

AFFILIATED INSTITUTIONS

REGULATIONS 2017

CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION PROCEDURES
COMMON TO ALL POST GRADUATE PROGRAMMES**

I Project Work

The Project work is an important component of Post-Graduate programmes. The Project Work has to be undertaken in the final semester.

The Project work for M.B.A shall be pursued for a period of 16 weeks during the final semester, with an additional of maximum 4 weeks for report writing, the total project duration not exceeding 20 weeks. The Project work shall be carried out under the supervision of a faculty member in the Department concerned.

A student shall be permitted to work on projects in an Industrial/Research Organization, on the recommendations of the Head of the Department. In such cases, the student shall be instructed to meet the supervisor periodically once every week and attend the review committee meetings for evaluating the progress. In case the student is undertaking the project work in the department the student has to report every day to the supervisor either in physical mode or online mode.

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.

The deadline for submission of final Project Report is 30 calendar days from the last working day of the semester in which project is done.

II Industrial Training / Internship

The students may undergo Industrial training for a period as specified in the curriculum during summer / winter vacation. In this case the training has to be undergone continuously for the entire period.

The students may undergo Internship at Research organization / University (after due approval from the Department Consultative Committee) for the period prescribed in the curriculum during summer / winter vacation, in lieu of Industrial training.

III Value Added Courses

The 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. One / Two credit courses shall be offered by a Department **of an institution with the prior approval from the Head of the Institution.** The details of the syllabus, time table and faculty may be sent to the Centre for Academic Courses and the Controller of Examinations after approval from the **Head of the Institution** concerned atleast one month before the course is offered. **Students can take a maximum of two one credit courses / one two credit course** during the entire duration of the Programme.

IV Online Courses

Students may be permitted to credit only one online course of 3 credits with the approval of **Head of the Institution** and Centre for Academic Courses.

Students may be permitted to credit one online course (which are provided with certificate) subject to a maximum of three credits. The approved list of online courses will be provided by the Centre for Academic courses from time to time. The student needs to obtain certification or credit to become eligible for writing the End Semester Examination to be conducted by Controller of Examinations, Anna University. The details regarding online courses taken up by students should be sent to the Controller of Examinations, Anna University and Centre for Academic Courses one month before the commencement of end Semester Examination.

V EVALUATION OF PROJECT WORK

The evaluation of Project Work for Phase-I & Phase-II in the case of M.E. / M.Tech. and project work of M.B.A and 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.

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 branch of study. The total marks obtained in the three assessments shall be reduced to 20 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:

Internal Assessment (20 Marks)			End Semester Examination (80 Marks)			
Review - I	Review - II	Review - III	Thesis Submission (30 Marks)	Viva – Voce (Rounded to 50 Marks)		
			External Examiner	Internal Examiner	External Examiner	Supervisor Examiner
5	7.5	7.5	30	15	20	15

The Project Report prepared according to approved guidelines as given by Director, 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.

If the candidate fails to obtain 50% of the internal assessment marks in the Phase-I and Phase-II / final project, he/she will not be permitted to submit the report for that particular semester and has to re-enroll for the same in the subsequent semester.

If a candidate fails to submit the project report on or before the specified deadline, he/she is deemed to have failed in the Project Work and shall re-enroll for the same in a subsequent semester.

If a candidate fails in the end semester examinations of Phase-I, he/she has to resubmit the

Project Report within 30 days from the date of declaration of the results. If he / she fails in the End semester examination of Phase-II of Project work of M.B.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.

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.

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.

At the end of Practical / Industrial Training, Summer Project the candidate shall submit a 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. Certificates submitted by the students shall be attached to the mark list sent by the Head of the Institution to the Controller of Examination.

VI ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF A SEMESTER

A candidate 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.

However, a candidate 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 candidate 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.

Candidates who could secure less than 65% overall attendance and **Candidates who do not satisfy the clauses 10.1 & 10.2** 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.

VII PROCEDURES FOR AWARDING MARKS FOR INTERNAL ASSESSMENT(IA)

The maximum marks assigned to different courses shall be as given below:

Each of the theory and practical courses (including project work) shall carry a maximum of 100 marks of which 20 marks will be through internal assessment and the End Semester Examination (ESE) will carry 80 marks.

The marks for the continuous assessment shall be awarded as per the procedure given below:

(i) Theory Courses:

Three tests each carrying 100 marks shall be conducted during the semester by the Department / College concerned. The total marks obtained in all tests put together out of 300, shall be proportionately reduced for 20 marks and rounded to the nearest integer (This also

implies equal weightage to all the three tests).

(ii) Practical Courses:

The maximum marks for Internal Assessment shall be 20 in case of practical courses. Every practical exercise / experiment shall be evaluated based on conduct of experiment / exercise and records maintained. There shall be at least one test. The criteria for arriving at the Internal Assessment marks of 20 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 reduced to 20 and rounded to the nearest integer.

(iii) Theory Courses with Laboratory component:

The maximum marks for Internal Assessment shall be 20 in case of theory courses with Laboratory component. For a theory course with Laboratory component, there shall be three assessments: the first two assessments (each with a maximum of 100 marks) will be from theory portions and the third assessment (maximum marks 100) will be for laboratory component. The sum of marks of all three assessments shall be reduced to 20 marks and rounded to the nearest integer.

(iv) Other Employability Enhancement Courses

(a) The seminar / Case study 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 Head of the Institution 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 a 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. Certificates submitted by the candidate shall be attached to the mark list sent by the Head of the Department.

Assessment for Value Added Course

The one / two credit 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 monitor the evaluation process. The list of students along with the marks and the grades earned may be forwarded to the Controller of Examinations for appropriate action at least one month before the commencement of End Semester Examinations

Assessment for Online Courses

Students may be permitted to credit one online course (which are provided with certificate) subject to a maximum of three credits. The approved list of online courses will be provided by the Centre for Academic courses from time to time. **This online course of 3 credits can be considered instead of one elective course**. The student needs to obtain certification or credit to become eligible for writing the End Semester Examination to be conducted by Anna University. **The course shall be evaluated through the End Semester Examination only conducted by Controller of Examinations, Anna University.**

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

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 signature and date after due verification. At the end 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.

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

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.

WEIGHTAGE

The following will be the weightage for different courses.

i) Lecture or Lecture cum Tutorial based course:

Internal Assessment	-	20%
End Semester Examination	-	80%

ii) Laboratory based courses

Internal Assessment	-	20%
End Semester Examination	-	80%

iii) Project work

Internal Assessment	-	20%
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Evaluation of Project Report by external examiner	-	30%
Viva-Voce Examination	-	50%

iv) Practical training / summer project / seminar

Internal Assessment	-	100%
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PASSING REQUIREMENTS

A candidate who secures not less than 50% of total marks prescribed for the course with a minimum of 50% of the marks prescribed for each of the course of the End-Semester University Examination in both theory and practical courses shall be declared to have passed in the course and acquired the relevant number of credits.

If a student fails to secure a pass in theory courses in the current semester examination, he/she is allowed to write arrear examinations for the next three consecutive semesters and their internal marks shall be carried over for the above mentioned period of three consecutive semesters.

In case, if he/she has not successfully completed all the courses of semester I at the end of semester IV, he/she shall redo the semester I courses along with regular students. For the subsequent semesters of II, III and IV, the same procedure shall be followed, subject to the maximum permissible period for this programme.

For MCA programme, to register for courses in V and VI semesters, the student should have successfully completed all the courses of I and II semesters respectively. In case, if he/she has not successfully completed all the courses of semester III at the end of semester VI, he/she shall redo the semester III courses along with regular students. For the subsequent semesters of IV, V and VI, the same procedure shall be followed, subject to the maximum permissible period for this programme.

If a student fails to secure a pass in a laboratory course, **the student shall register** for the course again, when offered next.

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, when offered next.

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.

A student can apply for revaluation of the student's semester examination answer paper in a theory course, within 2 weeks from the declaration of results, 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 project work.

AWARD OF LETTER GRADES

All assessments of a course will be evaluated on absolute marks basis. However, for the purpose of reporting the performance of a candidate, letter grades, each carrying certain number of points, will be awarded as per the range of total marks (out of 100) obtained by the candidate in each subject as detailed below:

Letter Grade	Grade Points	Marks Range
O (Outstanding)	10	91 - 100
A + (Excellent)	9	81 - 90
A (Very Good)	8	71 - 80
B + (Good)	7	61 - 70
B (Average)	6	50 - 60
RA	0	<50
SA (Shortage of Attendance)	0	
W	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".

'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.

“**RA**” denotes that the student has failed to pass in that course. “**W**” denotes **withdrawal** from the exam for the particular course. The grades RA and W will figure both in Marks Sheet as well as in Result Sheet). In both cases the student has to earn Continuous Assessment marks and appear for the End Semester Examinations.

If the grade W is given to course, the attendance requirement need not be satisfied.

If the grade RA is given to a core **theory course**, the attendance requirement need not be satisfied, but if the grade RA is given to a **Laboratory Course/ Project work / Seminar and any other EEC course**, the attendance requirements (vide clause 10) should be satisfied.

The grades O, A+, A, B+, B obtained for the one credit course shall figure in the Mark sheet under the title ‘**Value Added Courses**’. The Courses for which the grades are RA, SA **will not figure in the mark sheet.**

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 candidate has studied.
- The list of courses enrolled 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 for courses acquired and the corresponding points to the sum of the number of credits for the courses acquired 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 **CGP**