# AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY DELHI

# Minutes of the Eighth Meeting of the Academic Council held on 01 April 2016 at 10.00 am in the Private Dining Hall at the India International Centre, New Delhi

The Eighth Meeting of the Academic Council (AC) of AUD was held on 01 April 2016 at 10:00 am in the Private Dining Hall at the India International Centre, New Delhi. The following were present:

Professor Shyam B Menon

In the Chair

Vice Chancellor

Professor K. Ramachandran

Member

Nominee of the Government of NCT of Delhi

Professor Farida Khan

Member

Nominee of the Government of NCT of Delhi

Professor Madhavan K Palat

Member

Nominee of the Government of NCT of Delhi

Professor Chandan Mukherjee

Member

School of Liberal Studies

Professor Salil Misra

Member

School of Liberal Studies & Coordinator, Academic Council

Professor Honey Oberoi Vahali

School of Human Studies

Member

Professor Radharani Chakravarty

School of Liberal Studies

Member

Professor Geetha Venkataraman

School of Liberal Studies

Member

Professor Denys P Leighton

Dean, School of Liberal Studies

Member

Professor Venita Kaul

Director, School of Education Studies

Member

Professor Kuriakose Mamkoottam

Member

Director, School of Business, Public Policy and Social Entrepreneurship

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Professor Jatin Bhatt Dean, School of Design

Member

Dr. Rachana Johri

Dean (offg.), School of Undergraduate Studies

Member

Dr Rajan Krishnan

Dean (offg.), School of Culture & Creative Expression

Member

Dr. Satyaketu Sankrit

Associate Professor, School of Liberal Studies

Member

Dr M. A. Sikandar

Registrar

Secretary

Dr. Praveen Singh

Dean (offg.), Planning

Special Invitee

Dr Gopal ji Pradhan

Associate Professor, School of Liberal Studies

Special Invitee

Dr. Anirban Sen Gupta

Assistant Professor, School of Development Studies

Special Invitee

Dr. Ivy Dhar

Assistant Professor, School of Development Studies

Special Invitee

Dr. Mihir Shah, Professor Sabyasachi Bhattacharya, Professor Ashok Nagpal, Dr Asmita Kabra, Dr Sumangala Damodaran, Dr Rachana Johri, Dr Diamond Oberoi and Dr Oinam Hemlata Devi could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Vice Chancellor & Chairperson, AC extended a warm welcome to the new Members and the Special Invitees and thanked the outgoing members.

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The following Resolutions were passed:

Item 8.1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the Seventh Meeting of the Academic Council held on 16 July 2015

#### Resolution 8.1

Resolved to confirm the Minutes of the Seventh Meeting of the Academic Council held on 16 July 2015.

Item 8.2: To report the Action Taken on the Minutes of the Seventh Meeting of the Academic Council held on 16 July 2015 and the Special Meeting of the Academic Council held on 5 October 2015

#### Resolution 8.2

Resolved to note the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions taken in the Seventh Meeting of the Academic Council held on 16 July 2015 and the Special meeting of the Academic Council held on 5 October 2015.

Professor Honey Oberoi Vahali, Director, Centre of Psychotherapy and Clinical Research (CPCR) briefed the Council that a request for recognition for the existing MPhil Programme in Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy being offered by SHS was sent to Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) in September 2015 pursuant to the suggestions given in the last AC meeting held on 16 July 2015. The RCI has referred the matter to the expert committee which considered the request by SHS. AUD in its meeting held on 16 and 17 March 2016. However, the RCI expert committee felt that it was not possible to recognise it as a MPhil level programme as it would raise a conflict of interest vis-à-vis the MPhil Programme in Clinical Psychology. According to the members of the expert committee, the MPhil Clinical Psychology programme on offer at NIMHANS and replicated elsewhere in the country was a basic level programme of training Clinical Psychologists and they would not consider a competing progamme at that level.

The Action Taken Report (ATR) as noted by the AC is at Appendix-1.

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Item 8.3: To consider the concept note and proposal for setting up the School of Vocational Studies

#### Resolution 8.3

The Academic Council (AC) considered the proposal for the creation of School of Vocational Studies (SVS) and approved the concept note vide **Appendix-2.** The AC noted that the broad rationale for establishing the School of Vocational Studies (SVS) at AUD arose as there is a huge leap in the enrolment and retention of students in elementary and secondary schools in the country with the implementation of various governmental schemes and policies. The introduction of the Universal Elementary Education (UEE) scheme earlier and now with the promulgation of Right to Education Act (2009), followed with launching of Rashtriya Madyamik Shikshya Abhiyan (RMSA) at the secondary school level, there has been a huge increased demand for tertiary education opportunity for the youth passing out of the Senior Secondary level in recent years.

The proposed SVS will have the following broad objectives:

- (i) To undertake comprehensive need assessment on the demand for vocational education as per the requirement of local and national industries;
- (ii) To develop partnerships with local industries, organisations etc. for developing and offering such vocational programmes as per need of the local population under the broad policy of skill development;
- (iii) To develop such educational programmes with a judicious mix of skill training relating to a profession with sound base of general education;
- (iv) To integrate National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) levels in consonance with the tertiary education programmes in order to enhance employability of graduates as global workforce.
- (v) To develop a synergy in the context of vertical mobility of University students in an interdisciplinary environment.

The proposed School of Vocational Studies would offer Bachelor of Vocation (B.Voc) programme under National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) as per the UGC guidelines (vide **Appendix-3**). According to the NSQF guidelines notified by the Ministry of HRD and UGC, AUD could develop and offer Diploma, Advance Diploma and B.Voc Programme in the areas of retail, designing, hospitality, housekeeping, finance, publishing, tourism, heritage, early child care and education etc. with multiple exit and entry possible. The proposed

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School will also explore the possibility of developing and offering short-term certificate courses on need basis in AUD.

**UGC BVoc: NSQF Levels and Credit Structure** 

NSQF Level	Skill Component Credits	General Education Credits	Total credits for award	Normal calendar	Exit Points /
7	108	72	180	6 semesters	B.Voc.
6	72	48	120	4 semesters	Advanced Diploma
5	36	24	60	2 semester	Diploma
4	4-12	4-8	8-16	3-6 months	Certificate

The AC after detailed deliberations resolved to accept the proposal for the creation of School of Vocational Studies in AUD under Statute 12A of the Statutes of the University and recommend to the Board of Management for its consideration.

Item 8.4: To consider the draft guidelines for conferment of 'Professor Emeritus/Emerita' and 'Distinguished Professor'

#### Resolution 8.4

The Academic Council (AC) considered the report of the Committee constituted by the University to formulate guidelines for conferment of the title of 'Professor Emeritus/ Professor Emerita' and 'Distinguished Professor'.

After due deliberations, the Council resolved to recommend the following guidelines for conferment of 'Professor Emeritus/Professor Emerita' and 'Distinguished Professor':

- I. Guidelines/Procedure for conferment of the title of "Professor Emeritus / Professor Emerita" on AUD Professors
- (a) The Board of Management may confer the title of "Professor Emeritus / Professor Emerita" on a Professor of the University who has retired from this University after a total service of at least fifteen years as Professor, including service prior to joining AUD.
- (b) The Vice-Chancellor may recommend to the Academic Council the conferment of the title of "Professor Emeritus / Professor Emrita" and on the recommendation of the Academic Council the Board of Management may confer the title.

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- (c) The process of nomination of "Professor Emeritus / Professor Emerita" may be initiated by a faculty member of the University. The nomination may be sent directly to the Vice-Chancellor. The Vice-Chancellor upon receiving nomination will constitute a Committee comprising at least three eminent academicians from within and/or outside AUD, and upon receiving recommendations of the Committee may make recommendation to the Academic Council and the Board of Management.
- (d) To be conferred the title "Professor Emeritus / Professor Emerita" the nominee should have served AUD as a Professor for at least five years prior to his/her retirement or should have made a significant contribution to the academic functioning of the University as Professor including after superannuation as a re-employed Professor.
- (e) The title of "Professor Emeritus / Professor Emerita" will be conferred only on scholars who have made outstanding contribution to their subject by their published research work and/or conceptual and practice-based innovation and/or teaching and have contributed significantly to the development of AUD.
- (f) The conferment of the title "Professor Emeritus / Professor Emerita" shall be purely honorary.
- (g) Professor Emeritus / Professor Emerita shall be free to do academic work in the School to which s/he is attached and may supervise research scholars as a co-supervisor along with a regular faculty member.
- (h) The conferment of the title of "Professor Emeritus / Professor Emerita" will be for life.
- II. Guidelines/Procedure for conferment of the title of "Distinguished Professor" on eminent senior scholars, professionals and practitioners
- (a) The Board of Management may confer the title of "Distinguished Professor" on eminent senior academic/scholar/professional/ practitioners who has been a professor or equivalent for at least 15 years in his/her academic or professional career and has made extraordinary contribution to his/her field of knowledge or practice.
- (b) The Vice-Chancellor may recommend to the Academic Council the conferment of the title of "Distinguished Professor" and on the recommendation of the Academic Council the Board of Management may confer the title.

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- (c) Prior to recommending the name of the proposed "Distinguished Professor" the Vice-Chancellor will constitute a Committee comprising at least three eminent academicians from within and/or outside AUD, and upon receiving recommendations of the Committee may make recommendation to the Academic Council and the Board of Management.
- (d) The title of "Distinguished Professor" will be considered in recognition of the contribution made by a scholar in the field and/or in recognition of the association of the scholar with AUD. The conferment of the title should enable a further association of the proposed scholar with AUD and its activities.
- (e) The conferment of the title "Distinguished Professor" shall be purely honorary.

The Council also resolved to recommend the above guidelines to the Board of Management for its consideration.

Item 8.5: To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee Research (SCR) regarding revised Regulations with regard conditions for grant of Degrees of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil) and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) and selection of Examiners

#### Resolution 8.5

The Academic Council (AC) considered the draft Regulation regarding revised conditions for grant of Degrees of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil) and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) as recommended by the Standing Committee Research (SCR) in its meeting held on 09.02.2016.

The Council after detailed deliberations resolved to approve the draft Regulations with minor modifications suggested by the members.

The Council further resolved that the Vice Chancellor is authorized to constitute a suitable committee to explore the possibility of an Integrated M.Phil/ Ph.D Programme. The proposed committee may also look into the process of selection of Examiners for M.Phil/ Ph.D thesis evaluation and other related issues.

The revised research regulations as approved by the Council is annexed at **Appendix-4**.

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Item 8.6: To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee Academic Programmes (SCAP)

#### **Resolution 8.6**

The AC considered the recommendations of the meetings of the Standing Committee Student Affairs and approved the following items:

8.6.1 Implementation of the UGC guidelines on determination of a uniform span period within which a student may be allowed to qualify for a bachelor's or master's degree

The Council resolved to adopt the UGC guidelines (F.12-1/2015(CPP-II) dated 15.10.2015, on determination of a uniform span period within which a student may be allowed to qualify for a bachelor's or master's degree. The guidelines are as under:

- (i) a student who is not able to complete a programme within the normal period or the minimum period prescribed, may be allowed 2 years period beyond the normal period to clear the backlog to be qualified for the degree (.i.e the revised maximum duration for the completion of Bachelors and Masters programmes is 3+2 years and 2+2 years respectively).
- (ii) In exceptional circumstances [to be defined by the concerned statutory body of the university] a further extension of one more year may be granted.
- (iii) During the extended period the student shall be considered as a private candidate and not be eligible for ranking.

Further, the AC authorised the Standing Committee on Student Affairs (SCSA) to define the category "private candidate.

8.6.2 To consider the change in the nomenclature of "M.A. Social Design" Programme to "M.Des. (Social Design)" in terms of UGC Regulations on 'Specification of Degrees' as per Notification dated 11.07.2014

The Council noted that the existing M.A. (Social Design) programme is being offered by the School of Design from the Academic year 2013-14 as approved by the AC in its 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 10.07.2013 & 19.07.2013 (adjourned).

The Academic Council considered and approved the proposal dated 25.01.2016 from the School of Design as recommended by the Standing Committee Academic Programme (SCAP) in its meeting held on

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14.03.2016 for change in the nomenclature of the existing M.A. Social Design Programme to "M.Des. (Social Design)" in terms of UGC Regulations on 'Specification of Degrees' as per Notification dated 11.07.2014.

The Council also accepted the proposal by the School of Design for awarding the Degree of Master of Design (Social Design) to all students including the first batch, graduating this year.

# 8.6.3 The proposed revision in the structure of the programmes offered by the SBPSSE and addition of new courses in the Masters programmes offered by the SES, SHS, and SLS

The Council considered and deliberated on the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Academic Programmes (SCAP) vide **Appendix-5** on the following:

## (1) School of Business, Public Policy and Social Entrepreneurship

A change from the trimester system to semester system so as to align MBA programme calendar and admission with other programmes of the School and the University. This would encourage intra-School and inter-School sharing of credits by students.

- (i) Courses in each semester would be divided into two slots.
- (ii) The revised programme will consist of a total of 84 credits to be completed in four semesters.
- (iii) The admission process will move forward from November-March to December-April every year to align closer with the admission process of the University.
- (iv) The elective courses will be made available in the major baskets of Finance and Accounting, Marketing, Human Resource Management and Organization Behaviour, Operations Management and Decision Sciences, and Economics and Public Systems.
- (v) Assessment norms will be reviewed to fit into the revised two-slot structure in the semester system.

A slight modification in the E-Publishing" course being offered as part of the PG Diploma programme in Publishing, already approved by the Academic Council.

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#### (2) School of Education Studies

The addition of new courses in MA Education (ECCE) and PG Diploma (ECCE) programme offered by the School of Education Studies, its structure and the rationale for the same are as follows:

- (i) Provision of a course on Educational Research and of a workshop for both the students of MA programme and PG Diploma.
- (ii) Change in Credit for the course on "Early Childhood Care and Education in India" from two to four and the introduction of a new two-credit course on "Engaging with Families and Communities".
- (iii) Course on "Learning and Development in the Early Years (LDEL)" to be an elective in the third Semester.
- (iv) Introduction of a course on "Qualitative/Quantitative Research Methods" in the third Semester.
- (v) Changes in the Credits for the Field Attachment Component (FA), Internship and Workshops.

#### (3) School of Human Studies

A new four credit course "Story/Even/Structure" to be offered by a guest faculty as part of the MA programme in Gender Studies. This is a special course not likely to be taught every year.

#### (4) School of Liberal Studies

- (i) The two pilot courses "Literatures from the East: India and Arabia (four credits, for undergraduate programmes)" and "Literary Relations: Intertextuality" (four credits, for MA/M.Phil programmes) from the discipline area of Comparative Literature and Translation Studies.
- (ii) The course "Literatures of the East: India and Arabia" would introduce students to literatures of pre-modern terrains of writing not usually covered by English literature syllabi. It would also introduce them to the disciplines and methods of comparative literatures and translation studies. It would also encourage them to engage with literary writings which have a cultural and civilizational significance for a literary study of the East.The course "Literary Relations: Intertextuality" is designed as a self-sufficient unit of MA/.M.Phil programme in Comparative Literature and Translation Studies, as and when it develops, but can also be offered as an elective course to students of other programmes. The course will establish the links

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between literature, language, culture, history and society. It would also initiate the students into the theories and debates in the area. It would seek to open up possibilities that would situate literature and language at the heart of social and cultural transformations. Moving beyond the written text to other disciplines and cultural practices, the course would situate Comparative Literature and Translation Studies as an interdisciplinary field where various strands of social sciences and humanities would interact

The Council approved the revision/addition of above-mentioned courses to the different masters programmes already approved.

#### Item 8.7 To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee Student Affairs (SCSA)

#### Resolution 8.7

The AC considered the recommendations of the meetings of the Standing Committee Student Affairs and approved the following items:

8.7.1 Policy for allowing SUS students (after completing graduation) to enrol for MA stand-alone courses

> The Council deliberated on the recommendations of the SCSA and resolved to authorise the Vice Chancellor to constitute a sub-committee to prepare a detailed set of policy guidelines for allowing the BA students to opt for MA stand-alone courses and also to allow the MA students to opt for courses offered at undergraduate level.

8.7.2 The representations received from the SUS students seeking exemption with regard to certain provisions in the existing policy for completion of their programmes

> The Council discussed and considered the recommendation of the SCSA on the following:

- (i) Karan Giri and Ramita Chatterjee be allowed to take 6 courses in their final semester to complete the degree in 3 years.
- (ii) Uzma Begum be allowed to take another course in place of 'Logic and Reasoning' which is a compulsory course as she is not able to cope up with the course even after 4 attempts
- (iii) Kush Baluja be allowed for one semester (beyond 5 years) to complete the requirement of the Bachelor's degree.

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The AC considered the minutes of the meetings of the Standing Committee Student Affairs (SCSA) held on 7 January 2016 and 8 March 2016 containing the above recommendations.

Item 8.8 To consider the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) to be followed for management of externally funded and AUD sponsored Research Projects

#### Resolution 8.8:

The Academic Council (AC) considered the proposal for prescribing Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) to be followed for management of externally funded and AUD sponsored Research projects as recommended by the Advisory Committee for Research and Project Management (ACRPM).

It was also suggested to annexe a chart, showing various delegations of administrative and financial powers related to management of research project along with the SOP.

The Council after discussions resolved to accept the proposal with minor modifications vide **Appendix-6**.

Item 8.9: To ratify the decision taken by the Vice Chancellor on behalf of the Academic Council as per the recommendation of the Standing Committee Research

#### Resolution 8.9:

#### 8.9.1 Award of MPhil degree to 20 students

Resolved to ratify the decision taken by the Vice Chancellor on behalf of the Academic Council on award of MPhil degree to the following 20 students:

S. No.	Enrolment No	Name	Course
1	S124CWG02	Aneesha Gambhir	MPhil in Women's and Gender Studies
2	S124CWG04	Ayesha Nusrat	MPhil in Women's and Gender Studies
3	S124CWG06	Neha Choudhary	MPhil in Women's and Gender Studies
4	S134CWG03	Anasuya Sreedhar	MPhil in Women's and Gender Studies
5	S134CWG04	Ankit Sharma	MPhil in Women's and Gender Studies
6	S134CWG01	Aastha Dang	MPhil in Women's and Gender Studies
7	S124CWG10	Priyadarsni Satyam	MPhil in Women's and Gender Studies
8	S124CWG01	Aditi Malhotra	MPhil in Women's and Gender Studies

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9	S124CDP12	Neeraj Joshi	MPhil in Development Practice
10	S124CDP06	Himani Bajaj	MPhil in Development Practice
11	S124CDP09	Kiden Lama	MPhil in Development Practice
12	S124CDP19	Rashmi	MPhil in Development Practice
13	S124CDP10	Kshitij Mamgain	MPhil in Development Practice
14	S124CDP03	Bhavya Chitranshi	MPhil in Development Practice
15	S124CDP21	Sarangthem Romeo Singh	MPhil in Development Practice
16	S114CPS05	Moirangthem Rominabati Devi	MPhil in Psychotherapy and Clinical Thinking
17	S114CPS04	Kimberly Lacroix Mark	MPhil in Psychotherapy and Clinical Thinking
18	S114CPS16	Tanya Kullar	MPhil in Psychotherapy and Clinical Thinking
19	S114DHS01	Dhruv Khadkiwala	MPhil in History
20	S114DHS07	Meenakshi Jha	MPhil in History

# 8.9.2 Extension given to the Research Scholars for completing their respective Programmes

Resolved to ratify the decision taken by the Vice Chancellor on behalf of the Academic Council on extension given to the Research scholars for completing their respective programme

#### (i) 3 MPhil students

Considering a special case, granted extension to 3 MPhil students till the end of May 2016 {[2- MPhil PCT students (Varun Vishwanathan, enrolment numbers- S114CPS12 & Lalita Kaushik, enrolment numbers- S114CPS14) and [1- MPhil Development Practice student (Pooja Mehra, enrolment numbers- S124CDP15)]}. This is, the SCR insisted, a onetime extension and will not be cited as a precedent in future.

### (ii) 7 PhD students

- (a) Given the interdisciplinary nature of the PhD programme in SHE all of them were advised by their respective PhD Advisory Committee to take up between 16 to 20 credits of course work. Thus the scholars could start their independent research only after the 3rd semester from their joining date. In The scholars were granted an extension of two semester each (under rule 16 (x) of RSR)
- (b) Granted extension of six months to Ms. Barsha Poricha up to 15.07.2016 and to Prakash Tripathi up to 10.07.2016 (PhD scholars in SHE) to complete their theses





- (c) Granted extension of six months from 31-10-2015 up to 31-03-2016 to Ms Kanika Singh, PhD scholar in History in SLS
- (d) Granted extension of six months upto end of June 2016 to Kaushik Bhadra, PhD Student, SDS.

# 8.9.3 De-registration of a PhD student in the SDS

#### Resolution 8.9.3

Resolved to ratify the decision taken by the Vice Chancellor on behalf of the Academic Council On De-registration of Anand David, PhD student (SDS) based on the facts produced by Dr. Nandini Nayak, Convenor RSC of SDS from 10.01.2016.

8.9.4 Number of seats filled in MPhil and PhD programmes in Monsoon Semester 2015 and Winter Semester 2016

#### Resolution 8.9.4

Resolved to ratify the decision taken by the Vice Chancellor on behalf of the AC on the student admitted in MPhil and PhD programmes in Monsoon Semester 2015 as under:

- (i) Swati Mohan Krishnan admitted to Ph.D offered by SDS.
- (ii) 4 (four) M. Phil. Hindi and 6 (six) M. Phil. History students.

Item 8.10 To ratify the decisions taken by the Vice Chancellor on behalf of the Academic Council on the matters as recommended by the Standing Committee Student Affairs

#### Resolution 8.10

Resolved to ratify the decision taken by the Vice Chancellor on behalf of the AC on the following recommendations made by the Standing Committee Students Affairs:

# 8.10.1 Exemption from grade cut to four students of MBA programme

The AC resolved to note the approval of the Vice Chancellor on exemption from grade cut to four students of MBA programme on medical grounds

- (i) Asad Malik and Neha Nagar were exempted from the grade cut on medical grounds
- (ii) Sunny's request was considered for exemption upon submission of satisfactory Medical report of his and his mother illness.

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- (iii) Exemption from grade cut was given to Rahul Chaudhary only in the courses that he was passing, if grade cut was not implemented on medical grounds.
- 8.10.2 Implementing the minimum attendance norms on medical grounds as per the medical exception policy of AUD as applicable to the cases of MBA students who are failing in few courses due to grade cut

The AC ratified the approval of the Vice Chancellor to implement the minimum attendance norms on medical grounds as per the medical exception policy of AUD as applicable to the cases of MBA students who are failing in few courses due to grade cut.

The request of MBA students who were failing due to grade cut namely Anmol Mahipal, Asad Malik, Pankaj Prasad and Srikant Sharma of MBA 1st year and Swati Priyanka of PGD Publishing due to medical reasons were considered and approved following the medical exemption policy

The SBPPSE was advised to implement exceptions to the minimum attendance norms on medical grounds as per the medical exception policy of AUD.

After granting exceptions as permissible in the approved norms the grade cut were implemented by the SBPPSE

8.10.3 Extension of two months for payment of fees to Preeti Singh, a student of 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester, Visual Art, SCCE

The Council ratified the extension of two months (till 31 March 2016) for payment of fees given to Preeti Singh, 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester, Visual Art Student, SCCE.

8.10.4 Not to allow the registration of courses by four students of MA programmes Offered by the SLS for the winter semester 2016 after the due date

The Council ratified the decision of not allowing to register for courses to the four students of MA programmes offered by the School of Liberal Studies for the winter semester 2016 after the due date.

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Item 8.11: To ratify the action taken by the Vice Chancellor in approving the MoUs signed between AUD and (a) Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj, Romania, (b) Ford Foundation, (c) Rohini Ghadiok Foundation, and (d) Central Square Foundation

#### Resolution 8.11:

The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice Chancellor in approving the MoUs signed between AUD and the following:

#### (i) Babes-Bolyai University

An MoU was signed on 16.09.2015 with the Babes-Bolyai University, Romania for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+programme.

## (ii) Ford Foundation

An MoU was signed on 9.12.2015 with the Ford Foundation to support the research by the Centre for Development Practice, AUD on nontimber forest produce markets to strengthen the livelihoods of tribal communities in some of India's poorest and marginalized regions.

#### (iii) Rohini Ghadiok Foundation

An MoU was signed on 14.12.2015 by the Centre for Development Practice (CDP) at AUD with the Rohini Ghadiok Foundation to support the graduates from the MPhil (current) and any future undergraduate or masters degrees in Development Practice that may be offered.

#### (iv) Central Square Foundation

An MoU was signed on 27.01.2016 by the Centre for Early Childhood Care and Education (CECED) at AUD with the Central Square Foundation, New Delhi to establish and develop an assessment unit, which will work on standardization of the existing tools developed by the Centre, and development of new tools as required, in the field of early childhood education and development.

## Item 8.12 Reporting Items

8.12.1 To report the nomination of Dr. Dhirendra Datt Dangwal, Associate Professor, SLS as the new Convenor of the Standing Committee Research (SCR)

#### Resolution 8.12.1

The AC noted that Dr Dhirendra Datt Dangal, Associate Professor, School of Liberal Studies has been nominated as the new Convenor of

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the Standing Committee Research (SCR) for a period of three years w.e.f 30.09.2015.

In the absence of the Pro- Vice Chancellor, the Vice Chancellor will act as the Chairperson, SCR.

8.12.2 To report the nomination of Professor Salil Misra as Chairperson and Dr Gunjan Sharma as Convenor of the Standing Committee Academic Programmes (SCAP)

#### Resolution 8.12.2

The AC took note of Professor Salil Misra, School of Liberal Studies being nominated as the new Chairperson of the Standing Committee Academic Programmes (SCAP) for a period of three years w.e.f 12.01.2016.

Similarly, Dr Gunjan Sharma, Assistant Professor, School of Education Studies being nominated as the new Convenor of the SCAP for a period of three years w.e.f. 12.01.2016

8.12.3 To report the Fee Structure for Admission cohort of students to be admitted in 2016-17 (for the entire period of studies in a programme) in compliance with the Fee Policy as approved by the Board of Management

#### Resolution 8.12.3

The Council noted the fee structure for the Admissions cohort 2016-17:

S. No.	Programme	Tuition Fee per credit	SWF (per semes ter)	Co- curricular activities and Industry interface	Programme Support and extramural Cost	course material	Research/ Dissertatio n	Refundable Caution deposit collected at the time of admission
1	BA Honours (Economics; History; Psychology; Social Sciences & Humanities; English; Mathematics and Sociology)	Rs 1100/-	Rs 500/-	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	Rs 5000/-
2	MA (Economics, English, History	Rs 1380/-	Rs 500/-	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	Rs 5000/-

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	Sociology, Development Studies; Environment & Development; Psychology; Gender Studies; Education; Early Childhood care & Education , PG Diploma in Publishing; PG Diploma in Early Childhood care & Education							
4	Master in Business Administration	Rs 2210/-	Rs 500/-	Rs 15000/- per year	NIL	Rs 250/- per credit in taught/s upervis ed courses	NIL	Rs 5000/-
5	MA Social Entrepreneurs hip	Rs 2210/-	Rs 500/-	Rs 15000/- per year	NIL	Rs 250/- per credit in taught/s upervis ed courses	NIL	Rs 5000/-
6	MA Social Design	Rs 1380/-	Rs 500/-	NIL	Rs 20000/- per semester	NIL	NIL	Rs 5000/-
7	M. Phil. (Hindi ; History; Women & Gender Studies); PhD (Hindi ; History; Development Studies; Environment & Development; Psychology; Women & Gender Studies)	Rs 1380/-	Rs 500/-	NIL	NIL	NIL	Rs 5250/- per semester	Rs 5000/-

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8	M. Phil Psychotherap y & Clinical Thinking	Rs 1380/-	Rs 500/-	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	Rs 5000/-
9	M. Phil Development Practice	Rs 1380/-	Rs 500/-	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	Rs 5000/-
10	Ph. D (Visual Art; Literary Art; Film Studies)	Rs 1380/-	Rs 500/-		Rs 5000/- per year		Rs 5250/- per semester	Rs 5000/-

Item 8.12.4 To report the Academic Calendar for the year 2016-17

# Resolution 8.12.4:

The AC noted the Academic Calendar for the year 2016-17

Monsoon Semester (22 weeks)	1 <sup>st</sup> July 2016- 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2016
Classes in Monsoon Semester (16 weeks)	
Autumn Break	10 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2016
(one week)	(One week around Dussehra)
Aud@city	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October, 2016, Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> October, 2016 (Last weekend of October)
5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Convocation	4 <sup>th</sup> or 5 <sup>th</sup> November, 2016 (Friday or Saturday after Aud@city)
Winter Break	12 <sup>th</sup> December 2016- 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2017
(Four weeks)	in a second of the second of t
Winter School	12 <sup>th</sup> December 2016- 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2017
(Four weeks)	
Winter Semester (19 weeks)	9 <sup>th</sup> January 2017-19 <sup>th</sup> May 2017
Classes in the Winter Semester (16 weeks)	9 <sup>th</sup> January 2017-28 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
Sports Day	25 <sup>th</sup> February 2017
	(Last Saturday of February)
Summer Break (6 weeks)	20 <sup>th</sup> May 2017- 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
Summer School (6 weeks)	20 <sup>th</sup> May 2017- 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2017

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#### Note:

- 1. There will be sixteen weeks devoted to teaching, inclusive of assessment, in every semester.
- 2. There will 21 working weeks in the monsoon semester and 19 weeks in the winter semester, including work related to admissions, curriculum design, organizational planning, reflections and evaluation in addition to teaching.
- 3. There will be 11 weeks of vacation, 6 weeks in summer, 4 weeks in winter and 1 week around Dussehra.

# Item 8.12.5 The report the Fourth Annual Convocation held on the 4<sup>th</sup> of December, 2015

#### Resolution 8.12.5

The Council noted that the Fourth Annual Convocation of Ambedkar University Delhi for conferment of degrees/ diplomas to the students who had successfully completed all the assessment requirements of courses in the year 2012 and 2013 was held on 4 December 2015 on the University campus vide, **Appendix-7**.

Shri Ashok Vajpeyi, an eminent poet and writer was the chief guest and he delivered the convocation address.

Item 8.12.6 To report the re-enrolling of the de-enrolled students of SDS, SHS, SLS and SUS as per the norms approved by the Academic Council

#### Resolution 8.12.6

The Council noted that the following students were re-enrolled from different Schools as per the norms approved by the Academic Council:

#### **School of Development Studies**

1. Thongam Premlata, MA Development Studies

#### **School of Human Studies**

- 1. Aprajita Bhargarh, PhD Psychology
- 2. Nayema Nasir, MPhil Women's and Gender Studies
- 3. Shashank Mehra, MA Psychology

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#### School of Liberal Studies

- 1. Avinash Kr Mishra, PhD Hindi
- 2. Parul Verma, MA English

#### **School of Undergraduate Studies**

- 1. Simran Choudhary, BA Social Sciences and Humanities
- 2. Gavin Kalayatholil George, BA, Psychology
- 3. Vikrant Dabas, BA Economics
- 4. Kajal Malik, BA Economics
- 5. Kush Baluja, BA Economics
- 6. Shilpa, BA History
- 7. Ashima Sheel, BA Social Sciences and Humanities

# Any other item with the permission of the Chair:

#### Resolution 8.13

The Council noted that the University is in the process of reviewing its various degree and diploma programmes on offer. Those programmes in which applicants are few and/or seats remain vacant, will be reviewed and if need be such programmes may go for a zero admission year to enable wider consultations and revision of programme and course structures and contents.

#### Resolution 8.14

The Vice Chancellor briefed the Council that the GNCTD through Directorate of Higher Education has allotted AUD the Land and Building (about 6.5 acres) being vacated by the Deen Dayal Upadhayay College (affiliated to the University of Delhi) at Karampura near Moti Nagar, New Delhi for the purpose of establishing a new campus (vide offer letter dated 23.02.2016). In response to the above offer of allotment of land, the University has submitted a proposal to the DHE on 11.03.2016.

The proposed plan for the AUD Karampura Campus is the following:

#### Academic year 2016-17

- (i) Replicating some existing UG programmes
- (ii) Establishing the School of Law, Governance and Citizenship (Introduction of Certificate Courses)

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# Academic year 2017-18

- (i) Establish new UG programmes
- (ii) Establish new PG programmes
- (iii) Launch new 5-year integrated programmes
- (iv) Establish School of Vocational Studies & launch relevant course

The University has also proposed about 150 teaching and 165 administrative positions for the Karampura Campus. The proposal is still under consideration by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

( M.A. Sikandar ) Registrar (Shyam B Wenon) Vice Chancellor