

ANNA UNIVERSITY, CHENNAI - 600 025

AFFILIATED INSTITUTIONS

REGULATIONS 2021

CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

Common to all B. E. / B. Tech. Full-Time Programmes

(For the students admitted to B. E./B. Tech. Programme at various Non-Autonomous Affiliated Institutions)

DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING / BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY

This Regulation is applicable to the students admitted to B.E/B.Tech. Programmes at all Engineering Colleges affiliated to Anna University, Chennai (other than Autonomous Colleges) and to all the University Colleges of Engineering of Anna University, Chennai from the academic year 2021-2022 onwards.

1 PRELIMINARY DEFINITIONS AND NOMENCLATURE

In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise specifies:

- I. **“Programme”** means Degree Programme, that is B.E./B.Tech. Degree Programme.
- II. **“Discipline”** means specialization or branch of B.E./B.Tech. Degree Programme, like Civil Engineering, Textile Technology, etc.
- III. **“Course”** means a theory or practical subject that is normally studied in a semester, like Mathematics, Physics, etc.
- IV. **“Director, Centre for Academic Courses”** means the authority of the University who is responsible for all academic activities of the Academic Programmes for implementation of relevant rules of this Regulations pertaining to the Academic Programmes.
- V. **“Chairperson”** means the Head of the Faculty.
- VI. **“Head of the Institution”** means the Principal of the College.
- VII. **“Head of the Department (HOD)”** means the Head of the Department concerned.
- VIII. **“Controller of Examinations (COE)”** means the authority of the University who is responsible for all activities of the University Examinations.
- IX. **“University”** means ANNA UNIVERSITY, CHENNAI.

2 ADMISSION

- 2.1** Candidates seeking admission to the first semester of the eight semesters

B.E./ B.Tech. Degree Programme:

Should have passed the Higher Secondary Examinations of (10+2) Curriculum (Academic Stream) prescribed by the Government of Tamil Nadu with Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry as three of the four subjects of study under Part-III or any examination of any other University or authority accepted by the Syndicate of Anna University as equivalent thereto.

(OR)

Should have passed the Higher Secondary Examination of Vocational stream (Vocational groups in Engineering / Technology) as prescribed by the Government of Tamil Nadu.

2.2 Lateral entry admission

(i) The candidates who possess the Diploma in Engineering / Technology awarded by the State Board of Technical Education, Tamil Nadu or its equivalent are eligible to apply for Lateral entry admission to the third semester of B.E. / B.Tech., as per the rules fixed by Government of Tamil Nadu.

(OR)

(ii) The candidates who possess the Degree in Science (B.Sc.) (10+2+3 stream) with Mathematics as a subject at the B.Sc. Level are eligible to apply for Lateral entry admission to the third semester of B.E. / B.Tech.

Such candidates shall undergo two additional Engineering subject(s) in the **third and fourth semesters** as prescribed by the University.

3 PROGRAMMES OFFERED

B.E. / B.Tech. Programmes under the Faculty of Civil Engineering, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Faculty of Information and Communication Engineering and Faculty of Technology.

4 STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAMMES

4.1 Categorization of Courses

Every B.E. / B. Tech. Programme will have a curriculum with syllabi consisting of theory and practical courses that shall be categorized as follows:

- i. **Humanities, Social Sciences and Management Courses (HSMC)** include Professional English, Communication skills etc.
- ii. **Basic Sciences Courses (BSC)** include Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Environmental Science etc.
- iii. **Engineering Sciences Courses (ESC)** include Engineering Practices, Engineering Graphics, Basics of Civil / Mechanical / Electrical / Electronics /

Instrumentation, Computer Engineering, etc.

- iv. **Professional Core Courses (PCC)** include the core courses relevant to the chosen specialization/branch.
 - v. **Professional Elective Courses (PEC)** include the elective courses relevant to the chosen specialization/ branch. Professional Elective courses are offered under verticals (specialisation groups). **Amendment of Clause 4.1 (v)**
 - vi. **Open Elective Courses (OEC)** include the courses offered by a branch to other branches, from the list specified in the respective curriculum of the B.E. / B. Tech. / B. Arch. Programmes.
 - vii. **Employability Enhancement Courses (EEC)** include Project Work, Internship, Seminar, Professional Practices, Case Study and Industrial/Practical Training etc.
 - viii. **Mandatory courses (MC)** include the courses such as Languages, Well being etc. **Amendment of Clause 4.1.viii**
 - ix. **Employability Enhancement Skill Based Courses**
Skill based experiential learning courses will be offered in two categories as purely Laboratory Based Courses and Theory Integrated Laboratory Courses. **Insertion of New Clause 4.1. ix**
- 4.2 **Personality and Character Development**

All students shall enroll, on admission, in any one of the personality and character development programmes NCC/NSS/NSO/YRC and undergo training / conduct activities for about 80 hours and attend a camp of about seven days. The training shall include classes on hygiene and health awareness and also training in first-aid. Alternately, activities of science, literature and arts also help for personality and character development. So, students shall conduct and participate actively in Science club/Literary Forum/Fine Arts activities for 80 hours and participate in at least ONE event.

National Cadet Corps (NCC) will have about 20 parades.

National Service Scheme (NSS) will have social service activities in and around the College / Institution.

National Sports Organization (NSO) will have Sports, Games, Drills and Physical exercises.

Youth Red Cross (YRC) will have activities related to social services in and around College/Institution.

While the training activities will normally be during weekends, the camp will normally be during vacation period.

Science club shall organise activities of popularisation of science and scientific temper through activities related to astronomy, works of great scientists from India and abroad, observing National Science Day, etc.

Literary Club like 'Tamil Ilakkiya Mandram' shall be formed, which shall organise colourful literary events to propagate good humanist values, morals and ethics reflected in the literature.

Fine Arts Club like music, painting and documentary films with social themes shall be encouraged.

Students who enroll and take active participation in anyone of the above activities for 80 hours and participate at least one event/programme will be given a certificate by the Head of the Institution and the copy of the same shall be forwarded to the Controller of Examinations for the purpose of record and scrutiny.

No fee shall be charged for all these activities.

4.2 A Induction Programme

- Induction Programme is mandatory for the students pursuing the Undergraduate Programme.
- List of students who have successfully completed the Induction Programme shall be certified by the Head of the Institution.
- The completion of the Induction Programme shall be printed in the Grade Sheet as "**COMPLETED**".
- In the case of students who have got admitted later and those who have not attended the Induction Programme at the time of joining the degree programme, it shall be conducted later and on completion, it shall be recorded in the grade sheet.
- No fee will be charged towards the conduct of the Induction Programme and for including in the STATEMENT OF GRADES for the successful completion of the Induction Programme.

Insertion of
New
Clause
4.2 A

4.3 Number of courses per semester

Each semester curriculum shall normally have a blend of lecture courses not exceeding 7 Theory courses and Laboratory integrated theory courses and 4 Employability Enhancement Course(s) and Laboratory Courses. However, the total number of courses per semester shall not exceed 10. Each Course shall have credits assigned as per clause 4.4.

4.4 Credit Assignment

Each course is assigned certain number of credits based on the following:

Contact period per week	CREDITS
1 Lecture Period	1
1 Tutorial Period	1
1 Laboratory Period (also for EEC courses like Seminar / Project Work /Case study / etc.)	0.5

4.5. Industrial Training/ Internship

4.5.1 The students may undergo Industrial training for a period as specified in the Curriculum during the summer / winter vacation. In this case, the training has to be undergone continuously for a period of at least two weeks in an organization.

The students may undergo Internship at a Research organization / University/ Industry (after due approval from the Head of the Institution) for the period prescribed in the curriculum during the summer / winter vacation, in lieu of Industrial training. Attendance Certificate mentioning the period of Industrial Training / Internship and signed by the competent authority of the industry, as per the format provided by the Centre for Academic Courses shall be submitted to the Head of the Institution. The attendance certificate shall be forwarded to the COE, Anna University by the Head of the Institution for processing results.

4.5.2 If Industrial Training/ Internship is not prescribed in the curriculum, the student may undergo Industrial Training/ Internship optionally and the credits earned will be indicated in the Grade Sheet. If the student earns three credits in Industrial Training/ Internship, the student may drop one Professional Elective (only one professional elective can be dropped). In such cases, Industrial Training / Internship need to be undergone continuously from one organization or with a combination one two week and one four week from one/two organizations. However, if the number of credits earned is 1 or 2, then these credits shall not be considered for classification of the degree. Students shall get permission from the Head of the Institution for taking Industrial Training/Internship and the Certificate of completion of Industrial Training / Internship shall be forwarded to the COE.

DURATION OF TRAINING / INTERNSHIP	CREDITS
2 Weeks*	1
4 Weeks	2
6 Weeks	3

***1 Week = 40 Internship Hours**

4.6 Industrial Visit

Every student is required to go for at least one Industrial Visit every semester starting from the second year of the Programme. The Heads of Departments shall ensure that necessary arrangements are made in this regard.

4.7 Value Added Courses

- Students may optionally undergo Value Added Courses and the credits earned through the Value Added Courses shall be over and above the total credit requirement prescribed in the curriculum for the award of the degree. Courses with two/ three credits shall be offered by a Department of an institution with the prior approval from the Director, Academic Courses.
- The details of the syllabus, timetable and faculty may be sent to the Centre for Academic Courses after approval from the Head of the Institution.
- Students shall be allowed to take these courses offered in other Departments also, but with the permission of the Head of the Institution of student and Head of the institution offering the course.
- The courses once approved by the University represented by any Department shall be made available in the University website and these courses can be offered by the University Departments / Constituent colleges / affiliated colleges (Non-Autonomous with information to Director Academic Courses).

**Amendment
of
Clause 4.7**

4.8 Off campus courses and Transfer of Credits

Students are permitted to optionally enroll and study a maximum of three off campus courses in physical/online/hybrid mode under each UG programme with the approval of Director, Centre for Academic courses as per the Regulations. The successful completion of these courses through any of the following modes shall be considered in lieu of professional elective / open elective courses of curriculum as approved by the Head of the Institution.

**Amendment
of
Clause 4.8**

- #### **4.8.1**
- Students are permitted to optionally enroll and study these courses through SWAYAM - NPTEL platforms and credit transfer is to be done based on the marks and certificate provided by the NPTEL. The number of credits and transfer of credits are based on the procedure explained in Table 3 and the Mapping of the marks with the grades is explained in Table 4. The mapping of marks with grades is applicable, only if the student passes the course as per the guidelines of NPTEL.

Table 3: Duration of the course and Number of credits

Sl. No.	No. of Weeks	No. of Credits
4	4	1
5	8	2
6	12	3
7	16	4

Table 4: Mapping of Marks scored in NPTEL course and Credits earned

Letter Grade	Marks
O	90-100
A+	80-89
A	70-79
B+	60-69
B	50-59
C	40-49

4.8.2. Students are permitted to optionally enroll and study the courses in physical / hybrid / online modes offered by reputed Central / State funded Universities / Institutions which are in the top 20 positions in the latest NIRF ranking and also conducting examination towards award of marks and grades. (NIRF Ranking of any of the last three years with respect to the year in which course is to be registered; NIRF ranking is based on respective stream for professional elective courses and based on any stream for open elective courses).

Students are also permitted to enroll and undergo such courses in Online mode at Universities abroad in top 500 in QS ranking in the last three years.

Students are also permitted to study courses of a particular semester in a University / Institution abroad based on MoU. A learning agreement shall be evolved to map all the courses offered in the programme and the courses offered in University abroad as per the procedure outlined by the Centre for Academic Courses. The credits earned by the students in the University abroad shall be transferred as per the learning agreement.

In the case of 4.8.2, the students can enroll for the courses with the approval of the Head of the institution only if the course is offered directly by Institution/University and not with the edutech platforms.

The marks/credits earned by the student shall be transferred based on the decision of a committee constituted by Director, Centre for Academic courses and approved by the University.

4.8.3 Students are also permitted to enroll and study the courses in physical/hybrid mode (not less than 50% in physical mode) that are offered by (i) National/State funded research institutions/laboratories and (ii) reputed companies (manufacturing or software) related to the programme, and (b) reputed companies involved in transfer of knowledge provided the knowledge transferring company is a spinoff from an Engineering/Technology practicing Industry and sharing the work experience of the respective industry. The companies mentioned in 4.8.3 (ii) (a) and the company with which the knowledge transfer company associated in the case of 4.8.3 (ii) (b) should have average annual turnover of more than 200 crores over a period of 5 years. However, the academic content and delivery shall be in consonance with the University academic standards and norms.

The minimum qualification of the course instructor from the company as mentioned in 4.8.3. (ii) shall be B.E./B.Tech with 10 years of research / industrial experience . Such courses shall be offered through MOU / MOA between Anna University and such institutions/organizations/ companies. The design of the courses with regard to the syllabus content, duration of each course and number of credits offered for each course shall be discussed and recommended by the Head of the Institution and approved by Director, Centre for Academic Courses as per the Regulations.

For the offer of each course under 4.8.3, a course coordinator shall be nominated from the Department who shall also attend such course and shall coordinate the question paper setting and answer script evaluation with the course instructor from research institution /laboratories /industry/ company for the continuous assessment and end semester examination conducted by the University. The passing requirements are as per regulations.

4.9 Mandatory courses

The student shall study the mandatory courses prescribed by the University and it will be mentioned in the Grade Sheet. However, it will not be considered for computation of CGPA.

**Amendment
of
Clause 4.9**

4.10 B.E. / B. Tech. (Hons) and B.E. / B. Tech. minor with specialisation in another discipline.

Amendment
of
Clause 4.10

(i) B.E / B.Tech. (Hons.)

- a. The students should have taken additional courses from a specified group of Professional Electives (vertical) or from any of the verticals of the same programme and earned a minimum of 18 credits.
- b. Should have passed all the courses prescribed in the curriculum and additional courses in the first attempt.
- c. Should have earned a minimum of 7.50 CGPA taking into account of all the courses prescribed in the curriculum and additional courses.

(ii) B.E./B.Tech. Minor with specialisation in another discipline

The student should have earned additionally a minimum of 18 credits in any one of the verticals offered from Engineering Disciplines / Science and Humanities / Management

1. For these 18 credits students can optionally enroll and study a maximum of 6 credits in online mode from SWAYAM-NPTEL platform (in addition to the three online courses permitted for courses of curriculum), as approved by the Centre for Academic Courses.
2. B.E / B.Tech. (Hons.) and B.E./B.Tech. minor with specialisation in another discipline will be optional for students and the students shall be permitted to select any one of them only.
3. For the categories 4.10 (i), the students, including Lateral Entry, shall be permitted to register for the courses from Semester V onwards provided the students have earned a minimum CGPA of 7.50 until Semester III and have cleared all the courses in the first attempt.
4. For the category 4.10 (ii), the students, including Lateral Entry, will be permitted to register the courses from Semester V onwards provided the marks earned by the students until Semester III is CGPA 7.50 and above.
5. B.E/B.Tech. (Hons.) or B.E./ B.Tech. Minor shall be offered by the Department irrespective of the number of students enrolled.
6. If a student decides not to opt for Honours, after completing certain number of additional courses, such additional courses studied shall be considered instead of the Professional Elective courses which are part of the curriculum.

If the student has studied more number of such courses than the number of Professional Elective courses required as per the curriculum, the courses with higher grades shall be considered for the calculation of CGPA. Remaining courses shall be printed in the grade sheet however, they will not be considered for calculation of CGPA and the same shall be indicated in a foot note appropriately.

If the student has failed in the additional courses or faced shortage of attendance, they will not be printed in the grade sheet and will not be considered for CGPA calculation and classification of degree.

7. If a student decides not to opt for Minor, after completing certain number of courses, the additional courses studied shall be considered instead of Open Elective courses which are part of the curriculum.

If the student has studied more number of such courses than the number of open electives required as per the curriculum, the courses with higher grades shall be considered for calculation of CGPA. Remaining courses shall be printed in the grade sheet, however, they will not be considered for calculation of CGPA and the same shall be indicated in a foot note appropriately.

If the student has failed in the additional courses or faced shortage of attendance, they will not be printed in the grade sheet and will not be considered for CGPA calculation and classification of degree.

The student has to enroll for these additional courses separately and pay a tuition fee for studying these six additional courses and pay additional exam fee.

For the students who have joined the programme in the year 2020 are also permitted to Register for B.E./B.Tech. Hons. and minor with the condition that the student should have earned 7.50 CGPA till V semester. For Hons. the student should have passed all the courses in the first attempt. The student should complete the additional 18 credits within 4 ½ years.

4.11 Medium of Instruction

The medium of instruction is English for all courses, examinations, Seminar presentations and Project Work reports except for the programmes offered in Tamil Medium.

4.12 Employability Enhancement Skill Based Courses

Skill based experiential learning courses will be offered in two categories as purely Laboratory Based Courses and Theory Integrated Laboratory Courses with the following credits. One such course will be offered in every semester from V to VII.

**Insertion of
New Clause
4.12**

Category	L	T	P	C
Laboratory Courses	0	0	4	2
	0	0	2	1
Theory integrated Laboratory Course	1	0	2	2

A student may accumulate upto 6 credits through such courses, and such credits will be considered in lieu of the Professional Elective and/or Open Elective courses.

These courses may be offered with the support of the identified firms/companies and with one course coordinator per course and a mentor from the firm.

Evaluation Procedure:

The evaluation of the above mentioned courses are fully internal and shall be jointly done by the course coordinator from the institution and the mentor from the firm.

- (a) If the course involves certification from an identified firm/company, then 20% of the total marks will be included in the internal assessment marks, 30% will be included from the marks provided by the firm and 50% shall be evaluated by the respective Course Coordinators of the college by conducting appropriate theory and / or laboratory tests.
- (b) If there is no certification from the firm/company, then 50% will be included from the marks provided by the firm and 50% shall be evaluated by the respective Course Coordinators of the college by conducting appropriate theory and / or laboratory tests.

Procedure to drop Professional Elective / Open Elective course(s) and computation of Grade point

A student may accumulate up to 6 credits through such courses, and such credits will be considered in lieu of the Professional Elective and/or Open Elective courses. In this regard, a student is permitted to drop either 1 or 2 Professional Elective / Open Elective course(s) as per the procedure given below.

Table: Procedure to drop Professional Elective / Open Elective course(s)

No. of courses	Total No. of credits earned	Courses to be printed in the grade sheet	No. of Professional elective/ open elective can be dropped	No. of credits considered for GPA/CGPA calculation
1	2	1	-	-
2	4	2	1	3
3	6	3	2	6

- The credits earned by the student of the successfully completed Skill Based Courses shall be recorded in the grade sheet.
- If a student has not successfully completed the skill based courses during the semesters V, VI and VII, then the same shall not be recorded in the grade sheet.
- If a student earns 2 credits in Semester V and then enrolls for another 2 credits in Semester VI, then he / she is permitted to drop one Professional elective/ open elective course in Semester VI. Further, if the student earns 4 credits upto Semester VI and enrolls for another 2 credits in Semester VII, then he/she is permitted to drop an additional professional elective/open elective course in the VII semester.

If the student has enrolled for skill based courses but has not successfully earned 4 or 6 credits and also dropped 1 or 2 PE/OE courses in anticipation of pass, then he/she has to enroll the PE/OE (as the case may be) to meet the total credit requirements to earn the degree.

Method for computation of Grade point of dropped PE / OE courses

The method of Computation of Grade point for the dropped PE/OE courses is given below:

1. If a student has successfully completed two Skill Based Courses, then the computation of Grade point for one PE/OE course dropped in lieu of those two skill based courses is as follows.

Grade point = $(2 \text{ credits} * \text{higher grade point obtained} + 1 \text{ credit} * \text{lower grade point obtained}) / 3 \text{ credits}$.

For example, for two courses of two credit each, if the grades obtained are,

Course 1– C grade – 5 points

Course 2– O grade – 10 points

Then, the grade point of the dropped course for the calculation of CGPA is obtained as: $(1 \times 5 + 2 \times 10) / 3 = 8.33$.

One PE/OE course shall be dropped for 3 credits with grade point computed as above.

2. If a student has successfully completed three Skill Based Courses, then the computation of Grade point for dropping two PE/OE in lieu of those three skill based courses is as follows.

For three courses of two credit each

Computation of Grade point of each of the two dropped PE/OE courses for the calculation of CGPA = Average grade point of three skill based courses.

Two PE/OE courses shall be dropped of 3 credits each, with grade point computed as above.

5 DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME

5.1 A student is ordinarily expected to complete the B.E. / B.Tech. Programme

in 8 semesters (for HSC students) and six semesters (for Lateral Entry students) but in any case not more than 14 Semesters for HSC (or equivalent) students and not more than 12 semesters for Lateral Entry students.

5.1.1 A student is ordinarily expected to complete the B.E. Mechanical Engineering (Sandwich) Programme in 10 semesters (five academic years) but in any case not more than 18 Semesters for HSC (or equivalent) students.

5.2 Each semester shall normally consist of 75 working days or 540 periods of 50 minutes each. The Head of the Institution shall ensure that every teacher imparts instruction as per the number of periods specified in the syllabus and that the teacher teaches the full content of the specified syllabus for the course being taught.

5.3 The Head of the Institution may conduct additional classes for improvement, special coaching, conduct of model test etc., over and above the specified periods. But for the purpose of calculation of attendance requirement for writing the end semester examinations (as per clause 6) by the students, following method shall be used.

$$\text{Percentage of Attendance} = \frac{\text{Total no. of periods attended in all the courses per semester}}{(\text{No. of periods / week as prescribed in the curriculum}) \times 15 \text{ taken together for all courses of the semester}} \times 100$$

The University Examination will normally follow immediately after the last working day of the semester as per the academic schedule prescribed from time to time.

5.4 The total period for completion of the programme reckoned from the commencement of the first semester to which the student was admitted shall not exceed the maximum period specified in clause 5.1 irrespective of the period of break of study (vide clause 18) in order that he/she may be eligible for the award of the degree (vide clause 16).

6. COURSE REGISTRATION

6.1 The institution is responsible for registration of the courses that each student is proposing to undergo in the ensuing semester. Each student has to register for all courses to be undergone in the curriculum of a particular semester (with the facility to drop courses to a maximum of 6 credits (vide clause 6.2)). The courses dropped in earlier semesters can be registered in the subsequent semesters when offered.

**Amendment
of
Clause 6.1**

The registration details of the student shall be approved by the Head of the Institution and forwarded to the Controller of Examinations. This registration is for undergoing the course as well as for writing the End Semester Examinations.

The courses that a student registers in a particular semester may include

- i. Courses of the current semester.
- ii. Courses dropped in the lower semesters

The maximum number of credits that can be registered in a semester is 36. However, this does not include the number of Re-appearance (U) and Withdrawal (WD) courses registered by the student for the appearance of Examination.

6.2 Flexibility to Add or Drop courses

6.2.1 A student has to earn the total number of credits specified in the curriculum of the respective Programme of study in order to be eligible to obtain the degree.

6.2.2 From the second to final semesters, the student has the option of dropping existing courses in a semester during registration. Total number of credits of such courses shall not exceed 6 per semester. The student is permitted to drop the course(s) within 30 days of the commencement of the academic schedule.

6.2.3 From the V to VIII semesters, the student has the option of registering for additional courses in a semester. With regard to enrolling for B.E. / B. Tech. (Hons) or B.E. / B. Tech. Minor

**Insertion of
New Clause
6.2.3**

The total number of credits that a student can add in a semester is limited to 6, subject to a maximum of 2 courses. Maximum number of credits enrolled in a semester (Honours and Minor) shall not exceed 36. The online courses registered for B.E. / B. Tech. (Hons.) and B.E. / B. Tech. minor shall be over and above this 36 credits.

6.3 Choice of Professional Elective Courses

**Insertion of
New Clause
6.3**

The professional Elective Courses are listed in the Curriculum in Table format as verticals (Specialisation groups). A student can choose all the Professional Elective Courses either from one of the verticals or a combination of courses from all verticals in a semester. However, students irrespective of enrolling for additional

courses for B.E. / B. Tech. (Hons.) are not permitted to choose more than one course from a row. Students are permitted to enroll more than one elective course from the same vertical in a semester. In the subsequent semesters students are permitted to enroll one more course in a row, provided if he/she has cleared the earlier course of the same row. For a professional elective course and open elective course, minimum number of students enrolment permitted shall be 10. However, the minimum number is not applicable for students enrolling B.E. / B. Tech. (Hons) and B.E. / B. Tech. Minor. For the offer of each professional elective at least two choices shall be offered.

7. ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF THE SEMESTER

7.1 A student who has fulfilled the following conditions shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements for completion of a semester.

Ideally every student is expected to attend all classes of all the courses and secure 100% attendance. However, in order to give provision for certain unavoidable reasons such as medical / participation in sports, the student is expected to attend at least 75% of the classes.

Therefore, he/she shall **secure not less than 75%** (after rounding off to the nearest integer) of overall attendance as calculated as per clause 5.3.

7.2 However, a student who secures overall attendance between 65% and 74% in the current semester due to medical reasons (prolonged hospitalization / accident / specific illness) / participation in sports events may be permitted to appear for the current semester examinations, subject to the condition that the student shall submit the medical certificate / sports participation certificate attested by the Head of the Institution. The same shall be forwarded to the Controller of Examinations for record purposes.

7.3 Students who **secure less than 65% overall attendance** shall not be permitted to write the University examination at the end of the semester and not permitted to move to the next semester. They are required to repeat the incomplete semester in the next academic year, as per the norms prescribed.

8. CLASS ADVISOR

There shall be a class advisor for each class. The class advisor will be one among the course-instructors of the class. He / She will be appointed by the HOD of the department concerned. The class advisor is the ex-officio member and the Convener of the class committee. The responsibilities for the class advisor shall be:

- To act as the channel of communication between the HOD and the students of the respective class.

- To collect and maintain various statistical details of students.
- To help the chairperson of the class committee in planning and conduct of the class committee meetings.
- To monitor the academic performance of the students including attendance and to inform the class committee.
- To attend to the students' welfare activities like awards, medals, scholarships and industrial visits.

9. CLASS COMMITTEE

9.1. Every class shall have a class committee consisting of teachers of the class concerned, student representatives and a chairperson, who is not teaching the class. It is like the 'Quality Circle' (more commonly used in industries) with the overall goal of improving the teaching- learning process. The functions of the class committee include:

- Solving problems experienced by students in the class room and in the laboratories.
- Clarifying the regulations of the degree programme and the details of rules therein particularly (clause 5 and 7).
- Informing the student representatives, the academic schedule including the dates of assessments and the syllabus coverage for each assessment.
- Informing the student representatives the details of Regulations regarding weightage used for each assessment. In the case of practical courses (laboratory / drawing / project work / seminar etc.) the breakup of marks for each experiment / exercise / module of work, should be clearly discussed in the class committee meeting and informed to the students.
- Analyzing the performance of the students of the class after each test and finding the ways and means of solving problems, if any.
- Identifying the slow-learners, if any, and requesting the teachers concerned to provide some additional help or guidance or coaching to such students.

9.2 The class committee for a class under a particular branch is normally constituted by the Head of the Department. However, if the students of different branches are mixed in a class (like the first semester which is generally common to all branches), the class committee is to be constituted by the Head of the Institution.

9.3 The class committee shall be constituted within the first week of each semester.

- 9.4 At least 4 student representatives (usually 2 boys and 2 girls) shall be included in the class committee, covering all the elective courses.
- 9.5 The chairperson of the class committee may invite the class adviser(s) and the Head of the Department to the class committee meeting.
- 9.6 The Head of the Institution may participate in any class committee meeting of the institution.
- 9.7 The chairperson is required to prepare the minutes of every meeting, submit the same to the Head of the Institution within two days of the meeting and arrange to circulate it among the students and teachers concerned. If there are some points in the minutes requiring action by the management, the same shall be brought to the notice of the Management by the Head of the Institution.
- 9.8 The first meeting of the class committee shall be held within one week from the date of commencement of the semester, in order to inform the students about the nature and weightage of assessments within the framework of the Regulations. Two or three subsequent meetings may be held in a semester at suitable intervals. **The Class Committee Chairperson shall display the cumulative attendance particulars of each student on the Notice Board at the end of every such meeting to enable the students to know their attendance details to satisfy the clause 6 of this Regulation.** During these meetings the student members representing the entire class, shall meaningfully interact and express the opinions and suggestions of the other students of the class in order to improve the effectiveness of the teaching-learning process.

10. COURSE COMMITTEE FOR COMMON COURSES

Each common theory course offered to more than one discipline or group, shall have a "Course Committee" comprising all the teachers teaching the common course with one of them nominated as the course coordinator. The nomination of the course coordinator shall be made by the Head of the Department / Head of the Institution depending upon whether all the teachers teaching the common course belong to a single department or to several departments. The 'Course Committee' shall meet in order to arrive at a common scheme of evaluation for the test and shall ensure a uniform evaluation of the tests. Wherever feasible, the Course Committee may also prepare a common question paper for the internal assessment test(s).

11. SYSTEM OF EXAMINATION

- 11.1 Performance in each course of study shall be evaluated based on (i) continuous internal assessment throughout the semester and (ii) University examination at the end of the semester.
- 11.2 Each course, both theory and practical (including project work & viva voce examinations) shall be evaluated for a maximum of 100 marks.
- 11.2.1 For all theory courses, the continuous internal assessment will carry **40 marks** while the End Semester University examination will carry **60 marks**.
- 11.2.2 For all theory courses with laboratory component, the continuous internal assessment will carry **50 marks** while the End Semester University examination will carry **50 marks**.
- 11.2.3 For all laboratory courses, the continuous internal assessment will carry **60 marks** while the End Semester University examination will carry **40 marks**.
- 11.2.4 The continuous internal assessment for the project work will carry **60 marks** while the End Semester University examination will carry **40 marks**.
- 11.3 Industrial Training and Seminar shall carry 100 marks and shall be evaluated through internal assessment only.
- 11.4 The University examination (theory and practical) of 3 hours duration shall ordinarily be conducted between October and December during the odd semesters and between April and June during the even semesters.
- 11.5 The University examination for Project Work shall consist of evaluation of the final report submitted by the student or students of the project group (of not exceeding 4 students) by an external examiner and an internal examiner, followed by a viva-voce examination conducted separately for each student by a committee consisting of the external examiner, the supervisor of the project group and an internal examiner.
- 11.6 For the University examination of practical courses including Project Work, the internal and external examiners shall be appointed by the Controller of Examinations.

**Amendment
of Clause
11.2.4**

12. PROCEDURE FOR AWARDING MARKS FOR INTERNAL ASSESSMENT

12.1 THEORY COURSES

Two assessments each carrying 100 marks shall be conducted during the semester by the Department / College concerned. The total marks obtained in all assessments put together out of 200, shall be proportionately reduced for 40 marks and rounded to the nearest integer (This also implies equal weightage to the two assessments).

**Amendment
of Clause
12.1**

Assessment I (100 Marks)		Assessment II (100 Marks)		Total Internal Assessment
Individual Assignment / Case Study/ Seminar /Mini Project / any other experiential Learning	Written Test	Individual Assignment / Case Study / Seminar /Mini Project / any other experiential Learning	Written Test	
40	60	40	60	200*

*The weighted average shall be converted into 40 marks for internal Assessment.

A minimum of two internal assessments will be conducted as a part of continuous assessment. Each internal assessment is to be conducted for 100 marks and will have to be distributed in two parts viz., Individual Assignment / Case study / Seminar / Mini project / any other experiential learning and Test with each having a weightage of 40% and 60% respectively. The tests shall be in written mode. The total internal assessment marks of 200 shall be converted into a maximum of 40 marks and rounded to the nearest integer.

12.2 LABORATORY COURSES

The maximum marks for Internal Assessment shall be 60 marks in case of practical courses. Every practical exercise / experiment shall be evaluated based on conduct of experiment / exercise and records to be maintained. There shall be at least one test. The criteria for arriving at the Internal Assessment marks of 60 is as follows: 75 marks shall be awarded for successful completion of all the prescribed experiments done in the Laboratory and 25 marks for the test. The total mark shall be converted into a maximum of 60 marks and rounded to the nearest integer.

Internal Assessment (100 Marks)*	
Evaluation of Laboratory Observation, Record	Test
75	25

* Internal assessment marks shall be converted into 60 marks

12.3

THEORY COURSES WITH LABORATORY COMPONENT / LABORATORY COURSES WITH THEORY COMPONENT

**Amendment
of Clause
12.3**

Weightage of internal assessment and end semester examination marks will be 50% each. The distribution of marks for the theory and laboratory components in the internal assessments and end semester examination for different types of courses are provided in the table.

L	T	P	C	Internal Assessment 1	Internal Assessment 2	End Semester Examination
1	0	4	3	Lab (25%)	Theory (25%)	Lab only (50%)
1	0	2	2	Lab (25%)	Theory (25%)	Lab only (50%)
2	0	2	3	Theory (25%)	Lab (25%)	Theory (25%) Lab (25%)
3	0	2	4	Theory (25%)	Lab (25%)	Theory (35%) Lab (15%)
2	0	4	4	Theory (25%)	Laboratory (25%)	Theory (15%) Lab(35%)

The procedure for the conduct of internal assessments for theory and laboratory components shall be as per the clause 12.1 and 12.2 respectively.

*The weighted average shall be converted into 50 marks for internal Assessment.

12.4

PROJECT WORK / INTERNSHIP

**Amendment
of Clause
12.4**

The student shall register for Project Work in final semester. Project work may be allotted to a single student or to a group of students not exceeding 4 per group. The student is also permitted to undergo a semester long internship in an industry / academic / research institution.

12.4.1

Project Work shall be carried out under the supervision of a “qualified teacher” in the Department concerned. In this context “qualified teacher” means the faculty member possessing (i) PG degree or (ii) Ph.D. degree.

12.4.2

The Project Work carried out in industry / academic/research institution shall be jointly supervised. The Project Work shall be jointly supervised by a supervisor of the department and an expert from the organization as a joint supervisor and the student shall be instructed to meet the supervisor periodically and to attend the review committee meetings for evaluating the progress. The review meetings, if necessary, may also be arranged in online mode with prior approval from the Head of the Institution and suitable record of the meetings shall be maintained.

**Amendment
of Clause
12.4.2**

12.4.3 The Head of the Institutions shall constitute a review committee for Project Work for each programme. The review committee consists of supervisor, an expert from the Department and a project coordinator from the Department. If the project coordinator/expert member happens to be the supervisor, then an alternate member shall be nominated. In the case of Industrial Project / Internship, the review committee shall consist of the supervisor, the coordinator from industry and the project coordinator from the Department.

**Amendment
of Clause
12.4.3**

There shall be three reviews conducted by the review committee. The student shall make presentation on the progress made by him / her before the committee. The total marks obtained in the three reviews shall be **reduced for 60 marks** and rounded to the nearest integer (as per the scheme given in 12.4.4).

12.4.4 The project report shall carry a maximum of 10 marks. The project report shall be submitted as per the approved guidelines as given by the Director, Centre for Academic Courses. Same marks shall be awarded to every student within the project group for the project report. The viva-voce examination shall carry 30 marks. Marks awarded to each student of the project group is based on the individual performance in the viva-voce examination.

**Amendment
of Clause
12.4.4**

Continuous Assessment (60 Marks)			End Semester Examinations (40 Marks)			
Re view I	Re view II	Re view III	Project Report	Viva-Voce Examination		
20	20	20	External	Internal	External	Supervisor
			10	10	10	10

In the case of industrial projects, the marks allotted for supervisor will be shared equally by the supervisor from the Department and coordinator from Industry.

12.4.5 The last date for submission of the project report is on the last working day of the semester. If a student fails to submit the project report on or before the specified deadline, it will be considered as fail in the Project Work and the student shall re-register for the same in the subsequent semester.

**Amendment
of Clause
12.4.5**

12.4.6 Students shall also undertake a start-up activity for the development of products as part of project work. If the outcome of a start-up is a fully developed product and whose concept is tested and validated, then it shall be considered in lieu of the project work. Such students shall submit a start up report, which includes the concepts and process flow of the developed product, publications and patents, if any.

**Insertion of
New Clause
12.4.6**

The evaluation of the start-up report is as per the clause 12.4.4.

12.5 **OTHER EMPLOYABILITY ENHANCEMENT COURSES**

- (a) The Seminar / Case Study / Mini Project course is to be considered as purely INTERNAL (with 100% internal marks only). Every student is expected to present a minimum of 2 seminars per semester before the evaluation committee and for each seminar, marks can be equally apportioned. The three member committee appointed by the Head of the Institution, consisting of the course coordinator and two experts from the Department, will evaluate the seminar and at the end of the semester, the marks shall be consolidated and taken as the final mark. The evaluation shall be based on the seminar paper (40%), presentation (40%) and response to the questions asked during presentation (20%).
- (b) The Industrial / Practical Training, Summer Project, Internship, shall carry 100 marks and shall be evaluated through internal assessment only. At the end of Industrial / Practical Training / Internship / Summer Project, the student shall submit an attendance certificate from the organization where he / she has undergone training and a brief report. The evaluation will be made based on this report and a viva-voce Examination, conducted internally by a three member Departmental Committee constituted by the Head of the Institution consisting of the course coordinator and two experts from the Department. The certificates (issued by the organization) submitted by the students shall be attached to the mark list sent by the Head of the Institution to the Controller of Examinations.
- (c) For all the courses under Employability Enhancement Courses Category, except the Project Work, the evaluation shall be done with 100% internal marks and as per the procedure described in clause 12.5 (a) / (b).

12.6 **ASSESSMENT FOR VALUE ADDED COURSE**

The value added course shall carry 100 marks and shall be evaluated through **continuous assessments only**. Two Assessments shall be conducted during the semester by the Department concerned. The total marks obtained in the tests shall be reduced to 100 marks and rounded to the nearest integer. A committee consisting of the Head of the Department, staff handling the course and a senior faculty member nominated by the Head of the Institution shall do the evaluation process. The list of students along with the marks and the grades earned shall be forwarded to the Controller of Examinations for appropriate action at least one month before the commencement of End Semester Examinations. The grades earned by the

**Amendment
of Clause
12.6**

students for Value Added Courses will be recorded in the Grade Sheet, however the same shall not be considered for the computation of CGPA.

12.7 **Omitted**

12.8. **Internal marks approved by the Head of the Institution shall be displayed by the respective HODs within 5 days from the last working day.**

12.9 **Attendance Record**

Every teacher is required to maintain an 'ATTENDANCE AND ASSESSMENT RECORD', which consists of attendance marked in each lecture or practical or project work class, the test marks and the record of class work (topic covered), separately for each course. This should be submitted to the Head of the Department periodically (at least three times in a semester) for checking the syllabus coverage and the records of test marks and attendance. The Head of the Department will put his/her signature and date after due verification. At the end of the semester, the record should be verified by the Head of the Institution who will keep this document in safe custody (for five years). The University or any inspection team appointed by the University may verify the records of attendance and assessment of both current and previous semesters.

12.10 **Conduct of Academic Audit by every Institution**

Every educational institution shall strive for a better performance of the students by conducting the internal assessments as mentioned in Clause 12.

In order to ensure the above, Academic Audit is to be done for every course taught during the semester. For the internal assessments conducted for each course as per details provided in Clause 12, the academic records shall be maintained in the form of documentation for the individual assignments / case study report / report of mini project submitted by each student and assessment test question paper and answer script. Report of industrial training / internship shall also be maintained, if applicable. For laboratory courses students' record shall be maintained. Further, the attendance of all students shall be maintained as a record.

The Head of the Institution shall arrange to conduct the Academic Audit for every course in a semester by forming the respective committees with an external course expert as one of the members drawn from a Technical institution of repute near the institute.

The University or any inspection team appointed by the University may verify the records of Academic Audit report of the courses of both current and previous semesters, as and when required.

13. REQUIREMENTS FOR APPEARING FOR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

A student shall normally be permitted to appear for the University Examinations for all the courses registered in the current semester (vide clause 6) if he/she has satisfied the semester completion requirements (as per clause 7).

Further, examination registration by a student is mandatory for all the courses in the current semester and all arrear(s) course(s) for the University examinations failing which, the student will not be permitted to move to the higher semester.

A student who has already appeared for any course in a semester and passed the examination is not entitled to reappear in the same subject for improvement of grades

14. PASSING REQUIREMENTS

14.1 A student who secures not less than 50% of total marks prescribed for the course [Internal Assessment + End semester University Examinations] with a minimum of 45% of the marks prescribed for the end-semester University Examination, shall be declared to have passed the course and acquired the relevant number of credits. This is applicable for both theory and laboratory courses (including project work).

14.2 If a student fails to secure a pass in a theory course / laboratory course (except electives), the student shall register and appear only for the end semester examination in the subsequent semester. In such case, the internal assessment marks obtained by the student in the first appearance shall be retained and considered valid for all subsequent attempts till the student secures a pass. However, from the third attempt onwards if a student fails to obtain pass marks (IA + End Semester Examination) as per clause 14.1, then the student shall be declared to have passed the examination if he/she secures a minimum of 50% marks prescribed for the University end semester examinations alone.

14.3 If the course, in which the student has failed, is a Professional Elective or an Open Elective course, the student may be permitted to complete the same course. In such case, the internal assessment marks obtained by the student in the first appearance shall be retained and considered valid for all subsequent attempts till the candidate secures a pass. However, from the third attempt onwards if a candidate fails to obtain pass marks (IA + End Semester Examination) as per clause 14.1, then the candidate shall be declared to have passed the examination if he/she secures a minimum of 50% marks prescribed for the University end semester examinations alone.

If any other Professional Elective or Open Elective course is opted by the student,

the previous registration is cancelled and henceforth it is to be considered as a new Professional Elective or Open Elective course. The student has to register and attend the classes, earn the continuous assessment marks, fulfil the attendance requirements as per clause 7 and appear for the end semester examination.

- 14.4 If a student has submitted the project report but absent in the end semester examination of project work, the student is deemed to be failed. In this case and also if a student attends and fails in the End semester examination of Project work of B.E. / B.Tech, he/she shall attend end semester examination again within 60 days from the date of declaration of the results. The subsequent viva-voce examination will be considered as reappearance with payment of exam fee. In case, the student fails in the subsequent viva-voce examination also, the student shall redo the course again, when offered next.
- 14.5 The passing requirement for the courses which are assessed only through purely internal assessments (EEC courses except Project Work and laboratory), is 50% of the internal assessment (continuous assessment) marks only.
- 14.6 A student can apply for reevaluation of the student's semester examination answer paper in a theory course, as per the guidelines of the COE on payment of a prescribed fee along with prescribed application to the COE through the Head of the Institution. The COE will arrange for the reevaluation and the results will be intimated to the student concerned through the Head of the Institution. Reevaluation is not permitted for laboratory course and EEC courses.

**Amendment
of Clause
14.4**

15. AWARD OF LETTER GRADES

- 15.1 The award of letter grades will be decided using relative grading principle except Laboratory Courses and Project Work. The performance of a student will be reported using letter grades, each carrying certain points as detailed below:

**Amendment
of Clause
15.1**

Letter Grade	Grade Points*
O (Outstanding)	10
A + (Excellent)	9
A (Very Good)	8
B + (Good)	7
B (Average)	6
C (Satisfactory)	5
U (Re-appearance)	0
SA (Shortage of Attendance)	0
WD (Withdrawal)	0

A student is deemed to have passed and acquired the corresponding credits in a particular course if he/she obtains any one of the following grades: “O”, “A+”, “A”, “B+”, “B”, “C”.

‘SA’ denotes shortage of attendance (as per clause 7.3) and hence prevented from writing the end semester examinations. ‘SA’ will appear only in the result sheet.

“U” denotes that the student has failed to pass in that course. “WD” denotes withdrawal from the exam for the particular course. The grades U and W will figure both in the Grade Sheet as well as in the Result Sheet. In both cases, the student has to appear for the End Semester Examinations as per the Regulations.

If the grade U is given to Theory Courses/ Laboratory Courses it is not required to satisfy the attendance requirements (vide clause 7), but has to appear for the end semester examination and fulfil the norms specified in clause 14 to earn a pass in the respective courses.

If the grade U is given to EEC course (except Project Work), which are evaluated only through internal assessment, the student shall register for the course again in the subsequent semester, fulfil the norms as specified in clause 14 to earn pass in the course. However, attendance requirement need not be satisfied.

15.1.1 **Relative Grading**

For those students who have passed the course (theory course / laboratory integrated courses / theory integrated courses / all other EEC except laboratory course / Project Work Courses), the relative grading shall be done. The marks of those students who have passed only shall be inputted in the software developed for relative grading. The evolved relative grading method normalizes the results data using the BOX-COX transformation method and computes the grade range for each course separately and awards the grade to each student. (theory course / laboratory integrated courses / theory integrated courses and all other EEC Courses). If the students’ strength is greater than 30, the relative grading method shall be adopted.

**Insertion of
New Clause
15.1.1**

15.1.2 **Absolute Grading**

- In all the courses, if the number of students who have passed the course is less than or equal to 30 then absolute grading shall be followed with the grade range as specified in the Table.
- For the Project Work / Internship and Laboratory Courses, absolute grading procedure shall be followed as given in the Table below irrespective of the number of students who have passed the course.

**Insertion of
New Clause
15.1.2**

Table – Grade range for absolute grading

O	A+	A	B+	B	C	U
91 - 100	81 - 90	71 - 80	61 - 70	56 - 60	50 – 55	< 50

15.2 For the Co-curricular activities such as National Cadet Corps (NCC)/ National Service Scheme (NSS) / NSO / YRC / Science club / Literary Club/ Fine Arts Club, a 'completed' remark will appear in the Grade Sheet on successful completion of the same. Every student shall put in a minimum of 75% attendance in the training and attend the camp or events of the clubs compulsorily. The training and camp or club events shall be completed during the first year of the programme. However, for valid reasons, the Head of the Institution may permit a student to complete this requirement in the subsequent years.

Successful completion of any one of the above co-curricular activities is compulsory for the award of degree.

15.3 The grades O, A+, A, B+, B, C obtained for the one/two credit course (not the part of curriculum) shall figure in the Grade Sheet under the title '**Value Added Courses/Internship/Industrial training**'. The courses for which the grades obtained are RA, SA **will not figure in the Grade Sheet.**

15.4 For the students who complete the Mandatory Course satisfying attendance requirement, the title of the Mandatory Course will be mentioned in the Grade Sheet.

**Amendment
of Clause
15.4**

15.5 **GRADE SHEET**

**Amendment
of Clause
15.5**

After results are declared, Grade Sheets will be issued to each student which will contain the following details:

- The college in which the student has studied
- List of courses studied for Hons., minor and any other additional courses in which the student has passed with the grades under the title additional courses.
- The Grade Point Average (GPA) for the semester considering only the courses of curriculum (not the additional courses) and
- The Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of all courses registered from first semester onwards considering only the courses of curriculum (not the additional courses). However, for the students who have successfully completed the requirements of B.E. / B. Tech. (Hons) and B.E. / B.Tech. Minor vide Clause 4.10, grades scored in the six additional courses shall be taken into account for the computation of CGPA.

During each semester, the list of curricular courses (not the additional courses) registered and the grades scored in each course are used to compute the Grade Point Average (GPA). GPA is the ratio of the sum of the products of the number of credits of curricular courses (not the additional courses) registered and the grade points corresponding to the grades scored in those courses, taken for all the courses, to the sum of the number of credits of all the courses in the semester. U grades will be excluded for calculating GPA and CGPA.

$$\text{GPA / CGPA} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n C_i \text{ GP}_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n C_i}$$

where C_i is the number of Credits assigned to the course

GP_i is the point corresponding to the grade obtained for each course

n is number of all courses successfully cleared during the particular semester in the case of GPA and during all the semesters in the case of CGPA.

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| 15.5.1 | If a student studies more number of professional and open electives than required as per the student's programme curriculum, the calculation of final CGPA shall be as per 4.10.6 and 4.10.7. | Insertion of
New Clause
15.5.1 |
| 15.5.2 | If a student successfully completes all the requirements of the programme and also meets the requirements of B.E. / B. Tech. (Hons) or B.E. / B. Tech. Minor but desires not to opt for the additional qualification, then he/she has to submit a declaration with regard to the same 30 days before the completion of VIII semester. | Insertion of
New Clause
15.5.2 |
| 15.5.3 | In the consolidated grade sheet the CGPA earned shall be converted into percentage of marks as follows:

Percentage of Marks = CGPA × 10. | Insertion of
New Clause
15.5.3 |

16 ELIGIBILITY FOR THE AWARD OF THE DEGREE

- 16.1 A student shall be declared to be eligible for the award of the B.E. / B.Tech. Degree provided the student has
- i. Successfully gained the required number of total credits as specified in the curriculum corresponding to the student's programme within the stipulated time.
 - ii. Successfully completed the course requirements, appeared for the End -

Semester examinations and passed all the subjects within the period as prescribed in clause 5.1 and 5.1.1.

- iii. Successfully passed any additional courses prescribed by the Director, Centre for Academic Courses whenever the student is readmitted under Regulations R-2021 from the earlier Regulations.
- iv. Successfully completed the NCC / NSS / NSO / YRC / Science Club / Literature Club / Fine Arts Club requirements.
- v. No disciplinary action pending against the student.
- vi. The award of Degree must have been approved by the Syndicate of the University.

16.2 CLASSIFICATION OF THE DEGREE AWARDED

16.2.1 FIRST CLASS WITH DISTINCTION:

Amendment
of Clause
16.2.1

A student who satisfies the following conditions shall be declared to have passed the examination in **First class with Distinction**:

- Should have passed the examination in all the courses of all the eight semesters (10 Semesters in case of Mechanical (Sandwich) and 6 semesters in the case of Lateral Entry) in the student's First Appearance within **five** years (Six years in the case of Mechanical (Sandwich) and Four years in the case of Lateral Entry). Withdrawal from examination (vide Clause 17) will not be considered as an appearance.
- Should have secured a CGPA of not less than **8.50**.
- One year authorized break of study (if availed of) is included in the five years (Six years in the case of Mechanical (Sandwich) and four years in the case of lateral entry) for award of First class with Distinction.
- Should not have been prevented from writing end semester examination in any of the courses of the Curriculum making up the total credit requirement.
- A student who satisfies norms given in clause 4.10 becomes eligible for classification of the degree with B.E./B.Tech. (Hons) and B.E./B.Tech. minor.

Details are provided in Table

Degree (i)	Duration of programme (ii)	Duration permitted (iii)	Additional credits above the requirement of curriculum (iv)	CGPA (v)	Pas s in (vi)	Break of study (vii)	Preven tion to write end semes ter exami nation	Withdra wal from writing end semester examinat ion (viii)

B.E./ B.Tech. (Regular)	4 years	5 years	-	8.50	First atte mpt	One year authoris ed break of study included in the Duration permitted (iii)	Not permitted	Will not be consider ed as an attempt
B.E./ B.Tech. (sandwich)	5 years	6 years	-	8.50	First atte mpt	One year authoris ed break of study included in the Duration permitted (iii)	Not permitted	Will not be consider ed as an attempt
B.E./ B.Tech. Lateral Entry	3 years	4 years	-	8.50	First atte mpt	One year authoris ed break of study included in the Duration permitted (iii)	Not permitted	Will not be consider ed as an attempt
B.E./ B.Tech. (Hons)	3/4/5 years (Lateral entry, Regular, Sandwich respecti vely)	4/5/6 years (Later al entry, Regul ar, Sand wich respe ctively)	18 credits from more than one vertical s of the same progra mme	8.50	First atte mpt	One year authoris ed break of study included in the Duration permitted (iii)	Not permitted	Will not be consider ed as an attempt
B.E./ B.Tech. minor	3/4/5 years (Lateral entry, Regular, Sandwich)	4/5/6 years (Later al entry, Regul ar,	18 credits from any one vertical of the	8.50	First atte mpt	One year authoris ed break of study included	Not permitted	Will not be consider ed as an attempt

	respectively)	Sandwich respectively)	other programme			in the Duration permitted (iii)		
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16.2.2 FIRST CLASS:

Amendment
of Clause
16.2.2

A student who satisfies the following conditions shall be declared to have passed the examination in **First class**:

- Should have passed the examination in all the courses of all eight semesters (10 Semesters in case of Mechanical (Sandwich) and 6 semesters in the case of Lateral Entry) **within five years**. (Six years in case of Mechanical (Sandwich) and Four years in the case of Lateral Entry).
- One year authorized break of study (if availed of) or prevention from writing the End Semester examination due to lack of attendance (if applicable) is included in the duration of five years (Six years in case of Mechanical (Sandwich) and four years in the case of lateral entry) for award of First class.
- Should have secured a CGPA of not less than **6.50**.
- A student who satisfies norms given in clause 4.10 becomes eligible for classification of the degree with B.E./B.Tech. (Honours) and B.E./B.Tech. minor.

Details are provided in Table

Degree (i)	Duration of programme (ii)	Duration permitted (iii)	Additional credits (iv)	CGPA (v)	Pas s in (vi)	Break of study (vii)	Prevention to write end semester examination	Withdrawal from writing end semester examination (viii)
B.E./ B.Tech. (Regular)	4 years	5 years	-	6.50	-	One year authorised break of study included in the Duration permitted (iii)	Included in the Duration permitted (iii)	-

B.E./ B.Tech. (sandwich)	5 years	6 years	-	6.50	-	One year authoris ed break of study include d in the Duratio n permitt ed (iii)	Included in the Duration permitted (iii)	-
B.E./ B.Tech. Lateral Entry	3 years	4 years	-	6.50	-	One year authorise d break of study included in the Duration permitted (iii)	Included in the Duration permitted (iii)	-
B.E./ B.Tech. (Hons)	3/4/5 years (Later al entry, Regul ar, Sand wich respe ctively)	4/5/6 years (Later al entry, Regul ar, Sand wich respe ctively)	18 credits from more than one vertical s of the same progra mme	7.50	First atte mpt	One year authoris ed break of study included in the Duration permitte d (iii)	Not permitted	Will not be considered as an attempt
B.E./ B.Tech. minor	3/4/5 years (Later al entry, Regula r, Sandwi ch respect ively)	4/5/6 years (Later al entry, Regul ar, Sandw ich respec tively)	18 credits from any one vertical of the other progra mme	6.50	-	One year authoris ed break of study included in the Duration permitte d (iii)	Included in the Duration permitte d (iii)	-

16.2.3 Students who pursue B.E./B.Tech. in Regular mode or lateral entry mode or B.E./B.Tech. minor in specialisation of another discipline and who are not covered in clauses 16.2.1 and 16.2.2 and who qualify for the award of the degree (vide Clause 16.1) shall be declared to have passed the examination in **Second Class**.

**Amendment
of
Clause
16.2.3**

- 16.2.4 A student who is absent in the End Semester Examination in a course / project work after having registered for the same shall be considered to have appeared in that examination (except approved withdrawal from end semester examinations as per clause 15) for the purpose of classification. **Insertion of New Clause 16.2.4**
- 16.2.5 Student earned additional 18 credits as per Clause 4.10 (i) and (ii) but does not satisfy the conditions mentioned in 16.2.1 or 16.2.2 shall not be awarded B.E./B.Tech.(Hons.) In such case if the student becomes eligible for First Class, while computing CGPA with the Professional Elective / Open Elective courses with higher grades the student shall be awarded B.E. / B.Tech. in First Class only. **Amendment of Clause 16.2.4**
- 16.3 A student who is absent in end semester examination in a course / project work after having registered for the same shall be considered to have appeared in that examination for the purpose of classification. (subject to clause 17).
- 16.4 **Photocopy / Revaluation**
 A student can apply for photocopy of his/her semester examination answer paper in a theory course, as per the guidelines of the COE, on payment of a prescribed fee through proper application to the Controller of Examinations through the Head of the Institutions. The answer script is to be valued and justified by a faculty member, who has handled the subject and recommend for revaluation with the breakup of marks for each question. Based on the recommendation, the student can register for the revaluation through proper application to the Controller of Examinations. The Controller of Examinations will arrange for the revaluation and the results will be intimated to the student concerned through the Head of the Institutions. Revaluation is not permitted for practical courses and EEC courses.
 A student can apply for revaluation of answer scripts for not exceeding 5 subjects at a time.
- 16.5 **Review**
 Students not satisfied with Revaluation can apply for Review of his/ her examination answer paper in a theory course, within the prescribed date on payment of a prescribed fee through proper application to the Controller of Examinations through the Head of the Institution.
 Students applying for Revaluation only are eligible to apply for Review.
- 17. PROVISION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM END-SEMESTER EXAMINATION**
- 17.1 A student may, for valid reasons, (medically unfit / unexpected family situations / sports approved by the Chairman, Sports Board and the HOD) be granted permission to withdraw from appearing for the end semester examination

in any course or courses in **ANY ONE** of the semester examinations during the entire duration of the degree programme. The application shall be sent to the COE through the Head of the Institutions with required documents.

- 17.2 Withdrawal application is valid if the student is otherwise eligible to write the examination (Clause 7) and if it is made within TEN days after the date of the examination(s) in that course or courses and recommended by the Head of the Institution and approved by the Controller of Examinations. For a student to withdraw from a course / courses, he/she should have registered for the course, fulfilled the attendance requirements (vide clause 7) and earned continuous assessment marks.
- 17.2.1 Notwithstanding the requirement of mandatory 10 days, applications for withdrawal for special cases under extraordinary conditions will be considered on the merit of the case.
- 17.3 In case of withdrawal from a course / courses, the courses will figure both in the Grade Sheet as well as in the Result Sheet. However, withdrawal shall not be considered as an appearance for the eligibility of a student for First Class with Distinction.
- 17.4 If a student withdraws from writing end semester examinations for a course or courses, he/she shall register for the same in the subsequent semester and write the end semester examination(s).
- 17.5 If a student applies for withdrawal from Project Work, he/she will be permitted for the withdrawal only if the student has submitted the project report before the deadline. However, the student may appear for the viva-voce examination within 60 days after the declaration of results for Project Work and the same shall not be considered as reappearance.
- 17.6 Withdrawal is permitted for the end semester examinations in the final semester, as per clause 16.2.1.

**Amendment
of
Clause 17.5**

18. PROVISION FOR AUTHORISED BREAK OF STUDY

- 18.1 A student is permitted to go on authorised break of study for a maximum period of one year as a single spell.
- 18.2 Break of Study shall be granted only once for valid reasons for a maximum of one year during the entire period of study of the degree programme. However, in extraordinary situation the student may apply for additional break of study not exceeding another one year. If a student intends to temporarily discontinue the

programme in the middle of the semester for valid reasons, and to re-join the programme in a subsequent year, permission may be granted based on the merits of the case provided he / she applies to the Director, Student Affairs in advance, but not later than the last date for registering for the end semester examination of the semester in question, through the Head of the Institution stating the reasons therefore and the probable date of re-joining the programme.

18.3 The candidates permitted to rejoin the programme after break of study / prevention due to lack of attendance, shall be governed by the Curriculum and Regulations in force at the time of rejoining. The students rejoining in new Regulations shall apply to the Director, Academic Courses in the prescribed format through Head of the Institution at the beginning of the readmitted semester itself for prescribing additional courses, if any, from any semester of the regulations in-force, so as to bridge the curriculum in-force and the old curriculum.

18.3.1 Total number of credits to be earned by the student shall be more than or equal to the total number of credits prescribed in the curriculum in force. If the credit assigned for L T P of the courses are not same in two Regulations under consideration, then equivalence shall be arrived as per the credit assignment followed in the Regulations in force.

**Insertion of
New Clause
18.3.1**

18.4 The authorized break of study is included in the duration specified for passing all the courses for the purpose of classification (vide Clause 16.2).

18.5 The total period for completion of the Programme reckoned from, the commencement of the first semester to which the candidate was admitted shall not exceed the maximum period specified in clause 5.1 irrespective of the period of break of study in order that he/she may be eligible for the award of the degree.

18.6 If any student is prevented for want of required attendance, the period of prevention shall not be considered as authorized 'Break of Study' (Clause 18.1).

18.7 If a student in Full Time mode wants to take up a job / start-up / entrepreneurship during the period of study he/she shall apply for authorised break of study for one year. The student shall join the job / start-up / entrepreneurship only after getting approval of the same by the Director, Centre for Academic Courses with due proof to that effect.

18.8 No fee is applicable to students during the Break of Study period.

19. DISCIPLINE

19.1 Every student is required to observe disciplined and decorous behaviour both inside and outside the college and not to indulge in any activity which will tend to bring down the prestige of the University / College. The Head of the Institution shall constitute a disciplinary committee consisting of the Head of the Institution, Two Heads of Department of which one should be from the faculty of the student, to enquire into acts of indiscipline and notify the University about the disciplinary action recommended for approval. In case of any serious disciplinary action which leads to suspension or dismissal, then a committee shall be constituted including one representative from Anna University, Chennai. In this regard, the member will be nominated by the University on getting information from the Head of the Institution.

19.2 If a student indulges in malpractice in any of the University / internal examination he / she shall be liable for punitive action as prescribed by the University from time to time.

20. REVISION OF REGULATIONS, CURRICULUM AND SYLLABI

The University may from time to time revise, amend or change the Regulations, curriculum, syllabus and scheme of examinations through the Academic Council with the approval of the Syndicate.

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REGULATIONS 2021

CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

COMMON TO M.E. / M.TECH. AND M.C.A. PROGRAMMES

The following Regulations are applicable to the students admitted to M.E. / M.Tech. and M.C.A. Programmes at all Engineering Colleges affiliated to Anna University, Chennai (other than Autonomous Colleges) and to all the University Colleges of Engineering of Anna University, Chennai from the academic year 2021-2022.

1 PRELIMINARY DEFINITIONS AND NOMENCLATURE

In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:

- I. **“Programme”** means Post graduate Degree Programme e.g. M.E., M.Tech. Degree Programme.
- II. **“Discipline”** means specialization or branch of M.E. / M.Tech. Degree Programme like “Structural Engineering”, “Engineering Design”, etc.
- III. **“Course”** means Theory or Practical subject that is normally studied in a semester, like Applied Mathematics, Advanced Thermodynamics, etc.
- IV. **“Director, Centre for Academic Courses”** means the authority of the University who is responsible for all academic activities of the University for implementation of relevant Rules and Regulations.
- V. **“Chairperson”** means the Head of the Faculty.
- VI. **“Head of the Institution”** means the Principal of a College / Institution who is responsible for all academic activities of that College / Institution and for implementation of relevant Rules and Regulations.
- VII. **“Head of the Department (HOD)”** means the Head of the Department concerned.
- VIII. **“Controller of Examinations (COE)”** means the Authority of the University who is responsible for all activities of the University Examinations.
- IX. **“University”** means ANNA UNIVERSITY, CHENNAI.

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2 PROGRAMMES OFFERED, MODES OF STUDY AND ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

2.1 P.G. PROGRAMMES OFFERED

1. M.E.
2. M.Tech.
3. M.C.A.

2.2 MODES OF STUDY

2.2.1 Full-Time Mode:

Students admitted under 'Full-Time' should be available in the College / Institution during the entire duration of working hours (From Morning to Evening on Full-Time basis) for the curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities assigned to them.

The Full-Time students should not attend any other Full-Time programme(s) / course(s) or take up any Full-Time job / Part-Time job in any Institution or Company during the period of the Full-Time programme. Violation of the above rules will result in cancellation of admission to the P.G. programme. However, taking up of job is permitted with authorised break of study as explained in Clause 19.7.

2.2.2 Part-Time Mode:

In this mode of study, the students are required to attend classes conducted in the evenings and complete the course in three years.

2.2.3 Conversion from one mode of study to the other is not permitted.

2.3 ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

2.3.1 Candidates for admission to the first semester of the Post-Graduate Degree Programme shall be required to have passed an appropriate Under-Graduate Degree Examination of Anna University or equivalent as specified under qualification for admission as per the Tamil Nadu Common Admission (TANCA) criteria. This is applicable for students admitted both under Single Window Counselling process and through the Management Quota.

Note: TANCA releases the updated criteria during the admissions every academic year.

Admission shall be offered only to the candidates who possess the qualification prescribed against each programme.

Any other relevant qualification which is not prescribed against each programme shall be considered for equivalence by the committee

constituted for the purpose. Admission to such degrees shall be offered only after obtaining equivalence to such degrees.

- 2.3.2 However, the University may decide to restrict admission in any particular year to candidates having a subset of qualifications prescribed at the time of admission.
- 2.3.3 Notwithstanding the qualifying examination the candidate might have passed, he/she shall have a minimum level of proficiency in the appropriate programme / courses as prescribed by the University from time to time.
- 2.3.4 Eligibility conditions for admission such as the class obtained, the number of attempts in qualifying examination and physical fitness will be as prescribed by the University from time to time.
- 2.3.5 All Part-Time candidates should satisfy other conditions regarding Experience Sponsorship etc. that may be prescribed by the University from time to time.

3 STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAMMES

3.1 Categorization of Courses

Every Post Graduate Degree Programme will have a curriculum with syllabi consisting of theory and practical courses that shall be categorized as follows:

- i. **Foundation Courses (FC)** may include Mathematics or other basic courses
- ii. **Professional Core Courses (PCC)** include the core courses relevant to the chosen specialization/branch.
- iii. **Professional Elective Courses (PEC)** include the elective courses relevant to the chosen specialization/ branch.
- iv. **Research Methodology and IPR Course (RMC)** covers topics on the process of research and patenting.
- v. **Employability Enhancement Courses (EEC)** include Project Work and/or Internship, Seminar, Professional Practices, Summer Project, Case Study and Industrial / Practical Training.
- vi. **Open Elective Courses (OEC)** include the courses credited from other post graduate Programmes of M.E./M.Tech/ M. Arch. and online courses.
- vii. **Audit courses (AC)** include the courses such as Constitution of India, Natramizh Ilakiam, etc.

3.2 Courses per Semester

Curriculum of a semester shall normally have a blend of lecture courses and practical courses including Employability Enhancement Courses. Each course shall have credits assigned as per Clause 3.3.

3.3 Credit Assignment

Each course is assigned certain number of credits based on the following:

Contact period per week	Credits
1 Lecture Period	1
1 Tutorial Period	1
1 Practical Period (Laboratory / Seminar / Project Work etc.)	0.5

3.4 Project Work

- 3.4.1 The project work for M.E. / M.Tech. Programmes consist of Project Work–I and Project Work–II. The Project Work–I is to be undertaken during Semester III and Project Work–II, which is a continuation of Project Work–I, (except when project work II is carried out in the industry) is to be undertaken during Semester IV.
- 3.4.2 In case of students of M.E. / M.Tech. Programmes not completing Project Work-I of project work successfully, the students can undertake Project Work-I again in the subsequent semester. In such cases the students can enroll for Project Work-II, only after successful completion of Project Work-I.
- 3.4.3 Project work shall be carried out under the supervision of a “qualified teacher” in the Department concerned. In this context “qualified teacher” means the faculty member possessing (i) PG degree with a minimum of 3 years experience in teaching or (ii) Ph.D. degree.
- 3.4.4 A student may, however, undergo Project Work-II (M.E./M.Tech. Programme) in industry/academic institution of repute offering PG programmes in Engineering/Technology (other than affiliated colleges of Anna University)/research institutions for a minimum of 16 weeks during the final semester. In such cases, the students shall undergo the Project Work-II with the approval obtained from the Head of the institution and Centre for Academic Courses preferably one month before the start of the industrial project.

The Project Work-II carried out in industry/academic institution of repute/research institutions need not be a continuation of Project Work-I. In such cases, the Project Work shall be jointly supervised by a supervisor of the department and an expert as a joint supervisor from the organization and the student shall be instructed to meet the supervisor periodically and to attend the review committee meetings for evaluating the progress. The review meetings, if

necessary, may also be arranged in online mode with prior approval from the Head of the Institution and suitable record of the meetings shall be maintained.

3.4.5 The Project Work (Project Work-II in the case of M.E./M.Tech.) shall be pursued for a minimum of 16 weeks during the final semester.

3.5 The deadline for submission of final Project Report (Project Work-II for M.E./M.Tech. programmes or final project work for M.C.A. programmes) is 60 calendar days from the last working day of the semester in which project work / thesis / dissertation is done. However, the Project Work-I in the case of M.E. / M.Tech. programmes shall be submitted within the last working day of the semester as per the academic calendar published by the University

**Amendment
of
Clause 3.5**

3.6 Industrial Training / Internship (Summer / Winter Vacation)

3.6.1 The students may undergo Industrial Training for a period as specified in the Curriculum during the summer / winter vacation. In this case, the training has to be undergone continuously for at least two weeks in an organisation.

The students may undergo Internship at a Research organization / University/ Industry (after due approval from the Head of the Institution and a copy of the same shall be forwarded to the Director, Centre for Academic Courses) for the period prescribed in the curriculum during the summer / winter vacation, in lieu of Industrial training. Attendance Certificate signed by the competent authority of the industry, as per the format provided by the Centre for Academic Courses shall be submitted to the Head of the Institution. The attendance certificate shall be forwarded to COE, Anna University by the Head of the Institution for processing results.

3.6.2 If Industrial Training/ Internship is not prescribed in the curriculum, the student may undergo Industrial Training/ Internship during Summer/Winter vacation optionally and the credits earned will be indicated in the Grade Sheet. If the student earns three credits in Industrial Training/ Internship, the student may drop one Professional Elective (only one professional elective can be dropped). In such cases, Industrial Training / Internship need to be undergone continuously from one organization or with a combination one two week and one four week programme, from one/two organizations. However, if the number of credits earned is 1 or 2, these credits shall not be considered for classification of the degree. Students shall get permission from the Head of the Institution for taking industrial training/internship and the Certificate of completion of Industrial Training / Internship shall be forwarded to COE.

DURATION OF TRAINING/INTERNSHIP	CREDITS
2 Weeks*	1
4 Weeks	2
6 Weeks	3

***1 Week = 40 Internship Hours**

3.7 Instead of two electives (professional elective/open elective) in the curriculum, the student may be permitted to choose a maximum of 2 courses from other PG programmes with the approval of the Head of the Department offering such courses.

3.8 Value Added Courses

**Amendment
of
Clause 3.8**

- Students may optionally undergo Value Added Courses and the credits earned through the Value Added Courses shall be over and above the total credit requirement prescribed in the curriculum for the award of the degree. Courses with two/ three credits shall be offered by a Department of an institution with the prior approval from the Director, Academic Courses.
- The details of the syllabus, timetable and faculty may be sent to the Centre for Academic Courses after approval from the Head of the Institution.
- Students shall be allowed to take these courses offered in other Departments also, but with the permission of the Head of the Institution of student and Head of the Institution offering the course.
- The courses once approved by the University represented by any Department shall be made available in the University website and these courses can be offered by the University Departments / Constituent colleges / affiliated colleges (Non-Autonomous with information to Director Academic Courses.

3.9 Off campus courses and Transfer of Credits

**Amendment
of
Clause 3.9**

Students are permitted to optionally enroll and study a maximum of three off campus courses in physical/online/hybrid mode under each UG programme with the approval of Director, Centre for Academic courses as per the Regulations. The successful completion of these courses through any of the following modes shall be considered in lieu of professional elective / open elective courses of curriculum as approved by the Head of the Institution.

3.9.1 Students are permitted to optionally enroll and study these courses through SWAYAM / NPTEL platforms and credit transfer is to be done based on the marks and certificate provided by the NPTEL. The number of credits and transfer of credits are based on the procedure explained in Table 3 and the Mapping of the marks with the grades is explained in Table 4. The mapping of marks with grades is applicable, only if the student passes the course as per the guidelines of NPTEL.

Table 3: Duration of the course and Number of credits

Sl. No.	No. of Weeks	No. of Credits
4	4	1
5	8	2
6	12	3
7	16	4

Table 4: Mapping of Marks scored in NPTEL course and Credits earned

Letter Grade	Marks
O	90-100
A+	80-89
A	70-79
B+	60-69
B	50-59
C	40-49

3.9.2. Students are permitted to optionally enroll and study the courses in physical / hybrid / online modes offered by reputed Central / State funded Universities / Institutions which are in the top 20 positions in the latest NIRF ranking and also conducting examination towards award of marks and grades. . (NIRF Ranking of any of the last three years with respect to the year in which course is to be registered; NIRF ranking is based on respective stream for professional elective courses and based on any stream for open elective courses).

Students are also permitted to enroll and undergo such courses in Online mode at Universities abroad in top 500 in QS ranking in the last three years.

Students are also permitted to study courses of a particular semester in a University / Institution abroad based on MoU. A learning agreement shall be evolved to map all the courses offered in the programme and the courses offered in University abroad as per the procedure outlined by the Centre for Academic

Courses The credits earned by the students in the University abroad shall be transferred as per the learning agreement.

In the case of 3.9.2, the students can enroll for the courses with the approval of the Head of the Institution only if the course is offered directly by Institution/University and not with the edutech platforms.

The marks/credits earned by the student shall be transferred based on the decision of a committee constituted by Director, Centre for Academic courses and approved by the University.

- 3.9.3 Students are also permitted to enroll and study the courses in physical/hybrid mode (not less than 50% in physical mode) that are offered by (i) National/State funded research institutions/laboratories and (ii) (a) reputed companies (manufacturing or software) related to the programme, and (b) reputed companies involved in transfer of knowledge provided the knowledge transferring company is a spinoff from an Engineering/Technology practicing Industry and sharing the work experience of the respective industry. The companies mentioned in 3.9.3 (ii) (a) and the company with which the knowledge transfer company associated in the case of 3.9.3 (ii) (b) should have average annual turnover of more than 200 crores over a period of 5 years. However, the academic content and delivery shall be in consonance with the University academic standards and norms.

The minimum qualification of the course instructor from the company as mentioned in 3.9.3. (ii) shall be B.E./B.Tech with 10 years of research / industrial experience. Such courses shall be offered through MOU / MOA between Anna University and such institutions/organizations/ companies. The design of the courses with regard to the syllabus content, duration of each course and number of credits offered for each course shall be discussed and recommended by Head of the Institution and approved by Director, Centre for Academic Courses as per the Regulations.

For the offer of each course under 3.9.3, a course coordinator shall be nominated from the Department who shall also attend such course and shall coordinate the question paper setting and answer script evaluation with the course instructor from research institution/ laboratories/ industry/ company for the continuous assessment and end semester examination conducted by the University. The passing requirements are as per regulations.

- 3.10 A student is permitted to register a maximum of two courses in total from clause 3.7 and 3.9.

3.11 Audit courses

The student may optionally study audit courses prescribed by the University and it will be mentioned in the Grade Sheet. However, it will not be considered for computation of CGPA.

3.12 Medium of Instruction

The medium of instruction is English for all courses, examinations, seminar presentations and project / thesis / dissertation reports.

4 DURATION AND STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAMMES

4.1 The minimum and maximum period for completion of the P.G. Programmes are given below:

Programme	Minimum Number of Semesters	Maximum Number of Semesters
M.E. / M.Tech. (Full-Time)	4	8
M.E. / M.Tech. (Part Time)	6	12
M.C.A. (Full Time)*	4	8

* Bridge courses are to be conducted for students from non-computer science background.

4.2 The Curriculum and Syllabi of all the P.G. Programmes shall be approved by the Academic Council of Anna University. The number of credits to be earned for the successful completion of the programme shall be as specified in the Curriculum of the respective specialization of the P.G. Programme.

4.3 Each semester shall normally consist of 75 working days or 540 periods of each 50 minutes duration, for full-time mode of study or 250 periods for part-time mode of study. The Head of the Institution shall ensure that every teacher imparts instruction as per the number of periods specified in the syllabus and that the teacher teaches the full content of the specified syllabus for the course being taught. For the purpose of calculation of attendance requirement for writing the end semester examinations (as per clause 10) by students, following method shall be used.

$$\text{Percentage of Attendance} = \frac{\text{Total no. of periods attended in all the courses per semester}}{(\text{No. of periods / week as prescribed in the curriculum}) \times 15} \times 100$$

End Semester Examinations conducted by the University will be scheduled after the last working day of the semester.

- 4.4 The minimum prescribed credits required for the award of the degree shall be within the limits specified below:

Programme	Prescribed Credit Range
M.E. / M.Tech.	70 - 75

Programme	Prescribed Credit Range
MCA	80 – 90

5. COURSE REGISTRATION

5.1 Flexibility to Drop courses

5.1.1 A student has to earn the total number of credits specified in the curriculum of the respective Programme of study in order to be eligible to obtain the degree.

5.1.2 From the first to pre-final semesters, the student has the option of dropping existing courses in a semester during registration. Total number of credits of such courses cannot exceed 6 for P.G. (Full Time) programmes and cannot exceed 3 for P.G. (Part Time) programmes. The student is permitted to drop the course(s) within 30 days of the commencement of the academic schedule.

5.2 The Institution is responsible for registering the courses that each student is proposing to undergo in the ensuing semester. Each student has to register for all courses to be undergone in the curriculum of a particular semester (with the facility to drop courses to a maximum of 6 credits (vide clause 5.1).

The registration details of the student shall be approved by the Head of the Institution and forwarded to the Controller of Examinations. This registration is for undergoing the course as well as for writing the End Semester Examinations.

The courses that a student registers in a particular semester may include:

- i. Courses of the current semester and
- ii. Courses dropped in the lower semesters.

The maximum number of credits that can be registered in a semester is 36. However, this does not include the number of Re-appearance (RA) and Withdrawal (W) courses registered by the student for the appearance of Examination.

6 EVALUATION OF PROJECT WORK

Amendment
of
Clause 6

The evaluation of Project Work for Project Work-I & Project Work-II in the case of M.E. / M.Tech. and Project Work of M.C.A shall be done independently in the respective semesters and marks shall be allotted as per the weightages given in Clause 6.1.

- 6.1 There shall be three assessments (each 100 marks) during the Semester by a review committee. The student shall make presentation on the progress made before the Committee. The Head of the Institution shall constitute the review committee for each programme. The review committee consists of supervisor, expert from the Department and a project coordinator from the Department. If the project coordinator/expert member happens to be the Supervisor then an alternate member shall be nominated. In the case of project work II carried out in industry/academic/research institutions, the review committee shall have the supervisor, coordinator from industry / academic / research institutions and the project coordinator from the Department. The total marks obtained in the three assessments shall be reduced to 60 marks and rounded to the nearest integer (as per the Table given below). There will be a vice-voce Examination during End Semester Examinations conducted by a Committee consisting of the supervisor, one internal examiner and one external examiner. The internal examiner and the external examiner shall be appointed by the Controller of Examination. The distribution of marks for the internal assessment and End semester examination is given below:

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Clause 6.1

Internal Assessment (60 Marks)			End Semester Examinations (40 Marks)			
Review I	Review II	Review III	Thesis Submission	Viva-Voce Examination		
20	20	20	External Examiner	Internal Examiner	External Examiner	Supervisor Examiner
			10	10	10	10

- 6.2 The Project Report prepared according to approved guidelines as given by the Director, Centre for Academic Courses and duly signed by the supervisor(s) and the Head of the Department concerned shall be submitted to the Head of the Institution.

- 6.3 If the student fails to obtain 50% of the internal assessment marks in the Project Work-I and Project Work-II / final project, he/she will not be permitted to submit the project report and has to register for the same in the subsequent semester.

If a student fails to submit the project report on or before the specified deadline as mentioned in clause 3.5, he/she is deemed to have failed in the Project Work

and shall register for the same in a subsequent semester. This applies to both for Project Work–I and Project Work–II in the case of M.E. / M.Tech. Project Work and the Final Project Work of M.C.A.

If a student fails in the end semester examinations of Project Work–I, he/she has to resubmit the Project Report within 30 days from the date of declaration of the results. If he / she fail in the End semester examination of Project Work–II of Project work of M.E. / M.Tech. or the Final Project Work of M.C.A, he/she shall resubmit the Project Report within 60 days from the date of declaration of the results. The resubmission of a project report and subsequent viva-voce examination will be considered as reappearance with payment of exam fee. For this purpose the same Internal and External examiners shall evaluate the resubmitted report.

If a student has submitted the project report but did not appear for the viva-voce examination, it will be considered as fail and he/she will be permitted to resubmit the report within 30/60 days from the declaration of results and permitted for reappearance in viva-voce examination, for Project Work-I and II respectively.

- 6.3.1** A copy of the approved Project Report after the successful completion of viva-voce examinations shall be kept in the library of the college / institution.
- 6.3.2** Practical / Industrial Training, Summer Project if specified in the Curriculum shall not exceed the maximum duration of 4 weeks and should be organized by the Head of the Department for every student.
- 6.3.3** At the end of Practical / Industrial Training, Summer Project, the student shall submit an Attendance certificate from the organization where he/she has undergone training and also a brief report. The evaluation for 100 marks will be carried out internally based on this report and a viva-voce Examination will be conducted by a Departmental Committee constituted by the Head of the Institution. The attendance certificate submitted by the students shall be attached to the mark list sent by the Head of the Institution to the Controller of Examination.

7. CLASS ADVISOR

There shall be a class advisor for each class. The class advisor will be one among the (course-instructors) of the class. He / She will be appointed by the Head of the Department concerned. The class advisor is the ex-officio member and the Convener of the class committee. The responsibilities for the class advisor shall be:

- To act as the channel of communication between the HOD and the students of the respective class.
- To collect and maintain various statistical details of students.
- To help the chairperson of the class committee in planning and conduct of the class committee meetings.
- To monitor the academic performance of the students including attendance and to inform the class committee.
- To attend to the students' welfare activities like awards, medals, scholarships and industrial visits.

8. CLASS COMMITTEE

8.1 A Class Committee consists of teachers of the concerned class, student representatives and a chairperson who is not teaching the class. It is like the 'Quality Circle' (more commonly used in industries) with the overall goal of improving the teaching-learning process. The functions of the class committee include:

- Solving problems experienced by students in the class room and in the laboratories.
- Clarifying the regulations of the programme and the details of rules therein.
- Informing the student representatives, the "academic schedule" including the dates of assessments and the syllabus coverage for each assessment period.
- Informing the student representatives, the details of regulations regarding the weightage used for each assessment. In the case of practical courses (laboratory / project work / seminar etc.) the breakup of marks for each experiment/ exercise/ module of work, should be clearly discussed in the class committee meeting and informed to the students.
- Analyzing the performance of the students of the class after each test and finding the ways and means of improving the performance of the students.
- Identifying the slow learners, if any, in any specific subject and requesting the teachers concerned to provide some additional help or guidance or coaching to such students as frequently as possible.

8.2 The class committee for a class under a particular programme is normally constituted by the Head of the Department. However, if the students of different programmes are mixed in a class, the class committee is to be constituted by the Head of the Institution.

- 8.3 The class committee shall be constituted within the first week of each semester.
- 8.4 At least 2 student representatives (usually 1 boy and 1 girl) shall be included in the class committee.
- 8.5 The chairperson of the class committee shall invite the Class advisor(s) and the Head of the Department to the meeting of the class committee.
- 8.6 The Head of the Institution may participate in any class committee of the institution.
- 8.7 The Chairperson of the Class Committee is required to prepare the minutes of every meeting, submit the same to the Head of the Institution within two days of the meeting and arrange to circulate among the concerned students and teachers. If there are some points in the minutes requiring action by the management, the same shall be brought to the notice of the management by the Head of the Institution.
- 8.8 The first meeting of the class committee shall be held within one week from the date of commencement of the semester in order to inform the students about the nature and weightage of assessments within the framework of the Regulations. Two or three subsequent meetings may be held at suitable intervals. During these meetings the student members, representing the entire class, shall meaningfully interact and express the opinions and suggestions of the class students to improve the effectiveness of the teaching-learning process.

9 COURSE COMMITTEE FOR COMMON COURSES

Each common course offered to more than one group of students shall have a "Course Committee" comprising all the teachers teaching the common course with one of them nominated as Course Coordinator. The nomination of the Course Coordinator shall be made by the Head of the Department / Head of the Institution depending upon whether all the teachers teaching the common course belong to a single department or to several departments. The 'Course Committee' shall meet as often as possible and ensure uniform evaluation of the tests and arrive at a common scheme of evaluation for the tests. Wherever it is feasible, the course committee may also prepare a common question paper for the Assessment Test(s).

10 ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF A SEMESTER

- 10.1 A student who has fulfilled the following conditions shall be deemed to have satisfied the attendance requirements for completion of a semester.

Ideally every student is expected to attend all classes and earn 100% attendance. However in order to allow provision for certain unavoidable reasons such as

prolonged hospitalization / accident / specific illness the student is expected to earn a minimum of 75% attendance to become eligible to write the End-Semester Examinations.

Therefore, every student shall secure not less than 75% of overall attendance in that semester as per clause 4.3.

10.2 However, a student who secures overall attendance between 65% and 74% in that current semester due to medical reasons (prolonged hospitalization / accident / specific illness) / participation in sports events may be permitted to appear for the current semester examinations subject to the condition that the student shall submit the medical certificate / sports participation certificate to the Head of the Institution. The same shall be forwarded to the Controller of Examinations for record purposes.

10.3 Students who could secure less than 65% overall attendance will not be permitted to write the end-semester examination of that current semester and are not permitted to go to next semester. They are required to repeat the incomplete semester in the next academic year.

11 PROCEDURES FOR AWARDING MARKS FOR INTERNAL ASSESSMENT (IA)

For all theory, laboratory courses, theory courses with laboratory component and project work the continuous assessment shall be awarded as per the procedure given below:

11.1 THEORY COURSES

Two assessments each carrying 100 marks shall be conducted during the semester by the Department / College concerned. The total marks obtained in all assessments put together out of 200, shall be proportionately reduced for 40 marks and rounded to the nearest integer (This also implies equal weightage to the two assessments).

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Assessment I (100 Marks)		Assessment II (100 Marks)		Total Internal Assessment
Individual Assignment / Case Study/ Seminar /Mini Project / any other experiential Learning	Written Test	Individual Assignment / Case Study / Seminar /Mini Project / any other experiential Learning	Written Test	
40	60	40	60	200*

*The weighted average shall be converted into 40 marks for internal Assessment.

A minimum of two internal assessments will be conducted as a part of continuous assessment. Each internal assessment is to be conducted for 100 marks and will have to be distributed in two parts viz., Individual Assignment/Case study/Seminar/Mini project / any other experiential learning and Test with each having a weightage of 40% and 60% respectively. The tests shall be in written mode. The total internal assessment marks of 200 shall be converted into a maximum of 40 marks and rounded to the nearest integer.

11.2 LABORATORY COURSES

The maximum marks for Internal Assessment shall be 60 in case of practical courses. Every practical exercise / experiment shall be evaluated based on conduct of experiment / exercise and records to be maintained. There shall be at least one test. The criteria for arriving at the Internal Assessment marks of 60 is as follows: 75 marks shall be awarded for successful completion of all the prescribed experiments done in the Laboratory and 25 marks for the test. The total mark shall be converted into a maximum of 60 marks and rounded to the nearest integer.

Internal Assessment (100 Marks)*	
Evaluation of Laboratory Observation and Record	Test
75	25

* Internal assessment marks shall be converted into 60 marks

11.3 THEORY COURSES WITH LABORATORY COMPONENT / LABORATORY COURSES WITH THEORY COMPONENT

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Weightage of internal assessment and end semester examination marks will be 50% each. The distribution of marks for the theory and laboratory components in the internal assessments and end semester examination for different types of courses are provided in the table.

L	T	P	C	Internal Assessment 1	Internal Assessment 2	End Semester Examination
1	0	4	3	Lab (25%)	Theory (25%)	Lab only (50%)
1	0	2	2	Lab (25%)	Theory (25%)	Lab only (50%)
2	0	2	3	Theory (25%)	Lab (25%)	Theory (25%) Lab (25%)
3	0	2	4	Theory (25%)	Lab (25%)	Theory (35%) Lab (15%)
2	0	4	4	Theory (25%)	Laboratory (25%)	Theory (15%) Lab(35%)

The procedure for the conduct of internal assessments for theory and laboratory components shall be as per the clause 11.1 and 11.2 respectively.

*The weighted average shall be converted into 50 marks for internal Assessment.

11.4 OTHER EMPLOYABILITY ENHANCEMENT COURSES

- (a) The Seminar / Case study / Mini project course is to be considered as purely INTERNAL (with 100% internal marks only). Every student is expected to present a minimum of 2 seminars per semester before the evaluation committee and for each seminar marks can be equally apportioned. A three member committee appointed by Head of the Institution consisting of course coordinator and two experts from the Department, will evaluate the seminar and at the end of the semester the marks can be consolidated and taken as the final mark. The evaluation shall be based on the seminar paper (40%), presentation (40%) and response to the questions asked during presentation (20%).
- (b) The Industrial / Practical Training shall carry 100 marks and shall be evaluated through internal assessment only. At the end of Industrial / Practical training / Internship / Summer Project, the candidate shall submit an attendance certificate from the organization where he / she has undergone training and a brief report. The evaluation will be made based on this report and a viva-voce Examination, conducted internally by a three member Departmental Committee constituted by the Head of the Institution consisting of course coordinator and two experts from the Department. The certificates submitted by the candidate shall be attached to the mark list sent by the Head of the Department.
- (c) For all the courses under Employability Enhancement Courses Category, except the Project Work, the evaluation shall be done with 100% internal marks and as per procedure described in 11.1 (iv) (a/b).

11.5 Assessment for Value Added Course

The value added course shall carry 100 marks and shall be evaluated through **continuous assessments only**. Two Assessments shall be conducted during the semester by the Department concerned. The total marks obtained in the tests shall be reduced to 100 marks and rounded to the nearest integer. A committee consisting of the Head of the Department, staff handling the course and a senior faculty member nominated by the Head of the Institution shall do the evaluation process. The list of students along with the marks and the grades earned shall be

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forwarded to the Controller of Examinations for appropriate action at least one month before the commencement of End Semester Examinations. The grades earned by the students for Value Added Courses will be recorded in the Grade Sheet, however the same shall not be considered for the computation of CGPA.

11.6 **Omitted**

11.7 Internal marks approved by the Head of the Institution shall be displayed by the respective HODs within 5 days from the last working day.

11.8 Every teacher is required to maintain an 'ATTENDANCE AND ASSESSMENT RECORD' which consists of attendance marked in each lecture or practical or project work class, the test marks and the record of class work (topics covered), separately for each course. This should be submitted to the Head of the Department periodically (at least three times in a semester) for checking the syllabus coverage and the records of test marks and attendance. The Head of the department will put his/her signature and date after due verification. At the end of the semester, the record should be verified by the Head of the institution who will keep this document in safe custody (for five years). The University or any inspection team appointed by the University may inspect the records of attendance and assessments of both current and previous semesters.

11.9 **Conduct of Academic Audit by every Institution**

Every educational institution shall strive for a better performance of the students by conducting the internal assessments as mentioned in Clause 11.

In order to ensure the above, Academic Audit is to be done for every course taught during the semester. For the internal assessments conducted for each course as per details provided in Clause 11, the academic records shall be maintained in the form of documentation for the individual assignments / case study report / report of mini project submitted by each student and assessment test question paper and answer script. Report of industrial training / internship shall also be maintained, if applicable. For laboratory courses students' record shall be maintained. Further, the attendance of all students shall be maintained as a record.

The Head of the Institution shall arrange to conduct the Academic Audit for every course in a semester by forming the respective committees with an external course expert as one of the members drawn from a Technical institution of repute near the institute.

The University or any inspection team appointed by the University may verify the records of Academic Audit report of the courses of both current and previous semesters, as and when required.

12 REQUIREMENTS FOR APPEARING FOR SEMESTER EXAMINATION

- 12.1 A student shall normally be permitted to appear for the University examinations of the current semester if he/she has satisfied the semester completion requirements as per clause 10.1 & 10.2 and has registered for examination in all courses of the current semester.
- 12.2 Further, examination registration by a student is mandatory for all the courses in the current semester and all arrear(s) course(s) for the university examinations failing which, the student will not be permitted to move to the higher semester.
- 12.3 A student who has passed all the courses prescribed in the curriculum for the award of the degree shall not be permitted to re-enroll to improve his/her marks in a course or the aggregate marks / CGPA.

13 UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

- 13.1 There shall be an End-Semester Examination of 3 hours duration in each lecture based course.

The examinations shall ordinarily be conducted between October and December during the odd semesters and between April and June in the even semesters.

For the practical examinations (including project work), both internal and external examiners shall be appointed by the University.

13.2 WEIGHTAGE

The following will be the weightage for different courses:

i) Lecture or Lecture cum Tutorial based course:		
Internal Assessment	-	40%
End Semester Examination	-	60%
ii) Laboratory based courses		
Internal Assessment	-	60%
End Semester Examination	-	40%
iii) Project work		
Internal Assessment	-	60%
Evaluation of Project Report by external examiner	-	10%
Viva-Voce Examination	-	30%
iv) Industrial training/Internship/ Practical training / Summer project / Seminar (All Employability Enhancement Courses except Project Work)		
Internal Assessment	-	100%

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14 PASSING REQUIREMENTS

- 14.1 A student who secures not less than 50% of total marks prescribed for the course [Internal Assessment + End semester University Examinations] with a minimum of 45% of the marks prescribed for the end-semester University Examination, shall be declared to have passed the course and acquired the relevant number of credits. This is applicable for both theory and laboratory courses (including project work).
- 14.2 If a student fails to secure a pass in a theory course (except electives)/ laboratory courses, the student shall register and appear only for the end semester examination in the subsequent semester. In such case, the internal assessment marks obtained by the student in the first appearance shall be retained and considered valid for all subsequent attempts till the student secures a pass. However, from the third attempt onwards if a student fails to obtain pass marks (IA + End Semester Examination) as per clause 14.1, then the student shall be declared to have passed the examination if he/she secures a minimum of 50% marks prescribed for the university end semester examinations alone.
- 14.3 If the course, in which the student has failed, is a professional elective or an open elective, the student may be permitted to complete the same course. In such case, the internal assessment marks obtained by the candidate in the first appearance shall be retained and considered valid for all subsequent attempts till the candidate secures a pass. However, from the third attempt onwards if a candidate fails to obtain pass marks (IA + End Semester Examination) as per clause 14.1, then the candidate shall be declared to have passed the examination if he/she secure a minimum of 50% marks prescribed for the university end semester examinations alone.

If any other professional elective or open elective course is opted by the student, the previous registration is cancelled and henceforth it is to be considered as a new professional elective or open elective course. The student has to register and attend the classes, earn the continuous assessment marks, fulfill the attendance requirements as per Clause 10 and appear for the end semester examination.

In addition to the above, for MCA programme, students undergoing bridge courses should complete all the bridge courses prescribed for the two year MCA programme.

- 14.4 If a student is absent during the viva voce examination, it would be considered as fail. If a student fails to secure a pass in project work even after availing clause (6.3), **the student shall register** for the course again.

14.5 The passing requirement for the courses which are assessed only through purely internal assessment (EEC courses except project work), is 50% of the internal assessment marks only.

14.6 A student can apply for revaluation of his/her semester examination answer paper in a theory course as per the guidelines of COE, on payment of a prescribed fee along with prescribed application to the COE through the Head of the Institution. The COE will arrange for the revaluation and the results will be intimated to the student concerned through the Head of the Institution. Revaluation is not permitted for laboratory course and EEC courses.

15 AWARD OF LETTER GRADES

15.1 The award of letter grades will be decided using relative grading principle except Laboratory Courses and Project Work. The performance of a student will be reported using letter grades, each carrying certain points as detailed below:

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Letter Grade	Grade Points*
O (Outstanding)	10
A + (Excellent)	9
A (Very Good)	8
B + (Good)	7
B (Average)	6
C (Satisfactory)	5
U (Re-appearance)	0
SA (Shortage of Attendance)	0
WD (Withdrawal)	0

A student is deemed to have passed and acquired the corresponding credits in a particular course if he/she obtains any one of the following grades: "O", "A+", "A", "B+", "B", "C".

'SA' denotes shortage of attendance (as per clause 10.3) and hence Prevention from writing the end semester examinations. 'SA' will appear only in the result sheet.

"U" denotes that the student has failed to pass in that course. "WD" denotes withdrawal from the exam for the particular course. The grades U and W will figure both in the Grade Sheet as well as in the Result Sheet. In both cases, the

student has to appear for the End Semester Examinations as per the Regulations.

If the grade U is given to Theory Courses/ Laboratory Courses it is not required to satisfy the attendance requirements (vide clause 10), but has to appear for the end semester examination and fulfil the norms specified in clause 14 to earn a pass in the respective courses. If the grade U is given to Project work, the course has to be registered again and attendance requirement (vide clause 10) should be satisfied.

If the grade U is given to EEC course (except project work), which are evaluated only through internal assessment, the student shall register for the course again in the subsequent semester fullfill the norms as specified in Clause 14 to earn pass in the course. However, attendance requirement need not be satisfied.

15.1.1 Relative Grading

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For those students who have passed the course (theory course / laboratory integrated courses / theory integrated courses / all other EEC except laboratory course / Project Work Courses), the relative grading shall be done. The marks of those students who have passed only shall be inputted in the software developed for relative grading. The evolved relative grading method normalizes the results data using the BOX-COX transformation method and computes the grade range for each course separately and awards the grade to each student. (theory course / laboratory integrated courses / theory integrated courses and all other EEC Courses). If the students' strength is greater than 30, the relative grading method shall be adopted.

15.1.2 Absolute Grading

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- In all the courses, for those students who have passed the course, if their strength is less than or equal to 30 then absolute grading shall be followed with the grade range as specified in the Table.
- For the Project Work / Internship and Laboratory Courses, absolute grading procedure shall be followed as given in the Table below irrespective of the number of students who have passed the course.

Table – Grade range for absolute grading

O	A+	A	B+	B	C	U
91 - 100	81 - 90	71 - 80	61 - 70	56 - 60	50 – 55	< 50

15.2 The grades O, A+, A, B+, B, C obtained for the one/two credit courses (not part of curriculum) under the title ‘**Value Added Courses**’ and ‘**internship/industrial training**’ (if not part of curriculum) shall figure in the Grade Sheet. For these courses if the grades obtained are RA, SA, it will **not figure in the Grade Sheet**.

15.3 For the MCA students admitted under non-computer-science background category, the grades obtained for the prescribed bridge courses will appear on the grade sheet, but will not be considered for GPA/CGPA calculation.

15.4 For the students who complete the Audit Course satisfying attendance requirement, the title of the Audit Course will be mentioned in the Grade Sheet. If the attendance requirement is not satisfied, it will not be shown in the **Grade Sheet**.

15.5 GRADE SHEET

After results are declared, Grade Sheets will be issued to each student which will contain the following details:

- The college in which the student has studied.
- The list of courses registered during the semester and the grades scored.
- The Grade Point Average (GPA) for the semester and
- The Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of all courses enrolled from first semester onwards.

GPA for a semester is the ratio of the sum of the products of the number of credits acquired for courses and the corresponding points to the sum of the number of credits acquired for the courses in the semester. CGPA will be calculated in a similar manner, considering all the courses registered from first semester. RA grades will be excluded for calculating GPA and CGPA.

$$\text{GPA / CGPA} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n C_i \text{ GP}_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n C_i}$$

where

C_i is the number of credits assigned to the course

GP_i is the Grade point corresponding to the grade obtained for each Course

n is number of all Courses successfully cleared during the particular semester in the case of GPA and during all the semesters in the case of **CGPA**.

15.5.1 Grade Sheet

In the consolidated grade sheet the CGPA earned shall be converted into percentage of marks as follows:

$$\text{Percentage of Marks} = \text{CGPA} \times 10.$$

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16 ELIGIBILITY FOR THE AWARD OF THE DEGREE

16.1 A student shall be declared to be eligible for the award of the P.G. Degree (M.E./ M.Tech. and M.C.A.) provided the student has

i. Successfully gained the required number of total credits as specified in the curriculum corresponding to the student's programme within the stipulated time.

ii. **a. M.E./ M.Tech. and M.C.A.**

Successfully completed the course requirements, appeared for the End-Semester examinations and passed all the subjects prescribed in all the 4 semesters within a maximum period of 4 years reckoned from the commencement of the first semester to which the student was admitted. In addition, for the MCA students admitted under non-computer-science background category, the prescribed bridge courses also have to be completed within the maximum duration mentioned above.

b. M.E./ M.Tech.(Part Time)

Successfully completed the course requirements, appeared for the End-Semester examinations and passed all the subjects prescribed in all the 6 semesters within a maximum period of 6 years reckoned from the commencement of the first semester to which the student was admitted.

iii. Successfully passed any additional courses prescribed by the Director, Centre for Academic Courses whenever readmitted under regulations R-2021 (vide clause **19.3**)

iv. No disciplinary action pending against the student.

v. The award of Degree must have been approved by the Syndicate of the University.

17. CLASSIFICATION OF THE DEGREE AWARDED

17.1 FIRST CLASS WITH DISTINCTION:

A Student who satisfies the following conditions shall be declared to have passed the examination in **First class with Distinction**:

M.E. / M.Tech. and M.C.A (Full Time)

- Should have passed the examination in all the courses of all the four semesters in the student's First Appearance within **three** years, which

includes authorised break of study of one year (if availed). Withdrawal from examination (vide Clause 18) will not be considered as an appearance.

- Should have secured a CGPA of not less than **8.50**.
- Should NOT have been prevented from writing end Semester examination due to lack of attendance in any of the courses.

M.E. / M.Tech. (Part Time)

- Should have passed the examination in all the courses of all the six semesters in the student's First Appearance within **four** years, which includes authorised break of study of one year (if availed). Withdrawal from examination (vide Clause 18) will not be considered as an appearance.
- Should have secured a CGPA of not less than **8.50**.
- Should NOT have been prevented from writing end Semester examination due to lack of attendance in any of the courses.

17.2 FIRST CLASS:

A student who satisfies the following conditions shall be declared to have passed the examination in **First class**:

M.E. / M.Tech. and M.C.A (Full Time)

- Should have passed the examination in all the courses of all four semesters **within three years**, which includes one year of authorized break of study (if availed) or prevention from writing the End Semester Examination due to lack of attendance (if applicable).
- Should have secured a CGPA of not less than **6.50**.

M.E. / M.Tech. (Part Time)

- Should have passed the examination in all the courses of all six semesters **within four years**, which includes one year of authorized break of study (if availed) or prevention from writing the End Semester Examination due to lack of attendance (if applicable).
- Should have secured a CGPA of not less than **6.50**.

17.3 SECOND CLASS:

All other students (not covered in clauses 17.1 and 17.2) who qualify for the award of the degree (vide Clause 16.1) shall be declared to have passed the examination in **Second Class**.

- 17.4** A student who is absent in End Semester Examination in a course / project work after having registered for the same shall be considered to have appeared in that examination (except approved withdrawal from end semester examinations as per clause 18) for the purpose of classification.

17.5 **Photocopy / Revaluation**

A student can apply for photocopy of his/her semester examination answer paper in a theory course, as per the guidelines of COE on payment of a prescribed fee through proper application to the Controller of Examinations through the Head of Institutions. The answer script is to be valued and justified by a faculty member, who handled the subject and recommend for revaluation with breakup of marks for each question. Based on the recommendation, the student can register for the revaluation through proper application to the Controller of Examinations. The Controller of Examinations will arrange for the revaluation and the results will be intimated to the student concerned through the Head of the Institutions. Revaluation is not permitted for practical courses and for EEC courses.

A student can apply for revaluation of answer scripts for not exceeding 5 subjects at a time.

17.6 **Review**

Students not satisfied with Revaluation can apply for Review of his/ her examination answer paper in a theory course, within the prescribed date on payment of a prescribed fee through proper application to Controller of Examinations through the Head of the Institution.

Students applying for Revaluation only are eligible to apply for Review.

18 **PROVISION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM EXAMINATION:**

- 18.1 A student may, for valid reasons, (medically unfit / unexpected family situations / sports approved by Head of the Institution) be granted permission to withdraw from appearing for the End Semester Examination in any course or courses in **ANY ONE** of the semester examinations during the entire duration of the degree programme. The application shall be sent to COE through the Head of the Institutions with required documents.
- 18.2 Withdrawal application is valid if the student is otherwise eligible to write the examination (Clause 10) and if it is made within TEN days after the date of the examination(s) in that course or courses and recommended by the Head of the Institution and approved by the Controller of Examinations. For a student to withdraw from a course / courses, he/she should have registered for the course, fulfilled the attendance requirements (vide clause 10) and earned continuous assessment marks.
- 18.2.1 Notwithstanding the requirement of mandatory 10 days notice, applications for withdrawal for special cases under extraordinary conditions will be considered on the merit of the case.

- 18.3 In case of withdrawal from a course / courses, it will figure both in Marks Sheet as well as in Result Sheet. However, withdrawal shall not be considered as an appearance for the eligibility of a student for First Class with Distinction.
- 18.4 If a student withdraws from writing end semester examinations for a course or courses, he/she shall register for the same in the subsequent semester and write the end semester examination(s).
- 18.5 If a student applies for withdrawal from Project work, he/she will be permitted for the withdrawal only after the submission of project report before the deadline. However, the student may appear for the viva voce examination within 30/60 days after the declaration of results for Project Work I and II respectively and the same is not considered as reappearance.
- 18.6 Withdrawal is permitted for the end semester examinations in the final semester, as per clause 17.1.

19 AUTHORIZED BREAK OF STUDY FROM A PROGRAMME

- 19.1 A student is permitted to avail authorised break of study for a maximum period of one year in a single spell.
- 19.2 Break of Study shall be granted only once for valid reasons for a maximum of one year during the entire period of study of the degree programme. However, in extraordinary situation the student may apply for additional break of study not exceeding another one year. If a student intends to temporarily discontinue the programme in the middle of the semester for valid reasons, and to rejoin the programme in a subsequent year, permission may be granted based on the merits of the case provided he / she applies to the Director, Student Affairs in advance, but not later than the last date for registering for the end semester examination of the semester in question, through the Head of the Institution stating the reasons therefore and the probable date of rejoining the programme.
- 19.3 The students permitted to rejoin the programme after break of study / prevention due to lack of attendance, shall be governed by the Curriculum and Regulations in force at the time of rejoining. The students rejoining in new regulations shall register for additional courses, if any, as notified by the Centre for Academic Courses under change of regulations. These courses may be from any of the semesters of the curriculum in force, so as to bridge the curriculum in force and the old curriculum. In such cases, the total number of credits to be earned by the student may be more than or equal to the total number of credits prescribed in the curriculum in force.

- 19.4 The authorized break of study of maximum of one year is included in the duration specified for passing all the courses for the purpose of classification (vide Clause 17.1).
- 19.5 The total period for completion of the Programme reckoned from, the commencement of the first semester to which the student was admitted shall not exceed the maximum period specified in clause 4.1 irrespective of the period of break of study in order that he/she may be eligible for the award of the degree.
- 19.6 If any student is prevented for want of required attendance, the period of prevention shall not be considered as authorized 'Break of Study' (Clause 19.1).
- 19.7 If a student in Full Time mode wants to take up job / start-up / entrepreneurship during the period of study he/she shall apply for authorised break of study for one year. The student shall undertake the job / start-up / entrepreneurship only after getting approval of the same by The Director, Centre for Academic Courses with due proof to that effect.
- 19.8 No fee is applicable to students during the Break of Study period.

20 DISCIPLINE

- 20.1 Every student is required to observe disciplined and decorous behavior both inside and outside the college and not to indulge in any activity which will tend to bring down the prestige of the University / College. The Head of Institution shall constitute a disciplinary committee consisting of Head of Institution, Two Heads of Department of which one should be from the faculty of the student, to enquire into acts of indiscipline and notify the University about the disciplinary action recommended for approval. In case of any serious disciplinary action which leads to suspension or dismissal, then a committee shall be constituted including one representative from Anna University, Chennai. In this regard, the member will be nominated by the University on getting information from the Head of the Institution.
- 20.2 If a student indulges in malpractice in any of the University / internal examination he / she shall be liable for punitive action as prescribed by the University from time to time.

21 REVISION OF REGULATIONS, CURRICULUM AND SYLLABI

The University may from time to time revise, amend or change the Regulations, Curriculum, Syllabus and scheme of examinations through the Academic Council with the approval of the Syndicate.

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