

Doon University, Dehradun

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Minutes of 36th Meeting of the Academic Council

The 36th meeting of the Academic Council of Doon University was held on 28th April 2025 at 11:30AM. in online mode. Prof. Surekha Dangwal, Vice Chancellor presided over the meeting. Following members were present in the meeting:

- 1. Prof. H. C. Purohit, Dean, School of Management
- 2. Prof. R P Mamgain, Head and Professor, Economics
- 3. Prof. Rajesh Kumar, Dean and Head, School of Media and Communication Studies
- 4. Prof. S. S. Suthar, Dean and Head, School of Environment and Natural Resources
- 5. Prof. Gajendra Singh, Head, School of Management
- 6. Dr Ashish Kumar, University Librarian
- 7. Dr. Narendra Kumar, I/c Head and Associate Professor, Computer Science
- 8. Dr. Chetna Pokhariyal, I/c Head, Dept. of English
- 9. Dr. Arun Kumar, I/c Head and Associate Professor, Chemistry
- 10. Dr. Himani Sharma, I/c Head and Associate Professor, Physics
- 11. Dr. Swati Bisht, Coordinator, Global South Centre for Urban Studies
- 12. Dr. Achlesh Daverey, Coordinator SoBS
- 13. Dr. Suneet Naithani, Associate Professor, SENR
- 14. Dr. Ashish Sinha, Associate Professor, SoM
- 15. Dr. Swagata Basu, I/c Head & Assistant Professor, Spanish
- 16. Ms. Deepika Bhatia, I/c Head and Assistant Professor, Japanese
- 17. Dr. Vipul Goswami, I/c Head and Assistant Professor, German
- 18. Mr. Shanky Chandra, I/c Head and Assistant Professor, Chinese
- 19. Ms. Shubhra Kukreti, I/c Head and Assistant Professor, French
- 20. Dr. A. R. Gairola, I/c Head and Assistant Professor, Mathematics
- 21. Dr. Rajesh Bhatt, I/c Head and Assistant Professor, Psychology
- 22. Dr. Dhriti Dhaundiyal, I/c Head and Assistant Professor, SoD
- 23. Dr. Charu Dwivedi, Assistant Professor, Chemistry
- 24. Dr. Richa Joshi Pandey, Assistant Professor, English
- 25. Dr. Karuna Sharma, Assistant Professor, SoMCS
- 26. Dr. Anuj Kumar, Assistant Professor, Computer Science
- 27. Dr. Vipin Kumar, I/c Head and Assistant Professor, Geology
- 28. Dr. Avijit Sahay, I/c Head and Assistant Professor, Geography
- 29. Shri Durgesh Dimri, Secretary, Academic Council & Registrar

At the outset, the Chairperson welcomed the members of the Academic Council present in the meeting. Thereafter the agenda items were taken up for discussion one by one:

Item 2025:36:02 Confirmation of Minutes of 35th meeting of the Academic Council held on 23rd December 2024.

Since no observation and comments were received from the members, the Academic Council confirmed the minutes of the meeting.

Item 2025:36:03

Review of the Action Taken Report on the resolutions of 35th meeting of the Academic Council.

The Academic Council reviewed the action taken report and approved it.

Item 2025:36:04:

To consider and approve prospectus of Doon University for the year 2025-26

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor informed the members that admission process for the academic year 2025-26 has been initiated and necessary information have been notified through its website. Prospectus for the upcoming session has been prepared. As per admission calendar the registration for admission entrance test will start from 28th April 2025 which will continue till 31st May 2025. The last date of registration can be extended, if needed. The Academic Council approved the Prospectus for the Academic Session 2025-26.

Item 2025:36:05:

To consider and approve Academic Calendar for the session 2025-26.

The details of Academic Calendar for the academic year 2025-26 were briefed by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. As per the Academic Calendar the academic session will be commenced from the last week of July 2025. Various necessary aspects were kept in view while preparing the Academic Calendar. Provision of minimum 90 days teaching has been ensured. Having discussed the details, the Academic Council approved the Academic Calendar for the session 2025-26

Item 2025:36:06:

To consider and approve syllabus of the following programs of School of Management.

The Academic Council having considered the agenda approved the syllabi of following academic programs of School of Management:

- 1. NEP Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- 2. NEP- Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)
- 3. NEP- Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.)

Item 2025:36:07:

To consider and approve curricula of the following programs of School of Media and Communication Studies.

The Academic Council having considered the agenda approved the syllabi of following academic programs of School of Media and Communication Studies:

- 1. NEP 2-Year M.A. Media and Communication Studies
- 2. Revised NEP 4-Year B.A. Media and Communication Studies

Item 2025:36:08:

To consider and approve syllabus of Dept. of Physics

Having considered the agenda, the Academic Council approved the syllabi of following academic programs of Dept. of Physics:

- 1. NEP-B.Sc. Physics 4th year revised
- 2. NEP- M.Sc. Physics

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The Academic Council also approved the following Value-Added Courses proposed by the Dept. of Physics for the students:

- 1. Indian Knowledge System (IKS) in Physics (2 credits)
- 2. Quantitative Aptitude and Logical reasoning 1 (2 credits)
- 3. Renewable Energy and Energy Harvesting (2 credits)
- 4. Physics in Daily Life (2 credits)

Item 2025:36:09:

To consider and approve syllabi of the School of Biological Sciences

The Academic Council having considered the agenda approve the syllabi of following academic programs of School of Biological Sciences:

- 1. NEP-B.Sc. Biological Science 4th year
- 2. NEP- M.Sc. 2-year Biological Science
- 3. M.Sc. 2- year Biological Science, CBCS (9th & 10th Semester)

Item 2025:36:10:

To consider and approve Syllabus of M.Sc. Urban Development Management, Global South Center

The Academic Council considered and approved the syllabus of M.Sc. Urban Development Management prepared as per NEP-20.

Item 2025:36:11:

To consider and approve syllabi of Dept. of Economics

The Academic Council considered and approved the syllabi of following academic programs of Dept. of Economics:

- 1. NEP- B.Sc. Economics with Research 4th Year syllabus
- 2. NEP-M.A. Economics 2 year
- 3. NEP- M.Sc. Economics 2 year

The Academic Council also approved to introduce 2 Year M.Sc. Economics Program under NEP-20 from the academic year 2025-26

Item 2025:36:12:

To consider and approve syllabi of School of Environment and Natural Resources

Having considered and agenda, the Academic Council approved the syllabi of following academic programs of School of Environment and Natural Resources has submitted the syllabi of following programs for consider and approval.

- 1. NEP- M.Sc. Environmental Science
- 2. NEP-M.Sc. Environmental and Natural Resource Management
- 3. NEP-M.Tech. Environmental Technology

Item 2025:36:13:

To report implementing syllabus of 3rd year of B.A. Spanish program.

It was informed that the syllabus of 3rd Year of B.A. Spanish program was prepared and approved by its AAC in the last year but could not be placed before the academic council for its approval. The same is already implemented by the Department after approval of the AAC. The Academic Council took note of it and approved.

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Item 2025:36:14:

To consider and approve Value-Added Courses (VAC) to be offered under Skill development/Value-added courses by SENR.

Head, SENR has proposed following Skill development/Value-added courses to be offered by SENR.

S. N.	Course Title	Course Coordinator
1.	Waste Management in Daily Life	Prof. S. S. Suthar
2.	Mountain Ecosystem and People	Dr. Suneet Naithani
3.	Wildlife in Pahari Culture	Dr. Romila Chandra
4.	Environmental Heritage of Uttarakhand	Prof. Kusum Arunachalam
	<u> </u>	& Dr. Suneet Naithani
5.	Biopiracy and bioprospecting	Dr. Vijay Shridhar
6.	Composting for Waste Recycling	Prof. S. S. Suthar
7.	Vermicomposting and Organic Farming	Prof. S. S. Suthar
8.	Data Science with R: From Statistics to Machine Learning	Dr. Ujjwal Kumar
9	Python Programming for Numerical & Statistical Computations	Dr. Ujjwal Kumar
10.	Materials for Energy Applications	Dr. Vipin K. Saini

The Academic Council considered and approved the above Skill development/ Value-added courses proposed for students.

Item 2025:36:15:

To consider and approve to discontinue Integrated Programs from the session 2025-26

After introduction and implementation of NEP-20 from the year 2022 all the UG programs are being run as per NEP-20. From this session the University is going to implement the NEP-20 for all PG programs too. In view of this the Academic Council resolved not to continue the Integrated programs in the University from the coming academic session. If needed in future, the University will take decision keeping in view the circumstances as well NEP guidelines of that time.

Item 2025:36:16:

To consider and discuss the proposal of Part time Ph.D. program submitted by School of Management and School of Technology.

Having discussed the proposal of starting Part time Ph.D. the Academic Council resolved to constitute a committee to give it recommendations on various aspects of starting Part time Ph.D. programs in the University and authorized the Vice Chancellor to take appropriate decision on the recommendations of the committee.

Item 2025:36:17:

To consider and approve the University Ph.D. Ordinance prepared as per the existing Ph.D. Regulations of the UGC.

The University has revised its Ph.D. Ordinances 2023 in accordance with the UGC existing Ph.D. Regulations notified via UGC notification no. F 4-1(UGC-NET Review Committee)/2024(NET)/140648 dated 27th March 2024 and UGC care list. The Academic Council approved the revised Doon University Ph.D. Ordinance.

Item 2025:36:18:

Any other item with the permission of the Chair.



Item 2025:36:18:01 To approve revised syllabus of B.A. Hons, in French, Semester VI.

It was informed that the syllabus of VI semester of B.A. French was prepared and approved by its AAC in the last year but could not be placed before the academic council for its approval. The same is already implemented by the Department after approval of the AAC. The Academic Council took note of it and approved.

Item 2025:36:18:02

To approve the revised course curriculums of four years B. Tech. (CSE)/B. Tech. (CSE) with Research, four years B.Sc. (Honours with Research) in Computer Science, two years M. Tech. (CSE) and two years M.Sc. (Computer Science) programs.

The Academic Council considered and approved syllabi of four years B. Tech. (CSE)/ B. Tech. (CSE) with Research, four years B.Sc. (Honours with Research) in Computer Science, two years M. Tech. (CSE) and two years M.Sc. (Computer Science) programs as recommended and approved by the AAC of the Dept.

Item 2025:36:18:03

To consider the eligibility and mode of admission for four years B.Sc. (Honours with Research) in Computer Science program as per NEP.

The Academic Council considered and approved revision in eligibility criteria for admission in B.Sc. in Computer Science as follows

Previous Eligibility Criteria	Revised Eligibility Criteria	
10+2 with Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics or Biology (Minimum 50 % marks) from a recognized Board of Secondary Education. (45 % for SC/ST from Uttarakhand). Note: Mathematics as a subject at 10+2 level is compulsory for B.Sc. (Hons/with Research) Computer Science	10+2 with Physics and Mathematics (Minimum 50 % marks) from a recognized Board of Secondary Education. (45 % for SC/ST from Uttarakhand).	

The Academic Council also approved that the primary selection criteria for B.Sc. (Hons with Research) in Computer Science programme will be based on the JEE (Main) score, like B. Tech. Computer Science. After the completion of selection process based on primary criteria for selection (JEE Main Score), the remaining vacant seats (if any) will be filled through separate entrance test to be conducted by the University (in the last week of July, 2025).

Item 2025:36:18:04

To consider the provision of Teaching Assistant (TA) fellowship to teach the B. Tech. (CSE) courses under self-finance mode

On the proposal of I/c Head, Department of Computer Science regarding Teaching Assistant fellowship in the department, it was informed that presently there are 6 contractual faculty engaged to teach to B.Tech. Computer Science @ of Rs. 65,000 per month. The persons who are engaged as contractual faculty leave the University at any time during the semester on getting better opportunity elsewhere. The Academic Council approved provision of Teaching Assistant fellowship and resolved that the Teaching Assistant will be engaged in place of contractual faculty for the remaining duration of that semester only @ Rs. 1000/Rs 500 on per lecture

basis ceiling upto Rs. 35000/- per month, whenever any contractual faculty leave the University during the semester. The proposed Eligibility Criteria, Mode of Selection and Fellowship Amount were also approved by the Academic Council.

Item 2025:36:18:05

To consider the research publication promotion grant for the students in the Department of Computer Science.

There was a fair amount of discussion on the agenda. During the discussion it was felt that the research scholars should be promoted and encouraged by providing them financial assistance at the university level but the university is not able to do so due to the financial constraints and limited financial resources. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor assured that the University will try to find a way for providing the research scholars financial assistance at university level. This matter will be referred/forwarded to the Research and Development Cell to explore the possibility of any kind fellowship/financial support to the research scholars.

Item 2025:36:18:06

To consider and approve syllabus of 4th year B.Sc. Mathematics Syllabus prepared as per NEP-20

The academic Council approved the syllabus of 4th year B.Sc. Mathematics Syllabus prepared as per NEP-20.

Item 2025:36:18:07

To consider and approve revision of Fee of M.Sc. Mathematics

The Academic Council considered and agenda approved to revise the fee structure of M.Sc. Mathematics. The fee of the program will now be same as of other M.Sc. programs of the School of Physical Science i.e. Rs. 20,000/- per semester. it was also resolved to run the M.Sc. Mathematics program on regular mode instead of self-financed mode.

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

(Durgesh Dimri) Registrar/Secretary Academic Council

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Copy to all the members present in the meeting for reference and necessary action.

(Durgesh Dimri) Registrar/Secretary Academic Council