING OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE**

Performance of students in individual courses shall be evaluated and assigned grades to indicate level of achievement of objectives. The grading scale shall be the same as the national pattern recommended by the UGC. Each grade shall be indicated by a letter as in the table below:

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Each grade shall have a corresponding grade point which serves as a means of aggregating letter grades and are not marks or scores.

6.2 **TYPES OF ASSESSMENT**

In the PG programmes, every taught course shall be assessed through: (a) continuous(in-sem) assessment with 40% weightage (b) end-sem assessment with 60% weightage.

6.3 **CONTINUOUS (IN-SEM) ASSESSMENT FOR TAUGHT COURSES**

Continuous assessment is aimed at giving continuous feedback about teaching and learning to teachers and students respectively. Out of 40% weightage allotted for continuous assessment, the sub components shall normally be:

- **Component -1 : Weightage 20%**
- **Component -2 : Weightage 10%**
- **Component -3 : Weightage 10%**

20% shall be a written test. The other components designed by the course teacher are to be announced in advance as per provision 5.5. Component 2 may typically be an assignment involving a piece of scholarly critical work with critical reflection. Component 3 may typically be group discussion, fieldwork, presentations, case studies, etc.

6.3.1 **Conduct of Assessment**

Tests and other class assessments shall normally be conducted as per academic calendar and shall always be notified to students well in advance. Additional chance to take tests/examination or to submit assignments under extenuating circumstances or to take part in arts/sports events recognized by the University, shall be duly considered by the teacher.

6.3.2 **Abnormal Test Results**

Any test for which class average score is less than 40% shall not be reckoned for assessment and a re-test shall be administered for the whole class.

6.3.3 **Articulating Grade Requirements & Late Submission Policies**

For assignments/term papers/tasks, students shall be provided with clear indication of the effort required to achieve specific grades or score bands. Late submission policy for assignments shall be clearly stated. For each day of delay, not more than 10% of the maximum score may be deducted.
6.3.4 Receipts for Assignments
Students shall be issued with receipts for assignment if they so desire. Time stamped electronic communications shall also be considered as proof of submission.

6.3.5 Marking of Scripts
Teachers may offer written remarks on tests and assignments while returning marked scripts to students so as to enable them to understand the areas for improvement. This shall be mandatory for scores below 40%.

6.3.6 Plagiarism
Awareness shall be given by each course teacher to students about plagiarism and its unacceptability. Students may be encouraged to check plagiarism with software tool recommended by the UGC from time to time for assignments, term papers, and dissertations.

6.3.7 Communicating Results & Addressing Grievances
Each teacher shall formally communicate the score awarded for tests and assignments to every student. Student grievances, if any, shall be first addressed by the teacher. If not resolved, the same may be raised in the DC through the head of the department. Any appeal on the decision of the DC shall lie with student grievance subcommittee of CSSAC which shall give due hearing to the student(s) and teacher(s) and attempt to resolve the grievance, failing which the Syndicate of the University shall take a final decision in the matter.

6.4 END-SEMESTER ASSESSMENT FOR TAUGHT COURSES
6.4.1 Nature of End-sem Exam
Every taught course shall be assessed through a written end-sem exam of maximum 3 hours duration (3 hours for 3 & 4 credits and 2 hours for 2 credits). The end-sem exams shall be of summative nature and aimed at testing the achievement of course objectives as stated in the syllabus. Every student shall be issued, in the first week of the semester, a model question paper for the end-sem examinations. The end-sem exam shall normally consist of at least 20% of questions which involve higher order critical thinking. End-sem examination shall not constrain itself to knowledge recall.

6.4.2 Conduct of Exams for Even Semesters
Question papers of end-sem examination shall be set by the teacher(s) teaching the course. The teacher shall set two sets of question papers and it shall be peer-reviewed by the DC. The Head of the Department shall select one of the QPs and arrange to conduct the exam with the same. Answer scripts shall be valued by the teacher who taught the course and one external examiner from a panel of examiners recommended by the DC and approved by the VC. If the grades awarded differ by more than one level, then a third examiner from the earlier panel shall be asked to re-mark and the average of all three scores shall be awarded to the candidate. Grievances if any shall be addressed as per provisions 6.3.7.

6.4.3 Conduct of Exams for Odd Semesters
Question papers of odd-sem examination shall be set by a panel of examiners recommended by the DC and approved by the VC, based on the model question paper set by the teacher teaching the course. The Office of the CSSAC shall arrange to set the QP and conduct the exam. Answer scripts shall be marked by the teacher who taught the course and one external examiner from a panel of examiners recommended by the DC and approved by the VC. If the grades awarded differ by more than one level, then a third examiner from the earlier panel shall be asked to re-mark and the average of all three scores shall be awarded to the candidate. Grievances if any shall be addressed as per provisions 6.3.7.

6.4.4 Grace Marks
Students who participate in any event listed in schedule III shall be eligible for grace marks of 15 marks per academic year and 30 marks for the whole programme. Grace mark shall be added to the total score achieved in any one or more courses of choice of the student, in the whole programme.

6.5 ASSESSMENT OF NON-TAUGHT COURSES
6.5.1 Seminar/Field Work/Case Studies/Internship/Media Production etc
The assessment methodology and time lines shall be clearly defined by the teacher through the course brochure issued to students. Evaluation rubric shall be proposed by the teacher and approved by the DC, and communicated clearly to the students.

6.5.2 Projects
Detailed guidelines on project objectives and detailed evaluation rubric for the same shall be approved by the DC and communicated effectively to the students. Project Management System shall be developed by each Department to enable effective monitoring and support, for projects with credits above 4. Evaluations rubric of projects with credit above 4 shall include innovation as one component.
6.5.3 Laboratory Courses
Detailed guidelines on conduct and assessment of laboratory courses and detailed evaluation rubric for the same shall be approved by the DC and communicated effectively to the students.

Chapter 7
Student Progress & Certification

7.1 PROHIBITION OF OTHER ENROLLMENTS, EMPLOYMENT & RAGGING
Once admitted, students shall not undergo any other programme of education, or undertake any full-time employment; provided that short MOOC courses recommended by faculty advisors shall not come under this category. Students are prohibited from indulging in any form of ragging. Any student, who after due process of law, is found guilty of ragging during PG programme, shall not be eligible to continue in the programme.

7.2 ATTENDANCE
Students have to secure a minimum of 75% attendance for each course to become eligible to appear for End Semester Examinations for the course concerned. There shall be no score for classroom attendance. No condonation for shortage of attendance shall be given. The Head of the Department shall, on the first of every month (or on the next immediate working day), formally communicate, any fall in attendance below 75%, related to the previous month, to the student concerned, and the CSSAC office.

7.3 ABSENCE FROM ASSESSMENT UNDER EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES
Students may apply to CSSAC through HoD for special arrangement to make up for absence from assessment under extenuating circumstances and the CSSAC shall be competent to permit such special arrangements after consideration and verification of the circumstances. Any consideration under this provision shall be based on formal request made immediately after the contingency (except in naturally impossible circumstances) either through self or next of kin.

7.4 REPEATING A COURSE
A student who fails to secure 75% attendance shall be required to repeat the course along with the next batch; provided that the course may be dropped if the student has met minimum credit requirements otherwise.

7.5 MINIMUM GRADES FOR COURSE, SEMESTER AND PROGRAMME

7.5.1 Minimum Grade for Successful Course Completion
The minimum required grade for the successful completion of any course shall be a ‘D’ grade.

7.5.2 Minimum Cumulative Grade and Scholastic Probation
If the Cumulative Grade of a student falls below ‘C’ in any semester, the student shall be declared to be on a scholastic probation and the same shall be formally communicated to the student by the DC. During the scholastic probation, the Faculty Advisor and Faculty Coordinator shall monitor the progress of the student and provide counseling and support. The student shall be required to achieve cumulative grade of ‘C’ or above by the next semester, failing which the student shall not be allowed to continue in the programme.

7.5.3 Requirements for Successful Completion of the Programme
a. The minimum Cumulative Grade for successful completion of the programme shall be a ‘C’ grade.
b. The student also shall be required to pass all courses for which he/she is registered.
c. The student shall meet the minimum credit requirements for Core and Elective courses as laid out in these regulations.

7.5.4 Supplementary Exams
Students who fail in any course in any semester shall be permitted to appear for a maximum of two supplementary exams (along with the junior batch), within 8 continuous semesters. A student who fails to achieve Cumulative Grade of ‘C’ for the programme, but has passed all courses, shall be permitted to take supplementary examinations in maximum of 2 courses, after cancelling the results of the end-sem exam concerned (except project).

7.6 BREAK IN PROGRAMME
Students who discontinue the programme due to extenuating circumstances or due to appointments in Govt./Quasi Govt. organisations, may, within the limit of 8 semesters, be permitted to rejoin the programme with the existing batch, reckoning the earlier attendance and assessments, as deemed fit by the CSSAC.

7.7 LATE SUBMISSION AND RESUBMISSION OF DISSERTATION
(a) In the case of candidates who have completed the PG programme in all respects except submission of dissertation, they shall be permitted to submit the dissertation within the maximum semester duration, on payment of prescribed fees and fine. Students who prove extenuating circumstances shall be exempted from the above fine. (b) In the case of candidates who are asked by examiners to resubmit dissertations, they shall be permitted to resubmit the dissertation within the maximum semester duration, on payment
of prescribed re-submission fees.

7.8 HORIZONTAL MOBILITY INTO AND OUT OF THE PROGRAMME
It shall be competent of DCs to recommend lateral entry into and exit from PG programmes and recommend qualifications for entry and awards for exit. Provided that the exits shall be limited to first semester resulting in a Certificate and after second semester, resulting in a PG Diploma. Each such scheme shall be offered only after approval by the Academic Council based on recommendation of the CSSAC. A student who exits laterally shall not be re-admitted into the programme.

7.9 CREDIT TRANSFER
Credit transfer into PG programmes shall be permitted within the provisions of the Credit Transfer Regulations of the University (2014). Credits earned from SWAYAM platform of UGC shall be transferred into the PG programmes within the provisions of the “Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM” Regulations of the University (2016).

7.10 CERTIFICATION

7.10.1 Calculation of SGPA and Semester Grade:
To arrive at the Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) of each student, the sum of the products of the credits assigned to each course and the grade point corresponding to the grade awarded, is divided by the sum of the credits of all courses taken by the student in the semester. Grade awarded based on the SGPA shall be Semester Grade.

7.10.2 Calculation of CGPA and Programme Grade
To obtain Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA), the same procedure as in 7.10.1 is repeated except that the sum is taken over all the courses the student has taken in all the semesters till then. Grade awarded based on CGPA covering all semesters shall be the Programme Grade.

7.10.3 Classification:
There shall be no classification such as Distinction, First Class etc. for PG programme.

7.10.4 Ranking
There shall be no ranking of students in PG programmes and the Cumulative Grade/Programme Grade is to be relied on, in preference to CGPA, wherever possible. In case of any selection for recognitions, the Programme Grade shall be relied on, and to break ties, if any, number of highest grades awarded for courses shall be relied on.

7.11 GRADE SHEET
The University shall, under its seal, issue to the students a grade sheet on completion of each semester of a programme. The Grade sheet issued at the end of the final semester shall contain the following:

a. The titles of the courses taken (including audit courses and transfer courses)
b. The credits associated with each course
c. The Grades secured by the student for each course.
d. The Total credits earned by the student in the semester and the SGPA.
e. The Total credits earned by the student till that semester and the CGPA.
f. Overall/Programme Grade based on CGPA and class (with indication “Not completed” in case of students who do not meet requirements as in 7.5.3).

The Grade sheet shall not mention any marks/scores in any way. The grade sheet shall include a brief note on the credit definitions, grading scale and the grade statistics of the previous year.

7.12 MONITORING STUDENT PROGRESSION AND GRADE INFLATION
The office of the CSSAC shall compile in January of each year, the following data covering the results of the last calendar year: (a) distribution of grades stream-wise and dept.-wise (b) The grade statistics showing percentage of each type of grade awarded to all students and present it before the CSSAC. CSSAC shall analyze the pass percentage, investigate any abnormality and grade inflation or deflation and issue guidelines to address the same.

Chapter 8
Transitory Provision & Repeal

8.1 TRANSITIONAL PROVISION
Notwithstanding anything contained in these regulations, the Vice-Chancellor shall, for a period of three years from the date of coming into force of these regulations, have the power to:

a. provide by order that these regulations shall be applied to any other programme with such modifications as may be necessary.
b. take actions as he/she deems fit, to remove difficulties in implementation/interpretation of the regulations.

8.2 REPEAL
The CSS Regulations of 1995 is hereby repealed, except as applicable to students already admitted under that regulation.
6. Eligible specializations
In addition to eligibility conditions specified in section 5.3 above, candidate shall hold Bachelor degree in subjects specified below, for admission to corresponding PG Programmes.

1. **English** language and literature MA: BA English Language & Literature; BA English and Communicative English; BA Communicative English (Vocational); BA Communicative English OR any BA/BSc with credits earned for at least 4 English language courses.

2. **Hindi** language and literature MA: Graduates in B.A. Hindi. Any BA/B.Sc. degree holder with at least 4 Hindi language courses.

3. **Malayalam language and literature MA**: Graduates in B.A Malayalam. Also, any BA/BSc. with at least 4 Malayalam language courses.

4. **Arabic** language and literature MA: B.A Arabic, Any BA/BSc. with at least Arabic 4 language courses; B.A/B.Sc. in Afzal-ul-ulama.

5. **Sanskrit General language and literature MA**: B.A Sanskrit (any specialization); any B.A/B.Sc. degree holders with at least 4 Sanskrit language courses.

6. **Russian language and literature MA**: Any B.A/B.Sc. with at least 4 Russian language related courses; Any degree with diploma in Russian.

7. **German language and literature MA**: Any B.A/B.Sc. with German language related courses.

8. **Philosophy MA**: BA Philosophy; any BA/BSc. Degree holder will be admitted after all BA Philosophy holders are admitted.

9. **History MA**: Degree holders from BA/BSc/LLB. 80% of seats shall be reserved for candidate who hold BA Degree in History.

10. **Sociology MA**: Any BA/BSc. from faculties of Arts/Social science/Science/Commerce/Law. 75% of the seats shall be reserved for candidates who hold B.A Sociology.


12. **Political Science** MA: Any BA from Faculty of Social Sciences, Law and Journalism.15% of seats will be reserved for candidates from humanities science and commerce. Weightage will be given to candidates from the discipline of Political Science.

13. **Islamic History MA**: B.A Islamic History; any B.A/B.Sc. degree holder will be admitted after all BA Islamic History holders are admitted.


15. **Tamil language and literature MA**: B.A Tamil.

16. **Music MA**: B.A Music; BPA

17. **Archaeology MA**: Any BA, B.Sc.

18. **MSW**: Any BA, B.Sc. 50% of the seats reserved for B.Sc. degree holders. Graduates in Social Science, commerce, Law, BSW, BBA.

19. **M.Com**: B.Com/ B.A. 80% of the total seats would be reserved for candidates with B.Com.

20. **M.C.J.**: Any Bachelor’s degree including BA, B.Sc., BBA, BCA, B.Tech., B.VSc., MBBS.

21. **M.Lisc.**: Any Bachelor’s degree including BA, B.Sc., BBA, BCA, B.Tech., B.VSc., MBBS.

22. **M.Ed.**: B.Ed. degree, additional weightage will be given to PG (MA, M.Sc./M.Com) candidates in the respective area of specialization1 at B.Ed.

23. **LLM**: LLB 5 year/3 year/Annual Scheme


25. **M.Sc. Biotechnology**: B.Sc.in Zoology/Botany/Microbiology/Biotechnology/ Environmental Science/Aquatic Biology


27. **M.Sc. Chemistry**: B.Sc. Chemistry/ Polymer Chemistry/Industrial chemistry/ Analytical chemistry with Mathematics as one of the Complementary subjects.


29. **M.Sc. Computer Science**: B.Sc. First class Bachelor’s degree with not less than 60% marks(or equivalent grade)in Computer Science /Computer Applications /Electronics/Any other degree in Science with Computer

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1 Specialization at B.Ed. means Natural Science/ Physical Science/ Mathematics/ English/ Malayalam/ Hindi/ Arabic/ Tamil/ Kannada/ Commerce/Itor Computer/Social Science etc
Science or Computer Applications as major components or an equivalent degree recognized by the University of Kerala.

31. **M.Sc. Geology:** B.Sc. Geology
33. **M.Sc. Demography:** B.Sc. Mathematics/Statistics/Computer Science or BA Economics /Sociology/B.Sc. Geography/Anthropology with statistics as one of the Complementary subjects.
35. **M.Sc. Mathematics:** B.Sc. Mathematics
36. **M.Sc. Physics:** B.Sc. Physics with Mathematics
39. **M.Sc. Integrative Biology:** B.Sc. Zoology with Chemistry & Botany as Complementary subjects
40. **M.Sc. Applied Psychology:** B.A/B.Sc. Psychology

*Note: In the case of annual scheme, the following procedure will be adopted: For PG Programmes in Languages/Arts/ Humanities, in the place of requirement of 4 courses, Part II in the concerned in languages shall be considered.*

**SCHEDULE – II**

**DETAILS OF DEPARTMENTS, PROGRAMMES AND SEATS**

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**SCHEDULE III**

Kerala University Youth Festival
Kerala University Sports/Athletics Meet
Inter-University Youth Festival
Inter-University Sports/Athletics Meet
National Games
Olympics
Kerala Science Congress
National Science Congress
Indian History Congress
South Indian History Congress

Appendix to Item No.72

**UNIVERSITY OF KERALA – DRAFT POLICY STATEMENT ON ANTI-PLAGIARISM**

The University of Kerala declares through this policy statement that academic dishonesty of any manner is unacceptable and that the University would continuously strive to create and maintain awareness about it and any such unfair practice detected would be subjected to serious consequences.

Towards this, the University of Kerala shall

- Provide a framework for the development of a research culture, making it unacceptable to use content (textual or other forms) not owned by the author, without citing sources / with or without paraphrasing or adoption;
- Promote research activities, in such a way as to improve the quality of work and sustainability, without plagiarism;
- Contribute towards preventing unfair practice of collecting primary data without actually carrying out surveys / experiments;
- Prevent any form of dishonest, misleading, fraudulent, inauthentic and inappropriate academic reporting; and
- Develop an academic ethos that generates original thinking and promotes innovation, free of any academic dishonesty.

The following guidelines are framed for implementing the Anti-Plagiarism policy of the University which shall be made applicable to the project reports/ dissertations/theses submitted to the University for Award of PG Diploma and Masters/MPhil/PhD degree respectively.
1. The University of Kerala shall not tolerate plagiarism in any manner and for this purpose; accepted limit shall be zero per cent.

2. The project/research supervisor and HoD shall be responsible for creating awareness among the candidates falling under the purview of these policy guidelines on the consequences of plagiarism in the research reports submitted to the University.

3. Every University Department/ Approved Research centre shall arrange the conduct of awareness lectures on the consequences of plagiarism in the research reports submitted to the University at least once in a year and maintain attendance register of participants in the Department.

4. The Dept. Doctoral Committees shall be responsible for scrutiny of plagiarism in the project reports/ dissertations/theses submitted to the University for Award of PG Diploma and Masters/MPhil/PhD degree respectively.

5. The students/researchers shall have to produce evidence of verification of “overlap with other sources” using UGC recommended URKUND software.

6. The overlap with other sources shall not exceed 10 per cent in the report, submitted for evaluation, exclusive of references.

7. Overlap of less than 10 per cent does not make the research report ‘plagiarism free’ and as such the research supervisor and DDC shall have to ensure in each case through scrutiny that the Anti-Plagiarism policy of the University to maintain the accepted limit of zero per cent is upheld.

8. The Chairperson on behalf of DDC shall furnish a certificate in the report, after through scrutiny, to the effect that the Anti-Plagiarism policy of the University to maintain the accepted limit of zero per cent is upheld.

9. In respect of Research reports written in non-English Text, wherein URKUND software may not be employed for evaluation of overlaps, manual evaluation shall have to be relied on and approximate quantification shall have to be attempted by the research supervisor and DDC concerned.

10. Plagiarism, if any, brought to the notice of the University by the examiner(s)/genuine source(s) before or after the award of Degree, shall be investigated in detail through a committee consisting of the respective Dean of the Faculty; Head of the Dept/Chairperson of the BoS; and two external experts at the level of Professors from outside the University, nominated by the Vice-Chancellor. Of the two external experts, at least one shall be from outside the State.

11. The committee shall provide reasonable opportunities to the respective student/researcher and guide to be heard in person and shall seek their written statements before arriving at conclusions.

12. The committee shall make specific recommendation on the issues of plagiarism referred to them by the University for Investigation.

13. In case of negligible level of plagiarism, as recommended by the committee referred to clause 10 above, the candidate have to remit a fee as decided by the Syndicate from time to time and shall be directed to resubmit the dissertation/report, with appropriate modifications.

14. In case of significant level of plagiarism, as recommended by the committee referred to clause 10 above, the matter shall be brought to the notice of the appropriate body for a decision inclusive of the withdrawal of degree/diploma, if already awarded, in accordance with the provisions contained in the Acts and Statutes of the University of Kerala.

Appendix to Item No.73

LIST OF DEGREES/EXAMINATIONS OF OTHER UNIVERSITIES/INSTITUTIONS - APPROVED BY THE VICE CHANCELLOR

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<td>B.A. Degree in Criminology and Police Administration (Distance)</td>
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Recognized as equivalent to M.Phil. Degree in Physics of the University of Kerala for higher studies and employment.

Recognized as an eligible qualification for pursuing higher studies and employment in the field of Biotechnology.

Chairman, BoS in Applied Science and Technology

Recognized as equivalent to B.A.S.L.P. Degree of the University of Kerala for higher studies and employment.

Dean, Faculty of Physical Education

Dean, Faculty of Social Science

Dean, Faculty of Medical Science

Dean, Faculty of Applied Science and Technology

Dean, Faculty of Law

Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology

Dean, Faculty of Medical Science

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