Chinmaya Vishwavidyapeeth
(Deemed University under Section 3 of UGC Act)

Minutes of the 11th Academic Council Meeting

19th March 2021; 09:00 AM (Video Conference)

ATTENDEES

1. Prof. Nagaraj K. Neerchal (NN), Vice Chancellor - Chairperson
2. Prof. P. Geervani (PG), Pro Chancellor, CVV (Member)
3. Prof. Gauri Mahulikar (GM), Dean of Faculty, CVV (Member)
4. Dr. Vinod R. R. (VRR), Head, School of Contemporary Knowledge Systems, CVV (Member)
5. Dr. Radha Mohan (RM), Professor and Head, School of Ethics, Governance, Culture & Social Systems, CVV (Member)
6. Dr. L. Sampath Kumar (LSK), Head, School of Linguistics and Literary Studies, CVV (Member)
7. Prof. Sreevalsakumar R, (SVK), Head, School of Philosophy, Psychology & Scientific Heritage, CVV (Member)
8. Dr. Vinayak Rajat Bhat (VRB), Head, School of Vedic Knowledge Systems, CVV (Member)
9. Shri Swapnil Chaphekar (SC), Head, School of Kalayoga, Chinmaya Naada Bindu Gurukula (Member)
10. Pandit Abhijit Banerjee (AB), Professor (Guru), Chinmaya Naada Bindu Gurukula (Member)
11. Dr. Vanisree Ramanathan (VR), Associate Professor, School of Ethics, Governance, Culture & Social Systems, CVV (Member)
12. Shri Nithin Ramakrishnan (NR), Assistant Professor, School of Ethics, Governance, Culture & Social Systems, CVV (Member)
13. Smt. Pramodini Rao (PR), Academic Director, Chinmaya Naada Bindu Gurukula (Member)
14. Prof. B Mahadevan (BM), Professor, IIM Bangalore (Member)
15. Dr. Sanjay Bapna (SB), Professor, Morgan State University (Member)
16. Dr. Soumya S (SS), Registrar (I/c), CVV – Secretary
17. Shri P. Krishna Kumaran Thampi (PKK), Controller of Examinations, CVV (Permanent Invitee)
18. Swami Advayananda (SA), (Invitee)
19. Ms. Jayalakshmi Nanda (JN), Chief of Staff of VC, CVV (Invitee)

Leave of Absence Granted:

1. Dr. Ramakrishna Pejathaya (RKP) Assistant Professor, School of Ethics, Governance, Culture & Social Systems, CVV (Member)
2. Pandit Rupak Kulkarni (RK), Guru, School of Kalayoga (Member)
3. Ms. Lakshmi Shenoy (LS), Finance Officer, CVV (Invitee)
4. Swami Sharadananda (SS), Chinmaya International Foundation (Member)

Members Absent:

1. Prof. A. N. Balchand (ANB),
2. Vid. Manjusha Patil (VMP), Guru, School of Kalayoga (Member)
3. Prof. K. Dorasami

Meeting Minutes:

The meeting commenced as video conferencing at 9:00 AM with prayer and Shanti Mantra.

1. Welcome by Vice Chancellor

The Vice Chancellor welcomed members of the Academic Council to the 11th meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes of previous Academic Council Meeting

2.1 ATR of previous Academic Council Meeting

Member SVK made motion to approve the minutes of the 10th Academic Council. The motion was seconded by GM and the members resolved to approve the minutes of 10th Academic Council meeting.

Members took note of the Action Taken Report of the previous Academic Council meeting.

3. Approval for new courses in different categories

Sl. No.	Course Code	Course Title	Course Category	Credits	Programme/s in which offered	Batch from which offered
1	CK162	Banking Management and Financial Services	Core	4	B. Com, BBA	2019
2	CK118	Business Ethics and Corporate Governance	Core	4	B. Com, BBA, B. Voc Business Process, Data Analytics	2020

Approval sought for the courses.

Prof. Mahadevan suggested that in future when courses are developed, they have to be in line with NEP. The suggestion was accepted by others. Prof. Nagaraj Neerchal explained the CVV programme structure to UGC structure and the need for the extra core course. Dr. Vinod explained the rationale of these courses and about the inclusion of IKS components.

The members resolved to approve the following courses:

- **Banking Management and Financial Services**
- **Business Ethics and Corporate Governance**

4. Revised Programme Structure and Curriculum
    a. B. Com
    b. BBA

Approval sought for the programme structure and curriculum of 2020 admissions for B. Com and BBA

Prof. Mahadevan stressed the importance of tutorial in some courses like Accounting, Quantitative Methods, Economics, etc. and made the following suggestions:

- Show tutorial credits in the programme structure.
- Show 1 credit as 2 hours in the programme structure.
- Either remove the course: Yoga and Meditation from the structure since it is not credited or show the hours in the programme structure.

Prof. Sanjay Bapna suggested the following:

- If there is experiential learning, 1 credit is 3 hours.
- Include Analytics in BBA and B. Com. This will improve the value and employability of students.
- Move the course: Critical Thinking, to an earlier semester so that the students can start applying the learnings in the courses.
- To include disruptive technologies:
    - In the course: IT for business, in order to be keep pace with technology.
    - As a module in courses where there is a component of process.
- Include Artificial Intelligence for BBA students. Can also offer as a Value Added Course.
- Rename Operations Management as Supply Chain and Operations Management since the syllabus has content on Supply Chain also.
- Include Excel/ Spreadsheet Modelling for BBA, B. Com.

Dr. P. Geervani suggested the need to have an order for the course codes. She suggested to leave a gap between course codes in anticipation of adding more courses in future. Prof. Nagaraj Neerchal stated that CoE is working on the same and this suggestion will be incorporated.

Dr. Vinod explained that even if lecture is specified as 4, faculty are engaging more in interaction for the courses which need tutorial. He stated that in future, programmes will not be rolled out without full curriculum being approved by Academic Council.

The members suggested that since 2020 batch has just started, to make changes in the credit structure (L – T – P – C) and send to Academic Council members.

Action:

- **To incorporate the changes in the credit structure (L – T – P – C) and send to Academic Council members.**
- **To incorporate the changes suggested.**

5. Academic Programmes for 2021-22
    a. Existing programmes to continue
    b. New Programmes for Academic Year 2021-22
        - PG Diploma in Advaita Vedanta

Approval sought for PG Diploma in Advaita Vedanta.

a. Existing programmes to continue

Prof. Nagaraj Neerchal informed the Academic Council that it has been decided to continue with the existing programmes. He further informed that the programme: "BA Applied Psychology" will not be offered for the academic year 2021-22 since the students enrolled in BA Applied Psychology in 2020 expressed their desire to move to B.Sc Applied Psychology (Honours).
The programme: B. Voc in Tourism & Hospitality, which was not taken by any students in 2020-21 will be offered in 2021-22.

Members took note of the existing programmes to continue for the academic year: 2021-22.

b. New Programmes for Academic Year 2021-22: PG Diploma in Advaita Vedanta

Vice Chancellor, Prof. Nagaraj Neerchal explained that PG Diploma in Advaita Vedanta is being offered as a part of CIF – CVV joint venture, under CVV banner. CIF offers the programme as an intensive as Vedanta Sadhaka.

Dean, Prof. Gauri Mahulikar explained the programme to the members.

Prof. Mahadevan complemented on the initiative and suggested that Self Immersion courses can be 1 credit each and bring the total credits to 50. For these courses, the participants can be made to write their experiences in 3000 to 5000 words and a final assessment can be conducted as Viva Voce. This write up can serve as a database for future research also.

Prof. Gauri Mahulikar sought opinion on whether the guided chanting hours can be shown as credits. Members Prof. Mahadevan and Dr. P. Geervani suggested that the guided chanting hours need not be shown as credits and can be opened upas certificate programmes. The certificate programme can include participants over and above those registered for the PG Diploma programme. For those who complete the PG Diploma and the guided chanting requirements, additional certificate can be issued. Prof. Nagaraj Neerchal

suggested that the certificate can be issued as a CIF certificate.

The members resolved to approve the programme: Postgraduate Diploma in Counselling.

6. Any other business with the permission of the Chair

1. Eligibility for MA Music: parity with other degree titles.

Shri Swapnil explained that currently, undergraduate degree is the eligibility for applying to postgraduate programme in Music. However, there are other degrees like Sangeet Visharad, Sangeet Bhaskar, Prabhakar, Praveen, Madhyama Purna, Visharad, Alankar, etc. which are recognized by certain other Universities as equivalent to undergraduate degree in Music. Approval was sought for considering these degrees as eligibility criteria for MA Music offered by CVV.

Prof. Mahadevan suggested that CVV should check with these Universities by writing to the Registrar of these Universities to understand the kind of paperwork that needs to be made for the same. He further suggested the following for paperwork:

- Choose the degrees for which we want equivalence.
- Get inputs from experts in different Universities.
- Present the paperwork in the Academic Council.

Action: To write to the Registrar of these Universities to understand how the equivalence has been ascertained.

2. Value Added Courses

It was proposed to offer the following courses as Value Added Courses:

- Bhagavad Gita
- Foundation Vedanta
- Make it Happen

Approval was sought for offering these courses as Value Added Courses.

Ms. Jayalakshmi Nanda presented the regulatory and NAAC angle. Prof. Mahadevan suggested to make a policy for the number of Value-Added Courses that can be taken by a student.

The members resolved to approve the Value-Added Courses.

Action: To work out a policy for the number of Value-Added Courses that can be taken by a student.

The meeting ended with Prayer and Shanti Mantra.

In His Service
Sd/-
Registrar

Nagaraj K Nuvchal

Vice Chancellor
Chinmaya Vishwavidyapeeth