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Minutes of the 18th Meeting of Academic Council held on 15th January 2014

18th meeting of the Academic Council of Doon University was held on 15th January 2014 in the Conference Hall at 11:00 AM under the Chairmanship of Prof. V. K. Jain, Vice Chancellor. Following members were present in the meeting:

1. Prof. V. K. Jain, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and Chairman. Academic Council
2. Dr. R.S. Tolia, Chair Professor, NTPC, Centre for Public Policy
3. Prof. H.S. Dhama, Vice Chancellor, Kumaon University
4. Prof. S. P. Singh, former Vice Chancellor, HNB Garhwal University
5. Prof. Rajendra Dengle, Prof. School of Languages J. N. U., New Delhi
6. Prof. S. Rangnekar, Head Department of Management Studies, IIT Roorkee
7. Prof. Kusum Arunachalam, Professor and Head, SENR & I/c SoSS
8. Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Head/I/c and Associate Professor, SoC
9. Dr. S. S. Suthar, Associate Professor, SENR
10. Dr. R. N. Sharma Associate Professor and Head I/c SoL
11. Dr. Vijay Shridhar, Assistant Professor, SENR
12. Dr. Sudhanshu Joshi, Assistant Professor, SoM
13. Ms. Mala Shikha Assistant Professor (Spanish) SoL
14. Mr. Chandrika Kumar, Assistant Professor (German) SoL
15. Mr. S. S. Mohanty, Assistant Professor, SoSS
16. Ms. Karuna Sharma, Assistant Professor, SoC
17. Ms. Deepika Bhatia, Assistant Professor, (Japanese), SoL
18. Ms Tanvi Negi, Assistant Controller of Examination (Special Invitee)
19. Dr. V.K. Saini, Assistant Controller of Examination (Special Invitee)
20. Dr. B. M. Harbola, Registrar and Member Secretary, Academic Council

Prof. K. M. Shrivastav, Professor IIMC, New Delhi expressed his inability to attend the meeting due to his scheduled commitments. Dr Gajendra Singh informed that he is visiting Goa with the IVth semester students of MBA on study tour.

At the outset the Vice Chancellor welcomed the members of the Academic Council and introduced the new members on assuming the responsibilities as the member of the Academic Council. The Vice Chancellor informed the house that Prof. B. K. Joshi, Prof. G.J. Chakrapani, Prof. B. C. Agrawal, Prof. J.K. Sharma, Prof. G. B. Pant, Dr Archana Sharma, Ms Rashmi Mishra, Mrs Sikha Ahmad, Ms Tanvi Negi have completed their tenure in September 2013. The Academic Council expressed thanks and put on record its appreciation for the valuable contribution made by the outgoing members and welcomed the new members. Thereafter the action taken report on the resolutions of the 17th meeting of the Academic Council was presented and the agenda items were taken up one by one for discussion.

Item 2014:18:02

Confirmation of the Minutes of 17th meeting of the Academic Council held on 13th February 2013.

Comments were received from former Dean I/c, SENR Prof. J.K. Sharma for recognition of SENR faculty as Ph.D. Supervisors for inclusion in the minutes. This issue was resolved separately and supervisors and co-supervisors were assigned. No other comments and observations have been received.

The minutes were confirmed.

Item 2014:18:03

Review of Action Taken Report on the resolutions passed in 17th meeting of the Academic Council.

The Academic Council discussed the item wise action taken report of 17th meeting of the Academic Council. On the action taken report on Item No. 2012:16:12 with regard to the introduction of two new courses; Coordinate Geometry and History of Economic Thoughts Prof. H. S. Dhami suggested that instead of Coordinate Geometry courses like Actuarial Mathematics and Computational Finance Mathematics should be introduced. For the beginners a course on Mathematical Foundation for Economics may be introduced and as a basic course and Actuarial Mathematics and Computational Finance Mathematics may be introduced as advance course to be offered as elective. Beside title of History of Economic Thoughts should be changed to History of Economic Theory. Besides, change in the nomenclature of the courses should wider options for the students. The School Academic Advisory Committee should consider the suggestions. The Academic Council also approved the action taken report on the items of 16th Academic Council.

The Action Taken Report on the resolutions passed in 17th meeting of Academic Council was approved.

Item 2014:18:04

To consider and approve proposal for developing and initiating Survey Research Method Course-work for Pre-Ph.D. and Research Scholars of Doon University.

The Academic Council having discussed the proposal in its entirety appreciated the proposal and was of the view that the three week modular course could be structured into the curriculum structure of the existing Ph.D. course work. All the respective Schools of the University should consider and discuss as to how the three weeks modular course could be structured in respect to their Ph.D. courses of their discipline/school. Expressing his concern on the diminishing regional/tribal languages (Tharu, Boksha, Jonsari, Bhotia) and the cultural aspects Prof. Dhami suggested that the language aspect should also be incorporated in the curriculum of Ph.D. course work wherever possible.

Item 2014:18:05

To consider and approve syllabus of Advance English Course for School of Languages (Code: SLE-110)

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved the syllabus of Advance English Course (code- SLE-110 and code- SLE-111) to introduce it from the Academic Session 2014-15. Prof. Dhami suggested that the IIT Mumbai has established a lab to learn advance/professional English. The



structure/modalities/contents of the advance English course can be accessed from IIT Mumbai. The Registrar also informed the Academic Council the Secretary Higher Education has desired that School of Languages, Doon University should start an effective English Communicative Skills Programme for all those students who are from non English/regional background and are weak in English Communication. Uttarakhand Open University has already started a Communicative English Skill Programme. The structure, modalities and study material of this Programme could be accessed from UOU as well.

Item 2014:18:06

To approve pre- Ph.D. course work in School of Communication so as to launch a Ph.D. Programme in Communication.

There was a fair amount of discussion on the proposed agenda. Beside the issued/points presented for consideration of the Academic Council of the related/important issued such as Doon University as a research University, allowing the School/Department having only one Ph.D. faculty, completion of the Ph.D. Programme by a Ph.D. student if the single Ph.D. Supervisor moves to another University/Institution. Provision of Co- Supervisor was also discussed.

Prof. Dhami was of view that the areas proposed for research are very conventional and theoretical. The School of Communication should consider areas such as Cyber Lodge, Cyber Crime, Web Journalism etc. the syllabus of IIT Allahabad may be considered in this respect.

The Academic Council approved in principle the proposal of School of Communication to start the Ph.D. Programme in Communication from the Academic Session 2014-15 with the condition that a Ph.D. Supervisor should give an affidavit with regard to taking up himself/herself the responsibility of continuing guiding the Ph.D. student even if he/she leaves the University. Besides it was also approved that if the identified area for research is interdisciplinary in nature a Co-Supervisor may also be provided. As a research University Doon University should encourage collaborative approach and students to undertake Ph.D. Programme. The Academic Council also resolved that the IQAC of Doon University should discuss the issue in detail and should recommend necessary guidelines /modalities in this regard.

Item 2014:18:07

To consider UGC's proposal for equivalence of degrees awarded by Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Institutions at par with Conventional Universities/Institutions

Having gone through the agenda the Academic Council approved to adopt the proposal and resolved that the Standing Committee on Admission and Evaluation should streamline proper verification of such cases wherein the students intend to seek admission in the University awarded by Open and Distance Learning Institutions.

Item 2014:18:08

To consider CBSE's Communication dated 25-11-2013 with regard to introduction of new subjects as Elective-optional subjects at senior secondary level.



The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved in principle and resolved that the respective School to consider and incorporate/ develop some of the course listed in the CBSE's list.

Item 2014:18:09

To consider amendment in clause 3.7 of Academic Regulations and clause 14.9 of Academic Ordinance 2009 of Doon University.

Having gone through the agenda the Academic Council approved amendment in clause 3.7 of Academic Regulations and clause 14.9 of Academic Ordinance 2009 of Doon University as recommended by the Standing Committee on Admission and Evaluation.

Item 2014:18:10

To consider issue of provisional admission of Ms Swati Panwar.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda in its entirety was of the view that the Academic Council can not regulate/give any decision with regard cancellation of the admission of Ms Swati Panwar. The University should seek legal opinion on the matter and the obtained legal advice/opinion should be placed for the consideration of the Executive Council. Meanwhile the student should be informed about the Academic Council decision. The Academic Council was of the view that the University should put all the measures in place in order to not to happen such incidents again

Item 2014:18:11

To consider and approve provision of minimum CGPA requirement for admission in Master Programme

Having gone through the agenda the Academic Council approved provision of minimum CGPA requirement for admission in Master Programme as resolved by the Standing Committee on Admission and Evaluation.

Item 2014:18:12

To approve revision in Course Structure and Syllabi for Integrated M.Sc. and M.A. Programmes in Economics.

The Academic Council discussed two agenda item (2014:18:12 and 2014:18:13) together as being complementary and suggested that the courses such as Actuarial Mathematics, Computational Finance Mathematics, Operationalized Research should be included in the curriculum and the sequencing of the topic also need to be looked into. The School Faculty Council and School Academic Advisory Committee should put their head together to incorporate new courses and detail out curriculum in right order. The Academic Council also suggested that every School should maintain proper record with regard to revision of the curriculum and other Academic and Administrative matter of the Schools as they are to be necessarily provided in the process of NAAC accreditation. The University Administration should prepare and circulate a format in this regard to all Schools.

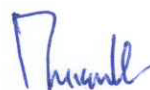
Item 2014:18:13

To approve the detail course content for Integrated M.Sc. and M.A. Programme in Economics

As detailed in the Item No. 12

Item 2014:18:14

To approve starting M.Phil Programme in Economics.



The Academic Council having gone through the agenda and approved to start M.Phil Programme in Economics. The Academic Council also approved that the regular contractual faculty may be engaged co-guide in M.Phil. however, only regular faculty could be the Supervisor/main guide.

Item 2014:18:15

To engage Adjunct Faculty/Visiting Professors in the Department of Economics, SoSS.

Having gone the agenda the Academic Council approved to engage Dr. T. S. Papola and Prof. Ruchi Badola, as Adjunct Faculty/Visiting Professors in the Department of Economics, School of Social Sciences. The Academic Council resolved that the Dept of Economics, SoSS should identify courses/areas where both the Adjunct faculty are required to contribute and should communicate it to the related faculty. The Academic Council also suggested that all the Schools should add more names in the list of Adjunct/visiting faculty including from the foreign countries.

Item 2014:18:16

To approve modification in minimum credit requirement for M.Sc. Programme in SENR.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved and resolved that the minimum credit requirement across all the Schools and across all the programmes shall be 64.

Item 2014:18:17

To approve modification of the Courses in M.Sc. Programme in SENR

Having gone the agenda the Academic Council approved the item with the suggestion that the proposed course contents should be properly structured in terms of referencing and contents such as Met, Lets SPSS should be included in the into the curriculum.

Item 2014:18:18

To approve recommendations of 2nd Academic Advisory Committee held on 15th August, 2013, for offering one specialized course in area of M.Sc. dissertation from the list of electives for M.Sc. Programme proposed in the School of Environmental Science & Natural Resources

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved recommendations of 2nd Academic Advisory Committee of SENR, for offering one specialized course in area of M.Sc. dissertation from the list of electives for M.Sc. Programme proposed in the SENR.

Item 2014:18:19

To approve the course code and structure of M. Tech. in Environmental Technology.

Having gone through the agenda the Academic Council appreciated Introduction of M.Tech. Programme in Environmental Technology as innovative Programme with the support of UGC and approved the course code and structure of the Programme.

Item 2014:18:20

To approve list of experts for Academic Advisory Committee of SENR

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved list of experts for Academic Advisory Committee of SENR as proposed by the School of Environment and Natural Resources which shall be valid for two year.

Item 2014:18:21

To approve confirmation of registration of Ph.D. students in SENR.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved confirmation of registration of Ph.D. students in School of Environment and Natural Resources.

Item 2014:18:22

To approve the candidature of Prof. Biswajit Das, Media Centre, Jamia Milia University as Co-Supervisor of Ms Rashi Mishra, Assistant Professor, SoC registered as Ph.D. student in SENR.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved the candidature of Prof. Biswajit Das, Media Centres, Jamia Milia University, New Delhi as Co-Supervisor of Ms Rashi Mishra, Assistant Professor, SoC registered as Ph.D. student in SENR

Item 2014:18:23

To approve the constitution of Doctoral Research Committee of Ph.D. students admitted in SENR during Academic Session 2012-13.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved the constitution of Doctoral Research Committee of Ph.D. students admitted in SENR during Academic Session 2012-13

Item 2014:18:24

To approve engaging Adjunct Faculty/Visiting Professors in SENR.

Having gone through the agenda item the Academic Council was of the view that proposal of engaging Adjunct Faculty/Visiting Faculty in SENR should be first considered by the School Academic Advisory Committee. Duly forwarded proposal by AAC should be put for the consideration of the Academic Council.

Item 2014:18:25

Modification of the Attendance Policy

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved the proposed modifications in the Attendance Policy. The Academic Council also resolved that the student recording 60% attendance may be given an opportunity to complete his attendance by way of attending extra classes, assignment works in the respective course, if attendance is found to be week in maximum two courses. The HoD of respective School shall notify such cases and provide for the time table of extra classes/assignment work in consultation with the respective course teacher and students

Item 2014:18:26

To consider and approve process of obtaining Degree or Transcript when lost by the student.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved process of obtaining Degree or Transcript when lost by the student as follows:

The student requesting for issuance of duplicate copy of the transcript/degree shall have to submit an application along with a copy of the FIR and

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advertisement in the newspaper or affidavit on Rs 10 stamp paper with a fee of Rs 100/ in case of a transcript and Rs 250/ in case of degree.

Item 2014:18:27

To consider and approve policy regarding disposal of old Answer Sheets.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved the policy regarding disposal of old Answer sheets as proposed. The Academic Council was of the view that after the completion of the process of examination (declaration of result) the Exam Section shall seal the answer sheets in a bundle in safe and secure custody for a period of 2 years. The information with regard to disposal of old Answer sheets shall be displayed in the University website.

Item 2014:18:28

To introduce Five Year Integrated Masters Programme in French Language from the academic session 2014-15

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved introduction of Five Year Integrated Masters Programme in French Language from the academic session 2014-15. The Academic Council appreciated that the referencing in the proposed curriculum is very systematic and well written. The other Schools may follow this pattern.

Item 2014:18:29

To introduce Five Year Integrated Masters in Computer Application (MCA) Programme

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved in principle to introduce Five Year Integrated Masters in Computer Application (MCA) Programme from the Academic Session 2014-15. Prof. Santosh Rangnekar suggested that since the programme being offered in Masters in Computer Applications, Management courses should be offered as elective/optional only not as a compulsory. The Academic Council resolved that the Academic Advisory Committee should consider the suggestion and finalize course structure and curriculum. The Academic Council authorized the Vice Chancellor for final approval. It was also resolved that Dr Sudhanshu Joshi, Assistant Professor, SoM be designated as Adjunct Faculty for School of Technology and the issue should be taken up for the consideration of the Executive Council.

Item 2014:18:30

To consider and approve the modification in minimum credit requirements in 5-Year Integrated M.Sc./M.A. and 2-Years M.Sc. /M.A. Programme.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved modification in minimum credit requirements in 5-Year Integrated M.Sc./M.A. and 2-Years M.Sc. /M.A. Programme.

Item 2014:18:31

To consider and approve the proposal to have Uniform nomenclature of Committees in all the Schools/ Departments/Centres.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved with the suggestion that two student representatives from senior classes should be nominated as special invitee in the School Faculty Council. Members from outside who have completed two years as member of Academic Advisory



Committee should be replaced. The respective School should prepare new list of experts/members for Academic Advisory Committee and forward it for approval. The Academic Advisory Committee shall be the superior body of the School

Item 2014:18:32

To consider and approve the proposal for declaration of Zero semester

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved the following as recommended by the IQAC:

1. If a student is absent from the University for a significant length of time on account of sickness or award of overseas fellowship, he /she may be allowed to repeat the semester in the following year subject to the recommendations of the School Faculty Council (SFC) and Academic Advisory Committee (AAC) of the School.
2. If a student is absent for a considerable period of time without any prior notice, his/her name may be struck off from University roll.

Item 2014:18:33

To consider and approve the guidelines for offering electives in respective semester.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved the following as proposed by the Dept. of Economics and recommended by the IQAC:

1. No choice shall be given to the students for selection of electives at graduation level. The electives to be offered at graduation level will be decided by the School Faculty Council (SFC) considering industry/market demand of the course and expertise of the faculty members in the department.
2. At M. A. level a minimum strength of 5 students shall be kept mandatory to offer a particular elective besides the availability of expertise in the school.

Item 2014:18:34

To consider issue of medium of Question Paper in English/Hindi.

Having gone through the agenda the Academic Council approved that although the medium of teaching could be both in English and Hindi the mode of examination will be only in English.

Item 2014:18:35

To consider and approve the proposed revision in Ph.D. Regulations of the University

Having gone through the details of agenda the Academic Council approved the proposed revision in Ph.D. Regulations of the University with the resolution that the existing norm of number of Ph.D. students under the Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor shall remain 4, 6, 8 respectively. The Academic Council also resolved that at a time intake should not be more than 2 and in total it will not be more than 8 for every Ph.D. Supervisor.

Item 2014:18:36

To adopt the amendments dated June, 2013 in UGC regulations on minimum qualifications for appointment of staff in universities and colleges and measures for the maintenance of standards in higher education 2010.



The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved to adopt the amendments dated June 2013 in UGC (Minimum qualifications for appointment of teachers and other academic staff in Universities and colleges and measures for maintenance of standards in Higher Education) (2nd amendment) Regulations, 2013 dated 13th June 2013.

Item 2014:18:37

API Score for book published by Lap-Lambert.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda as approved the following recommendations of the IQAC of Doon University with regard to consideration of API score for book published by Lap Lambert:

"If a book is published from the Ph.D. work of the candidate or from M.Sc./M.Tech. dissertation supervised by him/her, no score/weightage shall be awarded in API. However, if a book published by Lambert is a synthesis of novel knowledge and is assigned an ISBN no. by the publisher, it shall be considered for assigning weight age/score equivalent to weightage given to a book published without established peer-review system as per UGC Regulation 2010."

Item 2014:18:38

To approve Dr. Vipin K. Saini's request for Ph.D supervision.

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved the Dr. Vipin Kumar Saini's request for Ph.D. supervision with the suggestion that the IQAC should see into the issue of allowing faculty with Ph.D. Degree with number of years of experience.

Item 2014:18:39

Modification in the rule of Make-up Exam

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda and approved to conduct make up examination after one month of mid semester examination in view of feeling difficulties in conducting these examinations as it disturbs the preparation for the semester final examinations.

Item 2014:18:40

To consider and approve the format of Degree to be awarded to the passed out students of Doon University

Having gone through the agenda the Academic Council suggested modification in the format of Degree. Prof. Dharmi suggested that specialization should be given in the degree. Bar-coding system (numbering) may be adopted. Place for signature of Registrar and other officials can be provided on the backside of the Degree.

Item 2014:18:41

To approve the list of passed out students for the award of Degrees.

Having gone through the agenda the Academic Council approved the list of passed out students as prepared.

Item 2014:18:42

To seek directions from the Academic Council for organizing the Convocation of the University



Having gone through the agenda the Academic Council resolved that in view of expenditure incurred on organizing the Convocation the University may award degree to all those students who have passed out their academic programme without organizing the Convocation. The Convocation may be held after 5 years.

Item 2014:18:43 **Any other item with the permission of the Chair.**

Item 2014:18:43:1 **To consider and approve change in nomenclature of some courses in M.A. Integrated Programme in Spanish Language.**

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved change in nomenclature of some courses in M.A. Integrated Programme in Spanish Language.

Item 2014:18:43:2 **To consider and approve Syllabus for M.A. Integrated Programme in Arabic Language.**

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved Syllabus for M.A. Integrated Programme in Arabic Language.

Item 2014:18:43:3 **To consider and approve Syllabus/curriculum for M.A. in Hindi Programme.**

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved Syllabus for M.A. Programme in Hindi. The Academic Council suggested that the University should start the P.G. Diploma Programme in Translation studies as approved by the Academic Council in its 15th meeting held on 11th November 2011.

Item 2014:18:43:4 **To consider and approve Syllabus/curriculum for M.A. Communication in Design.**

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved Syllabus for M.A. Communication in Design.

The Academic Council was of the view that the University should start all these programmes (5 year Integrated MCA Programme, M.A. Integrated Programme in Arabic Language, M.A. in Communication Design and P. G. Diploma Programme in Translation studies) on self financed mode with the intake of minimum 20 seats to meet the need of salary of at least two faculties.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the chair.



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Item 2014:18:43 **Any other Item with the permission of the Chair**

Item 2014:18:43:5 **To approve modification in the title of some of the courses in the Integrated M.A. Programme in German**

The Academic Council having gone through the agenda approved the modification in the title of some of the courses in the Integrated M.A. Programme in German as proposed by the Dept. of German Language, School of Language.


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Registrar