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**Minutes of the 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council**

25<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council of Doon University was held on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018 in the Conference Hall of the University at 11:00 AM. Dr C. S. Nautiyal, Vice Chancellor presided over the meeting. Following members was present in the meeting:

1. Prof. S. P. Singh, former Vice Chancellor H.N.B. Garhwal University
2. Prof. H. S. Dhama, Vice Chancellor, Uttarakhand Residential University, Almora.
3. Prof. D. R. Purohit, (Retd.) English, HNB Garhwal Central University
4. Prof. A. R. Dangwal, Professor Department of Media and Communication, HBNGU
5. Prof. D. S. Negi, Dept. of Chemistry, HNB Garhwal University
6. Prof. Kusum Arunachalam, Professor and Head, SENR
7. Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Associate Professor and Head/I/c SoMCS
8. Prof. Harshpati Dobhal, Professor (Visiting), SoMCS
9. Dr Reena Singh, Associate Professor, SoM
10. Dr. Manoj Bhatt, Associate Professor (Visiting), Dept. of Economics, SoSS
11. Ms Tanvi Negi, Assistant Professor, and I/c, Dept. of Chinese Studies, SoL
12. Ms. Mala Shikha, Assistant Professor and I/c Dept. of Spanish Studies, SoL
13. Mr. Chandrika Kumar, Assistant Professor and I/c Dept. of German Studies, SoL
14. Ms Sikha Ahmad, Assistant Professor and In-charge Dept. of Economics
15. Ms. Aabshar Abbasi, Assistant Professor, SoMCS
16. Mr. Ravi Kumar, Assistant Professor and I/c Dept. of Japanese Studies, SoL
17. Ms Dhriti Dhaundiyal, Assistant Professor (on contract) and I/c School of Design
18. Dr Ujjwal Kumar, Assistant Professor, SENR
19. Dr Vikas Sharma, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physics, SoPS
20. Dr Sarita Singh, Assistant Professor and I/c Dept. of Mathematics, SoPS
21. Dr Arun Kumar, Assistant Professor, I/c Dept. of Chemistry, SoPS
22. Ms Rachna Gussain, I/c Dept. of Computer Science & SoT
23. Dr Charu Dwevedi, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Chemistry
24. Dr Asha Ram Gairola, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics
25. Dr Himani Sharma, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physics
26. Dr Komal, Assistant Professor & Assistant Coordinator of Examination
27. Mr Ashish Kumar, In-charge Centre Library,
28. Prof. H. C. Purohit, DSW, Head, SoM and Registrar & Secretary Academic Council

Prof. Raj S. Dhankar and Prof H.M. Agrawal expressed their inability to attend the meeting due to prior engagement. No communication was received from Prof. Ram Singh, Prof. Ramesh Agrawal external members and Dr Richa Joshi Pandey, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, Doon University with regard to attending the meeting. Dr Vaishali, School of Management, Doon University is on maternity leave and Shri D. C. Lohani, Finance Controller did not attend the meeting due to his meeting in other State Government department.

At the outset the Chairperson welcomed the members of the Academic Council and the members present in the meeting introduced themselves. Thereafter, the action taken report on the resolutions of 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council was presented and the agenda items were taken up one by one for discussion.

**Item 2018:25:02 Confirmation of the Minutes of 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2017.**

No observations/comments were received. The Academic Council confirmed the minutes of 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council

**Item 2018:25:03 Review of the Action Taken Report on the resolutions of 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council.**

While reviewing the Action taken report on Item no. 2017:24:17 with regard to *“consider and approve introducing Elective Course in Hindi for one semester to the undergraduate students of 5 years Integrated M.A. programmes in Foreign Languages”* Prof. H. S. Dhama, Uttarakhand Residential University suggested that Doon University should consider to set up a linguistic centre exclusively for the languages/dialect of Uttarakhand specially Garhwali, Kumauni and Jaunsaari.

The Academic Council having considered the progress on the resolutions of the 24<sup>th</sup> meeting approved the action taken report.

**Item 2018:25:04 To consider introducing M.Sc./M.A. Geology and M.Sc./M.A. Geography programmes under the Dr Nityanand Himalayan Research and Study Centre.**

The Academic Council approved the proposal of introducing M.Sc./M.A. Geology and M.Sc./M.A. Geography programmes under the Dr Nityanand Himalayan Research and Study Centre and further suggested to include more integrated courses related to Himalaya and Uttarakhand in the proposed centre. The Council authorized the Vice Chancellor to constitute a committee for designing syllabus and course curriculum of the proposed programme.

**Item 2018:25:05 To consider and approve Introduction of B.A. Honors Programme in English.**

The Academic Council considered the agenda and approved to introduce B.A. (Hons) programme in English with intake of 25 and fee structure of the course will be at par with other language course.

**Item 2018:25:06 To consider introducing MOOCs courses in the School of Media and Communication Studies, available on SWAYAM platform.**

The Academic Council having considered the agenda, approved to introduce following MOOCs courses in the School of Media and Communication Studies available on SWAYAM Platform relevant for the Media and Communication students from the session 2018-19:

S.No.	Course Name	Credit	Level	Type
1.	Cultural Studies Supriya Chaudhuri Jadavpur University	N/A	UG	Scheduled/ Self-paced
2.	Indian Culture and Art Saroj Chaman, Punjabi University - Patiala	0	UG	Scheduled
3.	Basics of Photography Dr. Lalit Engle Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya - Indore	2	UG	Scheduled
4.	Cyber Law Vishal Goyal, Punjabi University – Patiala	0	UG	Scheduled
5.	Film Appreciation Aysha Iqbal, IIT Madras	0	UG	Scheduled
6.	Contemporary Themes in Indias Economic Development & Economic Survey Course Coordinator Indian Institute of Technology - Delhi	N/A	UG	Self-paced
7.	Quantitative Methods NK Chadha, Delhi University	0	PG	Scheduled
8.	Economic Planning in India: Overview and Challenges Jaswinder Singh, Delhi University	0	PG	Scheduled
9.	Environmental Studies I Tushar Banerjee Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya - Indore	0	UG	Scheduled
10.	Advertising Dr. Lalit Engle Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya - Indore	0	UG	Scheduled
11.	Introduction to Research Prathap Haridoss, IIT Madras	0	PG	Scheduled
12.	Health research fundamentals Multi faculty, IIT Madras	0	PG	Scheduled
13.	Introduction to Audio-Visual Media Dr.K.S. Kusuma, Jamia Millia Islamia	4	PG	Scheduled
14.	Environment Natural resources and Sustainable Development Prabhakar Rao Jandhyala, University of Hyderabad	N/A	UG	Self-paced

**Item 2018:25:07 To approve changes in Course Title and Course Abstracts of Bachelor of Design Programme.**

The Academic Council considered the agenda and approved to changes in course titles of some courses as follows:

Code	Existing Title	Proposed Course Title
SDP-210	Industrial Trip	Design Perception Trip
SDG-209	Industrial Trip	Design Perception Trip
SDP-201	Form Derivation I	Form I & Representation

SDP-206	Form Derivation II	Form II & Digital Representation
SDG-204	Design Project I : Publication Design & Printing Technologies	Design Project I : Publication Design & Printing Technologies

**Item 2018:25:08 To consider and approve introducing MOOCs course in the Bachelor of Design Programme.**

The Academic Council having considered the agenda and approved to offer the following MOOCs coursed in Bachelor of Design programme:

S.N	Course	Sem	Discipline
1	Manufacturing Process Technology-Part 1	III	Product Design
2	Engineering Graphics	III	Product Design
3	Film Appreciation	III	Product/Graphic Design
4	Elements of Visual Representation	II	Foundation
5	Art Appreciation	IV	Product/Graphic Design
6	Basics of Photography	II	Foundation

It was suggested to determine the credits of each course under MOOCs in School of Design. Prof. H. S. Dhama suggested that beside MOOCs course the University should also go for other online options like Open Educational Resources (OER) and National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning (NPTEL).

**Item 2018:25:09 To consider and approve revision in M.Tech. Environmental Technology Course structure**

The Academic Council considered the matter approved revision in course structure of M.Tech. Environmental Technology programme of School of Environment and Natural Resources

**Item 2018:25:10 To consider and approve modifications in the title of M.Tech. Course as below:**

The Academic council considered the agenda and approved the following modifications in the title of M.Tech. courses as proposed by the School:

Course Code	Existing Title	Proposed Title
ETC-550	Basic Instrumentation in Environmental Science & Engineering	Basic Instrumentation in Environmental Science & Technology

ETC-500	Fundamental of Biological Processes & Environmental Engineering	Fundamental of Environmental Science & Technology
ETC-570	Environmental Management System, Impact Assessment & Environmental Audit	Environmental Impact Assessment & Management
ETC-582	Technical and Scientific Writing	Project Proposal Writing and Seminar

**Item 2018:25:11 To approve the names of external experts of Advisory Committee of School of Environment and Natural Resources.**

The Academic Council considered and suggested to propose 10 to 15 experts of the field for approval of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor as External members of Academic Advisory Committee of the School of Environment and Natural Resources.

**Item 2018:25:12 To report the approval of Ph.D. Synopsis of following some of the students of Ph.D. Environmental Science.**

The Academic Council noted down, approved the proceedings of DRC of School of Environment and Natural Resource regarding approval of Ph.D. synopsis of the students registered in academic session 2015-16. It was also suggested to submit only proceedings of DRC for approval of the Academic Council in future instead of names.

**Item 2018:25:13 To consider amendment in rule currently used for dropout cases of students**

The Academic Council considered the matter, was of view that in order to maintain the quality, the existing rules used for dropout cases should be retained. However, the student will now have the right to file only one petition for promotion in the next semester.

**Item 2018:25:14 To consider and approve fix number of re-evaluations**

The agenda was considered by the Academic Council. The external members were surprised to see the provision of re-evaluation in the University which is not the practice since a long across the state universities. The Council did not approve to permit re-evaluation of answer sheets.

**Item 2018:25:15 To fix number of re-checking of marks**

The agenda was considered and approved that in place of re-checking of marks it should to be scrutiny. This facility of scrutiny will continue to the students, if any discrepancy found by students. The student will forward application through proper channel for seeking scrutiny facility. If a student is failed in some subjects and student has applied for scrutiny in these subjects, then those cases may be considered for scrutiny.

**Item 2018:25:16 To consider and approve the grace marks policy under following points**

The Academic Council considered the matter approved the following grace marks policy as proposed by the Examination Section of the University in addition to the existing grace marks policy.

- i. Grace marks will be given only in two subjects in last two semesters of normal duration of a program as per the criteria used in existing grace marks policy.
- ii. If a student is awarded grace marks in maximum two subjects in the last two semesters of normal duration and he/she is availing grace period of two semesters to qualify some of his/her back papers to award degree, in this condition the student will not be allowed to give improvement exams in the grace marks awardee subjects further in grace period.
- iii. In addition to the existing rules for awarding distinction/ toper/university gold medalist etc., grace marks awardee student will not be considered as a candidate to award the distinction/ toper/university gold medalist etc.

Further the academic Council suggested that in addition to the existing rules of grace marks, the University may consider the grace marks policy of other state Government University's and may reframe the grace marks policy at par with other University pattern and norms.

**Item 2018:25:17 To approve the list of passed out students for the award of Degree.**

The Academic Council approved the following Degrees to be awarded to students who have passed out and have cleared their academic programmes successfully:

Details are as follows:

SI No	School Name	Programme Name	Degree Awarded	Batch
1	School of languages	MA Int Chinese	Master	2010
		MA Int German	Master	2010
		MA Int Spanish	Master	2010
		MA Int Chinese	Master	2011
		MA Int German	Master	2011
		MA Int Spanish	Master	2011
		MA Int Chinese	Bachelor	2012
		MA Int German	Bachelor	2012
		MA Int Spanish	Bachelor	2012
		MA Int Chinese	Bachelor	2013
		MA Int German	Bachelor	2013
		MA Int Spanish	Bachelor	2013
		MA Int Spanish	Bachelor	2013
MA Int. Japanese	Bachelor	2013		
MA English	Master	2014		
2	School of Communication	MA Int Communication	Master	2011
		MA Int Communication	Bachelor	2012
		MA Int Communication	Bachelor	2013
		MA Communication	Master	2012
		MA Communication	Master	2013
MA Communication	Master	2014		
3			Master	2012

	School of Environment and Natural Resources	MSc Environmental Science	Master	2013
			Master	2014
		MSc Environmental Science with specialization NRM	Master	2012
			Master	2013
			Master	2014
		M.Tech Environmental Technology	Master	2013
Master	2014			
4	School of Management	MBA	Master	2012
		MBA	Master	2013
		MBA	Master	2014
		IMBA	Bachelor	2013
5	School of Social Sciences	MA Economics	Master	2012
		MA Economics	Master	2013
		MA Economics	Master	2014
		M.Sc Economics ( Integrated)	Master	2011
		M.Sc Economics ( Integrated)	Bachelor	2012
		M.Sc Economics ( Integrated)	Bachelor	2013
Ph.D. Degree to all those students whose viva-voce has been conducted successfully till March 31, 2018.				

**Item 2018:25:18****Approval of the format to award Ph.D. degree**

The Academic Council having considered, approved the format of Degree as prepared by the IQAC. The members suggested to make the provision of Aadhar number in the degree with other security features in the Degree.

**Item 2018:25:19****To consider the letter of Dept. of Higher Education regarding to include Cyber Security and Artificial Intelligence.**

Prof. H. S. Dhama informed the council that he is heading a committee to design the course content and modalities to start the course on Cyber Security and Artificial Intelligence in the State. The council agreed to implement the recommendations of the committee in this regard.

**Item 2018:25:20****To approve the recommendations of Academic Advisory Committee of Department of Physics made in its meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 and 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017 respectively.**

The Academic Council considered and approved the following suggestions of Advisory Committee of Department of Physics made in its meetings held on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017 and 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 respectively.

1. Change of assigned semesters for few courses in MSc Integrated Physics programme
2. Removal/Addition of few topics in few papers: Due to redundancy of few topics at bachelor's degree level some topics have been removed from the respective papers
3. Increment in the number of credits of PHC-455, Mathematical and Computational Physics: Due to length of the course the course PHC-455, Mathematical and Computational Physics will be assigned 4 credits in

which 3 credits are assigned to theory classes whereas 1 credit is assigned to the practical classes.

4. Following course are proposed to be included as Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) courses in the MSc integrated programme:
  - i. Advanced Quantum Mechanics:
  - ii. Lasers and Detectors
5. Finalization of the syllabus of last four semesters (i. e. 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> semesters) of M. Sc. Integrated (Physics) programme
6. Inclusion of the MOOC courses in the curriculum
7. Inclusion of a paper titled "Research Methodology" as an elective course of 3 credits at the master level Physics Programme

**Item 2018:25:21**

**To consider the matter regarding seeking approval for changing the nomenclature of School of Social Sciences as School of Economics.**

The Academic Council did not approve and decided to withdraw the agenda.

**Item 2018:25:22**

**To consider and approve the Course Applied Econometrics in the M.Phil. Economics programme.**

The Academic Council considered and approved the agenda of conducting of the examination of M.Phil. Economics students of the course 'Applied Econometrics' as a special case in the interest of students and directed not to take this matter as a precedence in future.

**Item 2018:25:23**

**To approve the following decisions of the meeting Coordinating committee of Certificate course in Foreign Languages held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

The Academic Council considered the agenda and approved the decisions of the meeting of Coordinating Committee of Certificate programmes in Foreign Languages held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2017 with regard to make provision of common entrance test for admission in Certificate programmes of Languages. The Academic Council also approved to increase the seats from existing 30 to 60 in each language certificate programme.

**Item 2018:25:24**

**To approve the program structure (designed by an expert committee and recommended by departmental academic advisory committee), including total credits, semester-wise distribution of credits and types of courses, of 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Semesters "Integrated M.Sc. in Chemistry" and/or a two years "M.Sc. in Chemistry".**

The Academic Council considered the agenda approved the course structure including total credits, semester-wise distribution of credits and types of courses, of 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Semesters "Integrated M.Sc. in Chemistry" and/or a two years "M.Sc. in Chemistry".

**Item 2018:25:25**

**To approve the syllabi of various courses (designed by an expert committee and recommended by departmental academic advisory committee) of 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Semesters "Integrated M.Sc. in Chemistry" and/or a two years "M.Sc. in Chemistry".**



The Academic Council considered and approved the syllabi of various courses of 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Semesters "*Integrated M.Sc. in Chemistry*" and/or a two years "*M.Sc. in Chemistry*".

- Item 2018:25:26** To approve the incorporation of additional experiment(s) (i.e. *generation of nucleophile from substituted thiophenol and its use in nucleophilic substitution reaction of primary alkyl halide*) in the existing list of experiments of lab component of a core course CYC-203 (Course Title: *Org. Chem. II: Oxygen Containing Functional Groups*).

The Academic Council considered and approved incorporation of additional experiment(s) (i.e. generation of nucleophile from substituted thiophenol and its use in nucleophilic substitution reaction of primary alkyl halide) in the existing list of experiments of lab component of a core course CYC-203 (Course Title: *Org. Chem. II: Oxygen Containing Functional Groups*) subject to availability of teachers and lab facilities.

- Item 2018:25:27** To approve the incorporation of additional experiment(s) (i.e. *reaction of amines with carbonyl compound derivatives of different polyaromatic hydrocarbons and heterocyclic compounds*) in the existing list of experiments of lab component of a core course CYC-252 (*Org. Chem. III: Heterocyclic Chemistry*).

The Academic Council approved incorporation of additional experiment(s) (i.e. reaction of amines with carbonyl compound derivatives of different polyaromatic hydrocarbons and heterocyclic compounds) in the existing list of experiments of lab component of a core course CYC-252 (*Org. Chem. III: Heterocyclic Chemistry*) subject to availability of teachers and lab facilities.

- Item 2018:25:28** To approve the revised title (i.e. *Org. Chem. V: Carbohydrates, Dyes, Polymers and Basics of Org. Spectroscopy*) of a core course which is belonging to organic chemistry and offered at 6<sup>th</sup> semester of integrated M.Sc. program.

The Academic Council considered and approved revision in the title (i.e. *Org. Chem. V: Carbohydrates, Dyes, Polymers and Basics of Org. Spectroscopy*) of a core course which is belonging to organic chemistry and offered at 6<sup>th</sup> semester of integrated M.Sc. program.

- Item 2018:25:29** To approve the recommendation of expert committee regarding requirement of minimum twelve regular faculty members at Department of Chemistry to run smoothly 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> semesters of '*Integrated M.Sc. in Chemistry*' and to launch a two-year program "*M.Sc. in Chemistry*".

The Academic Council withdrew the agenda item as the agenda item is not relevant to the Academic Council.

- Item 2018:25:30** To approve the recommendation of expert committee regarding not to allow the provision of lateral entry in 7<sup>th</sup> semester of "*Integrated M.Sc. in Chemistry*" in any mode until the recruitment of faculty members at regular positions in appropriate and sufficient strength.

The Academic Council withdrew the agenda item as the agenda item is not relevant to the Academic Council.

**Item 2018:25:31 Any other item with the permission of the Chair.**

**Item 2018:25:31:01 Participation of Students for the current academic year from School of Languages & School of Social Sciences in the Toppers Conclave to be held in the Rajbhawan.**

The Academic Council having considered the matter resolved that instead of topper students of particular School/Department topper of university of the respective academic year will participate in the Toppers Conclave programme to be held in Rajbhawan.


**Item 2018:25:31:02 To report award of Ph.D. degree in School of Environment and Natural Resources to Ms Rashmi Verma and Ms Rubia Zahid Gour.**

The Academic Council considered and approved award of Ph.D. degree to Ms Rashmi Verma and Ms Rubia Zahid Gour, Ph.D. scholar, School of Environment and Natural Resources.

**Item 2018:25:31:03 To consider communication from Northwest Accreditation commission, USA, Regional Office regarding confirmation of High School Diploma of Schools in India, accredited by Northwest Accreditation Commission, (NWAC), USA as eligible qualification for undergraduate course.**

The Academic Council having considered the communication resolved not to entertain such type of communication received.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



(Prof. H. C. Purohit)  
Registrar/Secretary  
Academic Council

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