UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

(Abstract)

Ph.D. registration – Course work – norms for the conduct of examination –
Approved – Orders issued.

ACADEMIC E1.A SECTION


Read:
3. Minutes of the meeting held on 03.11.2010, to finalise details of Ph.D. course work and conduct of Examination.

ORDER

As per U.O. read (2) above, norms for the conduct of Ph.D. course work examination was approved by the Vice-Chancellor.

The following recommendations were made at the meeting held on 03.11.2010, read as paper (3) above, to finalise the operational aspects of Ph.D. course work and the conduct of the examination, which consist of one paper in Research Methodology and two papers related to the area of Research.

I. Course work Paper I – Research Methodology

The Syllabus for Research Methodology be finalized and the same may be forwarded to all the Heads of Departments/ Research Centres and may also be made available in the University website.

The Question paper setting of Research Methodology, by external Question paper setters, is entrusted with the Controller of Examinations who, alongwith the Evaluation panel shall hand over the same to the Vice-Chairman, CSS, who shall be responsible for the conduct of the examination, valuation and publication of result.

The panel of question paper setters will be provided by the Deans of Faculties and shall include only external Question paper setters.

II. Course work Paper II & III

For course work paper II & III, relating to area of research, the Supervising teacher will prepare two sets of question papers which is to be approved by the Chairman, Doctoral Committee and handed over to the Vice-Chairman, CSS, who shall form a question paper depository.

III. CSS

The Examination for all the three papers of Ph.D. course work will be notified by CSS and will be conducted in the months of July and December.

The applications will be received and processed by CSS. A copy of the Ph.D. Registration orders, attested by the Chairman, Doctoral Committee shall be attached alongwith the application. Copies of all Ph.D. registration order is to be forwarded to Vice-Chairman, CSS by the concerned sections.
IV. **Conduct of Ph.D. course work Examination**

The Question papers for all the three course work papers will be handed over by the Vice-Chairman, CSS to the concerned Departments and the Examination will be held in the respective Departments where the Doctoral Committee has been conducted. For those Subjects, like Medicine and Engineering, which are not offered in Departments, the examination will be conducted in the Karyavattom Campus under the direct supervision of the Vice-Chairman, CSS.

The answerpapers of Paper I Research Methodology shall be forwarded by the Vice-Chairman, CSS to the Examiners listed in the panel, for evaluation.

The answerpapers of Paper II and III are evaluated by the Supervising guide. The Evaluation will be arranged by the Chairman, Doctoral Committee and the marks will be handed over to Vice-Chairman, CSS who shall be responsible for the publication of result of the three course work papers.

There will be no revaluation for the three coursework papers.

The course work Pass Certificates will be issued by the Vice-Chairman, CSS.

The first Examination of the Ph.D. course work will be held in the first week of February 2011 and subsequently in July and December.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the above recommendations being approved.

Orders are issued accordingly.

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PADMINI GOPAL V.
DEPUTY REGISTRAR (Academic III)
for REGISTRAR

To

1. P.S. to V.C/P.V.C.
2. P.A. to Registrar/ F.O.
3. P.A. to C.E.
4. Vice-Chairman, CSS/ Coordinator of Ph.D. course work.
5. Heads of all University Teaching and Research Departments/ Research Centres.
6. Heads of all Recognized Research Institution, Departments of affiliated Colleges.
7. All District Officers/ Taluk Information Centres of the University.
8. PRO/ Reception Office.
10. Registrar Tapal.

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**SECTION OFFICER.**
Ph.D. Registration – Course work – Addition to Clause (II) of the regulations relating to registration –
Sanctioned – Orders issued.

ACADEMIC

E1.B SECTION

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 10.07.2009.

Read: 1. Item No.34.39 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 29.04.2009.
2. Item No.43 of the minutes of the Academic Council held on 18.05.2009.

ORDER

The Academic Council held on 18.05.2009 resolved to approve the recommendation of the Syndicate meeting held on 29.04.2009 regarding changes to be made in the regulations for Ph.D. research as detailed below:

1. The Course work of six months duration is introduced for all Ph.D. Programmes. There will be three papers for the course work with one paper on Research Methodology, and the other two papers related to the area of research. Candidates having M.Phil. Degree are exempted from writing the examination on Research Methodology.

The Syllabus for the papers will be framed by the Supervising teacher and approved by the Doctoral Committee. Examinations will be conducted at the end of six months from the date of registration.

Only after passing the examination of the course work, the Ph.D. thesis can be submitted. A maximum of three attempts will be allowed for passing the examination of the course work. Those who do not pass the examination of the course work within two years from date of registration will not be allowed to continue the programme. This is applicable to full-time and part-time researchers.

2. A pre-submission seminar conducted in the Department/ Research Centre is one of the requirements for submission of thesis.

The pre-submission Seminar will be organized in the concerned Department/ Research Centre and will be conducted by a Board consisting of the Doctoral Committee and an external expert from outside the Department/ Research Centre. Recommendations of the Board has to be included in the thesis.

3. One publication in an approved journal and one presentation in a National/ International Seminar is also a pre-requisite for submission of thesis.

4. The above Regulations will applicable to those who register for Ph.D. research from July 2009 onwards.

Orders are issued accordingly.

Sd/-

ELIZABETH P. GREGORY
DEPUTY REGISTRAR (Academic III)
For REGISTRAR

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As per University Order read as (1) above, Course work of six month duration is introduced for all Ph.D. programmes, with effect from July 2009 session onwards. There will be three papers for the course work with one paper on Research Methodology and the other two papers related to the area of research. Candidates having M.Phil Degree are exempted from writing the examination on Research Methodology.

The following recommendations were made by the Deans/Co-ordinator for assessing Ph.D. Course work norms at the meeting held on 18.6.2010.

Course Work paper I – Research Methodology

1. At the outset, it was decided that the syllabus for Research Methodology paper has to be common for all the candidates coming under the group of Science and Technology, Social Science and Medicine except under Humanities which is categorized based on the different subjects in Oriental Studies, Arts and Fine Arts.
2. The Co-ordinators of the above groups will be entrusted with framing the syllabi for Research Methodology. In the case of Humanities group the concerned Head of the Departments will be assigned the same.
3. The Question paper setting of Research Methodology alone be entrusted with the Controller of Examinations and be handed over to the Vice-Chairman C.S.S, who shall be responsible for the conduct of the examination valuation and publication of result.
4. Panel of Question paper setters will be provided by the Co-ordinator of Science and Technology, Social Science, Medicine and Humanities.
5. The Centre of Exam for subjects offered by Departments will be the concerned Department and for those subjects which are not offered in Departments, the present system for the conduct of open defence be followed ie either in departments or any research centre allowed by the University in Trivandrum.

Course Work paper II & III relating to area of research

The setting of the Question paper, evaluation and tabulation of marks of subjects offered by Departments be entrusted with the Departmental Doctoral Committee and those not offered by Departments be entrusted with the concerned Doctoral Committee constituted and the the result be handed over to the Vice-Chairman C.S.S.

The centre of exam for subjects offered by Departments will be the concerned Department and for those subjects which are not offered in Departments, the present system for the conduct of open defence be followed ie either in Departments or any research Centre allowed by the University in Trivandrum.

C.S.S.

The Vice-Chairman CSS will be responsible for the conduct of examination and valuation of paper I Research Methodology. The CSS will be entrusted with the work relating to issue of Notification, inviting applications, fee collection, and
Publication of final results of three course work papers and issue of pass certificates/marklists. The Vice-Chairman CSS will co-ordinate the above work.

A candidate can attempt the course work examinations only after six months from date of registration.

- The duration of Examination: 3 hours
- Maximum Marks: 100
- Minimum for a pass: 50
- Valuation fee: Rs.50/- per paper subject to Minimum Rs. 100/-
- Setters fee: Rs.500/- per paper
- Examination Registration fee: Rs. 1500/- first appearance
- Subsequent appearance: Rs. 500/- per paper

The Research scholar can appear for the individual papers which they have not cleared.

Part-time/Full-time Research scholars have to clear the Examination within 2 years from date of registration within a maximum of three attempts. Those who have registered in the July 2009 session and January 2010 session have to clear all the three Examinations within December 2011.

The scholars who have registered for Ph.D. in the January session can attempt the course work examination conducted in December and those who have registered in the July session can attempt the course work Examination conducted in June, next year.

The Research Scholars can continue their research programme only on production of their course work pass certificates, to the Ph.D. Section.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the above recommendations made by the Dean/Co-ordinators for assessing Ph.D. Course Work norms, being approved.

Orders are issued accordingly.

Sd/-

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