

MAHARASHTRA NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, NAGPUR
EXAMINATION REGULATIONS

B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) Five-Year Integrated Degree Course

At Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur, there shall be completely an internal evaluation system of examinations and it shall be monitored by an Examination Committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor of the University. The members of the Examination Committee shall also function as class teachers.

The faculty members, who offer the course, shall frame the question paper and the same shall be moderated by a Committee known as Moderation Committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor. The teacher looks after the performance of the student on constant basis. If a course is offered by more than one teacher, the setting of question paper and evaluation will be done jointly.

In future the Examination Committee may recommend that the Convenor of the previous Examination Committee shall be an ex-officio member of the succeeding Committee constituted in addition to the members nominated by the Vice-Chancellor to ensure continuity in decision making process.

SCHEME OF EVALUATION

ATTENDANCE

Five (5) marks in each course shall be assigned to regularity in attendance. The distribution of marks for attendance shall be as follows :

<u>Percentage of Attendance</u>	<u>Marks</u>
95 and above	5
90 – 94	4
85 – 89	3
80 – 84	2
75 – 79	1

Every student of undergraduate degree course has to secure a minimum of 75% attendance in each course. However, in exceptional cases the attendance requirement may be relaxed, but not below the minimum of 67%, in the following cases only :-

- a) Students who have participated in University sponsored and / or approved activities necessary attendance will be given for the days of absence (i.e., number of classes) and the attendance shall be calculated accordingly.

Note : Students are required to submit approved academic leave forms along with copy of invitation, abstract and copy of article within a week before or after the activity. No academic leave shall be considered subsequently.

- b) In cases where the student falls short of 75% attendance but secures more than 70% in a particular course, he / she will be allowed to take the exam in the course provided that he / she has secured more than 75% attendance on the average in all the courses put together but excluding the course(s) in which he / she has secured less than 70% attendance. There shall be no mark for attendance in such cases.

- c) In case of serious ailments when a student has to be admitted as an in patient in a clinic / hospital as recognized by the University. In such approved cases, the number of classes missed will be deducted from the total number of classes held during the period and attendance shall be calculated accordingly.

Note :

- (i) In exceptional genuine cases, where the hospitalization is not necessary, the Committee may accept Medical Certificate from a qualified Medical Practitioner and the same must be endorsed by the Chief-Warden concerned.
- (ii) The decision of the Examination Committee on the acceptance or otherwise of the Medical Certificate produced by the student shall be final.
- (iii) The eligibility for medical leave arises only in case the student has secured not less than 67% of attendance in actual but less than 75% of attendance. There shall be no mark for attendance in such cases.
- (iv) Students are required to submit medical leave forms along with medical record within a week of the student returning from the leave. No medical leave will be considered subsequently.

Note : In case it is found that any medical certificate submitted is false or not from the qualified authority / hospital, the matter will be referred to Disciplinary Committee of the University.

After all these exceptions, if any student falls short of attendance, he / she shall 'NOT BE ALLOWED' for the End-Semester Examinations and he / she is required to re-register for the course subsequently in the Semester when the course is being offered.

MID-SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

Twenty (20) marks shall be assigned for Mid-Semester Examinations after two months of teaching. Student, who fails to take the Mid-Semester Examinations for any reason shall not ordinarily be given a chance for retake / doubling up of marks. However, if the Vice-Chancellor is convinced on the written request from the student he / she may permit the student for retake / doubling up of marks in the course for which the request is made.

END-SEMESTER / REPEAT AND IMPROVEMENT EXAMINATIONS

Fifty (50) marks shall be assigned for End-Semester Examinations of a comprehensive nature conducted at the end of the Semester. The Repeat Examinations shall be held and results shall be finalized within fifteen (15) working days of the commencement of the next Semester. The Repeat Examinations are limited to a total of fifty (50) marks only and the marks obtained earlier for the remaining fifty (50) marks will be taken into consideration while determining the grade at the re-examination. The Repeat Examination shall be conducted only once (excluding the main examination) and grade secured at the Repeat Examination shall carry letter 'R' at the top.

The students can take an Improvement Examination on their End-Semester Examinations only. In case of Improvement Examination the grade secured by the student at the Improvement Examination will be taken as the final grade and will carry the letter 'I' at the top indicating that the grade was obtained after 'Improvement Examination' and will be recorded in the transcript accordingly. There shall be no opportunity for improvement in projects and seminar papers.

QUESTION PAPERS

There should be no choice in any question paper generally; however, if the teacher thinks to provide choice in the question paper, it should preferably be an internal choice but not exceeding 25% in any case.

The duration of End-Semester Examinations shall be ordinarily be TWO Hours (2.00 Hours), however, the concern faculty, who has set the question paper has to submit in writing to the Examination Committee for 2½ Hours duration. The question papers of law courses preferably be problem based.

PROJECT AND SEMINAR SUBMISSION

Twenty Five (25) marks shall be assigned for project work, twenty (20) marks for written project and five (5) marks for presentation, in each course within the classroom wherein attendance shall be compulsory for all the students.

While assigning the project titles to the students, the teachers concerned will fix the last dates for submission of draft / final reports of the project and / or seminar papers.

In case of project reports, the outer limit shall not be beyond 10th of October and 15th of April, in respect of the Odd and Even Semesters respectively in each academic year. However, for seminar papers the last date for submission and presentation shall be one week before the commencement of End-Semester Examinations.

Submission after the last date shall not be permitted and the student will be awarded '0' (Zero) mark in the project report / seminar paper and the result will be declared as failed.

PROJECT AND SEMINAR EVALUATION AND THE MARKS REQUIREMENT

A. PROJECTS

- (a) A student is required to secure a minimum of 10 marks against the prescribed 20 marks in the project writing;
- (b) A student is also required to secure a minimum of not less than 12½ marks against 25 marks, both project writing and presentation put together.

Note :

- 1) Student who fails to secure the minimum of 10 marks out of 20 marks in the project writing is required to re-submit his / her project report after revision for evaluation before the commencement of the next Semester. If he / she fails to secure a minimum of 10 marks in written portion after re-submission also, he / she shall be treated as failed in the course and shall be required to re-register for the course subsequently in the Semester when the course is offered and will be required to submit afresh draft and do the presentation accordingly.
- 2) For a student who has been promoted to the next higher class, as per the promotion regulations, the marks obtained in the other segments will be taken for declaration of the result after submission of the project on a new topic.
- 3) After submitting the revised project and securing the minimum prescribed pass marks in project, if the student fails to secure a minimum of 50 marks out of the total marks (100) he / she can take the repeat examination.

The project presentations shall be held only after submission of the final project / approved rough draft (this is to ensure that the students are not awarded marks for presentation unless they submit their final drafts. It will also be ensured that the

students who failed in their projects or have not submitted their projects will present their projects only on re-submission).

B. SEMINAR

In respect of seminar courses the evaluation method shall be as determined by the faculty concerned but shall be required to be announced without fail before the commencement of the Semester. The student shall, however, be required to secure a minimum of 50% marks both in the written part and presentation separately. No presentation should be allowed until the submission of final draft

Note :

Student who fails to secure a minimum of 50% marks in the seminar paper shall be required to re-submit after revision for evaluation before the commencement of the next Semester. However, in such cases there is no second chance for presentation. If he / she fails to secure the minimum required marks in written portion after re-submission also, he / she shall be treated as failed in the course and shall be required to re-register for the course subsequently in the Semester when the course is offered and will be required to submit new seminar paper and do the presentation accordingly.

THE PERFORMANCE OF THE STUDENTS IN ALL THE COURSES SHALL BE EVALUATED ON EIGHT POINT SCALE WITH THE CORRESPONDING GRADE VALUES AS FOLLOWS :

<u>Percentage of Marks</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>CGPA</u>
90 and above	O	10.00
80-89	E	9.00
70-79	A++	8.00
65-69	A+	7.00
60-64	A	6.00
55-59	B ⁺	5.00
50-54	B	4.00
Below 50	F	0.00

The following letters would be used in the grade-sheet :

Ab	-	Absent (Student on Exchange program, Moot Court participation, absence on Medical grounds and on compassionate grounds)
NA	-	Not Allowed (Attendance Shortage)
R	-	Repeat (Clearing the exam in Repeat / Re-registration / detention / Students who are not allowed due to attendance shortage)
F	-	Failed (Failing in securing minimum aggregate marks including non submission, failure in project / seminar, failure to appear End-Semester)
W	-	Withheld (disciplinary action, fee dues, library dues)
I	-	Improvement

A candidate to be successful has to obtain a minimum of 50% marks or the grade equivalent to that i.e., B in every course. However, the candidate who fails to obtain the minimum grade (i.e., B) shall be given one more chance (repeat-examination) to complete the course.

No Student shall be allowed to absent from taking any examination on the completion of the course excepting reasons for which prior written permission with reasons shall be obtained from the Vice-Chancellor.

Once a student is declared as failed (F) for whatever reason, his / her grade will carry ® with the grade obtained later. In the same way, the student who is not allowed to take the End Semester Examinations for shortage of attendance and has been asked to re-register, the grade obtained subsequently will carry ® automatically.

PROMOTION SCHEME

No candidate shall be promoted to the next higher class unless he / she has completed all the courses in a given year. However, a candidate who has failed in not more than two courses in a year may be promoted to the next higher class. Under such circumstances, the candidate has to re-register for the failed courses.

The prescribed amount of fee will be collected from such candidates along with the application. No candidate will be promoted to the third year without passing all the first year courses. Similarly, this rule shall apply to all other promotions to higher classes as well.

A student admitted to the Undergraduate Degree Programme shall have to pass all the prescribed Fifty (50) courses within the maximum period of Seven (7) years from and including the year of admission in order to be eligible for the award of the Degree.

REVALUATION OF ANSWER SCRIPTS

Students who wish to apply for revaluation of answer scripts of End-Semester Examinations (including Repeat) are required to make an application to the Vice-Chancellor along with a demand draft of Rs.1,000/- per paper in favour of the Registrar or obtain a cash receipt from the Account Section on payment of the prescribed amount within one week from the date of declaration of result, if the University is in session. If the result is declared during vacation the request should be made within one week after re-opening of the University. In no case the request for revaluation shall be entertained after the expiry of the period mentioned above.

AWARD OF DEGREES

A student will be eligible for the award of B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) degree only when he / she has successfully completed all the prescribed 50 courses with a total of 200 credits and obtained a CGPA 4.00 out of 10.00.

CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (CGPA)

Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) is arrived at by dividing the sum of the products of Grade Values and the Course Credits in each course by the total number of credits in all the courses.
