



**Doon University, Dehradun**

**Office of the Registrar**

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**Minutes of 29<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council held on April 23, 2021  
at 11:00AM through Google Meet**

On Google Meet an online meeting of the Academic Council of Doon University was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021 at 11.00 A.M. Prof. Surekha Dangwal, Vice Chancellor presided over the meeting. The following members were present:

1. Dr. Rajendra Dobhal, Director General, UCOST, Dehradun.
2. Prof. P.D. Juyal, Ex V.C., Nanaji Deshmukh Veterinary Science University, Jabalpur, M.P.
3. Dr. P.P. Dhyani, Vice Chancellor, Sri Dev Suman Uttarakhand University.
4. Prof. N. K. Joshi, Vice Chancellor, Kumaon University, Nainital.
5. Prof. K. S. Dhindsa, Former HoD, Chemistry, Haryana Agriculture University.
6. Prof. Kusum Arunachalam, Professor, SENR, Doon University.
7. Prof. H. C. Purohit, Professor and Head & DSW, Doon University.
8. Dr. Gajendra Singh, Associate Professor, SoM.
9. Dr. S. S. Suthar, Associate Professor, SENR, Doon University.
10. Dr. Reena Singh, Associate Professor and I/c School of Design.
11. Dr. Harsh Dobhal, Visiting Professor SoMCS, Doon University.
12. Mr. Chandrika Kumar, Assistant Professor & I/c Dept. of German Studies, SoL.
13. Ms Swagata Basu, Assistant Professor & I/c, Dept. of Spanish Studies, SoL.
14. Mr. Ravi Kumar, Assistant Professor & I/c, Dept. of Japanese Studies, SoL.
15. Dr. Asha Ram Gairola, Assistant Professor & I/c Dept. of Mathematics.
16. Dr. Arun Kumar, Assistant Professor & I/c Dept. of Chemistry, SoPS.
17. Ms. Rachana Gusain, Assistant Professor & I/c Dept. of Computer Science, SoPS.
18. Ms. Sikha Ahmad, Assistant Professor & I/c Dept. of Economics, SoSS.
19. Dr. Richa Joshi Pandey, Assistant Professor and I/c Dept. of English, SoL,
20. Dr. Achlesh Daverey, Assistant Professor, SENR, Doon University.
21. Dr. Komal, Assistant Coordinator of Examination.
22. Dr. Udit Negi, In-charge Central Library.
23. Dr. Ashish Kumar, Assistant Librarian, Invited Member.
24. Dr. Mangal Singh Mandrawal, Registrar & Secretary, Academic Council.

External Members, Dr. Vijay Dhasmana and Prof. O.P.S. Negi could not attend the meeting. Dr. Nitin Kumar, Dr. Himani Sharma, Mr. Madhurendra Jha and Dr. Savita Karnatak Tiwari informed about their unavailability for the meeting. The Finance Controller could also not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Chairperson welcomed all the members of the Academic Council and specially expressed her gratitude to all the external members who despite their busy schedule attended the meeting. Thereafter, the action taken report on the resolutions of 28<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council was presented and the agenda items were taken up one by one for discussion.

**Item 2021:29:02 Confirmation of Minutes of 28<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on September 15, 2020.**

The Academic Council confirmed the minutes of its 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Item 2021:29:03 Review of the Action Taken Report on the resolutions of 28<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council.**

The Academic Council reviewed and approved the action taken report on the resolutions of 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Item 2021:29:04 To report a matter of filling up of vacant seats by admitting General Candidates against the vacant seats of SC/ST/OBC.**

The Academic Council took note of filling up of vacant seats by admitting General Candidates against the vacant seats of SC/ST/OBC in the session 2020-21 and approved it.

**Item 2021:29:05 To approve two credit courses for awareness about publication ethics and publications misconducts entitled “Research and Publications Ethics (RPF) for all Ph.D. students.**

The Academic Council approved two credit course for awareness about publication ethics and publications misconducts entitled “Research and Publications Ethics (RPF) for all Ph.D. students circulated by UGC.

**Item 2021:29:06 To consider and approve publicizing and adoption of MOOCs courses through SWAYAM platform for the benefit of students**

The Academic Council having considered, approved publicizing and adoption of MOOCs courses through SWAYAM platform for the benefit of students as communicated by UGC through letter DOF No. 1-11/2020(SWAYAM) dated 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021. The Academic Council authorized the Vice Chancellor to constitute a committee to have detailed view on MOOC courses for each department. The Vice Chancellor should place recommendation of such committee before the next Academic Council meeting for approval.

**Item 2021:29:07 To consider and approve the recommendations of the committee regarding minor modifications in the examination system of Doon University in the interest of students.**



The Academic Council approved the recommendations of the Committee regarding minor modifications in the examination system of Doon University in the interest of students.

**Item 2021:29:08 To consider and approve Proposal for establishing Centre for Uttarakhand Languages, Folk Performing Arts and Culture and (Uttarakhand Bhasha, Lok Kala Evam Sanskriti Nishpadan Kendra).**

The Academic Council appreciated this initiative by the University and approved the proposal unanimously. The Academic Council also approved to introduce following programs under the Centre for Uttarakhand Languages, Folk Performing Arts and Culture (*Uttarakhand Bhasha, Lok Kala Evam Sanskriti Nishpadan Kendra*) in Doon University:

- M.A. in Theatre
- Certificate Course in *Garhwali Language and Its Cultural Context*
- Certificate Course in *Kumaoni Language and Its Cultural Context*
- Certificate Course on *Jaunsari Language and its Cultural Context*

**Item 2021:29:09 To consider and approve change in nomenclature of M.A./M.Sc. Social Anthropology to M.A./M.Sc. Anthropology.**

The Academic Council approved to change in the nomenclature of M.A./M.Sc. Social Anthropology to M.A./M.Sc. Anthropology.

**Item 2021:29:10 To consider formation of Research Cell in the University.**

The Academic Council appreciated the proposal and after due deliberations recommended the change in the nomenclature and approved the name of the Cell as “Research Development and Innovation Cell” to be set up by the University. The Academic Council further authorized the Vice Chancellor to constitute an expert committee to brainstorm and deliberate upon the mandate, activities and roadmap of the cell.

**Item 2021:29:11 To maintain uniformity of credits at UG and PG level in the University.**

The Academic Council approved the agenda items regarding maintaining uniformity of credits at UG and PG level programs in the University. Respective Academic Advisory Committee of the School/Department will review the syllabus for maintaining uniformity of credits as per UGC norms.

**Item 2021:29:12 To approve syllabus of Undergraduate program in Cinematic Arts.**

The Academic Council approved the syllabus of Undergraduate program in Cinematic Arts.

**Item 2021:29:13 To consider and approve establishment of School of Biological Sciences and introduce name of the programs this school.**

The Academic Council appreciated the proposal to establish a School of Biological Sciences and after due deliberation approved the proposal unanimously.

**Item 2020:29:14 To consider and approve minutes of the meeting of the committee constituted to examine the University Ordinance for award of Ph.D. Degree (Annexure-11)**

The Academic Council approved the recommendations of the committee constituted to examine the University Ordinance for award of Ph.D. Degree as per the UGC regulation 2016 and amendment 2018.

**Item 2020:29:15 To consider and approve the request of Wild Life Institute (WII), Dehradun to execute MoU with Doon University for implementing the collaboration towards academics, research projects and Ph.D. programs.**

After due deliberations the Academic Council gave its approval to collaborate with Wild Life Institute (WII), Dehradun towards research and Ph.D. program. The University may have an MoU with WII in this regard. Since Doon University is not an affiliating University the Council approved the collaboration can be only with regard to research and Ph.D. program in accordance with the mandate of the University.

**Item 2021:29:16 To consider and approve award of UG/PG students passed in academic session 2020-2021 and M.Phil./Ph.D. to those students whose viva voce have been successfully conducted between September 2020 to till date.**

The Academic Council approved award of degrees to students who have passed out and have cleared their academic programs successfully in the session 2018-19, Research scholars whose viva voce have been successfully conducted between September 2020 to till date, have also been awarded degree.

The Academic Council also approved the list of students to be awarded Gold Medal in various programs of the University in the Integrated UG Batch 2016, Integrated PG Batch 2014, Master Batch 2017 and B.Des. Batch 2015 passed in the session 2018-19.

**Item 2020:29:17 To report and approve M.Phil. Degree of Batch 2015.**

The Academic Council took note of the matter mentioned in the agenda and approved the degree of M.Phil. batch 2015.

**Item 2020:29:18 To approve the document/format of the Anti-Plagiarism reports.**

The Academic Council approved the documents/format of Anti-Plagiarism reports namely, Supervisor's Certificate for Exclusion of Self-Published work,

Plagiarism Verification Report, Supervisor's Recommendations for Exclusion of Sources and Revised Plagiarism Report.

**Item 2020:29:19**      **To approve the extension of one year (6 months + 6 months) for the Ph. D. students who had to submit their thesis by 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 as per UGC communication/Public notice dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2020.**

The Academic Council approved the extension of one year (6 months + 6 months) i.e., till June 30, 2021 for those Ph. D. students who had to submit their thesis by 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 as per UGC communication/Public notice dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2020 considering the nationwide pandemic situation,

**Item 2020:29:20**      **To consider and approve introduction of the Ph. D. program for the Department of English.**

The Academic Council considered and approved to introduce Ph. D. program in English from the session 2021-22 onwards and allowed Dr. Richa Joshi Pandey to supervise Ph. D. research scholars from the session 2021-22. The Academic Council also approved the syllabus for Pre Ph. D. course of Ph. D. English as approved by the respective AAC.

**Item 2021:29:21**      **To report an alternative options given to PG Students (MSc/M.Tech) in place of summer internship.**

The Academic Council took note of the matter of an option to undertake online/offline internship/ training or online courses from SWAYAM-NPTL, MOOC, Courses and other recognized platform in any one area of Environment Science, Natural Resources & Environmental Technology for a minimum 4-week duration to full fill the credit requirement in lieu of the summer Internship.

**Item 2021:29:22**      **To consider and approve the revision/modification of syllabus of various courses of the University.**

The Academic Council approved the revision/modification of syllabus for various courses from the departments as mentioned below. These syllabi were revisited/modified by the Departments and approved by the concerned Academic Advisory Committees.

1. Integrated M.A. Japanese & M.A. Japanese
2. M.Sc. Integrated Physics.
3. Certificate Course in Chinese German, Spanish, Japanese and French
4. M.A. & B.A. English
5. Executive MBA

**Item 2021:29:23 To consider and approve the nomenclature of degree programs of Doon University as per the UGC Notification.**

The Academic Council approved the nomenclature of degree programs of Doon University as per UGC Notification 2014 and advised all HoDs to review the nomenclature of their respective programmes and if required get approval of changed nomenclature in the concerned AAC as per the UGC notification.

**Item 2021:29:24 To consider the matter of admitting students without entrance test in those programs where admission applications received are less than available seats.**


The Academic Council did not approve the agenda stating that entrance examination should be held in order to maintain the University academic standards and quality.

**Item 2021:29:25 To consider and approve to conduct end semester examination of School of Environment and Natural Resources in online mode.**

The Academic Council has given consent to conduct remaining three end semester examination of SENR in online mode as a special case.

In the end Registrar expressed his gratitude to all external members, all HoDs and invited members who attended the meeting.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

  
29-04-2021  
(Dr. Mangal Singh Mandrawal)  
Registrar/ Secretary  
Academic Council