

AMITY UNIVERSITY

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# **MINUTES**

# $18^{\rm th}\,\text{ACADEMIC}$ COUNCIL MEETING

DATE	:	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
TIME	:	10:00 AM
VENUE	:	Online through Zoom

### MINUTES OF THE 18<sup>th</sup> ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING OF AMITY UNIVERSITY MADHYA PRADESH, HELD ON 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2021

- The 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council of Amity University Madhya Pradesh (AUMP) was held on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 1000 hours on Zoom Platform (Online Mode). The meeting was presided by Lt Gen V K Sharma, AVSM (Retd), the Vice Chancellor and Chairman of Academic Council, AUMP, Gwalior.
- 2. The Agenda Points proposed to be discussed during the meeting, were earlier circulated to all members, and are attached as <u>Appendix A</u>. The list of Members of Academic Council of Amity University Madhya Pradesh present in the meeting is attached as <u>Appendix B</u>. The Academic Council then proceeded to discuss the agenda points. The details of discussion are given in the succeeding paragraphs.

#### 3. Agenda No. 1: Welcome Address by Chairman.

The Vice-Chancellor of the University and Chairman of Academic Council extended his hearty welcome for the 1<sup>st</sup> Academic Council Meeting (ACM) of the year 2021. He mentioned that the Academic Council meeting is mother of all meeting as the entire planning be it academics, examination, events, book and lab requirement, infrastructure, manpower requirement, minutes of Board of Studies, curriculum design are approved in the said meeting and therefore it is the most important Two ACM meetings are planned and organized religiously in the meeting. University. So far due to the Pandemic online classes are being conducted for the students of the University and their assessment carried out on virtual mode. The session for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester students started in the month of September, 2020 and their results were declared on 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2021. All the students of the odd semesters were promoted to the even semester and the students having the back papers will be provided the opportunity of Guided Self Study Course (GSSC). The examination of PG 1<sup>st</sup> year students were not conducted and were promoted based on their internal assessment. For students enrolled in Law Programs as per the BCI norms their online examinations were conducted and for other student the assessment was based on online examination and multiple choices.

Further he informed the learned committee member that the University started function in physical mode from 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 for the staff and faculty members. However, as per the Government of Madhya Pradesh orders Hostel for the students have not be opened on physical mode and attendance must not be made obligatory. He added that the notification of the Government for conducting the exams for final year students in physical mode is contradicts its order for not opening the Hostel for students as the Hostellers belonging outside Gwalior or different state will find it difficult to stay for appearing for the examinations. Incidents of Covid are on the raise especially in Maharashtra, Delhi, Punjab and some parts of Madhya Pradesh. He informed the committee that in case of Gwalior the government has ordered the closure of shops by 2200 hrs to 0600 hrs and have imposed night curfew. The vaccine for Covid is going on for the senior citizen. All the precautionary guidelines have been forwarded to the staff and faculty members of the University for strict Adherence. The number of webinars held during the last year exceeds the events to be held in the physical mode as it was held through virtual mode. He concluded his welcome address and asked the Registrar to processed with the Agendas to be discussed in the meeting.

- 4. <u>Agenda No. 2 : Ratification of Minutes of Academic Council Meeting held on</u> <u>18<sup>th</sup> September 2020</u>. The Minutes of the last Academic Council Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2020, were briefed to the members through an online presentation by the Registrar. The minutes were ratified and are attached as <u>Appendix – C</u>
- 5. <u>Agenda No. 3 : Approval of Minutes of Board of Studies Meetings held in</u> <u>Feb/March 2021 of various institutes/schools of AUMP</u>.
  - (a) Minutes of Board of Studies (BoS) meetings of various Institutes/School held in Feb/March 2021 including all the amendments made in the syllabus, course structure, credits etc. were briefed the members by all HoIs.
  - (b) The Minutes of BoS meeting of various institutes/schools were approved by the Academic Council.

#### 6. Agenda No. 4 : Approval of Academic Calendar for Next Academic Year 2021-

<u>22</u>. The Academic Calendar for the Academic Year 2021-22 was placed before the members of the Academic Council and Dean Academics was requested to brief the members.

The Chairman of the Committee had asked to revise the calendar keeping in view to the revised event calendar wrt the mid semester examination, which was discussed in the meeting. The revised Academic Calendar incorporating the suggestion of Hon'ble VC was unanimously approved by the members of the Academic Council, which is attached as **Appendix – D**.

- 7. Agenda No. 5 : Approval of Examination Calendar for Next Academic Year 2021-22. The Examination Calendar for the Academic Year 2021-22 was placed before the members of the Academic Council for approval and Controller of Examinations was asked to brief about the proposed in the same. The dates were revised keeping in view to the events planned for the session 2021-22 and accordingly the suggestion were incorporated in the revised examination calendar and was unanimously approved and is attached as <u>Appendix – E.</u>
- 8. Agenda No 6 : Approval of Calendar of Events for the period from July Dec <u>2021.</u> The details of planned events of various institutes/schools was submitted before the committee members in the form of Event Calendar of AUMP for the upcoming semester July Dec 2021 and discussed in details. The Chairman had suggested amendments in the same which was incorporated then and their itself and unanimously approved by the members of Academic Council. The revised event calendar is attached as **Appendix-F**.

9. Agenda No. 7: Requirement of Teaching Staff for the year 2021-22.

Keeping in view the faculty load and backfill vacancies created against the left faculty members in the various institutes, the requirement of teaching faculty for the session 2021-22 has been prepared and put up before the members for approval. The same was approved and is attached as **Appendix – G.** Hon'ble VC and the Chairman further asked the Registrar to put up the additional vacancy to be created

for the teaching staff from the next council meeting as the vacancy in lieu of the teaching faculty who has left the University had already been approved.

- 10. <u>Agenda No. 8 : Approval of Guest Faculties from the period of July 2020 to Dec</u> <u>2021 –</u> HoIs of various Institutes/Schools proposed the requirement of guest faculties for the period from July 2020 to Dec 2021 for the post factor approval of the members of the Academic Council. The same was approved and is attached as <u>Appendix – H.</u> Further, the Chairman also instructed the HoIs to confirm from the Guest Faculty members on their willingness to set the exam papers and invigilate it and accordingly, they may be hired.
- 11. <u>Agenda No. 09: Approval of requirement of Lab Equipments/Consumables for</u> <u>next odd semester commencing from July 2021</u> – The requirement of lab equipments received from the various institutes for the session commencing from July 2021 was briefed to the members. The same was approved and is attached as <u>Appendix – I</u>
- 12. <u>Agenda No. 10 : Approval of requirement of Books and Journals for next odd</u> <u>semester commencing from July 2021 –</u> HoIs of various Institutes/Schools have proposed the requirement of Books for the next semester commencing from July 2021 which was put up before the members of Academic Council.

The books requirement of all institutes was unanimously approved and the same is attached as **Appendix – J.** It was decided that the purchase orders will be placed for the books requirement of the courses which have been regulated by BCI, PCI, COA and RCI as per norms and the HoIs of the other programs may revisit the list and only procure the essential books.

13. <u>Agenda No. 11 : Approval of courses, Intake and its fees for the Academic</u> <u>Session 2021-22 –</u> The lists of under graduate and post graduate courses with the admission eligibility criteria, fees and intake for 2021-22 and PhD Intake 2021-22 were put up before the member of Academic Council for approval. The same were approved with the increase in seat for B.Tech CSE keeping in view to the demand for the program. The revised list duly approved by the committee is attached as **Appendix – K.** 

- 14. Agenda No. 12 : Approval of proposal for launching of new programme and its ordinances. The Registrar had proposed to offer 02 new programs from the upcoming academic session i.e. B.Sc. (H) Clinical Psychology and M.Sc. (Environmental Science). The Registrar had informed the Committee Members that the ordinance wrt B.Sc. (H) have already been notified in the 1st Ordinance of AUMP and it has been mentioned in the said Ordinance that "More honours degree programmes will also be offered under the ordinance on the recommendation of the Board of Management of the University". In this regard the Registrar asked for suggestions from the committee member on whether a new ordinance wrt to B.Sc. (H) Clinical Psychology is to be submitted or the same ordinance i.e Ordinance No. 19 Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) - Hons. is sufficient for offering the said course. The Committee members unanimously agreed that there was no need to publish the fresh Ordinance for offering B.Sc. (H) Clinical Psychology and the Ordinance No. 19 will be applicable for the said course. It was also informed to the Committee members that the Ordinance for offering M.Sc. (Environmental Science) is also notified in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ordinance of AUMP. The Committee approved the proposal for launching the above mentioned 02 new programs from the upcoming Academic Session.
- 15. <u>Agenda No. 13 : Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of University Research</u> <u>Council (URC) held on 08 & 09 March 2021.</u> It was briefed by the Controller of Examination that 02 URC meeting were held on 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2020 and 08<sup>th</sup> & 09<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 and the minutes of the meetings were submitted for the kind approval of the member of Academic Council, which was unanimously approved.
- 16. <u>Agenda No. 14 : Information about Research Projects submitted by various institutes/ schools from Sept 2020 to Feb 2021 –</u> Dr. Swapnil Rai, Associate Professor, EVS & University Research Coordinator, on behalf of Dean (Research), AUMP presented the research and innovation output carried out by Directorate of Research and Innovation for the period between September 2020 to February, 2021. Hon'ble Chairman asked Dean (R) and the HoIs to motivate the faculty members to submit more projects to MP Council of Science and Technology

(MPCST) and nominate someone to follow it up with the Chairman/Director to increase the research funding.

## 17. Agenda No. 15 : Any Other Points with the Permission of the Chair -

(a) Two items were taken up for the discussion with the permission of the Chair, one was the events to be carried out by Amity Law School and the other was the phases of the Campus Placement submitted by Corporate Resource Centre (CRC) which were unanimously approved and incorporated in the revised event calendar of the University.

(b) Prof (Dr) SG Deshmukh, Professor, IIT Delhi had informed the Committee Members that the University must prepare a road map for the transition of the students which are learning online right now and will be required to attend the classes on Physical mode, as they will not be used to the traditional pedagogy. He also told that institutions are facing challenges for placing the students online. Hon'ble VC and Chairman of the Committee said that his suggestion have been noted and informed that the University has done exceptionally well in placing the students and have recorded 95% placement till date.

As there were no other point to discuss the meeting was concluded with thanks to the Chair.

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