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### **C I R C U L A R**

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It is notified for the information of all concerned that an additional document on Examination and Evaluation has been added to the university NEP-2020 document as special chapters (Chapters – 22, 23 and 24). All the institutes wherein NEP – 2020 has been implemented from the current academic session 2023-24, shall be following the terms and conditions laid down in the document (Annexure – 1 and also available on university website [www.uol.ac.in](http://www.uol.ac.in) under NEP-2020).

For more clarification, series of offline/online meetings shall be conducted shortly. Principals shall ensure the presence of all the faculty in such meetings.

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Enclosure –

1. Annexure – 1: Additional document on NEP – 2020.

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**ANNEXURE – 1: EXAMINATION AND EVALUATION IN UNIVERSITY OF LADAKH UNDER NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY – 2020**

**(Part of the NEP document)**

With the implementation of NEP-2020 in the colleges of UT of Ladakh from the academic session 2023 which markedly differs from the earlier undergraduate program, need has arisen to look into the examination system (pattern of question papers, evaluation method etc.). This is especially in light of the introduction of Foundation Courses in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semester wherein some Foundation courses have number of subjects clubbed into one e.g. Life Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences etc.

**Setting of Question papers**

In all the Foundation Courses which has only one subject e.g. Tourism, question paper will be set in the same way as was being done earlier. However, in the Foundation Courses which has number of subjects clubbed together e.g. Life Sciences, COE will ask paper setter of each subject to submit set of questions under Short and Long answer type. On receiving such question papers from all the concerned subjects of a Foundation Course, COE may ask any examiner of the faculty to moderate the questions into one question paper of the said Foundation Course.

**Evaluation and Marks Distribution**

**a. Major/Minor Foundation courses (4 credits)**

Candidates will be evaluated in all the Major and Minor Foundation Courses internally as well as externally. Internally, candidates will be evaluated through internal exam plus attendance whereas externally candidate will be evaluated through semester-end exam.

Marks distribution of the internal and external exams would be as follows –

<b>Exams</b>	<b>Non-Lab courses</b>	<b>Courses with Lab work</b>
Internal Exam	Total Marks = 30 ➤ Attendance = 10 ➤ 1 <sup>st</sup> sessional = 10 ➤ 2 <sup>nd</sup> sessional = 10	Total Marks = 25 ➤ Attendance = 5 ➤ 1 <sup>st</sup> sessional = 10 ➤ 2 <sup>nd</sup> sessional = 10
External Exam (Semester-end Exam)	Marks = 70	Marks = 50
Practical Exam	-----	Internal Exam = 10 (including 5 marks of attendance) External Exam = 15 Total Marks = 25
	Total Marks = 100	Total Marks = 100

Same pattern shall follow in all the Major/Minor from 3<sup>rd</sup> semester onwards also.

**b. Ability Enhancement Courses (2 credits)**

Candidates will be evaluated in AEC in the first four semesters internally as well as externally. Internally, candidates will be evaluated through internal exam plus attendance whereas externally candidate will be evaluated through semester-end exam.

Marks distribution of the internal and external exams would be as follows –

Exams	Non-Lab courses	Courses with Lab work
Internal Exam	Total Marks = 15 ➤ Attendance = 5 ➤ 1 <sup>st</sup> sessional = 5 ➤ 2 <sup>nd</sup> sessional = 5	-----
External Exam (Semester-end Exam)	Total marks = 35	-----
Practical Exam	-----	-----
	<b>Total Marks = 50</b>	-----

**c. Interdisciplinary/Generic Courses (3 credits)**

Candidates will be evaluated in interdisciplinary (Generic) courses in the first four semesters internally as well as externally. Internally, candidates will be evaluated through internal exam plus attendance whereas externally candidate will be evaluated through semester-end exam.

Marks distribution of the internal and external exams would be as follows –

Exams	Non-Lab courses	Courses with Lab work
Internal Exam	Total Marks = 15 ➤ Attendance = 5 ➤ 1 <sup>st</sup> sessional = 5 ➤ 2 <sup>nd</sup> sessional = 5	-----
External Exam (Semester-end Exam)	Total marks = 60	-----
Practical Exam	-----	-----
	<b>Total Marks = 75</b>	-----

**d. Skill Enhancement Courses (3 credit each)**

In these courses, there shall be no semester-end exam and therefore concerned teacher will evaluate the candidates based on their internal performance (theory and practical). However, the marks shall be allotted for attendance.

Marks distribution of the theory and attendance would be as follows –

Exams	Non-Lab courses (3 credits Theory)	Courses with Lab work	
		1 credit (Theory) + 2 credits (Practical)	2 credits (Theory) + 1 credit (Practical)
Internal Exam (Theory)	Marks = 65	Marks = 20	Marks = 40
Attendance	Marks = 10	Marks = 05	Marks = 10
External Exam (Theory)	-----	-----	-----
Practical Exam	-----	Marks = 50	Marks = 25
Total Marks	<b>75</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>75</b>

**e. Value Addition Courses (2 credit each)**

A candidate has to study two VACs each in first and second semester. These courses are meant to develop all capacities of human beings – intellectual, aesthetic, social, physical and emotional etc. In these courses too, like SEC, there shall be no semester-end exam and therefore concerned teacher

will evaluate the candidates based on their internal performance (theory and practical). However, marks shall be allotted for attendance.

Marks distribution of the theory and attendance would be as follows –

Exams	Non-Lab courses (2 credits Theory)	Courses with Lab work
		1 credit (Theory) + 1 credit (Practical)
Internal Exam (Theory)	Marks = 40	Marks = 20
Attendance	Marks = 10	Marks = 05
External Exam (Theory)	-----	-----
Practical Exam	-----	Marks = 25 (including 5 marks for attendance)
Total Marks	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>

**f. Summer/Winter Internship/Minor project (2 credits)**

In 5<sup>th</sup> semester, a student has to opt for internship/research project (minor) with any agency (either in Ladakh or outside). Whole process shall be taken up under the supervision of concerned teacher of the subject of his/her choice which shall be verified by examination convener/coordinator and approved by the concerned HOD/Principal. The agency, in case of internship, shall also award marks on his/her certificate out of maximum marks of 50 along-with verified report.

**g. Dissertation/Research work (12 credits)**

In the 8<sup>th</sup> semester, a student has to take up a research project in the area of his/her Major subject. Whole process shall be taken up under the supervision of concerned teacher of the subject of his/her choice and approved by the concerned HOD/Principal. Evaluation of the dissertation shall be done by an Internal and External examiner.

Dissertation shall be carrying a weightage of 12 credits equivalent to 300 marks. These marks shall be distributed as per the following:

S. Nos	Components	Max Marks
1.	Attendance	25
2.	Presentation before CRC	25
3.	Dissertation	200
4.	Viva voce	50

Once the research methodology course is over in 7<sup>th</sup> semester, colleges are advised to get at least three research topics from each of the student interested in carrying out research work on any Minor Project. Topic of the research shall be finalized in the College Research Committee meeting. Thereafter, students shall start writing synopsis/dissertation as per the guidelines given in Annexure - 9. All this shall be undertaken under a supervision of a guide, a permanent faculty of the college. Timeline for research work to be carried out shall be as follows –

S. Nos	Timeline	Work to be carried out
1.	Topic of the research work finalized/Presentation before College Research Committee	In the first 15 days of the semester
2.	Historical review/methodology	Next 15 days of the semester
3.	Field/Research	Next six weeks of the semester
4.	Compilation of dissertation	Last one month of the semester
5.	Viva voce	Before/after the semester-end exam (date shall be notified separately)

#### **h. Attendance and marks distribution**

Following the UGC guideline, 75% attendance in a subject is mandatory to be eligible to appear in semester-end exams. Weightage of marks distribution of attendance shall be as follows -

Percentage of attendance	MM = 05	MM = 10	MM = 25 (8 <sup>th</sup> semester - Dissertation)
70-74.9 (condonable)	Nil	Nil	Nil
75.0 – 79.9	2	4	10
80.0 – 84.9	3	6	15
85.0 – 89.9	4	8	20
90.0 & above	5	10	25

In Foundation courses which has numbers of subjects clubbed together, HOD/Principal will assign someone from the members of the Foundation Course group, preferably the senior-most one, to prepare percentage of the cumulative attendance that the candidate has registered in all the subjects of the said course. Whereas, in Foundation course with only one subject under it, the concerned teacher shall prepare all the details and will submit the award.

## **Semester-end Examinations**

### **Evaluation of the Major/Minor Foundation courses**

Note: The candidate will be evaluated on the basis of a written examination (70/50/35/60 marks) and Internal Continuous Assessment (30/25/15/15 marks) in Major/Minor/AEC/Interdisciplinary papers respectively depending on the total credits of the paper. In the written examination, the question paper will have the following format:

### **Pattern of question paper (e.g. of a 4-credit paper Major/Minor):**

The maximum marks in this paper/option will be 70 and duration of written examination will be 2 hr 30 minutes

- (i) There will be two sections i.e. Section A and Section B. Section A will comprise of 4 short answer type questions and all will be compulsory. Whereas Section B will comprise of 4 questions each with an internal option.
- (ii) The candidate will be required to attempt 5 questions in all; first compulsory question from section A and other four questions from section B.
- (iii) Question No.1 (compulsory) will carry 14 marks. It will consist of 4 short answer type questions; equally distributed from the whole of the syllabus. The candidate is required to attempt all the four questions in 25-30 words each. Each short question carries 3.5 marks.
- (iv) Section B will comprise of the remaining part of the question paper divided into four questions, corresponding to the four units of the syllabus for each option. The paper setter will set 2 essay type questions from each unit. The candidate will attempt 4 essay type questions, selecting one from each unit. Each essay type question will carry 14 marks.
- (v) The paper setter is expected to follow the Essential Readings and set questions on the sub-themes or parts of a theme, rather than the topic as a whole.

### **Pattern of question paper (e.g. of a 3-credit paper Major/Minor papers):**

The maximum marks in this paper/option will be 50 and duration of written examination will be 2 hr 30 minutes

- (i) There will be two sections i.e. Section A and Section B. Section A will comprise of 4 short answer type questions and all will be compulsory. Whereas Section B will comprise of 4 questions each with an internal option.
- (ii) The candidate will be required to attempt 5 questions in all; first compulsory question from section A and other four questions from section B.
- (iii) Question No.1 (compulsory) will carry 10 marks. It will consist of 4 short answer type questions; equally distributed from the whole of the syllabus. The candidate is required to attempt all the four questions in 25-30 words each. Each short question carries 2.5 marks.
- (iv) Section B will comprise of the remaining part of the question paper divided into four questions, corresponding to the four units of the syllabus for each option. The paper setter will set 2 essay type questions from each unit. The candidate will attempt 4 essay type questions, selecting one from each unit. Each essay type question will carry 10 marks.
- (v) The paper setter is expected to follow the Essential Readings and set questions on the sub-themes or parts of a theme, rather than the topic as a whole.

**Pattern of question paper (e.g. of a 3-credit Interdisciplinary papers):**

The maximum marks in this paper/option will be 60 and duration of written examination will be 2 hr 30 minutes

- (i) There will be two sections i.e. Section A and Section B. Section A will comprise of 4 short answer type questions and all will be compulsory. Whereas Section B will comprise of 4 questions each with an internal option.
- (ii) The candidate will be required to attempt 5 questions in all; first compulsory question from section A and other four questions from section B.
- (iii) Question No.1 (compulsory) will carry 12 marks. It will consist of 4 short answer type questions; equally distributed from the whole of the syllabus. The candidate is required to attempt all the four questions in 25-30 words each. Each short question carries 3 marks.
- (iv) Section B will comprise of the remaining part of the question paper divided into four questions, corresponding to the four units of the syllabus for each option. The paper setter will set 2 essay type questions from each unit. The candidate will attempt 4 essay type questions, selecting one from each unit. Each essay type question will carry 12 marks.
- (v) The paper setter is expected to follow the Essential Readings and set questions on the sub-themes or parts of a theme, rather than the topic as a whole.

**Pattern of question paper (e.g. of a 2-credit paper of AEC papers):**

The maximum marks in this paper/option will be 35 and duration of written examination will be 2 hr. only.

- (i) There will be two sections i.e. Section A and Section B. Section A will comprise of 4 short answer type questions and all will be compulsory. Whereas Section B will comprise of 4 questions each with an internal option.
- (ii) The candidate will be required to attempt 5 questions in all; first compulsory question from section A and other four questions from section B.
- (iii) Question No.1 (compulsory) will carry 7 marks. It will consist of 4 short answer type questions; equally distributed from the whole of the syllabus. The candidate is required to attempt all the four questions. Each short question carries 1.75 marks.
- (iv) Section B will comprise of the remaining part of the question paper divided into four questions, corresponding to the four units of the syllabus for each option. The paper setter will set 2 essay type questions from each unit. The candidate will attempt 4 essay type questions, selecting one from each unit. Each essay type question will carry 7 marks.
- (v) The paper setter is expected to follow the Essential Readings and set questions on the sub-themes or parts of a theme, rather than the topic as a whole.

**Rest of the norms shall remain as they were being followed by the university (as per norm in the statutes).**

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