



## UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA

### Notification No. CSR/ 100 /18

It is notified for information of all concerned that the Syndicate in its meeting held on 24.09.2018 (vide Item No.20) approved some revisions in the existing Syllabus and Regulations of 2-year 4-Semester M.A. course in English under CBCS (as notified in Notification No.CSR/36/18 dated 13.08.2018), in the Post-Graduate Departments of the University and in the affiliated Colleges offering Post-Graduate Courses under this University, laid down in the accompanying pamphlet.

The above shall be effective from the academic session 2018-2019.

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## **REVISED CSR FOR M.A. IN ENGLISH (UNDER CBCS), 2018**

### **THE REGULATIONS FOR THE SEMESTERISED 'MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH', A TWO-YEAR POSTGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMME (CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM) 2018, UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA**

#### **1. Title and Commencement**

**1.1** These Regulations shall be called **THE REGULATIONS FOR THE SEMESTERISED 'MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH', A TWO-YEAR POSTGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMME (CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM) 2018, UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA.**

**1.2** These regulations shall come into force with effect from the academic year 2018-2019.

**1.3** These regulations will remain valid until further amendment by the concerned authorities.

#### **2. Duration of the Programme**

The 2-year 'Master of Arts in English' programme (under CBCS) shall be for a minimum duration of **four (04) consecutive semesters of six months each, i.e. two (02) academic years** and will start as notified by the university authority.

*A candidate shall have to clear all the semesters within four years from the academic year of his/her first admission to the university failing which enrolment of the candidate shall stand cancelled.*

#### **3. Admission**

The admission to the 'Master of Arts in English' Programme shall only be in the first semester, at the beginning of each academic year as per existing University of Calcutta regulations.

#### **4. Attendance**

**4.1** A candidate attending at least 75% of the total number of classes\* held shall be allowed to appear in the concerned Semester End Examinations subject to fulfilment of other conditions laid down in the regulations.

**4.2** A candidate attending at least 60% but less than 75% of the total number of classes\* held shall be allowed to appear in the concerned Semester End Examinations subject to the payment of prescribed condonation fees and fulfilment of other conditions laid down in the regulations.

**4.3** A candidate attending less than 60% of the total number of classes\* held shall not be allowed to appear in the concerned Semester End Examinations and he/she has to take admission to the same Semester in the immediately following academic year for attending the classes and appearing in the

said Semester End Examination. Such a candidate will not be allowed to continue in the next higher semester, if any.

\* Such attendance will be calculated from the date of commencement of classes or the date of admission whichever is later.

## 5. Programme Structure

5.1 Postgraduate Degree Programme, namely 'Master of Arts in English' of the University of Calcutta consists of

1. Core Courses (CC)
2. Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) courses
3. Generic Elective (GE) Courses.

5.2 Core and Discipline Specific Elective courses carry 90% credit weightage, whereas Generic Elective courses carry 10% credit weightage.

5.3 Each course carries 50 marks/4credits. There will be 14 compulsory core courses. In addition, a student will have to mandatorily choose 4 DSE courses ( one in Semester II, two in Semester III and one in Semester IV) out of 13 (DSE courses) and enrol on 2 GE courses (one in Semester III and the other one in Semester IV).

5.4 Each course shall have an alphanumeric code.

## 6. Course Structure for 'Master of Arts in English' under CBCS

Each course (except CC XIV and Language based courses – CC V, CC IX, DSE V and DSE X) will comprise two units. There will be a pool of texts / sub-units in the syllabus for each course (except CC XIV and Language based courses – CC V, CC IX, DSE V and DSE X) out of which three texts / sub-units will be taught per unit. Selection of texts may vary from one batch to another and will be announced at the beginning of each semester. There will be no unit divisions in language based four courses -- CC V, CC IX, DSE V and DSE X. All the components in CC V, CC IX, DSE V and DSE X may not be taught in a particular semester – the components to be taught in these four courses in any semester will be announced at the beginning of each semester.

The course structure will be as follows:

Year	Course	Details	Credits	Marks
YEAR ONE	SEM-I	Core Courses 1 to 5	4 Credits for each course	250

			Total 4x5 = 20 Credits	
	<b>SEM-II</b>	Core Courses 6 to 9 One DSE course from DSE 1 to DSE 3*	4 Credits for each course	Core Course 200
			Total 4x5 = 20 Credits	DSE 50
<b>YEAR TWO</b>	<b>SEM-III</b>	Core Courses 10 to 11 Two DSE courses from DSE 4 to DSE 8* One GE course	4 Credits each course	Core Course 100
			Total 4x 5 = 20 Credits	DSE 100
				GE 50
	<b>SEM-IV</b>	Core Courses 12 to 14 One DSE course from DSE 9 to DSE 13* One GE course	4 Credits each course	Core Course 150
			Total 4 x 5 =20 Credits	DSE 50
				GE 50
14 Core Courses, 4 Discipline Specific Elective Courses & 2 General Elective Courses			<b>Total 80 Credits</b>	<b>Total 1000 Marks</b>

\* Not all DSE courses may be offered in a particular semester. The number of students to be enrolled for any DSE course may be regulated by the Department taking into consideration the resources available. The enrolment for the DSE courses shall be on a first come, first served basis, provided the student fulfils the relevant prerequisites for that course, if any. A minimum of five students need to enrol in a DSE course, otherwise the course will not be offered.

## 7. Question Pattern for Examinations

**7.1** Each course will be evaluated through an **Internal Assessment (IA) of 10 marks** and a **Semester End Examination of 40 marks**.

**7.2** In CC XIV (Course on Essay), students will have to write on an unseen topic (10 marks) out of 3 options in the Internal Assessment and one Essay (40 marks) out of a choice of 8 topics in the Semester End Examination.

**7.3** In Semester End Examination, questions will be set only from the **three texts / sub-units** taught per unit in all papers, except CC V, CC IX, CCXIV, DSE V and DSE IX. Semester End Examination will have the question pattern of **15 + 5 per unit** – students will have to write **one question of 15 marks** and **one short question of 5 marks** from each unit in all CC (except CC V, CC IX and CCXIV) and DSE courses (except DSE V and DSE IX). In these courses, only one 15 marks question and one 5 marks question will be set from each text/sub unit in the Semester End Examination.

**7.4** In GE courses, students will have to answer **one question of 20 marks from each unit** in Semester End Examination. **Only one 20 marks question** will be set from each text/sub unit in the Semester End Examination for GE papers.

**7.5** No student may write more than one answer from the same text / sub-unit in the Semester End Examination in all courses except CC V, CC IX, DSE V and DSE X.

**7.6** The pattern of setting of questions and the related marks division in both Internal Assessment (10 marks) and Semester End Examination (40marks) in CC V, CC IX, DSE V and DSE X will be **flexible**.

## **8. EXAMINATION**

**8.1** The 2-year 'Master of Arts in English' Programme under CBCS shall consist of four (04) consecutive semesters (Semester - I, Semester – II, Semester – III and Semester – IV).

**8.2** All courses / papers in the 'Master of Arts in English' Programme shall be evaluated through an **Internal Assessment Examination** (10 marks) and a **Semester End Examination** (40 marks). Each course carries 50 marks/4credits. **Both the Internal Assessment and the Semester End Examination are equally obligatory for all candidates. An examination shall be held always under the current syllabus.**

**8.3** Semester End Examinations are to be held ordinarily at the end the concerned semester.

**8.4** If a candidate fails to secure pass marks in one or more papers in 3<sup>rd</sup> and / or 4<sup>th</sup> End-Semester examinations, he/she may appear in the supplementary examinations to be held after 3 months of the publication of results of 4<sup>th</sup> semester examination.

**8.5** Non-appearance (absence) in any examination for any reason shall be counted as a chance. Failure to fill up the examination form shall also be considered as a missing chance.

**8.6** A failed candidate, intending to re-appear in a subsequent semester examination has to submit examination form / application to the Controller of Examinations through the Head of the Department (Principal for affiliated colleges) as per the notice to be issued by the department of Controller of examinations.

**The candidate has to clear the entire course within 4 years from the year of first admission in that course.**

**8.7** A candidate pursuing 'Masters of Arts in English' Programme has to score a minimum of 40% marks (including Internal Assessment) in each course / paper in order to earn the corresponding credit for the concerned course / paper and a minimum of 40% marks in aggregate taking into

consideration all the courses / papers of all semesters as a whole, i.e. CC, DSE & GE courses / papers, in order to get the Postgraduate Degree.

**8.8** A candidate may appear in any higher Semester End examination(s) without appearing in lower Semester End Examination(s) subject to Clause **4.3**.

**8.9** Internal Assessment has to be done in the semester in which a candidate becomes eligible to appear in the concerned end semester examination. The candidates remaining absent in the Internal Assessment will be awarded zero (0) marks in the Internal Assessment. Marks obtained in the Internal Assessment shall be retained for the entire duration of his/her enrolment.

**8.10** A candidate who is eligible to appear in any of the Semester End Examinations does not enrol or does not appear in the examinations or fails to secure pass marks at the concerned examinations as stated in clause 8.9 above, will be allowed to attend the classes in the next higher semester, as applicable.

**8.11** Modalities of Internal Assessment will be decided by the PGBOS.

**8.12** All paper setters, examiners, scrutineers, re-examiners and members of the Board of Moderators for each Semester End Examination will be appointed by the University Authorities on the recommendations of the Postgraduate Board of Studies (PGBOS) in English as per University of Calcutta regulations.

## **9. Re-Examination**

**9.1** A candidate will be eligible to re-examine his/her script if he/she appears in the concerned Semester End Examination as a whole.

**9.2** A candidate shall be allowed to apply for re-examination, within fifteen days from the publication of results, of not more than two (02) courses/ papers in each semester, provided that he/she has scored qualifying marks, i.e. 40% in the remaining courses/papers of that semester. **Re-examination of the Internal Assessment part in any course is not allowed under any circumstances.**

**9.3** In re-examination of courses/papers for any Semester End Examination of two-year 'Master of Arts in English' Programme, the marks awarded by the re-examiner in a course / paper will be taken as the marks obtained by the candidate in that paper. If on re-examination of a course/paper, the marks get enhanced by more than **15%** or get reduced by more than **5%** than that awarded by the original examiner (the percentage is to be calculated on the basis of the full marks in that paper), the

script of the paper shall be referred to a third examiner. Among the marks awarded by three examiners, i.e. the original examiner, the second examiner (re-examiner) and the third re-examiner, the average of the closer two marks will be awarded, provided that such a final award does not result in lowering of the class or status obtained by the candidate prior to the re-examination in which case(s) the original award be retained.

#### **10. Cancellation of Examination(s)**

A candidate may apply for cancellation of enrolment of the concerned Semester End Examination within fifteen days from the date of completion of the said examination.

#### **11. Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) and Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA)**

**11.1** Point Grade System shall be followed for the purpose of Grade Point Calculation as per University of Calcutta regulations.

**11.2** Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) of a particular semester shall be calculated as per University of Calcutta regulations.

**11.3** Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) over all the four semesters shall be calculated as per University of Calcutta regulations.

**11.4** The final mark sheet, on completion of Four Semesters, shall include the SGPA of Four Semesters, CGPA, Letter Grade, the marks obtained, total marks and the credit earned.

#### **12. Degree**

If a candidate pursuing 'Master of Arts in English' Programmes clears all the papers and secures 40% and above marks in aggregate of all semesters (in terms of clause **8.8**) will be declared obtaining '**Master of Arts in English**' Degree with his/her CGPA and the corresponding Letter Grade.

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