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UNIVERSITY LAW COLLEGE
& DEPARTMENT OF STUDIES IN LAW
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REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE CHOICE BASED CREDIT SCHEME (CBCS)
FOR TWO YEAR (FOUR SEMESTERS) P.G PROGRAMME IN LAW (LL.M.)

I. DURATION OF THE COURSE

The full time LL.M. Degree, Semester scheme, (CBCS) Course shall be of Four Semesters (Two academic years).

II. INTAKE FOR THE COURSE

The maximum number of students to be admitted to the course shall be limited to 10 under each of the five branches plus 2 seats in each branch in the enhanced fee category, exclusive of seats under supernumerary quota as fixed by the Bangalore University.

III. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

- a) Candidates seeking admission to LL.M. Degree under Semester Scheme should have passed the LL.B. degree of the Bangalore University or any other UGC recognised University and should have secured 45% in the aggregate of 3 year / 5 year LL.B. Degree Examinations (5% relaxation for SC/ST, Category-I and Persons with disabilities candidates).
- b) There shall be a Common Entrance Test (CET) for all the eligible candidates for admission to the course as specified by the University from time to time. The mode and method of the CET shall be decided by the Departmental Council and shall be published in the notification inviting applications for admission to the LL.M degree course.
- c) Merit list of the candidates shall be prepared by the admission committee based on the following criteria:
 1. 50% of the marks secured by the candidate in the CET and,
 2. 50% of the marks obtained in LL.B degree 3/5 years course in the aggregate.

- d) No candidate otherwise eligible for admission shall be admitted if he/she fails to attend the CET and the counselling on the notified dates.
- e) No student shall be permitted to pursue any other course of study leading to any other degree while he / she is pursuing LL.M. course.

IV. ATTENDANCE, LEAVE & PROGRESS

- a) Each Semester shall be taken as a unit for the purpose of calculating attendance.
- b) Every student shall attend a minimum of 75% of classes conducted in every subject including the specialization and the compulsory papers and shall complete the assignments, practicals as prescribed by the Department from time to time during the semester. A student failing to put in the minimum required attendance in the semester shall be ineligible to appear/write the semester-end examinations. However, the Chairperson of the Department / Head of the Institution may condone the attendance up to a maximum of 5 % in genuine cases like medical problem, natural calamity etc. The attendance records are to be maintained for a period of one year from the conclusion of each semester.
- c) A student who is ineligible to appear/write the semester-end examinations owing to shortage of attendance, if desirous of completing the course, shall take re-admission to the respective semester and thereafter appear for examination after fulfilling the minimum attendance within the maximum period prescribed for completion of the course.

V.TIME LIMIT FOR COMPLETION OF THE COURSE

A candidate shall complete the LL.M course within four years from the year of admission of first semester LL.M. and in extraordinary circumstances one more year may be given with the approval of the University.

VI.COURSE STUDY

The course study for LL.M. Degree shall be in accordance with the scheme of examination and syllabus prescribed as below or as modified by the University from time to time. The medium of instruction and examination shall be in English.

I SEMESTER:

In I Semester he/she are to undergo instructions in two compulsory papers along with two specialization papers relating to the specialized branch.

Paper Title with Subject Code	Teaching hrs per week		Examination				Credits Assigned
	Theory (T)	Practical (P)	Duration (hrs)	Marks			
				IA	T/P	Total	
A] COMPULSORY PAPERS							
CP 1.1 – Research Methods & Legal Writing	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CP 1.2 – Comparative Public Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
B] SPECIALIZATION PAPERS (Two specialization papers relating to the specialized branch)							
CONSTITUTION AND LEGAL ORDER							
CLO 1.1 – Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CLO 1.2 – Local-Self Government and Federal Governance	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CORPORATE & COMMERCIAL LAW							
CCL 1.1 – Banking Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CCL 1.2 – International Trade Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW							
LEL 1.1 – Collective Bargaining	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
LEL 1.2 – Industrial Adjudication	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
HUMAN RIGHTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL LAW							
HEL 1.1 – International Environmental Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
HEL 1.2 – Environmental Laws and Policies in India	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CRIMINAL LAW							
CL 1.1 – Comparative Criminal Procedure	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CL 1.2 – Drug Addiction, National Security and Human Rights	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
TOTAL	24	-	-	120	280	400	24

Note: Total 24 credits in each branch of specialization.

II SEMESTER:

In II Semester he / she is to undergo instructions in two compulsory papers along with two specialization papers relating to the specialized branch.

Paper Title with Subject Code	Teaching hrs per week		Examination				Credits Assigned
	Theory (T)	Practical (P)	Duration (hrs)	Marks			
				IA	T/P	Total	
A] COMPULSORY PAPERS							
CP 2.1: Advanced Jurisprudence	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CP 2.2: Judicial Process	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
B] SPECIALIZATION PAPERS (Two specialization papers relating to the specialized branch)							
CONSTITUTION AND LEGAL ORDER							
CLO 2.1: Mass Media Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CLO 2.2: Centre-State Relations and Constitutional Governance	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CORPORATE & COMMERCIAL LAW							
CCL 2.1: Intellectual Property Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CCL 2.2: Competition Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW							
LEL 2.1: Law Relating to Civil Servants	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
LEL 2.2: Laws relating to Agricultural labor and other forms of Unorganized Workers	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
HUMAN RIGHTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL LAW							
HEL 2.1: Resource Management and the Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
HEL 2.2: Concept and Historical Development of Human Rights	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CRIMINAL LAW							
CL 2.1: Juvenile Justice and Law Relating to Women	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CL 2.2: Crime and Justice: Penology and Treatment of Offenders	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
TOTAL	24	-	-	120	280	400	24

Note: Total 24 credits in each branch of specialization.

III. SEMESTER:

In the III Semester he / she is to undergo instructions in one compulsory practical paper, one specialization paper pertaining to the specialized branch, one open elective paper offered by other Departments of Studies in Bangalore University and a MOOCs Course.

Paper Title with Subject Code	Teaching hrs per week		Examination				Credits Assigned
	Theory (T)	Practical (P)	Duration (hrs)	Marks			
				IA	T/P	Total	
A] COMPULSORY PAPERS							
CP 3.1- Practical Paper*	-	6	-	-	-	100	6
B] SPECIALIZATION PAPERS (Two specialization papers relating to the specialized branch)							
CONSTITUTION AND LEGAL ORDER							
CLO 3.1: National Security, Public Order and Rule of Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CLO 3.2: Open Elective	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CLO 3.3: MOOCs**	4	-	-	-	-	-	4
CORPORATE & COMMERCIAL LAW							
CCL 3.1: Corporate Social Responsibility	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CCL 3.2: Open Elective	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CCL 3.3: MOOCs**	4	-	-	-	-	-	4
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW							
LEL 3.1: Wages	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
LEL 3.2: Open Elective	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
LEL 3.3: MOOCs**	4	-	-	-	-	-	4
HUMAN RIGHTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL LAW							
HEL 3.1: Human Rights- International Perspectives	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
HEL 3.2: Open Elective	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
HEL 3.3: MOOCs**	4	-	-	-	-	-	4
CRIMINAL LAW							
CL 3.1: Socio-Economic Crimes: Origin and Development	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CL 3.2: Open Elective	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CL 3.3: MOOCs**	4	-	-	-	-	-	4
TOTAL	22	6	-	60	140	300	18

Note: Total 22 credits in each branch of specialization

* **Practical Paper:** The practical paper shall carry 100 marks which shall be evaluated on the basis of the performance of the students under following headings:

- Research Project (Doctrinal & Non-doctrinal)
- Research Publication/Paper presentations in seminars.
- Clinical Work and,
- Law Teaching

** **MOOCs:** SWAYAM is the indigenous platform of the MHRD, GOI providing an integrated portal and platform for hosting Massive open online courses (MOOCS) and which is mandatory in all courses of Post Graduate studies as per UGC norms. Government of India adopted the MOOCs concept to supplement the formal education system in the country from high school to higher education, named as the “Study Webs of Active-Learning for Young Aspiring Minds” (SWAYAM). It hosts various courses based on curriculum, continuing education and skill.

IV SEMESTER:

In the IV Semester he / she is to undergo instructions in one specialization paper pertaining to the specialized branch and prepare a dissertation and submit the same to the University.

DISSERTATION (Equivalent to 2 courses/2 subjects) and one Compulsory Paper in each branch of specialization.

Paper Title with Subject Code	Teaching hrs per week		Examination				Credits Assigned
	Theory (T)	Practical (P)	Duration (hrs)	Marks			
				IA	T/P	Total	
AJ DISSERTATION- Report and Viva-voce	-	-	-	150 (Report)	50 (Viva-Voce)	200	14+4
BJ SPECIALIZATION PAPER (One compulsory paper relating to the specialized branch)							
CONSTITUTION AND LEGAL ORDER							
CLO 4.1: Judicial Review	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CORPORATE & COMMERCIAL LAW							
CCL 4.1: Cyber Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW							
LEL 4.1: Social Security Law	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
HUMAN RIGHTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL LAW							
HEL 4.1: Human Rights- Indian Perspectives	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
CRIMINAL LAW							
CL 4.1: Collective Violence and Criminal Justice System	6	-	3	30	70	100	6
TOTAL	6	-	-	180	120	300	24

Note: Total 24 credits in each branch of specialization

TOTAL CREDITS: 24+24+22+24=94

VII. SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

- a) There shall be Semester examination conducted by the University at the end of odd and even semesters.

- b) Every theory paper shall be evaluated internally and externally for 70 marks in addition to the continuous internal assessment for 30 marks as described below. Dissertation carrying 200 marks shall be evaluated internally and externally with 150 marks for the written work and with 50 marks for presentation and Viva-voce. The criteria for internal assessment are as follows:

a)	Seminar (Class room presentation)	05marks
b)	Assignment	10marks
c)	Test	10 marks
d)	Attendance	05 marks
Total		30marks

Award of marks for attendance: The maximum marks awarded for attendance will be 5. The break up is as follows:

- 75% to 80% 1 mark
 81% to 85% 2 marks
 86% to 90% 3 marks
 91% to 95% 4 marks
 96% to 100% 5 marks

VIII. EXAMINATION FEE

As prescribed by the University from time to time.

IX. UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS AND VALUATION OF ANSWERSSCRIPTS

- a) Each answer script in the University Semester Scheme will be assessed by two examiners, out of which one will be internal and the other shall be an external examiner. In case of non-availability of external examiner due to some reason, the Chairman, BOE may allot the scripts to be evaluated by any of the internal examiner under intimation to the Registrar Evaluation.
- b) If the difference between the marks awarded by the two evaluators is more than 20% of the maximum marks, then the Chairman, BOE shall arrange for third valuation by an examiner from the approved panel of examiners.

- c) In case of two valuations, average of the two valuations and if there is third valuation, average of the third valuation and the nearest of earlier two valuations shall be taken for declaring the results.
- d) Each component of the practical paper prescribed in the III Semester shall be conducted and evaluated by the examiner as allotted by the Chairperson in consultation with the Department Council.
- e) Candidates may apply for revaluation of answer sheet of their result, if so desired, by submitting an application for the same to the Registrar Evaluation in a prescribed format within the time limit notified, by paying the requisite fees. The revaluation result shall be declared considering the average of the marks obtained in the main valuation and the marks obtained in the revaluation. However, the candidate is entitled to retain his / her original marks, if advantageous to him / her.

X. CLASSIFICATION OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE

The results of successful candidates at the end of each semester shall be declared on the basis of Percentage of Aggregate Marks and /or in terms of Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) and Seven Point Alpha – Sign Grading Scale. The results at the end of the fourth semester shall also be classified on the basis of Percentage of Aggregate Marks and or on the basis of the Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) obtained in all the four semesters and the corresponding overall alpha-sign grade. A seven point grading system, alpha-sign grade as described in Table I shall be adopted. The Semester Grade Point Average (GPA) in a Semester and the CGPA at the end of the fourth semester shall be computed as follows:

a) Computation of Grade Point Average (GPA):

The Grade Points (GP) in a course shall be assigned on the basis of marks scored in that course as per the Table II. Any fraction of mark in the borderline less than 0.50 is ignored in assigning GP and the fractions of 0.50 or more be rounded off to the next integers. The Credit Points (CP) shall then be calculated as the product of the grade points earned and the credits for the course. The total CP for a semester is the sum of CP of all the courses of the semester. The SGPA for a semester is computed by dividing the total CP of all the courses by the total credits of the semester.

b) Calculation of Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA):

The Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) at the end of the fourth semester shall be calculated as the weighted average of the semester grade point averages (SGPA). The CGPA is obtained by dividing the total of semester credit weight age by the maximum credits for the programme.

Table I: Final Result / Grades Description

Semester/Program % Marks	Result / Class Description	Semester GPA / Program CGPA	Alpha-Sign / Letter Grade
90.0 and above	Outstanding	9.00-10.00	O (Outstanding)
80.0-<90.0	First Class Exemplary	8.00-<9.00	A++ (Excellent)
70.0-<80.0	First Class Distinction	7.00-<8.00	A+ (Very Good)
60.0-<70.0	First Class	6.00-<7.00	A (Good)
55.0-<60.0	High Second Class	5.50-<6.00	B+ (Above average)
50.0-<55.0	Second Class	5.00-<5.50	B (Average)
Below 50	Fail / Reappear	Below 5.00	F (Fail/Reappear)
Absent	Ab (Absent)	0	Ab (Absent)

Table II: Conversion of Percentage of Marks into Grade Points in a Paper

% Marks in a paper/practical	Grade Point (GP)	% Marks in a paper/practical	Grade Point (GP)
98-100	10	68-72	7.0
93-97	9.5	63-67	6.5
88-92	9.0	58-62	6.0
83-87	8.5	53-57	5.5
78-82	8.0	50-52	5.0
73-77	7.5	Below 50	0

XI. MINIMUM PASSING MARKS & DECLARATION OF CLASS, RANK AND GOLD MEDAL

- a) A candidate shall be declared to have passed an Examination if he / she has obtained not less than 45 percent of marks in each theory papers and 50 percent of the marks in the aggregate in each Semester, including the marks obtained in internal assessment. However, there shall be no minimum marks prescribed in internal assessment.

- b) A candidate who secures 50 percent or more marks in any paper may be granted exemption from appearing in that paper.
- c) The declaration of class shall be as stated at Clause X (Table-I) and there shall be Three Ranks Viz., First Rank, Second Rank and Third Rank, in each branch of Specialization of the LL.M Programme based on the percentage of marks/CGPA secured by the candidates in the examinations of all the Semesters of the Course in first attempt.
- d) The gold medal, if instituted, shall be conferred as per the terms and conditions specified by institutor of the Medal.

XII.CARRY OVER PROVISION

The Candidate who fails in lower semester examinations may go to the higher semesters and take the lower semester examinations.

XIII. ELIGIBILITY FOR PROMOTION

A candidate is entitled to carry all papers up to the final semester subject to fulfilment of minimum attendance and payment of term end examination fees to the University.

XIV. RULES FOR SUBMISSION OF THE DISSERTATION FOR THE LL.M DEGREE EXAMINATION

- a) The Dissertation shall be prepared under the guidance of a teacher approved by the Department Council.
- b) The subject proposed for the Dissertation shall be related to the specialisation of the candidate.
- c) The Dissertation shall be submitted to the University, fifteen days before the date of commencement of the IV Semester Examination through the Head of the Department / Institution.
- d) The Dissertation shall be of minimum 100 type written pages of the usual thesis size. The dissertation shall be in Times New Roman, 12 font size with 1.5 line spacing. Two copies of dissertation shall be submitted for evaluation. A candidate who secures pass marks in the written papers but fails in the Dissertation shall be declared to have failed in the examination.

- e) The candidate shall submit the Dissertation complying with the Plagiarism rules as notified by the Bangalore University.
- f) The marks obtained for the Dissertation shall be added to the aggregate marks obtained for other papers under the Semester Scheme.
- g) The percentage of minimum marks for a pass in the Dissertation and Viva-voce will be 50 percent of the maximum marks.
- h) A candidate who fails in any one or more of the written theory papers but passes in the Dissertation need not re-submit the Dissertation.
- i) A candidate who has failed to secure the minimum marks in the Dissertation may submit a new or revised dissertation before fifteen days of the commencement of LL.M IV Semester Examination of the next year or the year in which he / she proposes to sit for the LL.M. IV Semester Examination and he / she should submit it within the maximum period prescribed for completion of the course under these regulations.
- j) If there is difference of more than 20 percent of marks in the two valuations, the same shall be referred to third valuation. Average of the marks scored in the third valuation and nearest marks scored in earlier two valuations shall be awarded to the candidate.
- k) The Dissertation submitted by a candidate shall become the property of the University and no part there of shall be published without the prior permission of the University.

XV. RULES FOR CONDUCTING THE DISSERTATION VIVA-VOCE

The Viva-voce Examination shall be conducted by the Chairperson/Chairman of the Board of Examination, with one external examiner and the respective guides. However, the viva-voce may be conducted, even in the absence of a guide, if such guide is unable to attend despite having intimation of Viva-voce examination, due to unavoidable circumstances or in case of any exigencies.

XVI. IMPROVEMENT OF RESULTS

- a) A candidate who has passed in all the papers of a semester may be permitted to improve the result by reappearing for the whole examination of that semester.
- b) The reappearance may be permitted during the period N+2 years (where N refers to duration of the respective PG program) without restricting it to the subsequent

examination only. The maximum period for completing various degree programme shall be applicable for improvement of results also.

- c) The student may be permitted to apply for improvement examination 45 days in advance of the pertinent semester examination whenever held.
- d) If a candidate passes in all the subjects in reappearance, higher of the two aggregate marks secured by the candidate shall be awarded for that semester. In case the candidate fails in the reappearance, candidate shall retain the earlier result.
- e) A candidate who has appeared for improvement examination is eligible for class only and not for ranking / gold medal.
- f) Internal assessment (IA) marks shall be shown separately. A candidate who wants to improve the result or who, having failed, takes the examination again or who has appeared for improvement shall retain the IA marks already obtained.
- g) A candidate who fails in any of the semester examinations may be permitted to take the examinations again at a subsequent appearance as per the syllabus and scheme of examination in vogue at the time the candidate took the examination for the first time.
- h) This facility shall be limited to the following two years.

XVII. REMOVAL OF DIFFICULTIES

- a) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of these Regulations, the Vice Chancellor may by order make such provisions not inconsistent with the Act, Statutes, Ordinances or other Regulations, as appears to be necessary or expedient to remove the difficulty.
- b) Every order made under this rule shall be subject to ratification by the appropriate authorities.

XVIII. REPEAL AND SAVINGS

The Regulations Governing One Year LL.M. (CBCS) course is hereby repealed. However, the candidates admitted under the said Regulations shall continue to be governed by them till completion of their LL.M. course as provided under the said Regulations.