

**Minutes of the
21st Meeting of the Academic Council
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**HEMVATI NANDAN BAHUGUNA GARHWAL UNIVERSITY
(A Central University)**



(Online Mode)


 

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The 21st Meeting of the Academic Council of Hemvati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University is convened through video conferencing on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 3:00 PM onwards to deliberate on the agenda circulated earlier and to take decisions on the agenda items.

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At the outset, the Chairperson/Vice-Chancellor extended a warm welcome to all the Members of the Academic Council.

Thereafter, the Registrar/Member Secretary presented the agenda items before the Council for deliberation. After extensive discussions and deliberations, the following decisions were taken by the Academic Council:

Agenda Item No. 21.1	Confirmation of Minutes of 20th Meeting of the Academic Council held on Friday, 3rd November 2023																	
	<p>Minutes of the meeting were circulated to all members. A copy of the minutes of the 20th regular meeting of the Academic Council meeting dated 03-11-2023 (Friday), is placed at Annexure – 1.</p> <p>The Minutes are placed before the Academic Council for confirmation.</p> <p>Resolution:</p> <p>The Academic Council confirmed the Minutes.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: DR (Meeting Cell)</p>																	
Agenda Item No. 21.2	Action Taken Report (ATR) of the 20th meeting of the Academic Council																	
	<p>The status of the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the resolutions of the 20th meeting of the Academic Council is enclosed as Annexure –2.</p> <p>The ATR is placed before the Academic Council for reporting and approval.</p> <p>Resolution:</p> <p>The Action Taken Report was noted.</p>																	
Agenda Item No. 21.3	To consider and approve the recommendations of the Board of Studies (BoS), and School Board:																	
	<p>After the 19th AC meeting, the following departments of the University conducted meetings of the Board of Studies (BoS), and School Board minutes of the same are approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. As per the details given below:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>S.No</th><th>School</th><th>Date of Meeting</th><th>Remarks on Minutes (As per comments of Competent Authority)</th></tr> <tr> <th>1</th><th>2</th><th>3</th><th>4</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1.</td><td>School of Education</td><td>14-12-2023</td><td>Agenda no 01 (a) - Deptt. Of Education Agenda no 02 - Deptt. of Physical Education, Agenda no 03 - Deptt. of Naturopathy & Yoga were recommended to put up separately for consideration of the AC.</td></tr> <tr> <td>2.</td><td>School of Engineering and Technology</td><td>29-11-2023</td><td>Agenda no. 01 - Deptt. of Computer Science and Engineering, Agenda no 02 - Deptt. of Electronics and Communication Engineering (BoS Agenda item no. 1), Agenda no 03 - Deptt. of Instrumentation Engineering, Agenda no 04 - Deptt. of Mechanical Engineering, (BoS Agenda item no. 2), Agenda no 05 - Deptt. of Information Technology (BoS Agenda item no. 2), were recommended to put up separately for consideration of the AC.</td></tr> </tbody> </table>			S.No	School	Date of Meeting	Remarks on Minutes (As per comments of Competent Authority)	1	2	3	4	1.	School of Education	14-12-2023	Agenda no 01 (a) - Deptt. Of Education Agenda no 02 - Deptt. of Physical Education, Agenda no 03 - Deptt. of Naturopathy & Yoga were recommended to put up separately for consideration of the AC.	2.	School of Engineering and Technology	29-11-2023
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Board of Studies meeting conducted after 03.10.2023

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1.	Sociology & Social Work	07,08-12-2023	Agenda no.04(a) was recommended to put up separately for consideration of the AC.
2.	History & Archaeology	30-10-2023	Agenda 02,06,07 was recommended to put up separately for consideration of the AC.
3.	Political Science	04-11-2023	Agenda no.02(1),03 was recommended to put up separately for consideration of the AC.
4.	Hindi	21-10-2023	Agenda no.05 was recommended to put up separately for consideration of the AC..
5-	Mechanical Engineering	09-09-2022 10-05-2023	Agenda no 02,03 of meeting held on 09-09-2022 was recommended to put up separately for consideration of the AC. Agenda no 02 meeting held on 10-05-2023 was recommended to put up separately for consideration of the AC.
6-	English	26-12-2023	Nil
7-	Geology	25-11-2023	Nil
8-	Biotechnology	18.10.2023	Nil
9-	Physics	20.12.2023	Nil
10-	Botany & Microbiology	18.12.2023	Agenda no 06 meeting held on 18-12-2023, was recommended to put up separately for consideration of the AC.
11-	Commerce	30.11.2023	Nil
12-	Music	07.10.2023	Nil

Annexure – 3

Submitted for consideration and approval of the Academic Council.

Resolution:

Recommendations made by the School Boards and Board of Studies are approved by the Academic Council.

Agenda item no. 01 to 05 of the School Board Meeting of the School of Engineering held on 29.11.2023, mentioned under Column no. 4 (Remarks) it is resolved that in all the branches of the School of Engineering and Technology the course AMDSC-2, Basic Yoga Practices will run in the 3rd semester, and VAC-3, Indian Knowledge System will run in the 4th semester of B. Tech. Degree programme.

Agenda item no. 01 (a) of the School Board Meeting of School of Education held on 14.12.2023, mentioned under Column no. 4 (Remarks) regarding approval of the four-year B.Ed. (ITEP) programme, is also approved by the Academic Council.

Except above, regarding the agenda items mentioned under Column no. 4 (Remarks), the Academic Council directed Head of the concerned departments to put up such agenda items in the next Academic Council meeting as separate agenda items.

Action: DR (Academic)/ Concerned HoD/ Deans

**Agenda
Item
No.
21.4**

To consider and approve the recommendations of the Admission Committee

A meeting of the Admission Committee is held on 20-01-2024 to take decisions on various issues related to the admission process for the forthcoming academic session. The admission committee unanimously agreed to forward some of the agenda items for further consideration/approval of the Academic Council.


	<p>Accordingly, relevant part of the minutes is annexed herewith for consideration by the Academic Council</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Annexure – 4</p> <p>Resolution:</p> <p>The Academic Council deliberated upon the recommendations of the Admission Committee forwarded for further consideration of the AC. The Council approved the recommendations of the Admission Committee made under agenda items 8 and 9. The Academic Council further deliberated upon the table agenda items of the Admission Committee and resolved as follows:</p> <p>Table Agenda 1- Recommendation of the Admission Committee approved with the suggestion to seek further necessary approval from the UGC.</p> <p>Table Agenda 3- Recommendation of the Admission Committee approved.</p> <p>Table Agenda 4- Recommendation of the Admission Committee approved.</p>
<p>Agenda Item No. 21.5</p>	<p>To consider the agenda items received from the Department of Commerce</p> <p>Item 1: The matter regarding the submission of the Ph.D thesis of a Research scholar namely Mr. Nirmal Joshi, (Reg. No-16118 of dated 13.05.2015) under the supervision of Dr. Ved Joshi, MPG College, Mussoorie was discussed in the meeting of BOS held on 29-30.07.2023 and subsequent School Board Meeting on 06.10.2023. The BOS and School Board, in view of the background of the case and relevant UGC notifications dated 29.04.2020, 03.12.2020, 16.03.2021, 01.12.2021 and 17.05.2022 recommended that the Ph. D. Thesis submission process of subject research scholar should be commenced without further delay. The BOS and School Board also recommended that Nirmal Joshi be given an opportunity to submit his thesis without re-registration within three months' time period. The case has also been discussed in the Academic Council meeting held on 10.10.2023. After that the Case of Nirmal Joshi was referred to the Legal Cell and the cell also advised for the submission of the Ph.D thesis.</p> <p>Now as per recommendations made by the BOS and School Board, it is requested to permit the Research scholar namely Mr. Nirmal Joshi, (Reg. No-16118 of dated 13.05.2015) to submit his thesis at the earliest.</p> <p>The item is placed for approval of the Academic Council.</p> <p>Item 2: BOS Meeting held on 29-30. 05.2023 and School Board Meeting on 06.10.2023 have approved the Under Graduate (B. Com.) Course structure and Syllabus up to Sixth Semester as per NEP 2020.</p> <p>The item is placed for approval of the Academic Council.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Annexure – 5</p> <p>Resolution:</p> <p>Item 1: The Council deliberated upon the matter and resolved to provide opportunity of re-registration to the concerned research scholar as one time measure for submission of the thesis, with rider that approval should not be taken as a precedence for future. The Academic Council further directed to Dean/Head of Department to fix accountability of the concerned for lapses made in this regard.</p> <p>Item 2: Approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: DR(Acad.)/HoD/Dean(Commerce)</p>

Agenda Item No. 21.6	Agenda from Department of Environmental Sciences
	<p>The Department of Environmental Science is presently conducting and evaluating internal examination of 30 marks which is in written pattern, from the last many years. The exam is of one hour and conducted for around 1000-1200 students in one day, at a time. Due to shortage of teachers/manpower in the department, it creates huge mismanagement and difficulty. Hence, as per the Dean's (SOLS) recommendation, it is proposed that, the internal examination may be conducted at the University level. The university may consider making Question paper of internal assessment as OMR/MCQs based so that the Department can only evaluate the OMR sheets. This will save time and manpower and lessen the possibility of errors and mistakes in the evaluation part. The expenditure of OMR sheets may be done by departmental sponsored seat funds.</p> <p>Resolution:</p> <p>The Council deliberated upon the matter and sought opinion of the Controller of Examination for conducting proposed examination. The CoE informed the Council that sessional examinations are conducted and evaluated by the concerned departments and in subject matter considering the difficulties faced by the Department of Environmental Science necessary assistance as per requirement may be provided by the examination section/Data Processing Unit.</p> <p>Accordingly, the Academic Council directed to conduct and evaluate subject internal examination by the concerned department i.e. Department of Environmental Science with the assistance of examination section/Data Processing Unit.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: HoD Environmental Sciences</p>
Additional Agenda	
Add. Agenda Item No. 21.7	To consider fee structure for Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP)
	<p>The Dean School of Education informed that Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) has been introduced in the Department of Education and the committee constituted for framing fee structure of the newly introduced programme submitted the proposed fee structure which is attached herewith as Annexure "A".</p> <p>The fee structure proposed by the committee is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and approval.</p> <p>Resolution:</p> <p>The Academic Council deliberated upon the matter and resolved to approve the proposed fee structure with modifications to the extent that part of the fee charged other than Course/Tuition Fee (Per Semester) shall be at par with the fee charged for such provisions in other courses/programmes offered by the University. For this Dean School of Education was directed to amend the proposed fee structure in consultation with the Dean Students' Welfare.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Dean(Education)</p>





<p>Add. Agenda Item No. 21.8</p>	<p>With permission of the Chairperson, Prof. C.M. Sharma, Director of Chauras Campus, apprised the Council that it is being observed that the conducive teaching-learning environment of the campuses is being disturbed due to frequent undesirable interference by the outsiders and he also highlighted the need of regulating the entry of outsiders except the bonafide students of the University in the Campuses. It is also being observed that some students are seeking admissions year after year in various postgraduate study programs just to remain on the campuses.</p> <p><u>Resolution:</u></p> <p>The Council deliberated upon the issue and unanimously resolved to constitute a committee to recommend the maximum attempts to seek admission into the postgraduate programs being offered by the University.</p> <p>The Constitution of the committee is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dean Students' Welfare (Convener) 2. All Deans of the Schools 3. Directors of the University Campuses 4. Prof. A.K. Dobriyal, Department of Zoology, BGR Campus Pauri <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Action:</u> DSW</p>
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The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.



Registrar/ Secretary (Ex-Officio)



Vice-Chancellor/Chairperson