

# **REGULATIONS**

## **FOR**

# **IMPLEMENTATION OF MULTIPLE ENTRY & EXIT**



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**[Based on National Education Policy 2020]**

The aim of Higher Education is to develop good, well rounded and creative individuals. The present education system requires transformation and redesigning by introducing innovations and by developing a „learner-centric“ approach. The NEP 2020 recommends an adaptable curriculum framework, along with the inclusion of multiple entry and exit points and re-entry options.

Flexible learning is important to choose one’s academic pathway leading to the award of Certificate, Diploma and Degree. NEP 2020 will reduce the drop-out rate, improve Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER), ensure zero-year-loss to students and facilitate lifelong learning. NEP 2020 envisages adjustments in the structure and lengths of degree programmes and an Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) to ensure seamless student mobility between or within degree granting Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).

In pursuance of the recommendations of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 seeking to reform the Higher Education system, the Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya is introducing Multiple Entry and Exit in Academic Programmes from the Academic Session July 2023. This opens up exciting prospects for lifelong learning.

Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur implements the four- year undergraduate program structure as proposed by the NEP 2020, as well as a two-year postgraduate program. Students will have the flexibility to enter and exit the programs at various points within this timeframe, earning appropriate certifications along the way.

The University is already registered on the ABC (Academic Bank of Credits) portal to facilitate credit mobility for students from Academic Year (AY) 2022-2023.

The students who exit with Certification, Diploma and Basic Bachelor Degree shall be eligible to re-enter the programme at the exit level to complete the programme or to complete next level. The candidates will have a maximum of two exit options or lateral entries to complete the programme.

The structure of the undergraduate programme shall be as follows:

- a) Certificate after completion of one year (two semesters);
- b) Diploma after completion of two years (four semesters);
- c) Bachelor’s Degree after completion of three years (six semesters);
- d) Bachelor’s Degree with Honours / Research after completion of four years (eight semesters).

The structure of the postgraduate programme shall be as follows:

- a) Postgraduate diploma after completion of one year (two semesters) of post- graduate programme
- b) Postgraduate degree after completion of two years (four semesters).

## **1. Level 4.5: Undergraduate Certificate**

The Undergraduate certificate (in the field of discipline) is awarded to candidates who exit after studying the first year i.e. two semesters of the undergraduate programme.

### **Entry options**

- (i) Candidates who have completed Grade 12 or equivalent examinations with the required percentage / CGPA are eligible to apply for admission to the first semester of the undergraduate programme.
- (ii) Entry to the first semester of the first year of the undergraduate programme shall be open to those who fulfil the requirements of the Entrance Test as per the admission guideline of NTA.
- (iii) Entry to the first semester shall be granted as per the number of vacancies available in the programme at the University.
- (iv) There shall be no lateral entry in the Second Semester.

### **Exit options**

- (i) Candidates may exit with the Undergraduate certificate (in the field of discipline) after completing the First Year (after Second Semester) of the Undergraduate Programme with a minimum of 40 credits, followed by an additional exit 4 credit Vocational /Experiential Learning course/ Internship.
- (ii) Exit after earning the required credits after completion of two semesters i.e. one year of the Undergraduate Programme shall be allowed.
- (iii) The exit with Undergraduate Certificate shall be allowed only in an even semester i.e. only after completion of the second semester.
- (iv) Candidates with back paper will not be awarded an Undergraduate certificate (in the field of discipline).
- (v) Certificate will be issued only when the student specifically applies for the same.

## **2. Level 5: Undergraduate Diploma**

Undergraduate Diploma (in the field of discipline) is awarded to those candidates who exit after two years (Four Semesters) of study of the Undergraduate Programme.

### **Entry options**

- (i) Candidates who have completed first year (second semester) are eligible to apply for entry to the Second Year (third semester) of the Undergraduate Programme.

- (ii) Maximum 10% of the total intake or number of the vacant seat available in the department may be allowed as lateral entry in the third semester for those students who have successfully completed second semester (first year) of the Undergraduate Programme with requisite credits / CGPA.
- (iii) Lateral entry in third semester is subject to student securing qualifying marks in entrance test conducted by the University.
- (iv) Lateral entry is allowed only in the third semester of the Undergraduate Programme.

#### **Exit options**

- (vi) Candidates may exit with UG Diploma after successfully completing the Second Year (after four semesters) of the Undergraduate Programme with a minimum of 80 credits, followed by an additional exit 4 credit Vocational / Experiential Learning course/ Internship(s).
- (i) Exit after earning the required credits after Two Years (fourth semester) shall be allowed.
- (ii) Exit shall be allowed only in even semester i.e. after successful completion of the Second Year (fourth semester).
- (iii) Candidates with back paper will not be awarded Under-graduate diploma (in the field of discipline).
- (iv) A Diploma requires 80 credits from Levels 5 to 6 with 44credits at Level 6.

### **3. Level 5.5- Bachelor's Degree**

The duration of the Bachelor's Degree programme is three years (Six Semesters).

#### **Entry options**

- (i) Candidates who have successfully completed the Second Year (Fourth Semester) are eligible to apply for entry to Third Year (Fifth Semester) of the Undergraduate Programme.
- (ii) A 10 % of the total intake or as per the vacant seat available in department may be allowed as lateral entry in the Fifth Semester in the Third Year of the undergraduate programme subject to fulfillment of entrance criteria, and requisite credits.
- (iii) Lateral entry may be granted subject to availability of vacant seats in each department.
- (iv) Lateral entry in fifth semester is subject to student securing qualifying marks in entrance test conducted by the University.

#### **Exit options**

- (i) Candidates may exit with Bachelor's Degree after successful completion of the Three Years (Six Semesters) of study of the Undergraduate Programme with a minimum 120credits.
- (ii) The exit shall be allowed only in even semester i.e. Sixth Semester
- (iii) Candidates with back paper will not be awarded Bachelor's degree.

#### **4. Level 6- Bachelor's Degree with Honours / Research**

The duration of the Bachelor's Degree with honours or research is Four Years (Eight Semesters)

##### **Entry options**

- (i) Candidates who have successfully completed Three Years (Six Semesters) of undergraduate programme are eligible for continuation/entry/ admission to Fourth Year (Seventh Semester) of the UG programme with a minimum CGPA of 7.5 in ten-point scale.
- (ii) Continuation of the under graduate programme of study shall be based on the evaluation of documentary evidence (the academic record and/or evidence relating to the assessment and certification of prior learning) of the applicant's ability to pursue study during the Fourth Year (Seventh & Eighth Semesters) of the 4- year Bachelor's degree (Honours/Research) programme.
- (iii) The total intake may be allowed under lateral entry in Seventh Semester of UG Programme subject to availability of vacancies.

##### **Exit options**

- (i) The award of Bachelor Degree with Honours/Research shall be awarded to a candidate after the successful completion of study of the Undergraduate Programme with minimum 160 credits, that is, minimum 40 credits at level 4.5, minimum 40credits at level 5, minimum 40 credits at level 5.5, and minimum 40credits at level 6.

#### **5. Level 6.5 - Postgraduate Degree Program**

The duration of the Postgraduate program is two Years (four semesters).

##### **Entry options:**

- (i) Candidates who have successfully completed the three year bachelor degree programme are eligible to apply for admission to the first semester of postgraduate programme.
- (ii) Candidates who have successfully completed the four year bachelor degree programme who wish to do two year post graduate progarmme are eligible to apply for admission to the first semester of postgraduate programme.

- (iii) Entry to first semester of the first year of post graduate programme shall be open to those who fulfill the requirements of the Entrance Test as per the PG admission guidelines of Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya. The evaluation will also be based on the documentary evidence (including academic records) of the applicant's ability to undertake post graduate programme.
- (iv) Entry to the first semester shall be granted as per the number of vacancies available in the PG programme in the University.
- (v) There shall be no lateral entry in the Second Semester of Post graduate programme.
- (vi) Candidates who have successfully completed the one year of post graduate diploma programme are eligible to apply for admission to the third semester of the two year postgraduate programme.

#### **Exit options**

- (i) Candidates who join two years post graduate programme, may exit after successfully completing the First Year (after Second Semester) of the postgraduate Programme with a minimum of 40 credits, for which they will be awarded a **post graduate diploma**.
- (ii) The Post Graduate Diploma will be considered level 6 of the programme.
- (iii) The candidates who exit after successfully completing two year (four semester) of the Post Graduate programme with a minimum of 80 credits, for which they will be awarded Post Graduate degree.

### **6. Level 6.5 – One Year Postgraduate Degree Program**

The duration of the one year Postgraduate program is two semesters.

#### **Entry options:**

- (i) Candidates who have successfully completed the four year bachelor degree programme (Honours / Research) as per NEP 2020 are eligible to apply for admission to the first semester of one year postgraduate programme.
- (ii) Entry to first semester of the one year of post graduate programme shall be open to those who fulfill the requirements of the Entrance Test as per the PG admission guidelines of Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya. The evaluation will also be based on the documentary evidence (including academic records) of the applicant's ability to undertake post graduate programme.
- (iii) Entry to the first semester shall be granted as per the number of vacancies available in the PG programme in the University.
- (iv) There shall be no lateral entry in the Second Semester of one year Post graduate programme.

### **Exit options**

- (i) There shall be only one exit point for those candidates who join one year post graduate programme, Candidates may exit after successfully completing the after Second Semester of the one year postgraduate Programme with a minimum of 40 credits, for which they will be awarded a **one year post graduate degree program**.

### **Removal of Difficulties**

Notwithstanding anything contained above, the Vice-Chancellor shall have the power to remove any difficulty faced in the implementation of the above regulation.

The admission shall be made on merit on the basis of criteria notified by the university, keeping in view the guidelines/norms in this regard issued by the UGC and other statutory bodies concerned and taking into account the reservation policy issued by the government of India from time to time.

The in-take capacity shall be determined at least three months in advance by the university/ institution through its academic bodies in accordance with the guidelines/norms in this regard issued by the UGC and other statutory bodies concerned so that the same could be suitably incorporated in the admission brochure for the information of all concerned and uploaded on the institutional website.

Seats shall be earmarked for lateral entrants to second year/third year/ fourth year of a Bachelor degree programme, if the student has either (a) successfully completed the first year/second year/third year of the same programme in any institution, or(b) already successfully completed a Bachelor degree programme and is desirous of and academically capable of pursuing another Bachelor degree programme in an allied subject.

### **Operational Details**

To enable multiple entry and exit points in the Bachelor programmes, qualifications such as Certificate, Diploma and Degree are organized in a series of levels in ascending order from Level 5 to Level 8. Level 5 represents Certificate and Level 8 represents Bachelor (Honours/Research) degree.

**Qualification Type and Credit Requirements along with entry/exit options are given in the following:-**

- A student will be allowed to enter/re-enter only at the odd semester and can only exit after the even semester.
- Re-entry at various levels as lateral entrants in academic programme is based on the earned credits and proficiency test records.
- A student will have a maximum of two exit options or lateral entries to complete the programme.
- The validity of credits earned will be to a maximum period of seven years, as specified by the Academic Bank of Credits. Provided that once any credit is redeemed for the award of the aforementioned academic qualifications, such credit shall be irrevocably debited from the respective student's Academic

Bank Account (APAAR ID). Once used, or redeemed, Credits earned by a student cannot be re-used for the award of any other formal academic qualifications.

- The procedure for depositing credits earned, its shelf life, redemption of credits would be as per UGC (Establishment and Operationalization of Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) scheme in Higher Education Regulations, 2021.
- Credits obtained by undertaking Courses in Registered HEIs during or after the academic year 2023 -2024 alone are eligible for Credit transfer, Credit accrual and Credit redemption through Academic Bank of Credits (ABC).
- The Student shall be required to earn at least fifty percent of the credits from the Higher Education Institution awarding the degree or diploma or certificate. Provided further that, the student shall be required to earn the required number of credits in the core subject area necessary for the award of the degree or diploma or certificate, as specified by the degree awarding Higher Education Institution, in which the student is enrolled.