PG REGULATIONS 2021 BATCH ONWARDS

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REGULATIONS FOR POSTGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMME
In CBCS pattern (with effect from 2021-2022)

Definitions:

Programme:

"Programme" means a course of study leading to the award of a degree in a discipline.

Course:

"Course" refers to a subject offered under the degree programme.

Discipline Specific Courses (DSC):

Discipline Specific Courses means "the core courses" related to the programme concerned including practicals and project work offered under the programme.

Discipline Specific Electives (DSE):

Discipline Specific Electives means the optional courses offered under the programme related to the core or non core courses but are to be selected by the students.

Generic Elective Courses (GEC):

Generic Elective Courses means "Inter Departmental Courses" , the course of study offered by the inter-related departments in common discipline.

Non CGPA Credit Course (NCCC):

Any one MOOC shall be completed anytime during the programme, offered in SWAYAM portal under MHRD, Govt. of India.

A detailed explanation of the above with relevant credits is given under "Scheme of Examinations along with Distribution of Marks and Credits".

1. Eligibility for Admission to the Programme

A candidate who has passed the Degree Examination as main subject of study of Bharathiar University or an examination of some other University accepted by the Syndicate of Bharathiar University as equivalent thereto shall be eligible for admission to the Master Degree programme.

2. Duration of the Programme

This Programme of Study shall be based on Semester System. This Programme shall consist of four Semesters covering a total of two academic years. For this purpose, each academic year shall be divided into two semesters; the first and third semesters; June to November and the second and the fourth semesters; December to April. The Practical Examinations shall be conducted at the end of each semester. Each semester has 90 working days consisting of 5 teaching hours per working day.

3. Programme of Study

The Programme of the Degree of Master of Science/Arts/Commerce/Social Work shall be under the Semester System according to the Syllabus to be prescribed from time to time. This Programme consists of Core Courses and Optional Courses.

4. Scheme of Examinations

As recommended by the respective Board of Studies.

5. Requirement to appear for the Examinations

All bonafide students of the College are eligible to appear for the End Semester Examinations by fulfilling the following criteria:

a) Ideally every student is expected to attend all classes and earn 100% attendance. However, the student shall secure not less than 75% attendance semester-wise (Minimum requirement) to enable him / her to appear for the end semester examination.

b) If a student secure attendance between 65 % and less than 75 % in a semester due to medical reasons or participation in State / National / International sport events with prior permission from the principal through the class tutor and Head of the department concerned, the student shall be given exemption from the prescribed attendance requirement and the student shall be permitted to appear for the end semester examination. In all such cases, the student should submit the required documents on joining after the absence to the Head of the department through the Class Tutor.

Lack of Attendance:

c) Students who do not satisfy the minimum requirement of attendance and who secure less than 75% but 65% and above attendance in a semester will have to pay condonation fees and compensate the lack in the subsequent semester.

d) Students who secure less than 65% but 55% and above attendance in a semester will not be permitted to write the End Semester Examination but he/she can continue the study in the subsequent semester.

e) A candidate who has secured less than 55% of attendance in any semester shall be debarred from writing the End Semester Examination. He/she has to rejoin the semester in which the attendance is less than 55%.

6. Restrictions to appear for the Examinations

a)   Any candidate having arrear paper(s) shall have the option to appear in any arrear paper along with the regular semester papers.

b)   Candidates who fail in any of the course of PG degree examinations shall complete the course concerned within 4 years from the date of admission to the said programme, and should they fail to do so, they shall take the examination in the next revised syllabus prescribed for the immediate next batch of candidates. If there is no change in the texts/syllabus they shall appear for the examination in that course with the syllabus in vogue until there is a change in the texts or syllabus. In the event of removal of that course consequent to change of regulation and / or curriculum after 4 year period, the candidates shall have to take up an equivalent course in the revised syllabus as suggested by the Chairman of the respective board of studies and fulfill the requirements as per the regulation curriculum for the award of the degree.

7. Medium of Instruction and Examinations

The medium of instruction and examinations shall be in English. However, as per directives of the Government of Tamilnadu, if the candidates answer in Tamil, their answer scripts will also be evaluated.

8. Submission of Record Note books for Practical Examinations

Candidates appearing for practical examinations should submit bonafide Record Note Books prescribed for practical examinations, otherwise the candidates shall not be permitted to appear for the practical examinations.

9. **Minimum (Pass) Marks**

A candidate shall be declared to have passed in a course if a student obtains not less than 50% of marks in that course. A candidate shall be declared to have passed the whole Examination if the student passes in all the courses.

10. Distribution of marks

Table – 1: The following are the distribution of marks for end semester and continuous internal assessment for **theory papers** of PG programmes.

PG & M.Sc. SS					
TOTAL MARKS	END SEMESTER		CIA Max. marks	Passing Minimum for CIA (50%)	Overall Passing Minimum (CIA+ESE)
	Max. marks	Passing Minimum for End Semester alone			
100	50	25	50	25	50
50	25	12.5	25	12.5	25

Theory: The CIA for theory courses consists of written tests and departmental components like assignments, seminars, mini projects, surveys, paper presentations etc. The course coordinators (faculty who is handling the course) shall decide the departmental components to be given for the candidates.

Internal Assessment for theory:

The CIA for theory courses consists of written tests (CIA1, CIA2 and CIA 3), and departmental components as specified in the scheme of examinations and syllabus. It is mandatory for every student to attend at least one test in every course.

Weightage of Continuous Internal Assessment (Theory) - UG:

CIA Total Marks	CIA 1	CIA 2	CIA 3	Total Marks CIA Test	Components*
50	7.5	7.5	10	25	25

Weightage of Continuous Internal Assessment (Theory) - PG:

CIA Total Marks	CIA 1	CIA 2	CIA 3	Total Marks CIA Test	Components*
50	7.5	7.5	10	25	25

*For 25 Marks: CIA will be followed for 50 Marks and further converted to 25 Marks.

Any 5 Components *

Component 1	Component 2	Component 3	Component 4	Component 5
5	5	5	5	5

Components* may include the following: (As per UGC Regulations)

Annotated Bibliographies	Movie Assignment	Seminars
Aptitude	Online Test	Simulation Exercise
Article Review	Open book test	Sketch work
Assignment	Paper Presentation	Socratic Seminar
Authentic Problem solving	Portal Reviews	SWOC Analysis
Book Review	Portfolio	Technical Presentation
Case study Assignments	Poster Presentation	Video Presentation
Computer Simulations	Power Point Presentation	Viva Voce
Craft Work	Practical Lab	Vlog
Essay	Problem based solution	Written Test

Exam	Project Presentation	WSQ Watch
Field Assignments	Project Report	Journal Writing
Fishbowl techniques	Quiz	KWL-Know Want to Know-Learned
Group Assignments	Rapid Fire Questions	MCQ
Industrial Attachment	Reasoning	Report
Role Play	Research Project	Others

Learning Outcomes	Taxonomy of verbs	Teaching and learning methods (Suggested)	Assessment methods (Suggested)
PLO 1 Knowledge	Cognitive Domain	Lecture/Tutorial	Exam/Written Tests/ Quiz/MCQ
PLO 2 Critical Thinking skills	Cognitive Domain	Lecture/Tutorial/Case study/Problem solving	Exam/Written Tests/ Quiz/MCQ
PLO 3 Practical Skills	Psychomotor Domain	Practical/ Demonstration	Practical Tests
PLO 4 Interpersonal Skills	Affective Domain	Case Study/ Project/ Tutorial/ Group Work	Presentation/ Project/Poster Presentation
PLO 5 Communication Skills	Affective Domain	Case Study/ Project/ Tutorial	Presentation/
PLO 6 Digital Skills	Affective Domain	Case Study/ Project/ Tutorial/ Group Work/Problem based learning	Case Study/ Project/ Group Work
PLO 7 Numeracy skills	Cognitive Domain	Lecture/Tutorial/Case study/Problem solving	Exam/Written Tests/ Quiz/MCQ
PLO 8 Leadership skills	Affective Domain	Case Study/ Project/ Group Work/ Discussion/PBL	Project/ Industrial Attachment/ Role Play
PLO 9 Life Long Learning	Affective Domain	Case Study/ Project/ Group Work/PBL	Project/ Portfolio/Poster Presentation
PLO 10 Entrepreneurial Skills	Affective Domain	Case Study/ Project /PBL	Project/ Industrial Attachment
PLO 11 Ethics and Professionalism	Affective Domain	Case Study/ Project/ Tutorial/ Discussion/PBL	Written Test/ Presentation/ Project

Table – 2: The following are the distribution of marks for end semester and continuous internal assessments for **practical papers** of PG programmes.

PG & M.Sc. SS					
TOTAL MARKS	END SEMESTER		CIA Max. marks	Passing Minimum for CIA (50%)	Overall Passing Minimum (CIA+ESE)
	Max. marks	Passing Minimum for End Semester alone			
100	50	25	50	25	50
50	25	12.5	25	12.5	25

Practical: The CIA for practical courses consists of two Tests, Experiment results evaluation in regular practical classes (average marks obtained) and Record evaluation (after completion of all experiments).

Internal Assessment for Practical:

The CIA for practical courses consists of two tests and departmental components as specified in the scheme of examinations and syllabus. It is mandatory for every student to attend at least one test in every course.

Weightage of Continuous Internal Assessment (Practical):

CIA Total Marks	CIA Test	Any 2 Components*	Record
50	20	20	10
25	10	10	5

Table – 3: The following are the distribution of marks for end semester examinations, continuous internal assessments and overall passing minimum marks for the project viva –voce of PG programmes.

PG					
TOTAL MARKS	END SEMESTER		CIA Max. marks	Passing Minimum for CIA (50%)	Overall Passing Minimum (CIA + End Semester) (50%)
	Max. marks	Passing Minimum for end semester alone (50%)			
200	100	50	100	50	100
150	75	38	75	38	75
100	50	25	50	25	50

Weightage of Continuous Internal Assessment (Project):

CIA Total Marks	CIA /REVIEW/ PRESENTATION	Report	Work Dairy
100	50	30	20
75	40	20	15
50	25	15	10

Project: The Internal Assessment for project shall be distributed as follows, 50% of marks for interim presentation and model viva voce, 30% for report writing and 20% for work diary maintenance and attendance.

WEIGHTAGE FOR 50 % THEORY AND 50 % PRACTICAL PAPER – EMBEDDED

Continuous Assessment	Percentage
Theory – 50 Marks	
Practical Test (Internal-25)	**25**
Component 1	2.5
Component 2	2.5
Component 3	5
CIA 1	5
CIA 2	10
Practical Test (ESE-25)	**25**
Practical – 50 Marks	
Practical Test (Internal-25)	**25**
Component 1	5
Component 2	5
Record	5
CIA 1	5
CIA 2	5
Practical Test (ESE-25)	**25**

11. MODALITIES FOR IMPLEMENTING CONTINUOUS INTERNAL ASSESSMENT

- Marks of the students for each of the CIA Components shall be uploaded in the Myklassroom Portal within the dates specified by the Controller of Examinations.
- Each Student in a PG Programme shall secure a minimum of 50% out of the maximum marks in the CIA. (That is, 25 marks out of 50 marks & 12.5 marks out of 25 marks).
- There shall be a provision for reappearance for improving the marks in the CIA within the duration of the semester (in case of non-attainment of 25/12.5 marks) before the stipulated date of uploading the marks in the portal.

12. AWARD OF DEGREE

- A candidate who secures a minimum of 50% of marks in the internal assessment as well as in the end semester university examination and a minimum aggregate of 50% marks in both continuous internal assessment and end semester university examination in each paper shall be deemed to have passed the course for the award of the degree in PG Programme.
- A candidate who secures a minimum of 7.5 out of 10 CGPA (Cumulative Grade Point Average) and above in aggregate comprising both continuous internal assessment and end semester university examination shall be deemed to have passed the examination in FIRST CLASS WITH DISTINCTION, provided the candidate has passed all the examinations prescribed for the course in the first appearance.
- A candidate who secures a minimum of 6.0 out of 10 CGPA and above comprising both continuous internal assessment and end semester university examination in aggregate shall be deemed to have passed the examination in FIRST CLASS.
- A candidate who clears all the papers prescribed for the course in the FIRST APPEARANCE shall be eligible for Ranking/Distinction.

13. Grading

Once the marks of the Continuous Internal Assessment and end semester examinations for each of the course are available, they will be added. The mark thus obtained will then be graded as per details given below:

Marks and Grades

The following table gives the marks grade points, letter grades and classification to indicate the performance of the candidate.

Conversion of Marks to Grade Points and Letter Grade (Performance in a Course/Paper)

RANGE OF MARKS	GRADE POINTS	LETTER GRADE	DESCRIPTION
90-100	9.0-10.0	O	Outstanding
80-89	8.0-8.9	D+	Excellent
75-79	7.5-7.9	D	Distinction
70-74	7.0-7.4	A+	Very Good
60-69	6.0-6.9	A	Good
50-59	5.0-5.9	B	Average
00-49	0.0	U	Re-appear
ABSENT	0.0	AAA	ABSENT

GRADE POINT AVERAGE

For a Semester:

GRADE POINT AVERAGE [GPA] = $\Sigma i\, C_i\, G_i\, /\, \Sigma i\, C_i$

C_i = Credits earned for a course i in any semester

G_i = Grade Point obtained for a course i in any semester

n = refers to the semester in which such course were credited

$$GPA = \frac{\text{Sum of the multiplication of grade points by the credits of the courses}}{\text{Sum of the credits of the courses in a semester}}$$

For the entire programme:

CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE [CGPA] = $\Sigma n\, \Sigma i\, C_{ni}\, G_{ni}\, /\, \Sigma n\, \Sigma i\, C_{ni}$

$$CGPA = \frac{\text{Sum of the multiplication of grade points by the credits of the entire programme}}{\text{Sum of the credits of the courses of the entire programme}}$$

CGPA	GRADE	CLASSIFICATION OF FINAL RESULT
9.5 – 10.0	O+	First Class – Exemplary *
9.0 and above but below 9.5	O	
8.5 and above but below 9.0	D++	First Class with Distinction*
8.0 and above but below 8.5	D+	
7.5 and above but below 8.0	D	
7.0 and above but below 7.5	A++	
6.5 and above but below 7.0	A+	First Class
6.0 and above but below 6.5	A	
5.5 and above but below 6.0	B+	Second Class
5.0 and above but below 5.5	B	
0.0 and above but below 5.0	U	Re-appear

14. Improvement of Marks in the subjects already passed

Candidates desirous of improving the marks awarded in a passed subject in their first attempt shall reappear once within a period of subsequent two semesters. The improved marks shall be considered for classification but not for ranking. When there is no improvement, there shall not be any change in the original marks already awarded.

13. Classification of Successful candidates

A candidate who passes all the examinations and securing following CGPA and Grades shall be declared as follows for each part:

CGPA	GRADE	CLASSIFICATION OF FINAL RESULT
9.5 – 10.0	O+	First Class – Exemplary *
9.0 and above but below 9.5	O	
8.5 and above but below 9.0	D++	First Class with Distinction*
8.0 and above but below 8.5	D+	
7.5 and above but below 8.0	D	
7.0 and above but below 7.5	A++	
6.5 and above but below 7.0	A+	First Class
6.0 and above but below 6.5	A	
5.5 and above but below 6.0	B+	Second Class
0.0 and above but below 5.0	B	

a) A candidate who has passed all the subjects examinations in the first appearance within the prescribed duration of the PG programmes and secured a CGPA of 9 to 10 and equivalent grades "O" or "O+" in Core and Optional subjects shall be placed in the category of "**First Class – Exemplary**".

b) A candidate who has passed all the subjects examinations in the first appearance within the prescribed duration of the PG programmes and secured a CGPA of 7.5 to 9 and equivalent grades "D" or "D+" or "D++" in Core and Optional subjects shall be placed in the category of "**First Class with Distinction**".

c) A candidate who has passed all the subjects examinations of the PG programmes and secured a CGPA of 6 to 7.5 and equivalent grades "A" or "A+" or "A++" shall be declared to have passed in "**First Class**".

d) A candidate who has passed all the subjects examination of the PG programmes and secured a CGPA of 5.0 to 6.0 and equivalent grades "B" or "B+" shall be declared to have passed in "**Second Class**".

15. Ranking

A candidate who qualifies for the PG Degree programme passing all the Examinations in the first attempt, within the minimum period prescribed for the programme from the date of admission to the programme and secures 1st Class shall be eligible for ranking and such ranking shall be confined to 10% of the total number of candidates qualified in that particular subject to a minimum of 3 ranks and a maximum of 10 ranks. The improvement marks will not be taken into consideration for ranking.

16. Conferment of the Degree

No candidate shall be eligible for conferment of the Degree unless he / she has undergone the prescribed programme of Study for a period of not less than four semesters or has been exempted there from in the manner prescribed and has passed the Examinations as have been prescribed therefore.

17. Additional Credits

A student who desires to earn additional credits (over and above credits prescribed by the programme) can opt for any core course offered by any Department for PG programmes. He / She can appear for the examination for odd semester paper in the even semester and even semester paper in the odd semester.

The courses will be self study and there is no continuous internal assessment for the courses. However, the marks scored by him / her will be converted for 100 marks and will appear in the semester mark sheet as additional credits.

18. Additional Credits for Online Certificate Courses

Additional credits will be awarded on completion of online certificate courses like MHRD, NPTEL, Swayam, Skill Sector Council, etc. The credit system for NPTEL online certification is fixed as extra 4 credits on completion of one course.

19. Question Paper Pattern

The following question paper patterns shall be followed for the candidates admitted from the academic year 2021-2022 wherever applicable.

All PG Programmes

Maximum 50 Marks – wherever applicable			
Section A	Multiple choice questions with four options	10*1=10	10 questions – 2 each from every unit
Section B	Short answer questions of either / or type (like 1.a (or) b	5*3=15	5 questions – 1 each from every unit
Section C	Essay-type questions of either / or type (like 1.a (or) b	5*5=25	5 questions – 1 each from every unit
NOTE: In Section C ,one of the questions shall be application oriented or a problem or a case study.			

20. Revision of Regulations and Curriculum

The above Regulations and Scheme of Examinations will be in vogue without any change. However, the Board of studies may revise/amend/change the Regulations and Scheme of Examinations, if found necessary.

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