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ORDINANCE

For

Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch.)

Object:

Though a Regulation is framed for B.Arch programme since the provisions of Section 44 &45 of Act 17 of 2015 is more specific on Examination, Award of Degree, Fee charged by the University, Discipline of the student and Languages it is better to incorporate the same in an Ordinance with out any conflict with the provisions of the Regulation.

In exercise of the Powers conferred under Sections 44 and 45 of the Act 17 of 2015, the Executive Committee of the University hereby promulgate the Ordinance for the University for the Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch.)

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Clause 1. Admission policy and procedure:

- (a) For Admission to the B.Arch. Degree course, the candidate should require to have passed the Higher Secondary Examination, Kerala or 12th standard V.H.S.E, C.B.S.E, C.I.S.C.E. or any other examination accepted by the University as equivalent there to, with Mathematics as a subject and obtaining not less than 50 % marks in aggregate or a Diploma in Engineering awarded by the Board of Technical Education, Kerala or an examination recognised as equivalent thereto after undergoing an institutional course of at least three years securing a minimum of 50% marks in the final diploma examination or International Baccalaureate Diploma, after ten years of schooling, with not less than 50% marks in aggregate and with Mathematics as compulsory subject of examination.
- (b) Admissions to Architecture degree course shall be subject to passing of an Aptitude Test in Architecture conducted by the competent authority (NATA) and approved by the Council of Architecture (COA). No lateral admission shall be permitted as per the minimum standards of Architectural Education Regulations 1983 or of Council of Architecture and AICTE notification, July 1992.
- (c) The number of students admitted is based on the sanctioned intake by the Council of Architecture, All India Council for Technical Education and the APJ Abdul Kala Technological University. If there is any Conflict with Counsel of Architecture and AICTE, the decision of AICTE will be final.
- (d) The B.Arch programme is a choice based credit programme. The duration of theregular B. Arch. programme will normally be of five academic years spanning 10 semesters including internship as per the curriculum.

Clause 02. Examination

- a) At the end of each semester, end semester examination will be conducted in all lecture based courses offered in the semester and will normally be of three hours duration, unless otherwise specified. Supplementary examinations shall be conducted before the commencement of the next semester, for students who are eligible and have registered for the same.
- b) Jury Examinations for Architectural Design will be conducted at the end of 2nd, 4th, 6th and 8th semesters by a jury appointed by the University. The final viva voce of the 10th semester Architectural thesis will also be conducted by a jury appointed by the University.
- c) Students who have completed a course but could not write the end semester examination for valid reasons like illness or personal exigencies are allowed to write the supplementary examination or the end semester examination at the next opportunity and earn the credits without having to register for the course again provided they meet other eligibility criteria.

- d) The main eligibility criteria for the end semester examination are attendance in the course, internal marks and no pending disciplinary action. The minimum attendance for appearing for the end semester examination is 75% in each course. Further, the internal evaluation marks in the course should be 45% or above. Students who do not meet these eligibility criteria are awarded an FE grade and have to register for the course again.
- e) Students who could not write the end semester examination due to health reasons or other exigencies but otherwise eligible can register for the supplementary examination, with the approval of the Principal. Candidates who received F grade can also write the supplementary examination. Grades awarded in the supplementary examination will be taken as the end semester grades in these courses.

Clause 03. Eligibility for Award of Degree

Award of B.Arch degree shall be based on the recommendation of the Academic Committee and the approval of the Board of Governors in accordance with the academic regulations of the University.

Award of B. Arch. Degree

A student will be eligible for the award of B. Arch. Degree of the University on satisfying the following requirements.

- a) Earned credits for all the Core courses , Practical Training and Architectural Thesis.
- b) Earned the required minimum credits as specified in the curriculum for the study.
- c) No pending disciplinary action.

Clause 04. Fee charged by the University

Fee charged for the programme shall be decided by the University from time to time and informed to all concerned for compliance through appropriate Circulars.

Clause 05. Discipline of the student – Action against breach of discipline

Every college shall have a Student's Welfare Committee and a Disciplinary Action Committee, constituted by the Principal of the college. Each college should have a Grievance Redressal and Appeals Committee constituted by the Principal to address

the grievances of the students and to consider their appeals on any decisions made by the college. Details on the constitution and terms of reference are outlined below.

1) Academic Discipline and Malpractices in Examinations

Every student is required to observe discipline and decorous behaviour.

Any act of indiscipline, misbehaviour and unfair practice in examinations will be referred to the Disciplinary Action Committee (DAC). Malpractices in examinations shall be viewed seriously and any such incident observed or reported by a faculty member or an invigilator associated with the examinations shall be reported to the Principal who in turn shall refer it to DAC. On the basis of the report and evidence available or gathered, DAC shall immediately initiate an enquiry giving the concerned student a chance to explain his/her case. Based on this the committee shall recommend the course of action in line with the guidelines formulated for this by the Controller of Examination of the University and forward it to the Principal for action.

Actions are to be based on the severity of the offence and are to be dealt with, on a course basis. Guidelines on this shall be given by the Controller of Examination which is to be followed by the Disciplinary Action Committee of the college.

The student may appeal to the Grievances and Appeals Committee for a relook on the matter. Based on the committee's report, the Principal shall take a final decision on the matter.

DAC shall be headed by a department head and shall have three other faculty members drawn from different departments as members. In case of malpractices in end semester examinations, the report given by the college DAC and the action taken by the Principal shall be intimated to the Controller of Examination of the University.

2) Student's Welfare Committee

Every college shall have a Student's Welfare Committee, constituted by the Principal of the college. This committee shall have at least three faculty members as members and the chairman shall be a senior faculty member in the rank of a Professor. This committee is entrusted with the task of looking after the welfare of the students by taking appropriate steps with the concurrence of the principal.

3) Grievances Redress and Appeals Committee

Each college should have a Grievances Redress and Appeal Committee constituted by the Principal to address the grievances of the students and to consider their appeals on any decisions made by the college. This committee consisting of at least three faculty members and chaired by a senior professor shall look into student's grievances and appeals and give its recommendations to the Principal for action.

Clause 06. Language of Instruction and Examination

Unless otherwise stated, the language of instruction and examinations shall be English.

Clause 07. Amendment to Ordinance/ Regulations/Rules

Notwithstanding all that has been stated above, the University has the right to modify any of the above Ordinance/Rules/regulations from time to time.

