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#### MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON

#### **12<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2023**

# (THROUGH HYBRID MODE ON ZOOM PLATFORM)

The meeting of the 13<sup>th</sup> Academic Council was held on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023 from 10:00 am onwards through Hybrid mode on Zoom Platform.

### The following members were present at the meeting.

- 1. Dr. A W Santhosh Kumar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor– Chairperson
- 2. Dr. M P Kaushik Member
- 3. Dr. Ashok Pundir Member
- 4. Dr. Sanjay Deshmukh Member
- 5. Dr. Vijay Singh Dahima Member
- 6. Dr. Shrikant Charhate Member
- 7. Dr. Gautam Gawali Member
- 8. Dr. Bhawana Chanana Member
- 9. Dr. Suneela Dhaneshwar Member
- 10. Dr. Supriya Nene Member
- 11. Dr. Bhawna Sharma Member
- 12. Dr. Sunil Dhaneshwar Member
- 13. Dr. Nima Jerrit John Member
- 14. Prof. Avinash Pawar Member
- 15. Dr. Divya Pandey Member
- 16. Dr. Manoj Devare Member
- 17. Prof. Bhuvanesh Gowda Member
- 18. Dr. Deepak H Hawaldar Member
- 19. Dr. T Vallinayagam Member
- 20. Dr. Sanjay Govind Patil (RICS) Member
- 21. Dr. Sagar Barge Special Invitee
- 22. Dr. Sujeet Kumar Special Invitee
- 23. Mr Nandkumar Prakash Dhake Special Invitee
- 24. Mr Sandeep Gundedti Special Invitee
- 25. Dr. H. S. Vyas Registrar & Member Secretary



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The following member could not attend the meeting due to their other important engagements.

- 1. Dr. P S Sali Member
- 2. Prof. P. B. Sharma Member
- 3. Dr. G Thampi Member
- 4. Dr. Penna Suprasanna Member

All the agenda points were discussed one by one, and deliberations were recorded below.

#### Agenda – 1

### Opening Remark by the Chairman of Academic Council.

The Academic Council meeting began with Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcoming the members of the Academic Council. In his welcome address, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor mentioned that there is a need to have 360-degree Review of the Academic Plan of all the schools at Amity University Maharashtra to strengthen the academia. He also emphasized on engaging with the faculty in formulating a blue print strategy for academic development of respective institutions.

With the permission of the Chair, the Registrar took the discussion of the Academic Council Meeting forward.

### Agenda – 2

# Approval of Minutes of Academic Council Meeting held on 05<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

The Registrar placed before the members of the Academic Council along with Agenda wise points that was discussed during the 12<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting held on 05<sup>th</sup> April 2023.



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Agenda-wise points discussed in the previous meeting is as follows:

| Sr. # | Agenda Item  | Remarks   |
|-------|--|---|
| 1     | Welcome address and Opening Remark by the Chairman of Academic Council.  | Hon'ble Vice Chancellor                           |
| 2     | Ratification of Minutes of Academic Council Meeting held on 12 October 2022.   | Registrar   |
| 3     | Approval of Academic Calendar for Even Semester 2022 – 23  | Registrar   |
| 4     | Approval of minutes of Board of Examination and Calendar of Examination and reporting of Convocation 2023                      | Dy. Controller of Examination                     |
| 5     | Proposal to start B Pharm program at Amity University Maharashtra  | Prof (Dr.) Suneela Dhaneshwar (Director Pharmacy) |
| 6     | Approval of Academic Calendar of PhD for Even Semester 2022 – 23 and for the batch of Jan 2023.                                | Dr. Sujeet Kumar                                  |
| 7     | Proposal of new courses / program to be started in the academic year 2023 – 24.  | Mr NandKumar<br>(Director Admission)              |
| 8     | Approval of the minutes of the Board of Studies recommendations in respect of Schools proposing change in the courses offered. | To be presented by respective school HOIs         |
| 9     | Research activities to include projects, publications and patents submitted by university.                                     | Dr. Penna Suprasanna<br>(Dean Research i/c)       |
| 10    | Any other point with permission of the Chair.  |   |

The minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> Academic Council was approved by the members.

# Agenda – 3

# Approval of Academic Calendar for Odd semester 2023 – 24.

The Registrar invited, Dean Academics to place before the members of the Academic Council the Academic Calendar for the Odd Semester 2023 – 2024.



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| Academic Calendar Odd Semester AY 2023-24         |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Semester 3 onwards (All Programmes)               |  |  |  |  |
| Academic Activity Timeline                        |  |  |  |  |
| Session Start Date                                |  |  |  |  |
| (Re-Registration / Briefing / CBCS Registration & | 24-Jul-2023                                      |  |  |  |
| Commencement of Classes)                          |  |  |  |  |
| Mid-Term Examinations                             | 09- Oct to 13-Oct 2023                           |  |  |  |
| Parent Teachers Interaction                       | 24 <sup>-</sup> Oct to 28 <sup>-</sup> Oct, 2023 |  |  |  |
| Faculty Feedback                                  | 2 <sup>-</sup> Jan to 10 <sup>-</sup> Jan, 2024  |  |  |  |
| Last Teaching Day                                 | 08-Dec-2023                                      |  |  |  |
| End Semester Examinations (Theory + Practical)    | 11 Dec 2023 to 05-Jan 2024                       |  |  |  |
| Result Declaration                                | 20-Jan-2024                                      |  |  |  |
| Commencement of Even Semester                     | 08-Jan-2024                                      |  |  |  |

| Semester 1 (All Programs)                      |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Academic Activity Timeline                     |  |  |  |  |
| (Registration / Orientation                    | 28 <sup>th</sup> August 2023                       |  |  |  |
| Commencement of Classes                        | 29 <sup>th</sup> August 2023                       |  |  |  |
| Mid-Term Examinations                          | 16 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2023      |  |  |  |
| Parent Teachers Interaction                    | 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct to 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct, 2023 |  |  |  |
| Faculty Feedback                               | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan to 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 2024  |  |  |  |
| Last Teaching Day                              | 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan-24                            |  |  |  |
| End Semester Examinations (Theory + Practical) | 15-Jan to 07-Feb 2024                              |  |  |  |
| Result Declaration                             | 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb-24                            |  |  |  |
| Commencement of Semester-II                    | 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb-24                            |  |  |  |

Chairman of The Academic Council, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor informed the members of The Academic Council, that the process is initiated by the Central Team under the guidance of Hon'ble President to create a common Academic Calendar of All Amity University campuses. Academic calendar at AUM is framed in keeping with the guidelines.



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The same was approved by the members of the Academic Council.

# Agenda – 4

Semester Result, Student Eligible for Convocation and PhD Scholars to be awarded of Degree.

The Registrar invited Dy Controller of Examinations to present before the Members of the Academic Council Report of the Semester Result, Student Eligible for Convocation and PhD Scholars to be awarded of Degree.

Dy Controller of Examinations to presented the following:

# I) University Pass Percentage (Even Semester June 2023)

| School | No of students appeared | Pass students | Pass Percentage |
|--------|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| ABS    | 561                     | 378           | 75.75           |
| AFS    | 10                      | 5             | 62.50           |
| AIBAS  | 953                     | 684           | 79.08           |
| AIB    | 396                     | 329           | 86.81           |
| AIIT   | 256                     | 175           | 75.11           |
| AILA   | 43                      | 34            | 87.18           |
| AIT    | 50                      | 40            | 81.63           |
| AITT   | 83                      | 70            | 89.74           |
| ALS    | 321                     | 255           | 85.86           |
| ASAP   | 205                     | 140           | 73.30           |
| ASAS   | 69                      | 56            | 86.15           |
| ASCO   | 551                     | 423           | 85.45           |
| ASET   | 704                     | 470           | 71.21           |
| ASFA   | 59                      | 28            | 59.57           |
| ASFT   | 219                     | 156           | 84.78           |
| ASL    | 53                      | 33            | 80.49           |
| CII    | 55                      | 53            | 100.00          |
| RICSE  | 270                     | 256           | 97.34           |



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| Total | 4,858                      | 3,585  |  |
|-------|----------------------------|--------|--|
|       | University pass percentage | 81.22% |  |

# II) Summary of No. of Graduands for the Academic year 2022-23 and eligible for award of degree.

| Pass out students of 2023 | Numbers |
|---------------------------|---------|
| PhD                       | 6*      |
| UG                        | 947     |
| PG                        | 501     |
| Total Pass out Students   | 1,454   |

# III) Result analysis (Even Semester June 2023)

| Number of Final<br>Year students (UG<br>& PG) appeared in<br>exam | Total<br>Passed | Passed in Second Division (5.0 but less | Division (6.5 but<br>less than 8.5 | Passed in First Division with Distinction (8.5 & above CGPA) | Fail  |
|---|-----------------|---|------------------------------------|--|-------|
| 1,492   | 1,448           | 80                                      | 976                                | 392  | 44    |
| In %  | 97.05%          | 5.36%                                   | 65.42%                             | 26.27%   | 2.94% |

# Agenda – 5

# Approval of Academic Calendar of PhD for the batch Jun 2023.

The Registrar invited AUM PhD Coordinator Dr. Sujeet Kumar to present before the Members of the Academic Council, Academic Calendar of PhD for the batch June 2023.

Dr. Sujeet Kumar – AUM PhD Coordinator presented the following information:



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# Academic Calendar - Ph.D. Batch of July 2023

| Sr. No. | Academic Activity  | Tentative Dates  |
|---------|--|--|
| 1       | Registration & Central Orientation: All PhD Scholars admitted at AUM     | 8 <sup>th</sup> September 2023                                 |
| 2       | Institutional/ Departmental Orientation & Commencement of the Coursework | 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2023                                |
| 3       | Last date for the PhD Coursework   | 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2024                                  |
| 4       | End - Semester Examination   | 17 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2024               |
| 5       | Declaration of the Result (Expected)                                     | 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2024                                  |
| 6       | After the End - Semester Examinations                                    | Continuation of Research Work (As per Department/ Ph.D. Guide) |
| 7       | Commencement of the Next Semester  | 01 <sup>st</sup> February 2024                                 |

# Academic Calendar - Ph.D. Batches Prior to July 2023

| Sr. No. | Academic Activity   | Batch (before<br>Jan 2023)                  | Batch (Jan<br>2023)             |
|---------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| 1       | Commencement of Semester  | 01 <sup>st</sup> July 2023                  | 01 <sup>st</sup> August<br>2023 |
| 2       | Continuation of Research work   | Throughout the Semester                     |                                 |
| 3       | Conduct of DRC for Semester Progress<br>Evaluation/ Topic Approval/ Other agenda etc.                 | 1 <sup>st</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2023 |                                 |
| 4       | Commencement of the Next Semester   | 02 <sup>nd</sup> Jan 2024                   |                                 |
| 5       | Submission of DRC recommendation (as minutes of the Meeting), with requisite documents, to PhD Office | 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2024                   |                                 |

The same was approved by the members of the Academic Council.



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# Agenda – 6

# Approval of the minutes of the Board of Studies in various schools at AUM.

The Registrar invited the following Heads of Schools to present before the Members of the Academic Council Academic the changes proposed in the interim Board of Studies Meeting.

Following Schools did not have any change recommended in their BoS:

| Sr.<br>No. | Institute Name  | Changes in BoS        | Head of School        |
|------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1          | Amity School of Engineering & Technology (ASET) & Amity Institute of Technology (AIT) | No                    | Dr. Shrikant Charhate |
| 2          | Amity School of Communication (ASCO) & Amity Film (AFS)                               | No                    | Dr. Nima John         |
| 3          | Amity School of Fine Arts (ASFA)  | No Prof. Bhuvnesh Gow |                       |
| 4          | Amity Institute of Travel & Tourism (AITT)  | No                    | Dr. Divya Pandey      |
| 5          | Amity Institute of Information Technology (AIIT)                                      | No                    | Dr. Manoj Devare      |

Following Schools that had changes recommended in their BoS, presented before the Academic Council the gist of the same:

| Sr.<br>No. | Institute Name   | Changes in BoS | Present by               |
|------------|--|----------------|--------------------------|
| 1          | Amity Institute of Behavioral and Allied Science (AIBAS) | Yes            | Dr. Gautam Gawali        |
| 2          | Amity Institute of Biotechnology (AIB)                   | Yes            | Dr. Sagar Barge          |
| 3          | Amity of Fashion Design & Technology (ASFDT)             | Yes            | Dr. Bhawana Chanana      |
| 4          | Amity Business Schools (ABS)                             | Yes            | Dr. Bhawana Sharma       |
| 5          | Amity Law School (ALS)                                   | Yes            | Dr. Vijay Singh Dahima   |
| 6          | Amity School of Architecture & Planning (ASAP)           | Yes            | Dr. Supriya Nene         |
| 7          | Amity School of Languages (ASL)                          | Yes            | Prof. Avinash Pawar      |
| 8          | Amity Institute of Liberal Arts (AILA)                   | Yes            | Dr. Deepak H. Hawaldar   |
| 9          | Amity School of Applied Sciences (ASAS)                  | Yes            | Dr. Sunil Dhaneshwar     |
| 10         | Amity Institute of Pharmacy (AIP)                        | Yes            | Dr. Suneela Dhaneshwar   |
| 11         | RICS – School of Build Environment (RICS)                | Yes            | Prof. (Dr.) Sanjay Patil |
| 12         | CII – School of Logistic                                 | Yes            | Dr. T Vallinayagam       |
| 12         | Amity Institute of Pharmacy (AIP)                        | Yes            | Dr Suneela Dhaneshwer    |



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After discussion the same was approved by the Members of The Academic Council.

### Agenda – 7

### Presentation of structure and implementation of NEP 2020.

The Registrar invited the Dean of Academics to present before the members of the academic council an update on National Education Policy (NEP-2020) at Amity University of Maharashtra.

The Dean of Academics at AUM deliberated on the implementation of NEP-2020 at Amity University of Maharashtra.

He informed the members of the academic council that AUM is following are new programs to be started from the academic year 2023–24:

| Sr<br>No | School Name                                       | Program<br>Level | Program Name                                | Duration |
|----------|---|------------------|---|----------|
| 1        | Amity School of Fashion<br>Technology             | PG               | M.A. (Fashion Communication & Journalism)   | 2 years  |
| 2        | Amity School of Fashion<br>Technology             | PG               | M. A. (Fashion Retail<br>Management)        | 2 years  |
| 3        | Amity Business School                             | UG               | B.Com. (Accounting & Finance)               | 3 years  |
| 4        | Amity Business School                             | UG               | B.Sc. (Economics)                           | 3 years  |
| 5        | Amity Institute of Biotechnology                  | PG               | M.Sc. (Astrobiology & Space Sciences)       | 2 years  |
| 6        | Amity Institute of Behavioral and Allied Sciences | Diploma          | Professional Diploma in Clinical Psychology | 1 year   |

# Agenda – 8

Presentation on Implementation of modification of Question paper & Evaluation as per accreditation agencies.



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The Registrar invited the Dean of IQAC to present before the members of the academic council an update on the implementation of modifications to the question paper and evaluation as per accreditation agencies at Amity University of Maharashtra.

Dean IQAC informed the members of the academic council that AUM has initiated across courses offered at various schools, implementation of modifications to the pattern of question paper and evaluation as per accreditation agencies.

The Dean IQAC shared following reasons, why there was need for such modification was felt:

- I. Much attention is now given to producing quality graduates.
- II. Outcome-based education (OBE) in teaching and learning is now being implemented in Higher Education Institutions.
- III. For implementing OBE, the design of curriculum and courses should be based on specified outcomes.
- IV. The challenge for the assessment is that it should be capable of measuring whether intended outcomes have been achieved or not.
- V. Hence preparing examination paper that aligns with the specified outcomes is something that can help to ensure the implementation of OBE.

Accordingly, an End Semester 3 hrs question paper of 70 marks would typically have 3 sections:

# Section A (20 Marks – Attempt any Four Questions)

| Question Type             | Marks   | Course Outcome & Bloom's |  |
|---------------------------|---------|--------------------------|--|
|                           |         | Taxonomy Level           |  |
| Q.1 Short Answer Question | 5 Marks | For eg: CO1, BL1         |  |
| Q.2 Short Answer Question | 5 Marks | For eg: CO1, BL3         |  |
| Q.3 Short Answer Question | 5 Marks | For eg: CO2, BL1         |  |
| Q.4 Short Answer Question | 5 Marks | For eg: CO3, BL2         |  |
| Q.5 Short Answer Question | 5 Marks | For eg: CO3, BL3         |  |



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### Section B (20 Marks – Attempt any Two Questions)

| Question Type            | Marks    | Course Outcome & Bloom's |  |
|--------------------------|----------|--------------------------|--|
|                          |          | Taxonomy Level           |  |
| Q.6 Long Answer Question | 10 Marks | For eg: CO1, BL2         |  |
| Q.7 Long Answer Question | 10 Marks | For eg: CO2, BL1         |  |
| Q.8 Long Answer Question | 10 Marks | For eg: CO2, BL3         |  |

# Section C (30 Marks – Attempt any Two Questions)

| Question Type                        | Marks    | Course Outcome & Bloom's |  |
|--------------------------------------|----------|--------------------------|--|
|                                      |          | Taxonomy Level           |  |
| Q.9 Case/Problem based Long Answer   | 15 Marks | For eg: CO1, BL2         |  |
| Question                             |          |                          |  |
| Q.10 Conceptual Long Answer Question | 15 Marks | For eg: CO1, BL3         |  |
| Q.11 Conceptual Answer Question      | 15 Marks | For eg: CO2, BL1         |  |

#### Agenda – 9

# Report on status of Admission at AUM for the academic year 2023-24.

The Registrar, invited Mr. Nandkumar Dhake, Director Admissions at Amity University Maharashtra to present before the members of the Academic Council details of admission status for the academic year 2023-24.

Mr. Nandkumar Dhake, shared following information with the Members of Academic Council:

# **School-wise Net Admissions**

| School | Net Admissions<br>Academic Year – 2023-24 |    |     |       |
|--------|---|----|-----|-------|
|        | UG  | PG | PhD | Total |
| ABS    | 174                                       | 66 | 11  | 251   |
| ASET   | 205                                       | 7  | 10  | 222   |
| AIT    | 15  | -  | -   | 15    |
| ASAP   | 47  | -  | 8   | 55    |



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| AIB   | 78    | 38  | 13 | 129   |
|-------|-------|-----|----|-------|
| ASCO  | 127   | 30  | -  | 157   |
| AIIT  | 144   | 58  | 4  | 206   |
| ASFT  | 49    | 3   | 3  | 55    |
| ASFA  | 12    | 1   | -  | 12    |
| ASL   | 10    | 1   | 2  | 12    |
| AILA  | 15    | 15  | 3  | 33    |
| AIBAS | 195   | 118 | 9  | 322   |
| ALS   | 73    | 8   | -  | 81    |
| ASAS  | 9     | 10  | 7  | 26    |
| AITT  | 5     | 12  | -  | 17    |
| AFS   | 5     | 1   | -  | 5     |
| CII   | -     | 27  | -  | 27    |
| RICS  | 12    | 69  | 4  | 85    |
| Total | 1,175 | 461 | 74 | 1,710 |

| Level | Total |
|-------|-------|
| UG    | 1,175 |
| PG    | 461   |
| PhD   | 74    |
| Total | 1,710 |

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor sir requested members of the academic council for their valuable comments and suggestions.

# i) Prof. (Dr) M.P.Kaushik -

Dr Kaushik stated his concern was that the credits prescribed by PCI for the 4-year B pharm Program are already very high so he wanted to know how we would further manage to add additional value-added courses?



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Prof (Dr) Suneela Dhaneshwar explained that as per Amity Policy, we have to offer the value-added courses but as per NEP we have reduced the total number of credits of value -added courses as follows:

Foreign Language: No. of credits 09 (being offered across 4-year program)

Communication Skills: No. of credits 02+03=05 (as PCI is prescribing 3 credits already) (being offered across 4-year program)

Behavioural Science: No. of credits 05 (being offered across 4 year program) She further explained that total number of working hours available in a week are 35 hours and we have made it sure that in any semester the total number of hours are not going beyond 35 by strategically offering three value-added courses across various semesters (value-added courses are being offered only in 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th semesters as in other semesters the credits are high).

Further explanation on the subject with reference to the format in correlation with the PCI and Amity system was elaborated by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.

# ii) Dr Ashok Pundir –

Dr. Pundir, applauded the efforts of Amity University Maharashtra for the overall growth of the university, specifically on the academic front, and thanked the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor for inviting him to the prestigious meeting of the university.

# iii) Dr. Sanjay Deshmukh

Dr Deshmukh thanked the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor for inviting him to the meeting of the university.

Further, he added that in keeping with the State Government of Maharashtra and UGC Vision, NEP 2020 should be implemented rigorously in the university as per the guidelines of the state government and UGC.



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Hon'ble Vice Chancellor conveyed that NEP,2020 is already implemented at Amity University, Mumbai. He also referred to the Dean, Academics presentation on NEP implementation during this meeting.

### Agenda - 10

### Any other point with permission of the chair.

Since there was no other point to be discussed The Academic Council Meeting ended with Hon'ble Vice Chancellor extending the vote of thanks to the members and thanked them for their enthusiastic participation and for giving valuable inputs.

With the concluding remarks of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor the Academic Council Meeting was concluded.





Dr. H. S. Vyas Registrar

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### Copy to:

- 1. Chairman of Academic Council Hon'ble Vice Chancellor
- 2. All Members of the Academic Council
- 3. Office