

(Abstract)

Regulations for MOOC - Clause 3.1 revised - Approved and Implemented - Orders Issued - Reg.

ACADEMIC C SECTION

ACAD/ACAD C3/22488/2023

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Read:-1. U.O number: ACAD/ACAD C3/22488/2023 (PART-III) dated 07/03/2024

- 2. Email dated 10/05/2024 from Prof. K. Gangadharan, Dean, Faculty of Humanities
- 3. The Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 25/06/2024

ORDER

1. As per paper read as (1) above, the Regulations for MOOC [Massive Open Online Courses] was implemented in Kannur University in resonance with the UGC Regulations.

2. In Clause 3.1 of the approved Regulations for MOOC, "All students are required to do at<u>least</u> <u>two Elective Courses with a total of 8 Credits</u> as online course during the programme (i.e., in 4 year UG Programme and in Five Year Integrated Master's Programme)".

3.As per paper read (2) above, Prof K Gangadharan, Dean, Faculty of Humanities, who prepared the Guidelines for the MOOC, suggested an amendment in Clause 3.1 of the approved Regulations as "All Students are required to do <u>at least one Elective Course with minimum</u> <u>2 Credits</u> as online Course during the programme (i.e., in 4 year UG Programme and in Five Year Integrated Master's Programme)" and submitted the revised Guidelines for MOOC, effecting these modifications.

4.The Vice Chancellor, after considering the modification, proposed by Prof. K Gangadharan, Dean, Faculty of Humanities, ordered to place the same before the Academic Council, for consideration.

5. The Meeting of the Academic Council held on 25/06/2024 vide paper read (3) above, approved the revised Guidelines for MOOC submitted by the Dean, Faculty of Humanities.

6. The Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council concerned was approved by the Vice Chancellor and published.

7. Therefore, the U.O. read as paper (1) above stands modified to this extent.

8. The Modified Regulations for MOOC is uploaded in the official website of the University (www.kannuruniversity.ac.in).

Orders are issued accordingly.

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- To: 1. Prof. K. Gangadharan, Dean, Faculty of Humanities
 - 2. Heads of all Teaching Departments
- Copy To: 1. PS to VC/PA to R
 - 2. PA to CE (to circulate among the sections under the Examination Branch concerned)
 - 3. JR II (Exam)
 - 4. EP IV/EX C1
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 - 6. IT Cell (to publish in the website)
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Regulations for conducting online courses (MOOC)

(To be appended to regulations of all academic programmes except PhD)

1.SCOPE:

1.1 These Regulations shall apply to the conduct of online courses (MOOC) in all academic programmes except PhD in the Departments/Schools / Centres /affiliated colleges/ Recognised institutions of Kannur University.

1.2 The provisions herein supersede all other Regulations with respect to such course unless otherwise provided.

2. DEFINITIONS

SWAYAM- SWAYAM is the indigenous platform of the MHRD, GOI providing an integrated portal and platform for hosting Massive open online courses (MOOCS) developed under the aegis of NME-ICT. Government of India adopted the MOOCs concept to supplement the formal education system in the country from high school to higher education, named aptly as the "Study Webs of Active-Learning for Young Aspiring Minds" (SWAYAM). It hosts various courses based on curriculum, continuing education and skill

MOOCs: Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) are such online courses which are developed as per the pedagogy stated herein and following the four-quadrant approach consisting of video, text, self-assessment and learn more.

Course: shall be of two types: credit courses and non-credit courses.

- I. Credit Course shall mean a course which is taught for at least one semester as a part of a PG Programme.
- **II.** Non-Credit Course shall include courses like awareness programme, continuing education programme or of specific skill set as independent course, which are not part of any set curriculum.

Subject: shall mean a specific area under a discipline (Example: Economics) taught in an educational institution consisting of specific programme/ courses, resulting in the award of a certificate/ diploma/ degree shorter duration.

National Coordinator (NC): "National Coordinators are the Institutions that have been so designated by the Ministry and assigned a specific sector or preparation of online courses for SWAYAM. UGC is the NC for developing Non-Technology PG Courses".

Course Coordinator (CC): "A Subject Matter Expert (SME) belonging to a reputed educational institution/College/Industry or a specialist in the field identified and entrusted with the task of developing online course"

Host Institution – "Host Institution means the higher education Institution whose faculty is offering MOOC". The host institution facilitates conducts the examination, evaluation and award and transfer of credits. On successful completion of each course, the Host Institution offering the MOOCs course would issue the certificate, along with the number of credits and grades, through which the student can get credits transferred into his marks certificate issued by his/her parent institution.

Parent Institution- "A parent institution means the concerned Department/School/Affiliated colleges/Recognized Institution of Kannur University where the student is enrolled in a particular program".

Department Council- "Department council means the forum of all teaching staff members of the University Department including regular and contract teachers ".

3. ELIGIBILITY AND PROCEDURE

3.1 All students are required to do at least one elective course with minimum 2 credits as online course during the programme(i.e in 4 year UG programme and Five year Integrated Masters Programme). This elective course should be shown as MOOC course in the curriculum structure of each programme like 4-year UG and Five-year integrated master's Degree Programme etc.

3.2 Students can select the online course from the list of MOOC courses hosted in SWAYAM (https://swayam.gov.in). The Post graduate students can choose from the list of post graduate level courses in SWAYAM offered by National coordinators. Undergraduate students can choose from list of courses available in SWAYAM for Under-graduate education offered by the approved National Coordinators. Students can also choose from the list of MOOC courses/Open elective online courses offered by different teaching Department of Kannur University or affiliated colleges or recognized institutions of Kannur University. Online courses offered by other post graduate institutions in India or abroad can also be chosen if permitted by the parent department.

3.3 The student should register for a MOOC course only after obtaining the approval of the parent department. The department council/College council of the parent department/Institution will give permission considering the guidelines given below.

3.4 The students can complete the online course anytime during the duration of the programme subject to the approval from the Department Council in the case of university teaching department or Principal of a college in case of affiliated college. But the credits will be awarded only against the elective(s) earmarked as online courses in the appropriate semester(s) as shown in the curriculum.

3.5 The parent department should ensure that only those online courses which have clearly specified credits and the evaluation scheme are approved. The course should be offered at the appropriate (post graduate / under graduate) level and the content of the course should be sufficient to be accepted as an elective with the mentioned credits in the semester. The course should follow proper evaluation methods and the final marks should be available in the mark list / certificate issued by the host institution. The credits for the online course mentioned by the host

institution will be accepted independent of the duration of the course.

3.6 After obtaining approval from the parent department, student can register for the course. Any requirements like payment of the fees, approval from other agencies etc should be met by the students.

3.7 The parent department must designate at least one faculty member as online course coordinator to guide the students throughout the process and to facilitate/conduct the Lab/Practical sessions if necessitated by the host institution. They will also be responsible for entering the final marks and declaration of results by the university

3.8 The department should forward the list containing the name of the student, title of the online course registered, credit of the course and name of the host institution offering the course to the Controller of Examination at the beginning of each semester.

3.9 In the existing PG programmes of Kannur University Teaching Departments(i.e 2023 Admission) there must be at least one MOOC/Online course with 4 credits

4. EVALUATION

4.1 On successful completion of the online course, the students should hand over a self- attested copy of the final certificate/ mark sheet to the course coordinator. The course coordinator should verify the genuineness of the certificate in the host institution platform.

4.2 The course coordinator should convert the marks shown in the mark sheet issued by the host institution to 100 and enter it in the Kannur university examination tabulation register as end semester marks against this course. The department is free to liaison with the host institution, if required, to seek clarifications.

4.3 As per the regulations of Kannur University, a student should score a minimum of 50% marks to get a pass in the registered online course irrespective of the pass percentage specified by the host institution. Those who fail to get 50% marks will have to repeat the same online course or do another online course with the approval of parent department.