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

Minutes of the 5th Academic Council Meeting

03rd May, 2019 10:00 AM / Patanjalih, Shankaram, CEG Campus

ATTENDEES

1. Dr. Gauri Mahulikar (Chair), Vice Chancellor – Chairperson
2. Dr. B Mahadevan (BM), Professor, IIM Bangalore (Member)
3. Dr. G Gangadharan Nair (GN), Retired Professor & Head, Dept. of Sanskrit Vyakarana, SSUS, Kalady (Member)
4. Dr. Gopal Mahapatra (GM), Professor, IIM Bangalore (Member)
5. Dr. K Ramasubramanian (KR), Professor, IIT Bombay (Member)
6. Dr. Muralimadhavan Nair (MN), Retired Professor & Head, Dept. of Sanskrit Sahitya, SSUS, Kalady (Member)
7. Prof. Subbarao V. Jayanti (SJ), Head, School of Contemporary Knowledge Systems (Member)
8. Dr. Vanisree Ramanathan (VR), Head, School of Ethics, Governance, Culture, Social Systems (Member)
9. Dr. L. Sampath Kumar (LSK), Head, School of Linguistics and Literary Studies (Member)
10. Prof. Krishna Mohan K (KM), Head, School of Philosophy, Psychology & Scientific Heritage (Member)
11. Dr. Vinayak Rajat Bhat (VRB), Head, School of Vedic Knowledge Systems (Member)
12. Shri Swapnil Chaphekar (SC), Head, School of Kalayoga, Chinmaya Naada Bindu Gurukula (Member)
13. Dr. Manjula Iyer (MI), Associate Professor, School of Contemporary Knowledge Systems (Member)
14. Dr. Hari Sundar G (GH), Associate Professor, School of Contemporary Knowledge Systems (Member)
15. Smt. Abha Mohan (AM), Assistant Professor, School of Contemporary Knowedge Systems (Member)
16. Shri Nithin Ramakrishnan (NR), Assistant Professor, School of Ethics, Governance, Culture, Social Systems (Member)
17. Smt. Pramodini Rao (PR), Academic Director, Chinmaya Naada Bindu Gurukula (Member)
18. Dr. S. Nataraja Iyer (NI), Controller of Examinations.
19. Soumya S., Registrar (I/c) – Secretary

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20. Dr. P. Geervani (PG), (Permanent invitee)
21. Swami Advayananda, (Permanent invitee)

Officer in Attendance

1. Shri Suraj Sathyan

Leave of Absence Granted:

1. Dr. G Sabarinathan (GS), Professor, IIM Bangalore (Member)
2. Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi (SV), Vice Chancellor, Kavikulaguru Kalidas Sanskrit University (Member)
3. Prof. Radhavallabh Tripathi (RT), Retired Professor of Sanskrit, Dr. Harisngh Gour University, Bhopal (Member)
4. Prof. N K Sundareswaran (NKS), Associate Professor, Department of Sanskrit, University of Calicut (Member)
5. Pandit Abhijit Banerjee (AB), Guru, School of Kalayoga (Member)
6. Pandit Rupak Kulkarni (RK), Guru, School of Kalayoga (Member)

Members Absent:

7. Swami Sharadananda (SS), Chinmaya International Foundation (Member)
8. Vid. Manjusha Patil (VMP), Guru, School of Kalayoga (Member)
9. Vid. Kala Ramnath (VKR) Guru, School of Kalayoga (Member)
10. Dr. Jayanthi Kumaresh (JK), Guru, School of Kalayoga (Member)

NOTES

The meeting commenced with a prayer at 10:00 AM.

1. **Hon'ble VC welcomed the members and introduced the new members, Dr. L. Sampath Kumar, Head, LLS and; Dr. S. Nataraja Iyer, Controller of Examinations.**

2. **Approval of Minutes of previous Academic Council meeting held on 30-Oct-2018.**

   The meeting read and approved the minutes of the 4th Academic Council Meeting held on 30-Oct-2018.

   a. The Action Taken Report of was read and approved.

3. **Short report on academic activities at CVV since last Academic Council meeting was presented by Dean of Faculty (VC in Charge).**

   The members noted the presentation on scholastic and extracurricular achievement of students and faculty and approved the same.

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4. Admissions Policy and Guidelines

The Admissions Policy and Guidelines on the eligibility criteria and admission procedure for different programs were taken on record.

5. Admissions Update

The update on the admissions to different programs were reported and was taken on record by the members.

6. Use of CPPR Logo in MA PPG brochures

The collaboration of CVV with CPPR for MA PPG and the use of CPPR logo in MA PPG brochures for promotion of MA PPG was reported and was taken on record by the members.

7. Changes in Curriculum/ Program structure of existing Programs

It was resolved that considering the diverse background of students, the Sanskrit as Language can be offered in the even Semesters and the foundation courses like IKS, DPR, PPM, etc. to be offered in the odd Semesters so that a foundation is laid for Sanskrit as a Language.

a. BA Sanskrit

The Academic Council members resolved to approve an extra course – Pauspi for the 2017

It was resolved that All UG courses will have Sanskrit for Communication for 3 Credits and BA Sanskrit students will have an extra course – Conversational Sanskrit Lab for 2 Credits.

It was further resolved that the curriculum document of all programs, duly approved by Board of Studies, be circulated to Academic Council members.

b. BBA

The members resolved to approve the changes to the BBA program structure.

c. B. Com

The members resolved to approve the change in B. Com program structure. However, is was suggested to include Distributions and offer a new course – Quantitative Techniques as a core course and include Corporate Regulations and Administration as a module under Business Law, to be handled by Law faculty.

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Member AM proposed to include Research Methodology as a core course. The Academic Council members rejected the proposal and suggested to introduce Research Methodology and Project work as a minor.

Resolved to include Corporate Regulations and Administration under Business Law and introduce Quantitative Techniques as a core course.

Resolved to Introduce Research Methodology and Project work as a minor course for B. Com and BBA.

Action Item:
To modify the course outlines of Business Law to include Corporate Regulations and Administration and develop a course outline for Quantitative Techniques including Distributions and circulate among Academic Council members post approval from Board of Studies.

To circulate the BoS approved course outline of Research Methodology and Project work among Academic Council Members.

d. BA Applied Psychology

No Change

e. MA Sanskrit

The Academic Council members resolved to approve the newly introduced course: Vedic Language and Literature subject to modification of the course based on inputs provided by members KR, SA, MM and GN. Members suggested to include traditional commentators, citing examples.

Action Item: The modified course outline of Vedic Language and Literature to be circulated among Academic Council members.

f. PG Diploma in Counselling

No Change. It was suggested by members to charge differential fees for different target groups of students.

g. Integrated Masters – Advaita Vedanta: Dr. Tulasi Kumar Joshi

The Academic Council members resolved to approve the changes made to Integrated Masters – Advaita Vedanta: Change of credits from 187 to 188.

h. Integrated Masters – Vyakarana: Shri Nagendra Pavana

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No Change in curriculum.

i. BA Music – Hindustani Vocal, Bansuri and Tabla

Member BM suggested to increase the credits of courses to make a total of 120.

Resolved that the credits be increased to make a total of 120 credits.

Action item: To increase credits and circulate to Academic Council members.

Action on all Curriculum: To circulate the Curriculum documents of all programs among Academic Council Members.

8. New Programme Approval

a. MSc Applied Psychology: The Academic Council resolved to approve the program – MSc Applied Psychology
b. LLM Legal Theory: The Academic Council members resolved to approve the change in the duration of LLM Legal Theory from 2 years to 1 year. The members, however, suggested to ramp up to 2 years program in due course of time.

9. Curriculum of New Programmes

a. BA Ed Social Science and English

Member KM presented the details of the program. It was recommended that the curriculum document be sent to all members of the Academic Council.

Action Item: To circulate the curriculum document among Academic Council members.

b. BSc Ed Mathematics: Prof. Krishna Mohan

Member KM presented the details of the program. It was recommended that the curriculum document be sent to all members of the Academic Council.

Action Item: To circulate the curriculum document among Academic Council members.

c. MSc Applied Psychology: Prof. Krishna Mohan

Member KM presented the program structure to the Academic Council. Member Gopal Mahapatra suggested to merge the core: Organizational Behaviour with Organizational Theory and Development, and include Executive Mentoring and Coaching.

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Member BM suggested to introduce UGC self-study modules from SWAYAM as a part of paper for subject coverage of not more than 20%.

Member VR enquired regarding the IKS papers and it was decided to introduce IKS with sufficient credits to have 80 credits in total, as uniform for all PG programs.

Academic council recommended to Member SA to mentor the class for paper yoga and meditation.

Action Item: Member KM to rework the credits to make a total of 80 and circulate among Academic Council members.

d. MA Public Policy and Governance

Member VR presented the details of MA PPG. It was recommended by the members to keep the credits at 80 for all PG programmes for uniformity.

Member BM suggested to include Dharmasastra and member KR suggested to include Nyayasastra as core papers. The Academic Council members recommended to send the curriculum by circulation after approval by BoS members.

Action Item: To circulate the curriculum document among Academic Council members.

e. M. Com

Member MI presented the details of M. Com program. It was recommended to include Arthashastra and Modern Economics as a foundation instead of Adi Sankara Life and Achievements.

The Academic Council members recommended to work out the curriculum for 80 credits to keep PG credits as uniform and send the curriculum by circulation after approval by BoS members.

Action Item: MI to revise the curriculum, to include relevant course: Arthashastra and Modern Economics; and circulate among Academic Council members.

f. LLM – Legal Theory

The Academic Council members recommended to send the curriculum by circulation after approval by BoS members.

Action Item: To circulate the curriculum document among Academic Council members.

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g. LLM – International Trade and Commercial Laws: Shri Nithin Ramakrishnan

The Academic Council members recommended to send the curriculum by circulation after approval by BoS members.

Action Item: To circulate the curriculum document among Academic Council members.

h. Ph.D:

- Member KR suggested to add one more additional subject area to the list of existing four subjects and the course selected should also enable the post graduate students to pursue. The additional course shall be offered as elective to Post Graduate students.
- Member KR recommended to conduct an evaluation of Ph. D candidate at the end of second year and candidates, who fail in first attempt, have to be given a second chance. If such a candidate fails in the second attempt also, an MPhil degree could be awarded after submission of the dissertation. The suggestion was supported by other members and suggested to implement from October 2019 admission.
- It was decided to amend the Ph.D. guidelines based on the spirit of above discussions and to circulate it through email for getting approval of the Academic Council.
- SA suggested that Shodha Sansthan and the resources available like Director – Shodha Sansthan can be availed by University for Ph.D.
- The members recommended to have a clarity on UGC guidelines on external guides for Ph.D.

Action Item: To revise the Ph. D guidelines to include the above points and circulate among Academic Council members.

10. Reduction of Ph.D course work credits for applicants already holding a Ph.D or M.Phil.

It was resolved by the Academic Council members that the Ph. D course work credits for scholars already holding a Ph. D or M. Phil should not be reduced.

It was also resolved that candidates already holding a Ph. D cannot be exempted from entrance test; to be effective from Oct 2019 admissions onwards. Member BM informed since guidelines already published, candidates without NET but holding Ph.D. should be addressed strictly in the interview for the current admissions.

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11. Approve list of Ph.D guides: Prof. Gauri Mahulikar

The members of the Academic Council resolved to approve the list of Ph.D guides (Annexure – I).

12. Credit for Yoga and inclusion of Yoga in School of Vedic Knowledge Systems.

It was resolved that yoga should be a non-credit course only and those who do not meet attendance requirements have to be penalized by reducing a grade point/ any other means.

It was further resolved that Yoga can be owned by School of Vedic Knowledge Systems.

13. Certificate courses

The Academic Council members resolved to approve all the certificate courses offered/ to be offered at Chinmaya Vishwavidyapeeth and suggested that each of them be presented at the Academic Council once every new course is finalized.

14. New Core/ Minor/ Elective courses of all schools

The Academic Council members resolved to approve the list of minors presented.

15. Revised fees of MA PPG

The Academic Council resolved that the revised fees of MA PPG at 1.3 Lacs per year is approved.

16. Examination

It was resolved by the Academic Council as follows:

- Weightage of Continuous Internal Assessment: 60%
- Weightage of End Semester Exam: 40%
- For passing a course, students need to score 40% in Continuous Internal Assessment, 40 % in End Semester Exam and Overall percentage to be obtained: 40%
- Re exam for students failing in an End Semester Exam will be in the succeeding year, with their juniors for core courses. For final year alone, supplementary exams to be conducted for students who failed. If, however, a student fails in a minor or elective, the student can opt for another minor or elective in the ensuing semester/s to make up for the credit.

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17. Any Other Business with the permission of the Chair

a. Consideration of workload of faculty offering certificate courses

Academic Council members did not approve of counting workload of certificate courses and suggested to come up with a proposal for compensating for the work load of certificate courses.

Action Item: To work out a proposal and circulate among Academic Council members.

b. Ph. D fellowship up to 25k

Members of Academic Council approved the proposal, subject to availability of funds.

c. Seed amount: up to Rs. 1 Lac per year for applying for grants

Members of Academic Council approved the proposal, subject to availability of funds.

d. Award for publications in top journals

Members rejected the proposal of giving awards for publishing in top journals.

e. Change in the naming and number of English courses

The members resolved to accept the proposal of change in naming and number of English courses as it did not change the program structure and credits.

f. LLM courses: Trimester mode

The members resolved to approve LLM programs in Trimester mode.

Registrar i/c
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