

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

HIMACHAL PRADESH UNIVERSITY

[NAAC Accredited 'A' Grade University]

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Regulations and Syllabus
M.A. Programme in Economics

Annexure 'A'

[CBCS]

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vii. GE courses will be offered to private students only by ICDEOL.

II SCHEME OF COURSES

Four categories of Courses are on offer as follows:

Table 2: The number & type of courses to be completed in each semester

Courses	Semester				ALL Semesters I - IV
	I	II	III	IV	
Discipline Specific Core Courses (DSC) including PG Dissertation	04	04	03	03	14
Discipline Specific Elective Courses (DSE)	-	-	01	01	02
Generic Elective (GE)	-	01	-	01	02
Ability Enhancing Course (AEC)	-	-	01	-	01
Total Number of Courses	04	05	05	05	19

III SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

MARKS Allotted to each paper:

Each DSC, DSE and GE Course shall be of 100 marks and qualifying marks in each Course shall be 40 per cent. The break up is as follows: 32 marks out of 80 (i.e., 40 % of 80) and 8 marks out of 20 (i.e., 40 % of 20).

Each AEC shall be of 100 marks and qualifying marks in each Course shall be 40 marks. The break up is as follows: 32 marks out of 80 (i.e., 40 % of 80) and 8 marks out of 20 (i.e., 40 % of 20). The Internal Assessment of 20 marks shall comprise of 2.5 marks each for: i) Class Test(s)/Assignment(s) and ii) Presentation(s)/Seminar(s) and 5 marks for attendance.

Assessment (CCA) and End-Semester Examination (ESE), failing which the student shall be considered failed in the concerned course and shall have to take the exam for the said course again. In case the student fails the CCA, his form for ESE shall be withheld and a notice put up in the department to the effect. The student, then, shall have to again take a Mid-term (Minor) Test and submit an assignment in the concerned course and pass the same. If the student fails the ESE, he/she shall have to take the concerned end-semester examination again.

Question paper setting for AEC (Ability Enhancement Course) shall be external, under the aegis of the CoE, however the evaluation shall be internal, by the concerned Department.

NOTE: The pattern of assessment for Distance Education and Open Learning shall follow the same pattern as followed in the PG Dept. However, the component of attendance shall not be counted and the entire internal assessment shall be based on seminar/assignment/term paper. The pattern of assessment for Private candidates shall not have the component of internal assessment. They shall have an End-semester Examination, on the same pattern as Regular and ICDEOL, but of 100 marks.

- i) **For regular students** enrolled in MA Economics course in PG Centre, HPU, Regional Centre of HPU at Dharamsala and Centre for Evening

80% to 85%	:	2 Marks
>85% but <90%	:	3 Marks
90% to 95%	:	4 Marks
>95%	:	5 Marks

- b) PG Dissertation for regular students enrolled in the IV Semester in colleges will be:
- Supervised by faculty who are teaching PG Economics classes.
 - Evaluation will be of 80 marks for Dissertation and 20 marks for Viva Voce by an External Examiner from HP University, Shimla duly recommended by the Subject Department of the College and approved by the competent authority, specifically for ECON244 – i.e., PG Dissertation.
 - Not more than 7 (seven) dissertations to be evaluated by one external examiner.
 - Remuneration for Evaluation of PG Dissertation; viva-voce and TA/DA claim of External Examiner(s) are to be borne by the College concerned.
- c) **For Foreign Nationals enrolled as regular students, PG Dissertation is compulsory and is to be designated as DSE (ECON244) in place of Industrial Economics. Also, there will be only ONE DSE on offer to foreign national regular students namely ECON 234 i.e., Economics of population.**
- d) The GE course *offered to students of other subjects/faculties* (as permitted by this University) will carry a total of 100 marks distributed as: 80 marks for Theory and 20 marks internal assessment. The Internal Assessment of 20 marks shall comprise of 5 marks each for: i) Class Test(s), ii) Assignment(s) and iii) Presentation(s)/Seminar(s) and iv) attendance. Marks for attendance are given as per criteria for DSC & DSE specified at a) above.
- e) The distribution of 100 marks for each of the AEC shall be 80 for Theory and 20 for Internal Assessment. The Internal Assessment of 20 marks shall comprise of 2.5 marks each for: i) Class Test(s)/Assignment(s) and ii) Presentation(s)/Seminar(s) and 5 marks for attendance. Marks for attendance are given as per criteria for DSC & DSE specified at a) above.

iii) **In case of students of distance education i.e., ICDEOL:**

- a) Each DSC & DSE paper will carry a total of 100 marks distributed as: 80 marks for Theory and 20 marks for Compulsory Assignment. Each Compulsory Assignment will comprise of five questions i.e., one question per Unit for each of the DSC & DSE courses Assessment (except for PG Dissertation IV Semester).
- b) PG Dissertation IV Semester, will be:
- Supervised by faculty of ICDEOL who are teaching PG Economics classes. If the number of students opting for the Dissertation is large, then supervisors from PG Centre, CES and Regional Centre

may be allowed by following all rules/guidelines and seeking approval of competent authority.

- evaluation of the dissertation will be of 80 marks for Dissertation and 20 marks for Viva Voce by an External Examiner (i.e., from university other than HPU) duly recommended by the Department Council and approved by the appropriate university authority, specifically for ECON244 – i.e., PG Dissertation.
 - Not more than 7 (seven) dissertations to be evaluated by one external examiner.
 - Remuneration for Evaluation of PG Dissertation; viva-voce and TA/DA claim of External Examiner(s) are to be borne by ICDEOL.
- c) **For Foreign Nationals enrolled as regular students, PG Dissertation is compulsory and is to be designated as DSE (ECON244) in place of Industrial Economics. Also, there will be only ONE DSE on offer to foreign national regular students namely ECON 234 i.e., Economics of population.**
- d) The GE course offered to *students of other subjects/faculties* (as permitted by ICDEOL) will carry a total of 100 marks distributed as: 80 marks for Theory and 20 marks for five compulsory assignments for each GE course.
- e) The distribution of 100 marks for each of the AEC shall be 80 for Theory and 20 for Internal Assessment. The Internal Assessment of 20 marks shall comprise of 2.5 marks each for: i) Class Test(s)/Assignment(s) and ii) Presentation(s)/Seminar(s) and 5 marks for attendance.

Marks for attendance are given as per criteria for DSC & DSE specified at a) above.

iv) **If private students are allowed by this University:**

- a) Each DSC, DSE and GE Course shall be of 100 marks and there will be no internal assessment/compulsory assignment.
- b) Each AEC paper will carry a total of 100 marks and there will be no internal assessment/compulsory assignment.
- c) GE courses to be offered to private students of MA (Economics) will be decided by ICDEOL.
- d) GE Economics courses will be offered to private students of other subjects/faculties as allowed and offered by ICDEOL.
- e) The Dissertation (IV Semester) i.e., ECON244 is **not** to be offered to private students.
- f) If offered to private students, to ensure parity with Regular and ICDEOL students:
 - the evaluation of the dissertation will be of 80 marks for Dissertation and 20 marks for Viva Voce by External Examiner(s) (i.e., from university other than HPU) duly recommended by the Department Council and approved by the appropriate university authority, specifically for ECON244 – i.e., PG Dissertation.
 - Not more than 7 (seven) dissertations will be evaluated by one

external examiner.

- Remuneration for Evaluation of PG Dissertation; viva-voce and TA/DA claim of External Examiner(s) are to be borne by ICDEOL because private students are admitted to MA (Economics) through ICDEOL.

IV FORMAT OF QUESTION PAPERS

a) For: i) Regular students of PG Centre/Regional Centre; Dharamsala/Centre for Evening Studies HPU; ii) Regular students enrolled in colleges affiliated to HPU & iii) ICDEOL

- i. For DSC & DSE papers: Compulsory question consists of 10 short answer questions of 2 marks each i.e., total 20 marks. Five long answers questions carrying 12 marks each per unit i.e., total 60 marks.
- ii. For GE papers: Compulsory question consists of 10 short answer questions of 2 marks each i.e., total 20 marks. Five long answers questions carry 12 marks per unit i.e., total 60 marks.
- iii. For AEC papers: Compulsory question consists of 10 short answer questions of 2 marks each i.e., total 20 marks. Five long answers questions carry 12 marks each, per unit i.e., total 60 marks.
- iv. Duration of DSC, DSE & GE Papers will be three (3) hours.

b) For Private Students

(If Private students are allowed by this University)

- i. For DSC & DSE papers: Compulsory question consists of 10 short answer questions of 2 marks each i.e., total 20 marks. Five long answers questions carrying 16 marks each per unit i.e., total 80 marks.
- ii. For GE papers: Compulsory question consists of 10 short answer questions of 2 marks each i.e., total 20 marks. Five long answers questions carry 16 marks per unit i.e., total 80 marks.
- iii. For AEC papers: Compulsory question consists of 10 short answer questions of 2 marks each i.e., total 20 marks. Five long answers questions carry 16 marks each, per unit i.e., total 80 marks.
- iv. Duration of DSC, DSE & GE Papers will be three (3) hours.

V General Information

1. Number of seats, eligibility, basis of admission, age limit, reservation, fee structure, scheme of examination and qualifying marks will be as per the University rules as prescribed in the Himachal Pradesh University Ordinance and Handbook of Information from time to time.