

**NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY DELHI**  
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**ACADEMIC AND EXAMINATION REGULATIONS**

**B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) – Five Years Integrated Degree Programme**

**1. SHORT TITLE, EXTENT AND COMMENCEMENT**

- (a) These Regulations may be called the NLU Delhi Academic and Examination Regulations, pertaining to the B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) Programme.
- (b) The Academic and Examination Regulations of B.A.LL.B.(Hons.), 2023 were amended by the Executive Council on 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2023. These Regulations shall come into force from 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2023.<sup>1</sup>

**2. CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEES AND THEIR FUNCTIONS**

- 2.1 The Vice-Chancellor shall constitute the following committees for each Academic Year:
  - a) **Undergraduate Council:** The Undergraduate Council shall conduct examinations, implement these Regulations and make recommendations, if any, on matters pertaining to the B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) Degree Programme. In constituting the Undergraduate Council, the Vice Chancellor shall take into account the need for continuity in the decision making process.
  - b) **Moderation Committee:** The Moderation Committee, which shall comprise of three faculty members of the University under the Chairmanship of a Professor to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor, shall moderate the question papers and the final result.<sup>2</sup>
  - c) **Disciplinary Committee:** The Disciplinary Committee shall inquire into disciplinary cases referred to it, including those involving use of unfair means in examinations and submit its report to the Vice-Chancellor.
- 2.2 Every Committee shall be co-ordinated by a Convener, who shall conduct its responsibilities with the cooperation of its members.
- 2.3 The Undergraduate Council shall plan, organize, supervise and take decisions in all academic and examination related matters (i.e. Datesheet and Compilation of Results), implement these Regulations and make recommendations to the Vice Chancellor for any desired change of these Regulations from time to time. All matters relating to the examinations shall be decided by the Undergraduate Council. The Undergraduate Council will work under the guidance of the Vice Chancellor.<sup>3</sup>
- 2.4 The Vice Chancellor shall nominate one faculty member to coordinate the academic activities of each class who shall be a member of the UG Council. The Faculty Coordinator for each class shall assist in coordinating the academic activities of each class.<sup>4</sup>
- 2.5 The Moderation Committee shall moderate all the question papers, at least three days before the commencement of mid-semester, end semester and repeat examinations, and if required, shall finalize the question paper in consultation with the concerned faculty member. The Committee shall also, in consultation with the concerned faculty member moderate the results before their publication, if necessary.
- 2.6 The Disciplinary Committee shall, in addition to the various disciplinary issues referred to it, inquire into any cases of malpractice or unfair means adopted by the students in any examination and submit its report along with recommendations to the Undergraduate Council. After considering the report of the Disciplinary

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<sup>1</sup> Clause 1(b) of previous regulation is deleted and clause 1(c) is renumbered as 1(b) as amended on 22.02.2023 and further amended on 5.08.2023.

<sup>2</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023

<sup>3</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023

<sup>4</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023

Committee, the Undergraduate Council shall impose such of the penalties/ punishments as it may deem appropriate.

- 2.7 An appeal or review against any decision taken by a committee shall lie with the Vice Chancellor, who may, after giving specific reasons or grounds in writing, modify the decisions taken by any of these committees.
- 2.8 All the records pertaining to Examinations as well as the decisions taken by the Undergraduate Council and the other committees constituted under these Regulations shall be maintained by the Examination Department of the University.
- 2.9 The Undergraduate Council may make recommendations as to procedures for maintenance of examination and academic records by the Examination Department, including maintenance of records by providing document numbers, and classification, for easy retrieval.
- 2.10 The Undergraduate Council and other committees constituted under these Regulations shall continue to function until fresh committees are constituted by the Vice Chancellor.
- 2.11 The examination process being confidential in nature, no student shall seek access to Examination Department for any reason whatsoever. The faculty shall also cooperate in maintaining the confidentiality of the examination process.

### **3. REQUIREMENT OF ATTENDANCE**

- 3.1 NLU Delhi being a residential University, it is expected that students shall attend all scheduled classes. In no event shall a student be absent for more than 30% of the classes held in the subject in a semester, whether on account of medical leave or otherwise.
- 3.2 The attendance status of every student shall be duly notified by the Examination Department every month, both on the Notice Board, and by any other appropriate means for communication, indicating the total number of classes held, the number of classes a student has attended, or was absent. The Examination Department shall declare the final attendance status of every student as well as the list of eligible candidates to appear in the end semester examinations, prior to the commencement of the end semester examination
- 3.3 Every student shall secure a minimum of 70% of attendance in every course to be eligible to appear for the end semester examination. However, if any student falls short of 70% but has secured 65% or more in a particular course(s), the Vice Chancellor may permit such student to appear for the end semester examination provided the student has secured 70% or more in all subjects taken together in a given semester. Under this rule, the Vice Chancellor on the recommendation of the Undergraduate Council may consider only approved medical/academic leaves as a valid ground for absence if the student falls short of 70% attendance.<sup>5</sup>
- 3.4 Students who have been granted Medical Leave as per the Regulations of the University, shall be eligible to appear for the end semester examination provided that they have attended a minimum of 70% of classes in the course for which they are appearing for the examination, and the shortfall in attendance is attributable to the medical leave.
- 3.5 If a student falls below 65% on account of approved medical leaves in one subject, the Vice Chancellor on the recommendation of the Undergraduate Council may permit such student to appear in the Repeat Examination provided the student has secured 70% or more in all subjects taken together in a given semester. In such cases, the grade-sheet will reflect ® against the specific subject.<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>5</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023

<sup>6</sup> Clause 3.5 of previous regulation is repealed and a new clause 3.5 has been inserted on 22.02.2023.

Provided that the result of such examination will be withheld until the student compensates the attendance by way of in-person remedial assignments assigned by the Undergraduate Council. If the student fails to undertake the remedial assignments, the student shall be considered as having been debarred in the specific subject.

- 3.6 A student shall be debarred if they fail to fulfill the requirements of the preceding provisions of this clause. Any student so debarred shall be re-registered for those courses in the following academic year as per Rule 10.3.<sup>7</sup>

#### **4. ACADEMIC LEAVE**

- 4.1 Academic leave shall only be granted by the Vice Chancellor on the recommendation of the Class Teacher / Faculty Advisor. In applying for academic leave, the student shall specify the class hour/s that he/she may be absent for. Academic leave shall be given for a class hour/set of class hours, and not in terms of days. An academic leave form shall accordingly be prepared by the Undergraduate Council.
- 4.2 Academic leave to a student shall be considered, subject to the prior approval of the Vice Chancellor, or any person designated by him, for participation in moot court competitions, seminars, conferences, or any other academic, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. It is further clarified that academic leave shall not be granted for participation in Summer School programmes, internships, job interviews, passport/visa interviews etc. under any circumstances.
- 4.3 Invitation for participation in any of the activities, for which a student may be granted academic leave, should have been received by the University or addressed to the University. Invitations addressed to individual students may be considered for academic leave only if the inviting organization has officially addressed an email to the Vice Chancellor providing details about the individual student's participation. In case of co-curricular activities conducted at the university, the faculty coordinator of the said activity shall maintain an attendance record of students participating and shall endorse the academic leave application if a student has applied for an academic leave.<sup>8</sup>
- 4.4 Academic Leave in a given semester shall not exceed 10 class hours throughout the semester. Academic leaves for not more than five class hours may be allowed in cases of extra-curricular activities in the nature of participating in sport tournaments and work related to organizing committees or Recruitment Coordination Committee which shall be included within the overall cap of 10 class hours. Academic leaves for not more than 5 class hours may be allowed in case of co-curricular activities including moot court competitions, ADRs, debates and paper presentations. In case of moot court competitions or other co-curricular activities, a student shall be entitled to academic leave for travel and participation, which shall not exceed the total of 15 class hours. No academic leave is allowed for the classes of Seminar Courses.<sup>9</sup>
- 4.5 No academic leave shall be granted for appearing in examinations.
- 4.6 It is clarified that in the event a student is unable to appear for an examination on any grounds whatsoever, including medical leave or academic leave, there shall not be any rescheduling of the said examination or special examination, or any proportionate enhancement of marks on the basis of marks secured in any other examination in the said course. No request from any student in this regard can be entertained by any authority.

#### **5. MEDICAL LEAVE**

- 5.1 The University is a residential University. Therefore, medical leave shall be with the prior permission of the University, unless emergency circumstances do not permit it. Request for medical leave from students which will involve their absence from the University campus may be considered only against hospitalization for any treatment or investigation or isolation of student(s) required for any contagious diseases or incapacity/ inability to attend classes as certified by a registered medical practitioner for reasons to be recorded in writing in the certificate that such a student cannot attend the classes due to the said

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<sup>7</sup> New clause 3.6 is inserted on 22.02.2023.

<sup>8</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

<sup>9</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

medical condition. The students have to submit all the relevant documents within one week of joining of University and any delay shall not be condoned. The Undergraduate Council in consultation with the university's medical doctor shall verify the medical record and notify the concerned student about the status of their medical leave in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of every month for medical leaves applied in the previous month.<sup>10</sup>

- 5.2 All the medical records, investigations etc., done during admission in a hospital / nursing home along with the request should be submitted to the Undergraduate Council immediately on reporting back to the University and in any case within one week of resuming the classes after the discharge from the hospital / nursing home concerned. No medical certificate shall be entertained by the Undergraduate Council thereafter.
- 5.3 Where the student is not admitted to a hospital / nursing home, but isolation of the student from the hostels is required in the larger interest of other students, the same shall be certified by the University doctor.
- 5.4 Submission of improper medical certificates or fake certificates shall result in mandatory disciplinary action by the University.
- 5.5 [\*Deleted\*].<sup>11</sup>

## **6. EXAMINATION SCHEME**

### **6 (A) MID-SEMESTER & END-SEMESTER EXAMINATION SCHEME**

- 6.1 The examination scheme shall consist of two parts. The first part shall include ongoing continuous assessment of students in every course for a total of 25 marks and shall include a written component (between 15-20 marks) and an oral component, viva-voce or presentation (between 5-10 marks). The second part shall include written examination in two stages - one mid-semester examination (25 marks) and an end semester examination (50 marks).<sup>12</sup>
- 6.2 The Undergraduate Council shall announce the schedule of the examination before the commencement of every semester and notify the same on the Notice Board as well as the website of the University. In exceptional circumstances, minor alteration of the scheduled dates can be carried out by the Undergraduate Council in consultation with the Vice Chancellor for accommodating any of the co-curricular activities or extra-curricular activities in which a large number of students are involved in or are participating.
- 6.3 It shall be mandatory for every student to appear for every examination conducted by the University. No student shall be allowed to absent himself/herself from any examination except with the prior written permission of the Vice Chancellor on a written request made by the student in case where the student is applying for academic leaves, stating the reasons for possible absence. In case, of medical leaves applied for during the course of examination, the student shall make a representation to the Vice Chancellor within one week of the joining the university after medical leave. The Vice Chancellor may seek consultation with the Undergraduate Council while approving leave of absence during the examination period.<sup>13</sup>
- 6.4 It is further clarified that permission by the Vice Chancellor only excuses the student from appearing in the examination and is not a ground for any other relief, including those alluded to in Rule 4.6. However, in case the leave of absence is on account of approved academic leave or medical leave, the student shall be allowed to take the repeat examination (75 Marks) and the grade sheet shall not reflect ® in the said subject/s.<sup>14</sup>

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<sup>10</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

<sup>11</sup> Deleted as on 22.02.2023.

<sup>12</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

<sup>13</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

<sup>14</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

## **6 (B) REPEAT EXAMINATION**

- 6.5 A student who absents himself/herself for an examination without permission shall be declared “Failed” in that course. He/she shall appear in the Repeat Examination for that course. If he/she passes the course in the Repeat Examination, the grade obtained shall have ® mentioned against it in the transcript. It is further clarified that no exemption of any kind in any examination during an academic year shall be provided on medical grounds.
- 6.6 If any student or a group of students, under a common understanding, intentionally absents himself/herself/themselves from any scheduled examination, he/she/they shall not be allowed to write the Repeat exam, and will be consider “Failed” in that course. They will have to re-register for the course as and when it is again offered, after due payment of the prescribed fine. The decision of the Disciplinary Committee as to whether the absence was pursuant to a common understanding shall be final, subject to an appeal to the Vice Chancellor.
- 6.7 The Undergraduate Council shall organize Repeat Examinations for those students who fail in any of the courses in a semester, as well as those students who have not appeared for the mid-semester or end semester examinations for any valid reasons. The Examination Department shall maintain a record of students who have not appeared for an examination, on any ground. The Repeat Examinations for all batches shall be conducted once in a year i.e. in the month of July only.
- 6.8 The Grades obtained in the Repeat Examinations, unless duly approved, shall be indicated with ® at the top of the Grade. It is further clarified that Repeat Examinations shall be for the entire marks comprising the examination component of a course (75 Marks) and shall be based on the same syllabus for the course that was prescribed in the end-semester examination. The Repeat Examination (for 75 Marks) shall generally be of 3 hours duration. The marks awarded for projects and the viva, will remain as originally awarded.<sup>15</sup>

## **6 (C) IMPROVEMENT EXAMINATION**

- 6.9 Students desirous of improving their Grades may apply formally to the Undergraduate Council with the prescribed fee and appear in the Repeat Examination. The Grade originally obtained by such candidate at the end of the semester examination will be cancelled and the Grade obtained pursuant to the marks obtained at the Repeat Examination will be treated as final. The Grades so obtained through the Improvement Examinations shall be indicated with (I) against the Grade so obtained in the Improvement examination.
- 6.10 Students may appear in an improvement examination only along with the Repeat Examinations for the course held after the examination when they had passed the course. No opportunity for improvement shall be granted when the course is again offered next.
- 6.11 An incomplete application for a Repeat/Improvement or withdrawal of a repeat/improvement application shall not be considered.<sup>16</sup>
- 6.12 Any student appearing in the Repeat/Improvement shall be considered as an attempt and hence the results will be marked with (R)/(I).<sup>17</sup>

## **6 (D) [\*Deleted\*]<sup>18</sup>**

## **6 (E) SPECIAL REPEAT EXAMINATION**

The Special Repeat Examination shall be held once in a year for the students who have failed the Repeat Examination in up to two subjects taught in the V Year only. Student debarred on grounds of lack of adequate attendance shall not be provided with an opportunity of a Special Repeat in that specific subject.

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<sup>16</sup> Added as on 5.08.2023.

<sup>17</sup> Added as on 5.08.2023.

<sup>18</sup> Deleted as on 22.02.2023.

The prescribed fee for such special repeat examination shall be paid by the student prior to registering for the special repeat examination.<sup>19</sup>

## **7. PROJECTS, SEMINAR COURSES AND CLINICAL COURSES:**

### **Projects**

- 7.1 In every course, twenty five (25) marks shall be assigned for projects, out of which a minimum of fifteen (15) marks and maximum of twenty (20) marks shall be assigned to a written component, and a minimum of five (5) marks and a maximum of ten (10) marks shall be assigned for an oral component. A project may include any mode of evaluation and scheme of marks approved by the Curriculum Development Committee (CDC) of the University. The CDC shall send approved project scheme in every subject to the Examination Department soon after approval of the scheme or latest at the beginning of the semester for record keeping and for notifying the students.<sup>20</sup>
- 7.2 The Undergraduate Council shall, before the commencement of the semester, or at least on the day of commencement of the semester, notify on the Notice Board as well as the website of the University the last date for conducting/administering the project (written component) in the courses offered in that semester along with CDC approved evaluation scheme. Hard copies (on demand by the subject faculty member) and soft copies of projects should be submitted to the concerned subject faculty member and uploaded on the software meant for checking similarity and plagiarism by 1:00 pm on the prescribed date. An internal deadline may be set by the subject faculty member before the expiry of the deadline set by the Undergraduate Council. A deadline for oral component may also be set by the subject faculty member before the deadline for submission of project marks. The concerned subject faculty member shall maintain a record of submission in a register supplied by the Examination Department. The subject faculty may have any scheme of penalty for delay in project submission or appearance in oral component as approved by the CDC.<sup>21</sup>
- 7.3 The Undergraduate Council shall, notify on the Notice Board as well as the website of the University, a uniform set of deadlines for completion of projects (written and oral components). In no case any request shall be made for an extension of project deadlines either with the subject faculty member or with the Undergraduate Council.<sup>22</sup>
- 7.4 The subject faculty member shall notify and assign specific projects to all the students either before the commencement of semester vacation or prior to the commencement of the semester in which the course is offered. The subject faculty members shall also guide the students in methodology of the projects.<sup>23</sup>
- 7.5 Projects shall not be administered during regular class hours.<sup>24</sup>
- 7.6 Plagiarism and/or use of any means of artificial intelligence in projects submitted by the students shall constitute a serious academic malpractice and shall carry mandatory punishment of forfeiture of all marks in the concerned subject and / or suspension from the University for a maximum of one academic year. Such malpractices shall be reported by the concerned subject faculty member and shall be dealt with by the disciplinary committee as per Rule 12.<sup>25</sup>

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<sup>20</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

<sup>21</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

<sup>22</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

<sup>23</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

<sup>24</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

<sup>25</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

- (A) A different framework shall govern the First Semester students as far as the written projects and viva voce/ presentation are concerned. First Semester students shall be required to submit only one written project (along with viva voce or presentation) for 25 marks and also undertake activity-based learning option/s for a further 25 marks. The average of these two components shall account for 25 marks each in Legal Methods, Law of Torts-I, History of Legal and Constitutional Development, and Political Science-I. 25 marks in English-I shall be awarded on the basis of specific activities prescribed by the concerned faculty member. First semester faculty members shall develop and communicate the activity based learning options to students in the First Semester within two weeks of the commencement of the academic session. Clause 6.1 shall apply in all other respects to First Semester students as well.
- (B) Students cannot seek for Improvement in the Project and Presentation.
- (C) A student of I-IV years and V year shall be exempted from submission of up to two projects and one project respectively in compulsory papers (except clinical courses) in a semester in lieu of participation in an university approved moot-court competition, University Centre/Chairs related research work or any other project research work approved by the Vice Chancellor. In case of any project exemption the faculty coordinator shall forward the list of exemption approved by the Vice Chancellor to the examination department along with deadline for submission of memorial/written research work to be submitted by the student in lieu of the project exemption. Any student availing Moot Court exemption shall submit the memorials within seven days of the completion of the Moot Court memorial submission deadline after which the submission shall not be accepted. The faculty coordinator of the Centre/Chairs or project related research work approved by the Vice Chancellor shall assign and evaluate the research work and submit the evaluated results and a consolidated report/template of task assigned and evaluated on or before the project result submission deadline set by the Undergraduate Council. In case of project exemptions, including any other alternatives to projects, the marks shall be awarded for an overall of 25 marks.<sup>26</sup>

### **Seminar Courses**

- 7.7 In Seminar Courses, the course faculty member shall provide the content of the course in about 40 (minimum) to 48 (maximum) class hours and allow the students to spend the rest of the time in carrying out research on the assigned topic for evaluation.<sup>27</sup>
- 7.8 Attendance shall be compulsory for all the students during the presentations of seminar papers.
- 7.9 A Seminar Course shall comprise of 100 marks, of which, there will preferably be an examination component of 30 marks. The written projects, presentation / viva voce, and other components shall comprise rest of the marks.
- 7.10 In seminar courses, in order to successfully complete and pass the course, a student shall secure a minimum of 50 marks in all the components put together. The attendance requirement of 70% is mandatory for all seminar courses, except in case of medical leaves where a minimum of 65% attendance in the specific course and an overall attendance of 70% is required. If any student fails in the seminar course or is debarred due to lack of attendance, the student shall take an additional seminar paper in the following semester. No provision for repeat examination or resubmission will be permitted for seminar courses. However, if a student fails a seminar course in the final semester of the V Year, an opportunity of Repeat Examination or Resubmission will be allowed within the framework of Rule 6(E) - Special Repeat Examination at the end of the academic year. Such an examination shall be administered by the course faculty member, within reasonable time, in consultation with the Undergraduate Council and the Faculty Coordinator of Seminar Courses.<sup>28</sup>
- 7.11 Plagiarism in seminar papers submitted by the students shall constitute a serious academic malpractice and shall carry the same consequences as for projects, as prescribed in Rule 7.6.
- 7.12 Seminar course results shall be released only through the Examination Department at the end of the semester and shall not be declared in the class or to the student individually by the concerned subject

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faculty member. However, subject faculty members are free to provide any feedback without revealing the marks.<sup>29</sup>

- 7.13 A Faculty Co-ordinator shall be appointed by the Vice Chancellor every year to assist the Undergraduate Council in the co-ordination and supervision of all seminar courses in accordance with these Regulations. The Faculty Coordinator so appointed shall submit a detailed report at the end of the year in the conduct of the seminar courses and may also recommend ways and means to improve the quality of teaching, research and project writing in the seminar courses.

### **Clinical Courses**

- 7.14 All clinical courses shall generally be taught by a team, consisting of a faculty member, and a senior practitioner/subject expert, if available. Such senior practitioner/subject expert shall be identified by the coordinator of clinical courses, in consultation with the concerned faculty member, with the approval of the Vice Chancellor.
- 7.15 In Clinical Courses, the course teacher shall provide the content of the course in about 20 to 30 hours and allow the students to spend the rest of the time in carrying out research on the assigned topic and defending his/her clinical paper/report in the rest of the classes assigned for the clinical courses. The scheduling of clinical courses shall be done in consultation with the practitioners or subject experts.
- 7.16 Attendance shall be compulsory for all the students during the presentations of the clinical papers / field visits and other exercises as may be designated by the teacher.
- 7.17 The evaluation method for each clinical course shall be designed by the teacher/s teaching the course, in consultation with the Undergraduate Council.
- 7.18 To successfully complete and pass a clinical course, a student shall secure a minimum of 50 marks in all the components put together. If any student fails in the clinical course, a repeat test or resubmission of projects or fresh presentation or resubmission of reports and fresh presentation or resubmission of any component of the student evaluation, shall be administered by the teacher, in consultation with the Undergraduate Council, after the student has paid the prescribed fees.
- 7.19 Plagiarism, or false statements/accounts in reports or projects or records submitted by the students in a clinical course shall constitute a serious academic malpractice and shall lead to the same consequences as prescribed in Rule 7.6.
- 7.20 If a student fails to secure the requisite marks in the clinical course, or fails to complete all the components of the clinical course during the semester for any reason, he/she shall be treated as having failed in that clinical course. Such students shall re-register for the clinical course when it is again offered.
- 7.21 A Faculty Co-ordinator shall be appointed by the Vice Chancellor every year to assist the Undergraduate Council in the coordination and supervision of all the clinical courses in accordance with these Regulations. The Faculty Coordinator so appointed shall submit a detailed report at the end of the year on the conduct of the clinical courses and may also recommend ways and means to improve the clinical courses.

## **8. MANDATORY CLASSES QUESTION PAPERS AND ASSESMENT FEEDBACK<sup>30</sup>**

- 8.1** Question papers shall generally be without choice to the students as to which questions they may answer. However, if the subject faculty member would like to provide a choice, the same should be notified at the

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<sup>29</sup> Clause 7.12 of the previous regulation is deleted and a new clause 7.12 is inserted on 22.02.2023.

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commencement of the semester and shall not exceed 25% of the marks in the relevant paper in any case. The same pattern of question paper and syllabus shall be followed for Repeat/Improvement examination.<sup>31</sup>

- 8.2** The question papers in all courses, especially those of law, should preferably comprise of problem-based questions and be designed to evaluate the analytical skills of the students. The question papers of humanities and social science courses shall be based on critical evaluation of the concepts and their relationship to diverse fields of law.
- 8.3** Subject faculty members shall provide oral or written feedback in mid-semester examinations and projects. The subject faculty member shall not rectify the results unless such rectification is needed due to mistake in totaling or due to an unchecked answer.<sup>32</sup>
- 8.4** There shall be a fixed number of mandatory classes for every subject to be held over the course of a semester. Extra classes shall not be marked for the purposes of attendance unless they form part of the curriculum and are in lieu of designated fixed number of mandatory classes. In case, the fixed numbers of classes are not held in a specific subject during the semester for any reason, all the students will be awarded attendance for such number of classes that are not held.<sup>33</sup>

## **9. SCHEME OF EVALUATION**

- 9.1 The entire examination process shall be administered internally. The teacher teaching the course shall frame the question paper, as well as evaluate the answer scripts. As a general rule, all question papers shall be in the format prescribed in Rule 8. Descriptive or narrative questions, designed to examine the memory of the students, if at all to be incorporated, should form only 20 % of the question paper.
- 9.2 The Moderation Committee shall have the responsibility of ensuring that Regulations 8.1, 8.2 and 9.1 are strictly followed.
- 9.3 If more than one faculty member is involved in teaching of a course, the setting of question paper and evaluation shall be done jointly by all the faculty members who taught the course. However, the senior-most subject faculty member shall be the corresponding faculty for all purposes relating to matters of the Undergraduate Council and the Examination Department.<sup>34</sup>
- 9.4 There shall be a continuous evaluation of the students in every course to be based on the following:
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| a) Mid-Semester Examination                             | : | 25 marks                       |
| b) Project (written and oral component as per Rule 7.1) | : | 20 marks                       |
| c) Viva Voce or presentation                            | : | 05 marks                       |
| d) End-Semester Examination                             | : | 50 marks                       |
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|   |   | Total: 100 marks <sup>35</sup> |
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- 9.5 The mid-semester examination (for 25 marks) shall generally be of 2 hours duration, and the end-semester exam (for 50 marks) shall generally be of 3 hours in duration.<sup>36</sup>
- 9.6 This scheme of evaluation, shall not apply to the Seminar and Clinical courses and the distribution of marks in the seminar and clinical courses shall be notified by the Undergraduate Council before the commencement of every semester.
- 9.7 A candidate shall obtain a minimum of 50% marks or the equivalent grade i.e., Grade B in every course, to have successfully completed (passed) the course.

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<sup>36</sup> Amended as on 22.02.2023.

- 9.8 Once a student is declared as 'failed' in a course for any reason whatsoever, his/her transcript shall carry ® with the grade obtained later, whether the grade was obtained in the Repeat examination or obtained after the candidate re-registered for the course. Likewise, student who is not allowed to take the End Semester Examinations for shortage of attendance and has been allowed to re-register, the grade obtained subsequently shall carry ®.

## **10. PROMOTION SCHEME**

- 10.1 No student shall be promoted to the next year of the B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) Programme unless they have successfully completed all the courses of all previous years of the programme, and a minimum of eight out of ten courses of the current year, as further explained in Rule 10.4. Provided that, if a student was debarred from appearing in an end-semester examination due to shortage of attendance in a compulsory course i.e., not a seminar or clinical course, then the concerned student shall not be promoted unless the student is considered eligible for promotion under Rule 3.6.<sup>37</sup>
- 10.2 A student who has failed a course shall re-register for the courses in which they have failed by paying the prescribed fees. If such student has been promoted to the next year of the programme, by virtue of Rule 10.1, such a student shall attend the courses of that year. For the re-registered course, the student can carry forward the old project marks in the failed subject at their option.<sup>38</sup>
- 10.3 A student who has failed in more than two courses, and has not been promoted to the next year of the programme for that reason, shall re-register for those courses when they are again offered. The student shall be required to attend the classes and appear for both the Examinations i.e., Mid Semester and End Semester Examinations and the student can carry forward his/her old project marks in the failed subject at his/her option.
- 10.4 No student shall be promoted to the third year without passing all the first year courses. Similarly, for the promotion to Fourth and Fifth years a Candidate should have passed all the papers in Second and Third year respectively.

**In other words, Promotion Scheme shall be based on the following:**

- i. For promotion to II year – A student should have passed 8 out of 10 courses of the I year.**
- ii. For promotion to III year, a student should have**
  - a. passed all courses of the I year and
  - b. passed 8 out of 10 courses of II year
- iii. For promotion to IV year, a student should have**
  - a. passed all courses of the I and II years and
  - b. passed 8 out of 10 courses of the III year
- iv. For promotion to V year, a student should have**
  - a. passed all courses of the I, II and III years and
  - b. passed 8 courses out of 10 of the IV year

## **11. REVALUATION OF ANSWER SCRIPTS**

- 11.1 A student seeking revaluation of an answer script of an end-semester examination<sup>39</sup> shall apply to the Convener, Undergraduate Council. The Convener, Undergraduate Council shall place all the revaluation related applications before the Vice-Chancellor. The Vice-Chancellor after reviewing and accepting such applications shall approve a panel of examiners for the revaluation of answer scripts. Following such

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approval, the Convener, Undergraduate Council shall forward the answer scripts to the approved panel of examiners for reevaluation.

- 11.2 An application for reevaluation by student shall be made to the Convener, Under Graduate Council by paying the prescribed fee within five days from the date of release of the application form. An incomplete re-evaluation application/withdrawal of re-evaluation application shall not be considered. The re-evaluated results will be marked as (RV).<sup>40</sup>
- 11.3 In case of reevaluation of an End Semester Examinations, the student shall be awarded the grade as per the reevaluation. In case, a student takes the Repeat/Improvement Examination and also applies for reevaluation, the higher grade obtained, shall be final.<sup>41</sup>
- 11.4 If the difference between the original marks awarded and marks obtained in reevaluation is more than 10 marks, the script shall be sent to a third evaluator, and the marks awarded by the third evaluator shall be final.
- 11.5 The Students cannot apply for the Reevaluation of Repeat/Improvement Examination and Special Repeat Examination.<sup>42</sup>
- 11.6 Students cannot seek for Reevaluation in the Projects and Mid-Semester Examination and Special Repeat Examination.<sup>43</sup>

## **12. UNFAIR MEANS AND MALPRACTICES IN EXAMINATIONS**

- 12.1 Unfair means and other malpractices in relation to the examination shall include:
- Possession or use of material having potential to be used for unfair means, including cell phones.
  - Writing on any part of the body/furniture/walls.
  - Plagiarism in projects/seminar/assignments submitted for evaluation.
  - Seeking or extending help in the exam, in relation to the questions asked.
  - Any boycott of exam
  - Disclosure of identity in the answer sheet in any form
  - Any threat/use of abusive language in exam or in the answer sheets
  - Refusal to surrender unfair means material or attempt to destroy.
  - Refusing to obey instructions of the Invigilator.
  - Smuggling an answer book/additional answer book into or out of the Examination Hall.
  - Inserting/substituting or removing any page from the answer book/additional answer book.
  - Impersonation in exam including interchanging of Roll Numbers and/or answer sheets.
  - Any other similar malpractice, which in the opinion of the Undergraduate Council amounts to a use of unfair means.
- 12.2 Use of Unfair Means shall be inquired into by the Disciplinary Committee.
- 12.3 The Disciplinary Committee shall submit a report to the Registrar who shall impose the penalty with reasons in writing. An appeal can be made to the Vice-Chancellor who shall either uphold or reduce the penalty, or condone the same.

## **13. GRADES, GRADE VALUE, GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA) AND CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (CGPA)**

- 13.1 The official transcript of the University shall indicate the Grades and the Cumulative Seven point Grade Point Average only. The interpretation of the Grade system followed by the University shall be printed at the back of the transcript itself.
- 13.2 The marks secured by the students shall be converted to the Grades as mentioned below:

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Marks	Grade	Grade Value
70 and above	O	7
65 – 69	A+	6
60 – 64	A	5
55 – 59	B+	4
50 – 54	B	3
Below 50	F	0

13.3 In addition to the Grades mentioned above, the following acronyms are also used in the transcript wherever appropriate

<b>Ab</b>	-	Absent
<b>RW</b>	-	Result Withheld
<b>Db</b>	-	Debarred
<b>R</b>	-	Repeat
<b>I</b>	-	Improvement
<b>RV</b>	-	Revaluation
<b>F</b>	-	Failed
<b>*</b>	-	Exemption

13.4 The Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) is arrived at by dividing the sum of the Grade Values and the Course Credits in each course by the total number of credits in all the courses.

#### **14. AWARD OF GOLD MEDALS**

14.1 a) 14.1 (a) All Gold Medals/Cash Prize/Award shall be awarded to the B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) students who have completed the course within the duration of the five year B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) Programme.<sup>44</sup>

b) Gold Medal(s) shall be awarded on the basis of the criteria fixed for the said Gold medal. For Gold medals based on certain streams of study, they shall be awarded on the basis of the highest average of grades obtained in the courses of that stream.

14.2 If two or more students have secured the same grade or grade average, then the marks secured by the students in the course/s shall be taken into consideration in awarding the Gold medals.

14.3 If two or more students also secure the same marks, then the Gold Medal shall be awarded to the student who has higher grades overall. In case the two contenders have equal overall grades, then the grades in the compulsory courses, and performance in co-curricular activities shall be taken into account. In case of Cash Prize, the prize can be shared among the students.

14.4 Along with the Gold Medals in the individual streams, the rank holders on the basis of CGPA shall be awarded the University Gold medal for being First and Second Rank holders.

14.5 The University shall also issue Certificates indicating the name of the Medal awarded to the students. The University may also consider issuing other Certificates of Merit or overall conduct at any convocation organized by the University.

14.6 <sup>45</sup>

14.6 (a) A student who has been fined or has been expelled from the Hostel/University for any act of indiscipline shall not be eligible for the award of gold medals/cash prize/award.<sup>46</sup>

(b) A student who has failed in any course and has cleared the course in a Repeat Examination or has obtained a grade due to an Improvement Examination shall not be eligible for award of gold medals/cash prize/award in that particular subject. However, a student is entitled to be awarded a Gold Medal/Cash Prize/Award in any other subject.<sup>47</sup>

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- (c) If a student has taken a Repeat/Improvement Examination during the course of the B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) Programme, they shall not be eligible for award of any gold medal/cash prize/award where the overall performance of the student is assessed.<sup>48</sup>

## **15. AWARD OF DEGREES**

- 15.1 A student shall be eligible for the award of B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) Degree after successful completion of all the 50 prescribed courses with a total of 180 Credits and if he/she has obtained a minimum CGPA of 3.00 out of 7.00, as the case may be, within the maximum period of eight years from the year of admission to B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) Course.
- 15.2 The Degree Certificates shall be signed by the Chancellor as well as the Vice Chancellor.
- 15.3 Along with the Degree, all the students shall be provided with a consolidated Transcript, indicating the courses, course credits, grades obtained, CGPA as well as interpretation of these features on the reverse of the Transcript.
- 15.4 The Official Transcript shall be signed by the Registrar.
- 15.5 The Records of all the certificates issued by the University shall be maintained by the Examination Department/Section, in consultation with the Registrar.
- 15.6 All students shall be required to complete the B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) Programme within eight years of enrolment.

## **16. EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES**

- 16.1 Students may be allowed to go abroad under Exchange Programme on the basis of the Guidelines for Exchange Programmes notified by the University.
- 16.2 Students who have been fined or expelled from hostel for any act of indiscipline shall not be eligible to be considered for exchange programmes.

## **17. [\*Deleted\*]<sup>49</sup>**

## **18. Examination Fees:<sup>50</sup>**

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| a. Examination Fees                                    | : | Rs.3000/- per annum  |
| b. Repeat/Improvement Examination Fee                  | : | Rs.500/- per subject |
| c. Re-evaluation fee                                   | : | Rs.500/- per subject |
| d. Issue of Duplicate Grade Sheet to Graduate Students | : | Rs.2500/-            |

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