



Ordinance No. 22 of 2017

Examination Leading to the Degree of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil) in the Faculty of Commerce yearly Pattern and Credit Grade System, Ordinance 2017.

Whereas, it is expedient to provide an ordinance in respect of Examination leading to the Degree of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) in the Faculty of Commerce yearly Pattern and Credit Grade System for the purposes hereinafter appearing, the Management Council is hereby pleased to make the following ordinance :-

1. This ordinance may be called ‘Examination leading to the Degree of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) in the Faculty of Commerce, yearly pattern and Credit Grade System, Ordinance, 2017’
2. This ordinance shall come into force with effect from the date of its making by the Management council.
3. The examination leading to the Degree of Master of philosophy (M.phil.) in the faculty of commerce shall be held annually in June at such places and on such dates as may be appointed by the Board of Examinations.
4. Subject to his compliance with the provisions of this ordinance and of other ordinances in force from time to time, an applicant for admission to the Master of philosophy (M.Phil.) Degree Examination shall have.
 - i. Passed the Master’s Degree in not less than Second Division in the subject comprised in the Faculty concerned of the University or of any other Examination recognized by the University as equivalent thereto.
Provided that candidate who are teachers in the University shall be given preference for admission to the Course.
Provided further that the condition of Second Class Master may be relaxed for those who are already recognized as University of College Teachers.
Provided further that the teachers in the University or affiliated college already in employment will be admitted to M.Phil invention course.
 - ii. Prosecuted a regular full time course of one Academic Session as a student of a College or a Department of the University.
5. Without prejudice to the other provisions of ordinance No. 6 relating to Examinations in General, the provisions of Paragraphs 5.8.10 and 32 of the said ordinance shall apply to every collegiate candidate.
6.
 - i) The fees for the examination shall be as prescribed by the university Council from time to time and whenever any changes is made in the fees prescribed for any particular Examination that be notified through a Notification for information of the examinees concerned.
 - ii) The candidates desiring to take M.Phil. Examination (Regular Course) shall submit their application with full fee at least three months prior to the date of the Examination.
7.
 - i) The scope of the subjects shall be as indicated in the syllabus.

- ii) The medium of instruction and Examination shall be English only except for the course in language.
 - iii) Examinees shall have option to write their answers through either Marathi or Hindi or English language.
 - iv) The candidates who have opted to write the papers in M.Phil Examination in any of the three languages will have to offer the same medium also for Dissertation.
8. The Examination shall consist of two parts, viz-
- 1) Theory papers including practical / college assessment, and
 - 2) Dissertation with the maximum and minimum pass marks shall be as shown in Appendix – A this ordinance for the Examination in the Faculties.
 - 3) The norms relating to internal assessment in each M.Phil Paper excluding the Dissertation shall be as under :-
 - a) Tutorial / Home Assignment. **(8 Maks)**
 - b) Paper presented by the student at the seminar, Participation in discussion at the Seminar, Group discussion etc. **(7 Maks)**
 - c) Interview by the M.Phil Committee of the Deptt./ College in which regularity in attendance. **(5 Maks)**
Performance of the student in the class-room, his library work, participation in class –room, general performance, etc to be taken into account.

The Dissertation Committee means & Committee constituted in the College Deptt. for any particular subject for approving the subject of Dissertation appointing of the recognized Guide/Super visor and to conduct the M.Phil. programme. It shall maintain the complete information of the titles of the dissertations subjectwise for future reference of the M.Phil. Students and the dissertation committee for subsequent years and the College / Deptt. shall also send a copy thereof to the University Office (Asstt. Registrar, Exams). Which shall maintain a register with the complete information of the titles of the Dissertation subjectwise in each Faculty, for futhre reference of the examinees and others concerned.
 - 4) The Supervisor and valuer should be Ph.D. Degree holder. No supervisor shall guide at a time more than 5 students for Dissertation.
9. 1) The Principal / Head of the Institution / Department shall forward to the University the record of Internal Assessment / Sessional Marks of Examinees one month before the commencement of the Examination.
- 2) The Principal of the College or Head of the Deptt. where the M.Phil. course is conducted shall submit to the University the enrolled number of students in each subject submitting the Dissertation for information of the Appointment of Examiners Committee for making adequate appointments.

- 3) A Candidate who had offered thesis for Ph.D. in a particular subject can offer the same subject for Dissertation in M.Phil.
- 4) A candidate can offer an identical subject for Dissertation in the same year which has been offered by another M.Phil. candidate at this or other places.
10. 1) The candidates desiring to take M.Phil. Exam. Shall submit only two copies of their Dissertation duly printed / typed or hand written in neat and tidy form, to the University through their supervisor and the Principal/Head of the Institute / Deptt. at least a fortnight prior to the date of commencement of the written examination.
- 2) A candidate shall submit with his dissertation a Certificate from his supervisor to the effect.
 - i. That the candidate has satisfactorily conducted research for not less than one academic year and
 - ii. That the dissertation is the result of the candidate's own work and is of sufficiently high standard to warrant its presentation for the examination.
11. There shall be no classification of examinees successful at the Examination.
12. (i) A student successful in all the Theory papers and unsuccessful in the Dissertation shall be required to appear in Dissertation only.
(ii) A student successful in Dissertation and unsuccessful in Theory paper shall be required to appear in Theory papers only.
13. As soon as possible after the examination, the C.O.E. shall publish a list of successful examinees. Only such examinees who have secured minimum pass grade as indicated in the Credit grade system shall be considered for qualifying the above said examination.
14. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this ordinance no person shall be admitted to an Examination under this Ordinance if he has already passed this examination or an equivalent examination of any other Statutory University.
15. Successful examinees shall on payment of the prescribed fees receive a Degree in the prescribed form signed by the Vice-Chancellor.

16. Model Credit-Grade System

As per the UGC, for the central, state and deemed universities in India, it is now mandatory to adopt credit system in place of conventional system comprising of marks and grades for all the undergraduate and post-graduate programs. The central idea of the system is that a student has to earn a prescribed minimum number of credits to fulfill the requirements of graduation. The credit system has to be designed uniformly together with a suitable continuous evaluation and a well-articulated system of grading.

A) Course Credits

It is the unit of measurement of course works. Each course shall have an integer number of credits which reflects its weightage. One credit means one period of one hour duration.

The number of credits of a course in a given semester shall ordinarily be calculated as under:

$$\text{Number of Credits} = L + T + P/2$$

Where L, T and P represent the number of Lecture, Tutorial and Practical hours per week. The fraction is to be rounded off to next integer value. One practical/Lab. without theory of one hour equal to One Credit.

B) Grade

It is the measure of performance quality. At the end of the each semester, a student is awarded a letter grade in each of his/her courses taking into account his/her performance based on the various components of evaluation i.e. on the basis of total marks (Theory + Practical + Assessment) in each theory course and (Theory + Practical) in each of the laboratory course obtained. There are seven letter grades as O,A,B,C, D,F and X as shown in **Table 2**

c) Grade Points

The letter grades are converted to figures to indicate performance of the students. The following are the guideline steps for the computation of grade points:

- i) All evaluations of different components of a course specified in the course plan i.e. scheme shall be done in marks for each student.
- ii) The marks of various components of college assessment and university conducted examination shall be added to get total marks secured for the given course. For example, out of a total of 100 marks for theory courses and 50 mark for laboratory courses.
- iii) These letter grades are assigned numerical equivalents called Grade Points, **GP** on a 07-point scale and are correlated with percentage score of the student in the given course as shown in the **Table 2** given below.
- iv) For the given course, the adopted criteria of percentage marks given below shall then be used for the computation of grades and grade points.
- v) “**F**” grade stands for failure in that course examination. The course(s) in which a student has earned F-grade will be termed as back-log Such a student will be required to reappear in the given course examination in the supplementary examination.

vi) “X” grade is awarded to a student who is absent in the examination or is not allowed to appear or could not appear in examination in a particular subject due to any reason, though he might have undergone other components such as internal evaluation, term work etc. Such a student will be required to appear in the given course, in which he/she has secured X –grade, in the onward term.

Table 2: Criteria for Award of Grades

| Grade | Percentage score, X (Theory) | Grade Points |
|--------------|---|---------------------|
| O | 90-100 | 10 |
| A | 80-89 | 09 |
| B | 70-79 | 08 |
| C | 60-69 | 07 |
| D | 50-59 | 06 |
| F | 0-49 | -- |
| X | Absent in Examination | --- |

D) Credit Points

Credit points stands for performance of student in a particular course. They are product of total credits of a course and grade point secured by the student in the given course.

E) Grade Point Average (GPA)

It is indicative of performance of a student in the given year. The Grade Point Average for a year is obtained by adding the products of Actual Grade Points and relative weightages for different courses as shown in the scheme for respective year and dividing the total by the total credit hours for the year as illustrated below.

$$\text{GPA} = [C_i G_i + C_{ii} G_{ii} + \dots + C_n G_n] / (C_i + C_{ii} + \dots + C_n)$$

Where, C – No of Credits of individual course

G – Corresponding grade point obtained in the respective course.

(Statement of Object and Reasons)

The Vice-chancellor of the university had issued Direction No. 121 of 2012 on 26/6/2012 in respect of Direction Governing the Examination leading to Award of the Degree of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) in the Faculty of Commerce with yearly Pattern and Credit Grade System from the year 2012-13, under provision of section 14 (8) of the Maharashtra Universities Act, 1994.

The subject matter of the Direction is required to be regulated by an ordinance as provided under the Act.

In view of the above, the existing Direction is required to be converted into an Ordinance as provided under the Act, hence this Draft Ordinance is prepared for consideration of the Academic council and the Management council.

APPENDIX – A

Scheme of teaching and Examination for the Degree of M.Phil in the Faculty of Commerce

| Sr. No. | Subject | Course Scheme | | | Maximum Pass Marks | | | | Minimum passing marks including internal assessment | Credit |
|---------|--|---------------|---|---|--------------------|---------------------|-----------|-------|---|--------|
| | | L | T | P | Theory | Internal Assessment | Practical | Total | | |
| 1. | Research Methodology | 04 | - | - | 80 | 20 | -- | 100 | 50 | 06 |
| 2. | Teaching a) Evaluation Techniques | 04 | - | - | 40 | 10 | -- | 50 | } 50 | 04+04 |
| | b) Current Trends and Issues in Higher Educated | | | | 40 | 10 | -- | 50 | | |
| 3. | Any one of the following optional subjects i. Cost Accounting ii. Economics of labour iii. Marketing Management | 04 | - | - | 80 | 20 | -- | 100 | 50 | 05 |
| 4. | Seminar | - | - | - | | | 50 | 50 | 25 | 06 |
| 5. | Dissertation | - | - | - | -- | - | 150 | 150 | 75 | 15 |
| | | | | | 240 | 60 | 200 | 500 | 250 | 40 |

*Note: L- Lecture T-Tutorials P-Practical