

SRI KRISHNA ARTS AND SCIENCE COLLEGE
An Autonomous College affiliated to Bharathiar University
Kuniamuthur, Coimbatore – 641 008.

REGULATIONS FOR UNDER GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMMES
IN CBCS PATTERN (With effect from 2014-2015)

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
Part I	Part I refers to the languages offered by the college
Part II	Part II means “English” language offered under Part II of the programme
Part III-Core	It means “the core courses” related to the programme concerned including (Core Courses) practicals.
Part III-Optional	It means “Optional courses” related to the core courses of the programme concerned, offered under Part III of the programme including practicals.
Part III – Inter Departmental Course	It means, the course of study offered by the inter-related departments in common discipline under Part –III including practicals.
Part III - Skill based courses	It means the courses offered as skill based courses under Part III of the programme aimed at imparting advanced skill.
Part III – Extra Department Course	It means the job oriented courses offered by the various departments. The students can opt for a course based on the eligibility prescribed by the Board of Studies.
Part III – Talent Management course	It means the courses offered to improve the analytical skill of the students to appear for the competitive examinations. It includes Mathematics for Competitive Examinations and Aptitude Mapping Test.

Part III - Industrial Exposure Training	The students should exercise the option before the end of the fourth semester. It refers to the specialized projects undertaken by the students in lieu of two core papers in fifth semester. The industrial exposure training can be done in any industries or in reputed organizations as decided by the respective departments. For BSc (Catering Science and Hotel Management) and BSc (Costume Design and Fashion) industrial exposure training will be for three months in the fifth semester and its compulsory for all students.
Part III - Project	The report of the study should be submitted at the end of course of study certified by the Supervisor and duly forwarded by the Head of the Department to the Controller of Examinations. The Head of the Department of the concerned programme shall assign a Project Supervisor, who in turn shall assign the topic and monitor the project work of the student
Part III - Internship/ Training	Internship is a specialized field training programme required to be attached to an industry as an in house internee for a period prescribed by the respective Board of Studies. At the end of the training Programme, each student should submit a “Internship Report” for evaluation.
Part IV- Basic Tamil	Basic orientation in Tamil language offered under Part IV of the Programme (as name of the course) for those students who have not studied Tamil upto 12th standard.
Part IV - Advance Tamil	It means the Advanced level Tamil offered under Part IV of the programme to students who have studied Tamil language upto 12th standard and chosen other than Tamil language under Part I of the programme but would like to advance their Tamil language skills.
Part IV – Non major electives	It means the elective subjects offered under Part IV (iii) option is being given not concerned with major but are to be selected by students who have not opted for (either) Advance Tamil or Basic Tamil (as mandated).
Part IV – Foundation Course	It means courses such as 1) Environmental Studies (1st year) 2) Value Education - Human Rights /Yoga for Human Excellence/Women’s Right / Constitution of India offered as per

the directions of Supreme Court of India / Indian Culture and Heritage / General Awareness.

Part V – Extension	It means all those activities under NSS/NCC/Sports/YRC programme and other co-curricular and extra-curricular activities offered under Part V of the programme.
Duration:	It means the stipulated years of study to complete a programme as prescribed by the Bharathiar University from time to time.
Credits	It refers to the weightage given to each course of study (subject) by the experts of the Board of Studies concerned.
Credit System	It means the course of study under these regulations, where weightage of credits are spread over to different semesters during the period of study and the Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) shall be awarded based on the credits earned by the students. A total of 140 credits are prescribed for the Undergraduate Programme (Three years)
Choice Based Credit System	All Undergraduate Programmes offered by the institution shall be under Choice Based Credit System (CBCS). This is to enhance the quality and mobility of the students within and between the Universities in the country and abroad.

1. Eligibility for Admission to the Programme

Candidate for admission to the first year of the UG degree programme shall be required to have passed the higher secondary examination (Academic or Vocational) conducted by the Govt. of Tamil Nadu in the relevant subjects or other examinations accepted as equivalent thereto by the Syndicate of the Bharathiar University, subject to such other conditions as may be prescribed there for.

2. Duration of the Programme

The Programme shall extend over a period of three years comprising of six semesters with two semesters in one academic year. There shall not be less than 90 working days for each semester. Examination shall be conducted at the end of every semester for the respective subjects. Each semester has 90 working days consisting of 5 teaching hours per working day.

3. Course of Study

The course of study for the UG degree programmes of all branches shall consist of the following:

Part – I:

Tamil or any one of the following modern/classical languages i.e. Malayalam, Hindi, French, Sanskrit

The course shall be offered during the first four semesters with one examination at the end of each semester (4 courses – 12 credits). For Para-professional branches it shall be offered in the first two semesters with one examination at the end of each semester (2 courses – 6 credits).

Part – II: English

The course shall be offered during the first four semesters with one examination at the end of each semester (4 courses – 12 credits). For semi-professional programmes, there shall be only two papers for the first two semesters with one examination at the end of each semester (2 courses – 6 credits).

During second semester, the syllabi for Part II - English II Language Skills will be offered under MoU with Infosys.

Part – III: Core courses

As prescribed in the scheme of examinations, given by the respective Board of Studies examination shall be conducted in the **core courses** at the end of every semester

Inter department Courses (IDC)

As prescribed in the scheme of Examination, four subjects, one each in I, II, III and IV semester for a total of 12 credits are to be offered.

Optional courses

Three optional courses with 12 credits are to be offered one in the fifth semester and two in the sixth Semester. Optional subjects are to be selected from the list of optional prescribed by the Board of Studies concerned.

Industrial Exposure Training

Students can opt for Industrial Exposure Training in fifth semester. Two core papers can be exempted for the students offering for the Industrial Exposure Training. The respective department will define the exempted papers excluding Catering and Costume Design and Fashion.

Skill Based Subjects:

All the UG programmes shall offer two courses of skill based subjects one each in fifth & sixth semester with 2 credits each (4 credits) for which examination shall be conducted at the end of the respective semesters.

Extra Departmental courses (EDC)

As prescribed in the scheme of examination, one subject is offered in IV semester with 2 credits. There shall be no external examinations and the students shall be assessed as per the scheme of continuous internal assessment (CIA) for the total marks prescribed.

Talent Management Courses:

All the UG programmes shall offer one talent management course each in third and sixth semester. The syllabi for each Talent Management Course will be offered under MoU with Infosys. Continuous assessment tests will be conducted. Two credits will be given for each course. Mathematics for Competitive Examinations and Aptitude Mapping Test will be conducted on third and fourth semester respectively.

Part – IV**Environmental Studies:**

All the UG programmes shall offer a course in Environmental Studies and it shall be offered in the first semester as 100% internal with 2 credits.

Value Education:

All the UG programmes shall offer a course in “Value Education – Human Rights” subjects and it shall be offered in the second semester as 100% internal with 2 credits.

Basic Tamil/ Advanced Tamil/ Non-Major Electives

(a) Those who have not studied Tamil upto X Std / XII Std and taken a non-Tamil language under Part-I shall take **Basic Tamil** comprising of two courses with 1 credit each (2 credits). The course content of which shall be equivalent to that prescribed for the 6th standard by the Board of Secondary Education and they shall be offered in the third and fourth semesters.

There shall be no external examinations and the students shall be assessed as per the scheme of continuous internal assessment (CIA) for the total marks prescribed.

(OR)

(b) Those who have studied Tamil upto XII Std and taken a non-Tamil language under Part-I shall take **Advanced Tamil** comprising of two courses with 1 credit each (2 credits) in the third and fourth semesters.

(OR)

(c) Others who do not come under the above a+b categories can choose the following **non-major electives** comprising of two courses with 2 credits each (4 credits) in the third and fourth semesters.

a) Yoga for Human Excellence / Women’s Right / Constitution of India / Indian Culture and Heritage / Introduction to Cyber Security (III semester.)

b) General Awareness (IV semester.)

Part V:**Extension Activities**

Every student shall participate compulsorily for period of not less than two years (4 semesters) in any one of the following programmes.

NSS, NCC, Sports, YRC

Other Extra curricular activities.

Paper presentation.

Co-curricular activities as recognized by the Board of Studies

The student's performance shall be examined by the staff in-charge of extension activities along with the Head of the respective Department and a senior member of the Department on the following parameters. The marks shall be sent to the Controller of Examinations before the commencement of the final semester examinations.

20% of marks for regularity of attendance

50% of marks for active participation in conferences/camps/games/special Camps/programmes in the college/ District/ State/ University activities.

10% of marks for presentation of papers in seminars/conferences.

10% of marks for exemplary awards/Certificates/Prizes.

10% of marks for Other Social components such as Blood Donations, Fine Arts, etc.

The above activities shall be conducted outside the regular working hours of the college. The mark sheet shall carry the gradation relevant to the marks awarded to the candidates.

GRADE A	-	Exemplary	-	80 and above
GRADE B	-	Very Good	-	70-79
GRADE C	-	Good	-	60-69
GRADE D	-	Fair	-	50-59
GRADE E	-	Satisfactory	-	40-49

This grading shall be incorporated in the mark sheet to be issued at the end of the semester. (Handicapped students who are unable to participate in any of the above activities shall be required to take a test in the theoretical aspects of any one of the above fields and be graded and certified accordingly).

4. 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) Students who have secured attendance of 75% and above in theory and practical classes separately are allowed to attend the End Semester examinations
- (b) Students who have secured less than 75% of attendance are not permitted to appear for the End Semester examinations in the regular papers. However, they are permitted to appear for arrear papers. Such students are permitted to continue the

course with a condition that loss of attendance should be made up in the subsequent semester, failing which he/she will have to rejoin the course with semester in which he has secured less than 75% of attendance

- (c) Students with attendance between 65% and 74% in exceptional cases the Principal may condone the shortage of 10% attendance on reasonable grounds and are allowed for attending the End Semester examinations on approval
- (d) Provided further that the Principal may condone the shortage of attendance to the extent of 5% more (60% - 74%) in respect of the students who have represented the College or State or deputation in a National / International competition and function during the Semester period under reference, are allowed for attending the End Semester examinations on approval. The students under category (c) and (d) have to pay the condonation fee as prescribed by the Finance Committee
- (e) The students who have secured less than 50% attendance are not permitted to continue the programme

5. Scheme of examination

As given in the respective Board of Studies.

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 courses of Part I, II, III, IV & V of UG 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 texts/ 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 5 year period, the candidates shall have to take up an equivalent course in the revised syllabus as suggested by the Chairman 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 for the courses of Part I, II & IV shall be the language concerned. For Part III courses, the medium of instruction and examination is English.

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. Passing Minimum

- a) A candidate who secures not less than 40% in the external Examination and 40% marks in the external examination and continuous internal assessment put together in any course of Part I, II, III & IV shall be declared to have passed the examination in the subject (theory or Practical).
- b) A candidate who secures not less than 40% of the total marks prescribed for the subject under Part IV degree programme irrespective of whether the performance is assessed at the end semester examination or by continuous internal assessment shall be declared to have passed in that subject.
- c) A candidate who passes the examination in all the courses of Part I, II, III, IV & V shall be declared to have passed, the whole examination.

10. Distribution of Marks

Table – 1: The following are the distribution of marks for end semester and continuous internal assessment and overall passing minimum marks for theory papers of UG programmes.

TOTAL MARKS	END SEMESTER		CIA Max. marks	Overall Passing Minimum (CIA + End Semester)
	Max. marks	Passing Minimum for end semester alone		
100	75	30	25	40
75	55	22	20	30
60	45	18	15	24
50	40	16	10	20

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. The Internal Assessment for theory shall be distributed as follows,

40% of maximum CIA Marks for one best out of 2 CIA Tests, 40% for Model Test and 20% for Departmental Components.

CIA Tests I & II

(One best out of 2 tests of 2 hours each – 40%) 10 marks

CIA Test III (Model Exam – 3 hours – 40%) 10 marks

Departmental Components (2 Nos – 20%) 5 marks

The maximum marks obtained for 25 shall be further converted as per the requirements of the scheme of examination prescribed for the respective course.

Table – 2: The following are the distribution of marks for end semester examinations and continuous internal assessments and overall passing minimum marks for the practical courses of UG programmes.

TOTAL MARKS	END SEMESTER		CIA Max. marks	Overall Passing Minimum (CIA + End Semester)
	Max. marks	Passing Minimum for end semester alone		
100	60	24	40	40
75	45	18	30	30
60	35	14	25	24
50	30	12	20	20
40	25	10	15	16

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). The Internal Assessment for practical shall be distributed as follows,

25% of maximum CIA Marks for CIA Test I, 25% for Model Test, 25% for Experiments results (Observation) and 25% for Record evaluation.

Two CIA Tests (2*10 – 50%)	20 marks
Experiment results (25%)	10 marks
Record (25%)	10 marks

The maximum marks obtained for 40 shall be further converted as per the requirements of the scheme of examination prescribed for the respective course.

Project: The Internal Assessment for project shall be distributed as follows, 40% of maximum CIA Marks for first interim presentation, 40% for second interim presentation and 20% for work diary maintenance.

2-Interim presentations by the candidate (2*20 – 80%)	40 marks
Work Diary (20%)	10 marks

The maximum marks obtained for 50 shall be further converted as per the requirements of the scheme of examination prescribed for the respective course.

Table – 3(A): The following courses shall have only end semester examinations and no Continuous Internal Assessment.

Sl.No.	Subject	Total Marks
1	Environmental Studies-1st Semester	50
2	Value Education – Human Rights- 2 nd Semester	50
TOTAL		100

Table – 3(B): The following courses shall have only Continuous Internal Assessment and no end semester examinations.

Sl.No.	Subject	Total Marks
1	Non – Major Electives - 3 rd semester	50
2	Non – Major Electives - 4 th semester	50
TOTAL		100

4. However, for those students who select “Basic Tamil” under Part IV, the examinations shall be only on a Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) as prescribed in the syllabus. The marks shall be forwarded to the COE by the respective departments.

11. Grading

Once the marks of the CIA and end-semester examinations for each of the course are available, they shall be added. The mark thus obtained shall then be converted to the relevant letter grade, grade point as per the details given below:

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
40-49	4.0-4.9	C	Satisfactory
00-39	0	U	Re-appear
ABSENT	0	AAA	ABSENT

Grade point average (for a Semester):

Calculation of grade point average semester-wise and part-wise is as follows:

$$\text{GRADE POINT AVERAGE [GPA]} = \frac{\sum_i C_i G_i}{\sum_i C_i}$$

C_i = Credits earned for programme i in any semester

G_i = Grade Point obtained for programme i in any semester

N = refers to the semester in which such programmes were credited

Sum of the multiplication of grade points by the credits of the programmes offered under each part

$$\text{GPA} = \frac{\text{Sum of the multiplication of grade points by the credits of the programmes offered under each part}}{\text{Sum of the credits of the programmes under each part in a semester}}$$

Calculation of Grade Point Average (for the entire programme):

A candidate who has passed all the examinations under different parts (Part-I to V) is eligible for the following partwise computed final grades based on the range of CGPA.

$$\text{CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE [CGPA]} = \frac{\sum_n \sum_i C_{ni} G_{ni}}{\sum_n \sum_i C_{ni}}$$

Sum of the multiplication of grade points by the credits of the entire programme under each part

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

CGPA	GRADE
9.5 – 10.0	O+
9.0 and above but below 9.5	O
8.5 and above but below 9.0	D++
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+
6.0 and above but below 6.5	A
5.5 and above but below 6.0	B+
5.0 and above but below 5.5	B
4.5 and above but below 5.0	C+
4.0 and above but below 4.5	C
0.0 and above but below 4.0	U

12. 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 in Part I to Part V securing following CGPA and Grades shall be declared as follows for Part I or Part II or Part III:

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++	First Class
6.5 and above but below 7.0	A+	
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	
4.5 and above but below 5.0	C+	Third Class
4.0 and above but below 4.5	C	

a. A candidate who has passed all the Part-III courses examination in the first appearance within the prescribed duration of the UG programmes and secured a CGPA of 9 to 10 and equivalent grades “O” or “O+” in Part III comprising Core, Optional and Inter-Departmental courses shall be placed in the category of **“First Class – Exemplary”**.

b. A candidate who has passed all the Part-III courses examination in the first appearance within the prescribed duration of the UG programmes and secured a CGPA of 7.5 to 9 and equivalent grades “D” or “D+” or “D++” in Part III comprising Core, Optional and Inter-Departmental courses shall be placed in the category of **“First Class with Distinction”**.

c. A candidate who has passed all the Part-I or Part-II or Part-III courses examination of the UG programmes and secured a CGPA of 6 to 7.5 and equivalent grades “A” or “A+” or “A++” shall be declared to have passed that parts in **“First Class”**.

d. A candidate who has passed all the Part-I or Part-II or Part-III courses examination of the UG programmes and secured a CGPA of 5.0 to 6 and equivalent grades “B” or “B+” shall be declared to have passed that parts in **“Second Class”**.

e. A candidate who has passed all the Part-I or Part-II or Part-III courses examination of the UG programmes and secured a CGPA of 4.0 to 5 and equivalent grades “C” or “C+” shall be declared to have passed that parts in **“Third Class”**.

f. There shall be no classifications of final results; therefore, award of class for Part IV and Part V, however, those parts shall be awarded with final grades in the end semester statements of marks and in the consolidated statement of marks.

14. Conferment of the Degree

No candidate shall be eligible for conferment of the Degree unless he / she

- i. has undergone the prescribed programme of study for a period of not less than six semesters or has been exempted from in the manner prescribed and has passed the examinations as have been prescribed therefor.
- ii. has completed all the components prescribed under Part I to Part V in the CBCS pattern to earn 140 credits.
- iii. has successfully completed the prescribed Field Work/ Institutional Training/Extension Activities as evidenced by certificate issued by the Heads of the Departments.

15. Ranking

A candidate who qualifies for the UG degree programme passing all the examinations in the first attempt, within the minimum period prescribed for the course of study from the date of admission to the programme and secures I or II class shall be eligible for ranking. The improved marks shall not be taken into consideration for ranking.

16. 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 UG 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 internal component 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. The respective Board of Studies can also prescribe the Certificate courses outside reputed agency for the students to earn additional credits (over and above credits prescribed for the programme)

17. Question Paper Pattern

The following question paper patterns shall be followed for CBCS pattern syllabi for the candidates admitted from the academic year 2011-12 wherever applicable otherwise provided in syllabi itself. The General Awareness paper and online tests have multiple choice questions (with four options) to be evaluated by using OMR. For other courses in Part IV of UG programmes namely, Environmental Studies, Value Education – Human Rights, Yoga for Human Excellence, Women’s Rights, self-study paper and Constitution of India, the question paper pattern shall be 5 out of 10.

Maximum 75 Marks – wherever applicable

Section A: Multiple choice questions with four options, $[10 \times 1 = 10]$; 10 questions – 2 each from every unit.

Section B: Short answer questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 5 = 25]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit.

Section C: Essay-type questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 8 = 40]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit

Maximum 60 Marks – wherever applicable

Section A: Multiple choice questions with four options, $[10 \times 1 = 10]$; 10 questions – 2 each from every unit.

Section B: Short answer questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 4 = 20]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit.

Section C: Essay-type questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 6 = 30]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit

Maximum 55 Marks – wherever applicable

Section A: Multiple choice questions with four options, $[10 \times 1 = 10]$; 10 questions – 2 each from every unit.

Section B: Short answer questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 3 = 15]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit.

Section C: Essay-type questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 6 = 30]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit

Maximum 50 Marks – wherever applicable

Section A: Multiple choice questions with four options, $[10 \times 1 = 10]$; 10 questions – 2 each from every unit.

Section B: Short answer questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 3 = 15]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit.

Section C: Essay-type questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 5 = 25]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit

Maximum 45 Marks – wherever applicable

Section A: Multiple choice questions with four options, $[5 \times 1 = 5]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit.

Section B: Short answer questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 3 = 15]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit.

Section C: Essay-type questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 5 = 25]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit

Maximum 40 Marks – wherever applicable

Section A: Multiple choice questions with four options, $[5 \times 1 = 5]$; 15 questions – 1 each from every unit.

Section B: Short answer questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 3 = 15]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit.

Section C: Essay-type questions of either / or type, $[5 \times 4 = 20]$; 5 questions – 1 each from every unit.

17. Syllabus

The syllabus for various programmes shall be clearly demarcated into five viable units in each course.

18. Revision of Regulations and Curriculum

The above Regulation and Scheme of Examinations shall be in vogue without any change for a minimum period of three years from the date of approval. However, the Board of Studies may revise / amend/ change the Regulations and Scheme of Examinations, if found necessary.

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