

# **MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY KOTTAYAM**



## **REGULATIONS FOR MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE (FULL TIME- TWO YEARS) (FROM 2019 ADMISSION ONWARDS)**

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# **REGULATIONS FOR MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE**

## **(M.Arch) PROGRAMME**

### **1. PRELIMINARY DEFINITIONS AND NOMENCLATURE**

In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 1.1. "Chairman" means Head of the Body.
- 1.2. "Course" means a Theory or Practical subject that is normally studied in a semester, like Landscape Engineering, Theory of Virtual Architecture, Regional Planning, etc.
- 1.3. "Head of the Department" means Head of the concerned Department of the Institution in which the programme is taught.
- 1.4. "Head of the Institution" means the Director/ Principal of the Institution in which the programme is taught.
- 1.5. "Programme" means PG Degree Programme e.g. M. Arch. in Landscape Architecture, M.Arch in Urban design, etc.
- 1.6. "Programme Coordinator" means a faculty member from the same specialization of the Teaching Institution, who will be the overall in-charge regarding all matters concerning the students' academics and progress.
- 1.7. "Programme Structure/ Curriculum" means a set of courses, offered, that are mandatorily required to complete an area of specialization.
- 1.8. "Scheme" means an interpretation of syllabi for a particular programme and can be used as a guide throughout the programme period to monitor progress.
- 1.9. "Specialization" means a discipline of the M. Arch programme like Landscape Architecture, Urban Design, Digital Architecture, etc.
- 1.10. "University" means Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam.

### **2. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION TO MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE (M.ARCH.) PROGRAMME**

- 2.1. Candidates who have been awarded or qualified for the award of Bachelor's degree in Architecture or equivalent courses recognized by the Council of Architecture (COA), with 55% minimum marks in aggregate, from an Institution approved by COA shall be eligible for admission to the M.Arch. Programme. For SC/ST candidates a pass in the relevant Degree course is sufficient.
- 2.2. Eligibility of candidates shall be decided from time to time by following the guidelines issued by COA and the Government of Kerala.

### **2.3. \*\*Reservation of seats**

- 2.3.1. 30% Seats are reserved for candidates belonging to Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBC). Candidates belonging to SEBC (OBC) and OEC shall produce a certificate to the extent that the candidate belongs to the community which is designated as an SEBC (OBC) / OEC and does not belong to the category of Creamy Layer.
- 2.3.2. 10% Seats are reserved for SC/ST Candidates. (SC-8%, ST-2%)
- 2.3.3. The seats reserved for each category will be distributed among the eligible communities by observing the pattern of general reservation rules of the state of Kerala.
- 2.3.4. 5% seats are reserved for differently abled candidates.

\*\*Subject to changes as per Government orders from time to time.

### **2.4. Other important criteria**

- 2.4.1. The candidate shall be an Indian National.
- 2.4.2. The candidates should have studied the Graduate course in an institution approved by the Council of Architecture in India.
- 2.4.3. Candidates should have a minimum of 55% aggregate marks in B.Arch. Degree examination. For SC/ST candidates a pass in the B.Arch. Degree course is sufficient. For SEBC (OBC) students, a minimum of 54% aggregate marks in the B.Arch. Degree examination is mandatory.
- 2.4.4. Candidates, who have passed AIIA Examination and satisfying the following conditions, are eligible for admission, subject to the following conditions.
  - a. They must have valid GATE score.
  - b. Attainment of minimum 50% marks for AIIA examination.
- 2.4.5. Candidates who have appeared for the final semester examination can also apply, provided he/she has passed all the subjects up to and including the 8th semester for B. Arch Programme. Confirmation of admission of such candidates shall be subject to the production of qualifying degree before the date stipulated by the affiliated University.
- 2.4.6. Admission shall normally be restricted to those with valid GATE score. However, this stipulation is relaxed in the case of Sponsored candidates.
- 2.4.7. In case seats remain vacant due to lack of candidates with valid GATE score, candidates from Kerala State without valid GATE score will be considered against such vacancies. If seats are still remaining vacant, candidates from other states will be considered for admission.
- 2.4.8. Candidates should produce conversion formula of their CGPA score if the same is not specifically stated in the Mark list or Certificate.

- 2.4.9. Sponsored candidates from Industries, R&D organizations, National Laboratories, State/ Central Government Departments as well as Educational Institutions, with a Bachelor's degree in Architecture as per the Eligibility Criteria stated above shall be eligible for admission to the M. Arch. programme.
- 2.4.10. Foreign nationals whose applications are received through Indian Council of Cultural Relations, Government of India and who possess a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from a recognized University by Mahatma Gandhi University are also eligible for admission to the M. Arch. Programme.
- 2.4.11. Candidates qualified in Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE) and admitted to the M.Arch. programme shall be eligible to receive Half Time Teaching Assistantship(HTTA) as per the rules of the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD).
- 2.4.12. Announcements regarding admission to M. Arch. Programme shall be made by the Director of Technical Education (DTE), Government of Kerala. In the case of private self-financing architectural colleges of the state, the colleges concerned shall make admission announcements.

### **3. SELECTION OF CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION**

**3.1.** Selection of candidates for the M. Arch. Programme shall generally be done centrally or monitored by the Directorate of Technical Education as per the guidelines given on this by the Government of Kerala.

#### **3.2. For Government Colleges/ Government Aided Colleges**

- 3.2.1 Candidates will have to register their option while submitting the application.
- 3.2.2 The selection of Candidates will be supervised by the selection committee consisting of the Director of Technical Education (Chairman), the Senior Joint Director (ECS) and the Principal, College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram. The Principal, College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram will be the co-ordinator and venue of admission work is College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram.
- 3.2.3 Selection of candidates will be based on the GATE score. In case of tie, advantage will be given to the candidates who secure highest aggregate percentage of marks up to 8<sup>th</sup> semester in their qualifying examination.
- 3.2.4 If sufficient GATE qualified candidates are not available, the selection will be made from Keralite candidates based on the aggregate percentage of marks up to 8th semester in their qualifying

examination. Candidates who produce Nativity Certificate in original obtained, at the time of admission will only be admitted in this case. A Rank List will be published based on the GATE Score/Percentage of marks. Candidates are requested to verify their branch/Marks/Category etc. at the time of publishing draft Rank List. After finalizing the Rank List, any alteration on those factors will not be entertained under any circumstances.

- 3.2.5 Allotment list will be published in the websites, [www.dtekerala.gov.in](http://www.dtekerala.gov.in) and [www.cet.ac.in](http://www.cet.ac.in).
- 3.2.6 Allotment letter can be downloaded from the website [www.dtekerala.gov.in](http://www.dtekerala.gov.in) or [www.cet.ac.in](http://www.cet.ac.in). Selected candidates have to remit the fee on or before the last date in any of the specified branches of State Bank of India. Otherwise, the admission will be cancelled.
- 3.2.7 Sponsored candidates, if any, will be admitted as per relevant Government Orders.
- 3.2.8 Transfer Certificate issued from the institutions last attended must be produced at the time of admission.
- 3.2.9 The selection of candidates will be provisional and subject to verification of original documents by the Principal concerned at the time of admission.
- 3.2.10 Candidates who get college changes in the subsequent allotments, including spot admission by the DTE are to be relieved in time. The amount collected from such candidates by the respective institutions should be refunded in full.

### **3.3. For Private Self Financing Institutions**

- 3.3.1 Institutions shall conduct admission by themselves after inviting separate applications and ascertaining the eligibility for admission as per the norms of the University and Directorate of Technical Education/ Government of Kerala, and following the statutory reservation policy.
- 3.3.2 For filling up of 50% Seats, the Principals concerned should resort to the Rank List published by the Directorate of Technical Education, and in the absence of candidates in the Rank List by Directorate of Technical Education, other eligible candidates from the Rank List prepared by the institutions can be considered.
- 3.3.3 Selection will be made Institution wise from the rank list prepared by that Institution on the basis of the marks scored in qualifying examination of the candidates who have applied. Portfolios of candidates shall be verified to ascertain their attainments during B.Arch. Degree Course and profession.
- 3.3.4 Transfer certificate issued from the Institution last attended shall be produced at the time of counseling or admission.

- 3.3.5 The selection of candidates will be provisional and subject to verification of original documents by the Principal of the concerned Institution at the time of admission.
- 3.3.6 Admission shall be complete only on meeting all the other requirements mentioned in the letter of admission and on payment of the fees.
- 3.3.7 The number of candidates to be admitted to each M. Arch. stream shall be as per the approval of the University which shall be based on the decision given by the Council of Architecture.
- 3.3.8 All admissions shall be governed by the procedure laid down for this by the Director of Technical Education, Kerala and the Government of Kerala.
- 3.3.9 Notwithstanding all that is stated above; the admission policy may be modified from time to time by the University, particularly to conform to directions from the Council of Architecture, Government of Kerala and the Government of India.

#### **4. MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION**

The medium of Instruction and Examinations (Written examination, Jury and Viva Voce), unless otherwise specified, shall be English.

#### **5. DURATION OF THE COURSE**

5.1. The normal duration of the M Arch. Degree Course shall be spread over a period of 24 months consisting of four semesters for the full time course.

5.2. Maximum Permissible duration of M. Arch. is four years. Students who fail to complete the course within this stipulated maximum period will have to discontinue the course. Duration is counted from the day of starting of classes of first semester.(Regulation clause 17.15).

5.3. Span of a semester shall be six months including the University Examinations.

#### **6. ELIGIBILITY FOR THE DEGREE**

Students for the award of Degree of Master of Architecture shall be required to have undergone as a regular student in a Council of Architecture approved institution affiliated to the University. He/She shall successfully complete and pass the prescribed course of studies of specialization of not less than four semesters as per the Regulations, Programme Structure and Scheme and Syllabi.

#### **7. PROGRAMME COORDINATOR**

To help the students in planning their courses of study and for getting general advice on academic programme, the concerned Teaching Institution shall assign a Programme Coordinator pertaining to each specialization for M.Arch. Programme. The Programme Coordinator, a faculty member from the same

specialization, shall be the overall in-charge regarding all matters concerning the students' academics and progress.

## **8. COURSES OF THE PROGRAMME:**

The Courses of study of each Programme shall be in accordance with the prescribed Programme Structure, Scheme and Syllabi, of the particular specialization, implemented with effect from 2019 – 20 admissions onwards.

## **9. COURSE PLAN**

The Teaching Institution shall publish Course Plans/Teaching Plans for all subjects as per the Programme Structure and Scheme except for Professional Training. Such course plans, approved by the Head of the Institution, shall be duly published within two weeks of commencement of the semester. The course plan preparation shall suit the Academic Calendar published by the University every year.

## **10. PROGRAMME STRUCTURE (CURRICULUM)**

10.1. The M. Arch. Programme in all specializations shall be structured on a credit based system following the semester pattern with Continuous Assessment. The Programme Structure shall comprise the courses of study as given in the Scheme in accordance with the prescribed Syllabi of the particular specialization.

10.2. A common course structure for the M. Arch. Programme shall be followed and it shall generally consist of the following:

- Studio Courses
- Core Courses
- Elective Courses
- Professional Training
- Dissertation
- Thesis

10.3. Every stream of specialization in the programme will have a Programme Structure/ curriculum and syllabi for the courses. The Programme Structure/ curriculum shall be so drawn up that the number of credits for successful completion of the M. Arch. Programme is between 90 and 120.

## **11. REQUIREMENTS OF ATTENDANCE AND COURSE COMPLETION**

11.1 A candidate shall be deemed to have completed the requirements of study of any semester and permitted to appear each University Examination (UE) only if,

- a. The candidate has kept not less than 80% of attendance in each of the courses of the total number of working days of the concerned semester.

b. He/She attains a minimum of 50 % of Continuous Assessment (CA) marks for each course.

11.2 A student who could not attain the minimum attendance and CA requirements as per Regulation clause 11.1 shall not be permitted to appear for the University Examination (UE) and he/she has to redo the course/courses at the next available opportunity.

11.3. A candidate is eligible for condonation of shortage of attendance subjected to the conditions given below.

- i. Condonation for a particular semester shall be granted only once in the entire Programme duration and that too only on medical grounds, provided he/she has secured not less than 65% of attendance in each of the courses.
- ii. Condonation shall be granted only on the recommendation of the Head of the Institution and subject to rules and procedures prescribed by the University from time to time.
- iii. It is open to the Vice Chancellor to grant condonation of shortage of attendance on the recommendation of the Head of the Institution.

11.4. A student who is not eligible for condonation of shortage of attendance shall repeat the semester in full including the CA work in the next immediate chance. The CA marks earned during repetition of semester alone shall be counted in such case.

11.5. A student can repeat a semester only once in the entire duration of study, on medical reasons (hospitalization / accident / specific illness). The hospitalization must be informed by the parent in writing with the certificate obtained from the Government medical officer to the Programme Coordinator, Head of the Department and Principal within fifteen days of hospitalization.

11.6 However, a candidate can repeat the semester or have condonation of attendance or temporary break of study, only once during the entire programme. He/She shall be entitled to enjoy the benefits of any one of these options only during the entire Programme duration.

11.7. He/She shall repeat the individual course in full (including CAs) in a particular semester/year once and within six consecutive semesters.

11.8. He/She shall not be allowed to repeat the course of any semester if he/she has already passed that semester examination in full, for the improvement of credits.

**Note: As these are academic mandatory prerequisites no exemption shall be granted in these cases whatever may be the cause.**

## **12. ACADEMIC EVALUATION: CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT (CA)**

12.1. Marks awarded for the Continuous Assessment shall be on the basis of day-to-day work, periodic tests and assignments/projects. The Continuous Assessment for the individual courses of a particular

specialization for each semester shall be carried out as described in the Scheme of the respective specialization.

12.2. The CA marks allotted for attendance for any course shall be awarded full only if a student has secured 90% attendance in that course. Proportionate reduction shall be made in the case of course(s) in which he/she gets below 90% of the attendance for the course(s).

### **13. ACADEMIC EVALUATION: UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION (UE)**

13.1. There shall be University Examination [UE] at the end of each semester. The University Examination [UE] shall be Written Examination or Jury.

13.2. There is no provision for improvement for University Examination [UE].

13.3. Regular and Supplementary Examinations for all courses shall be conducted in all semesters.

#### **13.4. Academic Evaluation: Final Jury and Viva Voce**

13.4.1. For M.Arch Specializations in which studio/workshop/lab based courses are involved, University Examination (UE) shall be done as a Final Jury or Viva-Voce, for those students who become eligible as per Regulation clause 11.1. The student's work in the form of report/seminar/sheets shall be evaluated by a committee, and the jury shall be conducted as described in the Scheme of the particular specialization.

13.4.2. The Final Jury of all studio/workshop/lab based courses shall be conducted by the institution as per the Course plans published. However, the date of the last jury in these courses shall not be later than fifteen days prior to the commencement of the Written University Examinations of the particular semester.

13.4.3. A student who has appeared for the Main Jury and could not get 50% aggregate marks (C.A. + Final Jury) for the course shall be provided Supplementary chance/s as per University Rules. In the supplementary chance the student shall get an opportunity to improve the original portfolio and get it reevaluated. In this event, Regulation clause 17.12 shall be applicable.

#### **13.5. Academic Evaluation: University Examinations**

13.5.1. For theory courses, the University Examination [UE] shall be a Written Examination. The Chairman/ Chairperson for Examinations shall be appointed by the University and selected from among the senior faculty members having specialization in concerned discipline from its affiliated colleges.

13.5.2. The University examinations for Group II subjects under B. Arch degree course from 2019-20 admissions onwards shall be conducted as per the Question Bank system of the University.

### **13.5.3.Attendance:**

A student shall be permitted to appear for the University Examination only if he/she satisfies the attendance requirements as described in Regulation Clause 11.1

13.5.4. To conduct all the Written University Examinations, a Chief Superintendent and an Assistant Chief Superintendent from senior faculty members are to be appointed by the Principal on prior approval by the University.

13.5.5. An Observer from among the Senior Faculty of Government Colleges / Aided colleges, affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University or University Departments, Centres or Schools under Mahatma Gandhi University, shall be appointed by the University for observing the conduct of Written Examinations.

### **13.5.6.Duties of the Observer**

The observer along with the chief superintendent at the centre has to ensure the smooth conduct of examinations. It is the joint-responsibility of the chief superintendent and the observer to:

- i. Verify the sealing on the packets containing question papers, prior to the commencement of each of each examination.
- ii. Note the serial numbers / code of the answer books and additional sheets supplied on each day/ examination.
- iii. Ensure that sufficient numbers of invigilators are deployed in each examination hall.
- iv. Visit the examination halls during examination to ensure proper invigilation by the invigilators.
- v. Report malpractices / irregularities / insufficiencies if any, through proper channel.
- vi. Verify the number of answer books with the attendance statement, for each examination.
- vii. Ensure that the bundles of the answer scripts are properly sealed and signed immediately after the examination.
- viii. Send the answer scripts to the University at the earliest. If there is any delay in sending the answer books, they should be kept in safe custody at the centre till they are sent.

### **13.5.7.Valuation**

For written University Examinations, the university shall appoint a Chief Examiner and Additional examiners for each course. The answer sheets valued by the Additional Examiner/s shall be verified by the chief examiner.

### **13.5.8. Revaluation**

Students may apply for revaluation in case needed, as per the rules of the University.

#### **14. PROFESSIONAL TRAINING:**

14.1. If any particular specialization requires Professional Training, the same shall happen between any two semesters, the details of which shall be described in the Scheme of the particular Specialization.

#### **15. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY & DISSERTATION:**

15.1. In a specific semester, as described in the Scheme of the particular Specialization, the students shall undergo a course on Research Methodology & Dissertation as well as writing of technical papers. As part of this course, the students shall chose a topic of interest for dissertation and shall carry out an independent research on a focused research question/ hypothesis, under the guidance of a faculty member, assigned by the Head of the Department/ Teaching Institution. Students have to register for the Dissertation and select a topic in consultation with the guide. A detailed synopsis on the topic of the dissertation and technical paper are to be prepared in the prescribed format given by the Teaching Institution.

15.2. Continuous Assessment shall be done by the Guide and the Course in Charge as prescribed in the Course Plan. An Interim Evaluation shall be conducted in the middle of the semester and the Final Evaluation at the end.

15.3. The Final Evaluation shall be based on the dissertation presentation, dissertation report and technical paper and it shall be evaluated by a two member committee with the Head of the Department/Teaching Institution or his/ her nominee who is an internal faculty, and an external expert, at least a post graduate in the subject, constituted by the Head of the Department/Teaching Institution.

#### **16. THESIS**

16.1. In the fourth semester, the students shall chose a topic of interest for Thesis, preferably related to the dissertation work done previously, in consultation with the guide, who is a faculty member, assigned by the Head of the Department/ Teaching Institution.

16.2. The thesis shall be an **original work** and the same could be design centric or planning centric or research centric.

16.3. Continuous Assessment shall be done by the Guide and a two member committee. Progress of the thesis work is to be evaluated during the fourth semester, at least THRICE, by a two member committee consisting of an internal faculty other than the Guide and an external expert, constituted by

the Head of the Department/ Teaching Institution. The external expert, at least a Post Graduate, shall preferably be from the same Specialization and shall hold a valid COA Registration.

16.4. Final evaluation of the thesis shall be taken up only if the student has earned all course credits listed in the first two semesters and earned a minimum of 50% marks in the Continuous Assessment for the Thesis work.

16.5. For the conduct of Final evaluation, the University shall appoint a Chairman from among the Heads/Senior most Professors in Architecture of the Teaching Institutions, on a rotation basis. The Chairman shall prepare a provisional list of External and Internal Jurors from the same specialization, one each for every 10 students, for the conduct of External Jury, and submit to the University for Ratification and release of appointment letters. The External Juror shall have a minimum of 10 years practical/teaching experience after registration with COA and minimum of five years teaching/practical experience in the particular specialization after Post Graduation. The External Jury consisting of one External Juror and one Internal Juror appointed by the University shall conduct the Thesis and Viva Voce Examination, as per the University declared Schedule.

16.6. Supplementary chances shall be given to the students who failed in the final Jury.

## **17. PASSING REQUIREMENTS AND PROVISIONS**

17.1. All credits as specified in the Programme Structure/Curriculum should be earned by a candidate to be qualified for the degree.

17.2. The candidate should have cleared all dues to the institute/University.

17.3. No disciplinary action is pending against him/her.

17.4. Passing requirement for a student for all courses shall be a minimum of 50% marks (UE and CA put together), subjected to a minimum of 40% marks for the UE.

17.5. A candidate, who is absent or secures a grade F or less than 40% in UE in any course shall retain secured CA marks for subsequent supplementary appearance in the examination of that course.

17.6. A candidate who fails to submit the report on the Professional Training within the prescribed date (or whose report is not accepted for reasons of incompleteness or other serious deficiencies) shall have to register, redo the Professional Training and submit the report at the end of a subsequent semester.

17.7. A candidate who successfully completes the course satisfying all the passing requirements of the courses shall be declared to be qualified for the award of M.Arch Degree for the particular specialization.

17.8. Candidates who have passed all courses of the four semesters at the first opportunity within four consecutive chances after the commencement of his/her study shall be ranked based on the CGPA obtained. In the case of a tie in the CGPA the total marks of the students who have secured same CGPA shall be considered for finalizing the rank.

17.9. A candidate who qualifies for the award of M.Arch. Degree having passed all the courses of all the four semesters within a period of maximum six consecutive semesters after the commencement of his/her study and secures a CGPA of 8 and above considering all the four semesters, shall be declared to have passed the M.Arch Degree in FIRST CLASS with DISTINCTION.

17.10. A candidate who qualifies for the award of M.Arch. Degree having passed all the courses of all the four semesters within a period of maximum six consecutive semesters after the commencement of his/her study and secures a CGPA of 6.75 and above considering all the four semesters shall be declared to have passed the M.Arch Degree in FIRST CLASS.

17.11. All other successful candidates shall be declared to have passed the M.Arch Degree in SECOND CLASS.

17.12. In the case of a student (regular / repeated /temporary break study) who has taken a **supplementary** chance or a **make-up jury** for passing a course, only **minimum pass grade (E)** shall be **considered** in that course for all classification purpose.

17.13. A temporary break of study/ course repeated student who is appearing first time for a University examination within six consecutive semesters after the commencement of his/her study is considered as first chance and the marks secured shall be considered for all classification purpose.

17.14. A student absent in the first eligible chance / failed in the first appearance in the University examination and subsequently appearing for the University examination in next chance within six consecutive semesters after the commencement of his/her study, is considered as supplementary chance.

17.15. Candidates shall be declared to have qualified for the award of the M.Arch degree provided the candidate has successfully completed the course requirements and has passed all the prescribed courses of study pertaining to the four semesters within a maximum period of four years from the commencement of his/her study.

**17.16. Minimum for a pass**

17.16.1. A candidate shall be declared to have passed a semester examination in full in the first appearance if he/she secures not less than 6 CGPA with a minimum of 'E' grade for the all individual course in that semester.

17.16.2. A candidate shall be declared to have passed in an individual course of a semester examination if he/she secures grade 'E' or above.

17.16.3. A candidate who does not secure a full pass in a semester examination as per Regulation clause 17.16.1 above shall have to pass in all the courses of the semester examination as per Regulation clause 17.16.2 above, before he is declared to have passed in that semester examination in full.

## **18. TEACHING ASSISTANCESHIP**

Teaching assistance of three hours per week shall be assigned to the each student.

## **19. ELECTIVES**

19.1. There shall be at least 1/3 of students of the sanctioned strength of class for an elective to be offered. The elective may be theory based course or workshop based course.

19.2. New electives may be introduced according to need of emerging fields in technology from time to time. The University shall approve the names of electives and its syllabi before the course offered.

## **20. TEMPORARY BREAK OF STUDY**

20.1. If a candidate intends to temporarily discontinue (allowed only on medical reasons certified by a Government medical officer) the programme in the middle of a semester and intends to rejoin the programme later in the respective semester, the candidate shall apply to the University for the permission through the head of the institution with recommendation from the head of the department, before the last date for payment of examination fee of the semester.

20.2. A candidate is permitted to rejoin the programme at the respective semester as and when it is offered after the break of study, shall be governed by the rules & regulations and scheme & syllabi in force at the time of re-joining course, subject to the prior approval from the University.

## **21. EVALUATION**

### **21.1 Credit System**

Each course shall have a certain number of credits assigned to it depending upon the academic load and the nature and importance of the course. The credit associated with each courses shall be shown in the prescribed scheme and syllabi. Each course shall have an integer number of credits, which reflects its weightage.

### **21.2 Grading**

The University shall award the letter grade to students based on the marks secured by them in both internal assessment/ continuous assessment and semester end examinations taken together in the course's registered. Each letter grade indicates a qualitative assessment of the student's performance and is associated with a specified number of grade points. The grading system along with the grade

points for each grade, applicable to passed candidates is shown below. All passed candidate shall be allotted a grade S, A, B, C, D, E, F according to the total marks scored by him/her.

There shall be a continuous evaluation system as described in Regulation Clause 10. On the basis of Continuous Assessment and End Semester Examination, total marks (CA+ESE) for each course is obtained, and a letter grade shall be awarded to each course, where S = 10, A = 9, B = 8, C = 7, D = 6, E = 5, F = 0. "F" denotes failure in the course.

**All letter grades except 'F' shall be awarded if the marks for the University examination is 40 % or above and the total mark (CA+UE) is 50 % or above.** No absolute marks shall be indicated in the grade card. Letter grade corresponding to total marks (CA+ESE) and the corresponding grade point in a ten point scale is described below.

<b>% of Total marks (CA marks + University Exam mark)</b>	<b>Letter Grade</b>	<b>Grade point</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
90% and above	S	10	Excellent
85% and above and less than 90%	A+	9	
80% and above and less than 85%	A	8.5	
75% and above and less than 80%	B+	8	
70% and above and less than 75%	B	7.5	
65% and above and less than 70%	C+	7	
60% and above and less than 65%	C	6.5	
55% and above and less than 60%	D	6	
50% and above and less than 55%	E	5.5	
Below 50% (CA + U.E) or below 40% for U.E only	F	0	Failed

### **21.3 Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) and Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA)**

Semester grade point average is the semester wise average points obtained by each student in a ten point scale. SGPA for a particular semester is calculated as per the formula shown below.

$$SGPA = \frac{\sum (\text{Subject Credit} \times GP \text{ obtained for the subject})}{\text{Total Credits for the Semester}}$$

*Total Credits for the Semester*

**21.4 Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA)** shall be computed for all the students at the end of each semester by taking into consideration their performance in the present and the past semesters as follows:

$$CGPA = \frac{\sum (TotalcreditsfortheSemester \times SGPA)}{Totalcreditsforthecourse}$$

**21.5 Grade Card**

The grade card issued to the students shall contain course number and course name, credits for the course, letter grades obtained, SGPA for the semester and CGPA up to that particular semester. In addition to the grade cards for each semester all successful candidate shall also be issued a consolidated statement grades. On specific request from a candidate and after remitting the prescribed fees the University shall issue detailed marks to the individual candidate.

**22. REVISION OF REGULATIONS**

Notwithstanding all that has been stated above the University has the right to modify any of the regulations, scheme of studies, examinations and syllabi from time to time.