

Office of the Dean Academics

Minutes of the Fourteenth Meeting of Postgraduate Curriculum Review Committee

July 10, 2015

The fourteenth meeting of the Postgraduate Curriculum Review Committee (PG-CRC) was held in the Board Room at 1100 hrs on July 10, 2015. The following members were present:

(Italics indicate inability to attend).

Prof. Anurag Sharma, *Prof. Naveen Garg, Prof. B. Bhattacharjee*, Dr. B.P. Patel, Prof. P.M.V. Subbarao, *Prof. V.K. Jain, Prof. D.T. Shahani, Prof. M.G. Dastidar, Prof. Maithili Sharan, Dr. Shalini Gupta, Dr. Pritha Chandra, Prof. D. Ravi Kumar, Prof. Joby Joseph*, Prof. M.R. Ravi, Prof. T.C. Kandpal.

Dr. K.A. Subramanian, Dr. Nilanjan Senroy and Prof. Apurba Das attended the meeting on behalf of Prof. M.G. Dastidar, Prof. V.K. Jain and Prof. Joby Joseph respectively. The following items were discussed.

1. **Confirmation of minutes of thirteenth meeting dated 29.5.15:** The minutes were confirmed as circulated.
2. **Revision of requirements of MS(R):** In continuation of the discussion in meeting 13 of the PGCRC, it was decided to recommend 15 credits of course work and 36 credits of project work for MS(R) programme in the revised curriculum. If a student converts MS(R) to Ph.D. he/she may need to do additional coursework to complete the minimum course work requirement for B.Tech./ M.Sc. Graduates registering for Ph.D. degree.
As a matter arising, the committee suggested that the rules pertaining to residency requirement of part-time MS(R) students for coursework be discussed by the BAP and presented to the senate.
3. **Revision of requirements of DIIT:** Under the previous curriculum, an M.Tech student can apply for DIIT within 5 years of joining the programme if he/she has earned a minimum of 45 valid credits with a minimum CGPA of 5.5, in case he/she is not able to get the required minimum CGPA of 6.0 with at least 60 valid credits after completing the maximum period available for the M.Tech. programme. After some discussion, the committee decided to modify the minimum credits required for applying for DIIT to 36, keeping the other requirements the same.
In case of MBA, the existing credit requirements for DIIT is 36 credits, earned with 9 courses from core, 3 courses from focus module and 4 compulsory audit courses. The committee decided to retain the 36-credit requirement, and authorized the chairman to identify the credit requirements from different categories of courses under new curriculum in consultation with the Head, DMS.
4. **Implementation strategy for self-learning component in PG courses:** The committee suggested that in view of the fact that the concept of self-learning component has been introduced in 700-800 level courses for the first time, it would be advisable to include it in the course templates for senate approval only after gaining experience with its implementation for a couple of semesters. In order to facilitate inclusion of the self-learning component in the courses to be offered in I semester 2015-16, the committee recommended that the respective course coordinators propose the contents and implementation method of the self-learning component and implement it after approval from the respective faculty boards. For the remaining 700-800 level courses, it was suggested that the Academic Units should complete the process of defining the self-learning component latest by March 2016. It was also suggested that in the curriculum workshop to be held in the II semester 2015-16, the experience of the academic units on the implementation of self-learning component be shared, so that the modalities of the same could be finalized for senate approval.

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair. Comments on these minutes, if any, may kindly be sent to the undersigned latest by July 15, 2015.

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