CHINMAYA UNIVERSITY

February 12, 2020

6th Academic Council Agenda Points (Circular)

With the start of the new academic session, the following changes are being proposed in the Academic domain.

1. Change in UG Programme Structure in order to even out the student workload over the 6 Semesters.
   A revised program structure has been worked out for the Undergraduate programs in order to even out the academic load across the Semesters. The same is being implemented with effect from the Academic Year 2019. Attaching the Original and Revised Programme Structure (Attachment – I). Post facto ratification sought for the revised programme structure.

2. Update on Teacher Education Programmes
   Academic Council, in the 4th meeting dated October 30, 2018 approved the innovative integrated teacher education programmes and authorized the Registrar to seek NCTE approval for the programmes.
   Course outline submitted to NCTE has been approved (Attachment – 2: Curriculum document of B.Sc. B.Ed. (Mathematics) & B.A. B.Ed. (English)).
   NCTE has given recognition to B.Sc. B.Ed. (Mathematics) & B.A. B.Ed. (English) (Attachment – 3: Letter from NCTE)

3. MA PPG Course outlines
   Academic Council, in the 4th meeting dated October 30, 2018 approved the programme: MA in Public Policy and Governance (MA PPG). The course outlines of the core courses are attached (Attachment – 4: Course Outlines of core courses of MA PPG) for approval.

4. Approval for Certificate Courses
   The following courses are proposed to be offered as Certificate courses at CNBG:
   - Hindustani Bansuri – Beginner (Winter 2019 and Summer 2020 Intensive)
   - Hindustani Bansuri – Intermediate (Winter 2019 and Summer 2020 Intensive)
   - Hindustani Bansuri – Advanced (Winter 2019 and Summer 2020 Intensive)
   - Basic Tabla Training
   - Intermediate level training in Tabla
   - Advanced training in Tabla
   - Basic Vocal Training
   - Intermediate Vocal Training
   - Advanced Vocal Training

   The course outlines are attached (Attachment – 5). Request your approval for the Certificate Courses.

5. Environmental Studies
   UGC requires deemed to be universities to include Environmental Studies as a compulsory course for undergraduate programmes under AECC (Ability

Enhancement Compulsory Course) category. The course syllabus, as prescribed by UGC, has been incorporated into the UG curriculum. The course syllabus is attached (Attachment – 6) for approval.

6. Update on Associate Studentship
   Working further on the Associate Studentship for foreigners approved by the Academic Council in the 4th meeting dated October 30, 2018, the policy is proposed to be extended to students of any origin to undergo any course of their choice for Credit or Audit. Approval sought for extending the policy to students of any origin. (Attached the policy as Attachment – 7)

7. Emergency Approval new courses
   The following new courses are proposed to be offered in the upcoming semester, under different categories as specified below:

   A. Minor:
      1. Applied Calculus
      2. Carnatic Vocal Basic Course
      3. Enhancing Ecological Consciousness and Sustainable Lifestyle
      4. Indian Perspectives Health, Time and Managing Lifestyles
      5. R-Programming
      6. Shakespeare through Ages
      7. Social behaviour, Economic Decision making and Social Influence
      8. Urban Planning
      9. Women's writing in English
      10. Music Appreciation Course
      11. A study of the non-profit sector in India

   B. Elective:
      1. Mahabhashyam – paspashahnikam
      2. Mimamsanyayaprakasha
      3. Srimad Bhagavad Gita Bhashyam
      4. Subantaprakriya

   C. Minor Cum Elective:
      5. Language and Society (Minor & Elective)

   D. Dissertation/ Project:
      1. Regulation of International Finance and Investments

8. Campus Curriculum Council (CCC)

We have established a campus curriculum council to watch over the process of getting curricular changes vetted by the faculty and approved by the Academic Council. CCC will meet regularly (once a month) and review course change proposals. Minor changes will be passed on to AC for final approval directly, while major changes or new programme proposals will be sent to faculty or to the appropriate Board of Studies (BOS) for feedback

and revisions, as needed. When the proposal is finalized, CCC will recommend to VC to present it to AC.

The process is put in place to prevent curriculum drift resulting from apparently minor changes leading to significant cumulative changes.

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