



Credit Transfer/Mobility Policy of Massive Open Online Courses **(MOOCs)**

Reference: Gazette of India (Extraordinary) Part-III, Section-4 No. 295, UGC (**Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM**) Regulation, 2016, dated 19/07/2016.

With reference to 12th Academic Council Meeting dated 03/05/2017 (Agenda Item No. AC/11/12), wherein MOOCs were adopted in the CBCS scheme, in continuation to that, following modalities are proposed to introduce the credit transfer policy in academic curriculum for the Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC's) offered through SWAYAM (Study Webs of Active-Learning for Young Aspiring Minds) Portal.

A. General Guidelines

1. The SWAYAM shall notify in June and November every year, the list of the online learning Courses going to be offered in the forthcoming Semester on its website <https://swayam.gov.in>.
2. All the UTDs/Affiliated Colleges shall, within 4 weeks from the date of notification by SWAYAM, consider through their Chairperson/Principal the online learning courses being offered through the SWAYAM platform; and keeping in view their academic requirements, decide upon the courses which it shall permit for credit transfer and keeping in view the following points:
 - a) There is non-availability of suitable teaching staff for running a course in the Department.
 - b) The facilities for offering the elective papers (courses), sought for by the students are not on offer/scheme in the Institution, but are available on the SWAYAM platform.
 - c) The courses offered on SWAYAM would supplement the teaching-learning process in the Institution.
 - d) Online courses through SWAYAM should not be more than 20% of total courses offered in a particular semester of a programme.
3. The courses offered in a particular semester will be compiled by Digital India Cell as decided and forwarded by concerned UTDs and affiliated colleges in the prescribed format to digitalindiacell@jboseust.ac.in and compiled set will be put up in Academic Council for approval.



4. Student can opt for 12-16 weeks course equivalent to 3-6 credits under mentorship of faculty (MHRD MOOC's guidelines 11.1(J) issued by the MHRD vide its orders dated 11/03/2016).
5. Every student being offered a particular paper (course) would be required to register for the MOOCs for that course/paper on SWAYAM through University's/Affiliated College's SWAYAM-NPTEL Local Chapter.
6. The UTD/College may designate a faculty member as course coordinator/mentor to guide the students (at least 20 students) throughout the course with 2 hours per week contribution and with mentor addition on the Local Chapter. The mentor Chairperson/Principal will ensure the provision of facilities for smooth running of the course viz. Internet facility and proper venue in the department/college.
7. Digital India Cell of the University will be the Nodal point for keeping track of MOOCs enrolments in the University and the concerned chairpersons/principals are expected to aware their students/faculty about the online courses.
8. Importance of online learning and credit transfer policy must be shared with the students at entry level by the concerned department/college. Same may be incorporated during induction program for newly admitted students.
9. The departmental/college MOOC coordinators appointed by chairpersons of concerned departments/Principals of affiliated colleges will be responsible for identification of relevant MOOCs in the UTDs/Colleges and smooth conduction during the course.

B. Credit Transfer/Mobility of MOOCs

1. The parent Institution (offering the Course) shall give the equivalent credit weightage to the students for the credits earned through online learning courses through SWAYAM platform in the credit plan of the program.
2. Following pattern will be followed for distribution of credits and will be applicable to all students from Jan 2018 onwards:

Program	Duration	Minimum Credits to be earned*
B.Tech	Semester I to VIII	3
M.Tech/MBA/M.Sc./MA	Semester I to IV	3
BBA/MCA/BCA/B.Sc./BA	Semester I to VI	3

***All students of UTDs/Affiliated colleges of all courses have to mandatorily earn minimum prescribed credits.**

Note: From session 2019-20 onwards, for B.Tech program, a student has to earn at least 12 credits during the duration of the Degree subject to the passing of at least one MOOC course (carrying minimum 3 credits per year).

3. A student will be eligible to get Under-Graduate/Post-Graduate degree (B.Tech/M.Tech) with Honours if he/she completes additional credits through



MOOC's. (AICTE Model Curriculum, Chapter1(B)). Following pattern will be followed for earning additional credits for the award of Honours degree:

Program	Duration	Credits to be earned**	Minimum CGPA
B.Tech	Semester I to VIII	12	8.0
M.Tech	Semester I to IV	6	8.0

** Inclusive of *Minimum credits to be earned* mentioned in clause B(2) above.

- The earned credits shall be accepted and transferred to the total credits of the concerned students by the University for Completion of his/her degree. Credits earned through MOOCs will be incorporated in the mark sheet issued to the student by Controller of Examination.
- Credits for MOOC's will be verified by the concerned department/college and will be forwarded to Controller of Examination for further processing.
- The courses where model curriculum of AICTE is not applicable, pattern laid down as in B(2) will be followed.
- Same pattern of credit earning and transfer through MOOCs will be followed, for new UG/PG degree courses run by the University or to be run in future, as per Credit Transfer Policy for other UG/PG degree courses already running in the University. The credit transfer will be applicable to all courses running in UTDs and affiliated institutions. #
- As B.Tech (LEET) students enter the B.Tech program in third semester, following pattern will be followed for them for earning minimum additional credits from session 2020-21 onwards: #

Program	Duration	Minimum Credits to be earned	Minimum Requirements for the award of Honours degree
B.Tech (LEET)	Semester III to VIII	09 credits during the duration of the degree subject to the passing of at least one MOOC course (carrying minimum 3 credits) per year.	09 MOOC credits with minimum 8.0 CGPA (without any backlog)

- MOOCs which are already on offer/scheme in the academic curriculum are not considered for credit transfer. But, MOOCs which exhibit majority of the advanced or new concepts to an extent of minimum 60% of the syllabus being different, from the courses which are already on offer/scheme in the academic curriculum, will be considered for credit transfer to the students. The same should be ensured by the concerned UTDs/affiliated college. #

Amendments approved in 20th Academic Council dated 31.08.2020



NOTE:

1. These guidelines will be applicable to all Affiliating institutions under University along with all UTDs. Affiliating colleges will establish their own Local Chapter on SWAYAM and follow the same process.
2. For further clarifications, Notifications “Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM” (UGC Regulations dated 19/07/2016) and “MHRD MOOC’s guidelines” (MHRD guidelines dated 11/03/2016) may be referred.

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