# SREE SANKARACHARYA UNIVERSITY OF SANSKRIT, KALADY REGULATIONS FOR M.Phil PROGRAMME

(Applicable from 2015 December admission onwards)

#### **Short Title**

These regulations shall be called Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit M.Phil. Regulations December 2015. These Regulations shall apply to all MPhil Programmes commencing from December 2015.

## 1. Notification

Notification inviting applications for admission to the M.Phil Programme shall be published on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October, every year. The M.Phil Programmes shall commence in the 1<sup>st</sup> week of December of every year with the summer semester.

### **Format**

Application for admission to the M.Phil Programme should be submitted to the University through online clearly specifying the Department to which admission is sought. The cost of application form and the fee for registration for the Common Entrance Test has to be remitted by the candidate as per directions given in the notification. The hard copy of the application form should be submitted on or before the date fixed by the University along with the original fee receipts.

# 2. Eligibility

Candidates who possess Masters' Degree in the subject concerned or in related subjects specified by the Departments concerned with not less than 55% marks/ B+ Grade of this University or any equivalent degree of any other Indian or Foreign Universities recognized by this University shall be eligible to apply for admission to the M Phil Programmes. Applicants belonging to the SC/ST Communities require a minimum of 50% marks/ B grade in their Masters Degree Exam. Those candidates who are awaiting the results of their PG examinations can also apply, and if selected, may take admissions provisionally. However, such candidates shall produce their PG mark lists and provisional certificates before the expiry of three months from the date of their provisional admission, failing which the provisional admissions granted to them are liable to be cancelled.

## **Explanation**

Related subjects can be in any discipline having some converging areas with the domain subject offered by the departments concerned, which shall be ensured by the Research Committees of the Departments.

## 3. Admission

Admission to the M.Phil Programmes shall be on the basis of an Entrance Examination conducted by the university. The Rank List in each subject shall be prepared based on the marks secured by the applicants in the written test, and the interview conducted by the Departments concerned. Admissions shall be made from the rank list.

### 4. Common Entrance Test

The Common Entrance Test shall carry 100 marks, out of which 80 marks are for the written examination and the remaining 20 marks for the interview/group discussion. The question papers for the written test shall be prepared by the departments concerned.

Only those applicants who secure 50% marks and above in the Common Entrance Test shall be considered for admission. Applicants belonging to the SC/ST communities require only a minimum of 45% marks in the Common Entrance Test. Vacancies that may be caused due to the lack of eligible applicants belonging to the SC and ST communities shall be re-notified twice and if they still remain vacant, they shall be filled up as per the existing rules and regulations. The reservation policy adopted by the State Government/Central Government and the UGC from time to time for students belonging to the SC, ST, OEC, OBC and other eligible communities shall be strictly adhered to.

#### 5. Intake

The maximum number of students who can be granted admission to an M.Phil programme in a department shall not exceed ten.

# 6. Documents to be produced at the time of admission

All applicants should submit the following original documents at the time of admission.

- 1) SSLC/ equivalent certificate to prove the age.
- 2) PG Original Degree Certificate or Provisional Certificate, and mark lists

- 3)Community Certificate (applicable only to applicants belonging to SC/ST/OEC/OBC Communities.
- 4) 'No Objection Certificate' and Leave Order for the entire period of the M.Phil Programme from the employer(s) in the case of applicants who are employed.
- 5) Conduct Certificate and Transfer Certificate.
- 6) Eligibility Certificate in the case of applicants who have obtained their PG Degrees from Universities outside the State of Kerala.
- 7) Migration Certificate: Candidates from other Universities should produce the Migration Certificates before the expiry of 3 months from the date of their admission.

## 7. Fee

The selected candidates shall remit the fee prescribed by the University at the time of admission.

## 8. Duration of the programme and Courses

The normal duration of an M.Phil Programme shall be one year comprising of two semesters. However, on valid grounds students may be granted permission to complete the M.Phil programme within a maximum period of 2 years from the date of admission.

The students shall do the following courses during their M.Phil

## Programme:

### 1. First Semester

- a) Core Course 1 Research Methodology-4 Credits
- b) Core course II- 4 Credits
- c) Optional/Elective Course 4 Credits

### II. Second Semester

a) Seminar Course - 4 credits

b) Dissertation - 12 credits

c) Viva – voce - 4 credits

Total - 32 Credits

Out of the 4 credits for each of the courses in the first semester, 2 credits are for continuous internal assessment which consists of assignments, seminars and test papers. The remaining 2 credits are for the end semester University Examination conducted by the University.

In the case of optional/elective courses, the students may be allowed to choose courses from other departments, if they so desire.

## 9. Evaluation

The end semester University examinations will be conducted by the University for the two core courses and the one optional/elective course. The valuation of the answer scripts of the end semester University Examinations for the first 3 courses shall be done both internally and externally on a 9 - point grading system. In the case of the elective course, the teacher who offer the course shall be the internal examiner. The seminar course of the second semester be evaluated only internally. The candidates should submit the applications for the examinations through online in the prescribed form along with the entries of the receipt of remittance of the prescribed fee through the Heads of the Departments concerned to the Pro-Vice-Chancellor. The Heads of the departments shall hand over the score/grades of the internal evaluation of the candidates to the Pro-Vice-Chancellor at the end of each semester. Only those candidates who score an aggregate minimum of B grade in the internal assessment and have appeared for the end semester University examination of the first semester will be permitted to register for the second semester. The candidates who fail to fulfil this condition may seek readmission and repeat the courses along with the next batch of students. A minimum attendance of 80 percent is necessary for appearing in the examinations and the "Leave Rules" laid down vide U.O.No.3021/Acd.A2/ 2004/SSUS dated, 01.06.2004 will be applicable to the M.Phil students.

### 10. Dissertation

The candidates have to carry out the Dissertation work under the guidance and supervision of an approved Research Guide in the Department. The candidates have to submit three copies of their dissertations together with the CD in PDF format within one month after the completion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester; that is, by 31<sup>st</sup> December of the next year of admission. A "No Plagiarism" certificate from the Supervising Teacher also should be submitted along with the Dissertation.

#### 11. Evaluation of the dissertation and Publication of Results

The evaluation of the dissertations and the viva voce shall also be done on the 9- point grading system. The dissertation submitted for the M.Phil degree shall be evaluated by the External Examiner and the Supervising Teacher. The External Examiner shall be appointed by the Pro Vice Chancellor from the panel of five examiners submitted by the Supervising Teachers and forwarded by the Head of the Department. The Dissertations shall be sent to the external examiner for valuation. After receiving the evaluation reports from the external examiners the Viva-Voce examination may be conducted by the Board of Examiners comprising of the Head of the Department, Supervising Teachers and External Examiners. The Head of the Department shall be the Chairman of the Board of Examiners. The Head of the Department shall hand over the grades awarded to both the dissertation and the Viva-voce to the Pro-Vice-Chancellor immediately after the conduct of the Viva- voce examination. The University shall publish the results within 15 days from the date of receipt of the grades. An aggregate minimum of 'B Grade' is required to complete the M.Phil programme successfully.

## 12. Date of Effect

This regulation shall be applicable to all students who join the M.Phil programme w.e.f December 2015 onwards. However, students who have been granted

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admission to the M.Phil Programme prior to December 2015 shall be permitted to complete their course in accordance with the stipulations laid down vide the Regulations for the M.Phil Programme applicable to them.

**13.** The Vice-Chancellor shall issue necessary orders to remove any difficulty that may arise while implementing the provisions laid down in this regulation and such orders shall be got approved by the Academic Council.

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Appendix – I

Nine-point Grading System

Appendix – II

Leave Rules

# **II.** Regulations for Ph.D. Programme

# (Applicable from 2015 December admission onwards)

## **Short Title**

These regulations shall be called Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit Ph.D Regulations, December 2015. These Regulations shall apply to all PhD Programmes beginning from December 2015 onwards.

### 1. Notification

Notification inviting applications for admissions to the PhD programmes shall be issued on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October every year. The programmes will start on the first working day of December every year with the commencement of the summer semester.

#### 2. Format

Applications specifying the department to which admission is sought shall be submitted through online to the Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit. The cost of application form and the fee for registration for the entrance examination have to be remitted by the candidate as per directions given in the notification. The hard copy of the application form should be submitted on or before the stipulated date along with the original fee receipts.

# 3. Eligibility

Candidates who possess P.G. Degrees of this University in the subjects concerned or related subjects with B+ Grade (55% and above) or equivalent P.G. Degrees of other universities recognized by this University are eligible to apply for admission to the Ph.D programme. Applicants belonging to the SC and ST communities who have secured B Grade (50% and above) in their P.G. examinations are eligible to apply for admission to the Ph.D Programme. In the case of Ayurveda, the

candidates should possess Masters Degree in Ayurveda from a recognized University and approved by C.C.I.M.

## **Explanation**

Related subjects can be any discipline having some converging areas with the domain subject offered by the department concerned. Applicants who have obtained their P.G. degrees in related subjects can be granted admission only if their research is of an interdisciplinary nature. The Research Committees of the concerned departments shall ensure this by properly evaluating the research proposals and interviewing the candidates.

#### 4. Admission

Admissions to the PhD programmes shall be through an Entrance Examination conducted by the departments and the interview conducted by the Research Committees of the respective Departments. UGC –JRF and RGNF awardees as well as regular teachers of Universities/Colleges with a minimum service of five years and who have published at least two research articles in approved journals are exempted from the Entrance Examination. Availability of approved guides, their willingness to guide on a specific research proposal and vacancy of seats shall be taken into account for granting admission. Admission to the Ph.D. programme shall be conducted only if the departments demand for it each year.

### 4.1. Entrance Test

The Entrance Examination shall carry 100 marks, the question papers for which have to be prepared by the respective departments. Based on the performance of the candidates in the entrance examinations, a list of qualified candidates will be prepared for each department. The candidates who secure 50% marks or above in the entrance examination alone will be qualified. The candidates belonging to the SC/ST communities require only a minimum of 45% in the entrance examination for being qualified. Being placed in the qualified list alone shall not entitle a candidate for admission to the PhD programme.

### 4.2. Selection

The candidates eligible for admission shall be interviewed by the Research Committees. The Research Committees may select the required number of candidates subject to the feasibility of the research proposals submitted by the candidates.

The research proposal shall contain the following:

- (a) A tentative title
- (b) The objectives of the study
- (c) The importance and relevance of the study
- (d) A review of the earlier works done in the area of the proposed work, and,
- (e) The details of methodology/theoretical framework.

### 5. Intake

The number of candidates to be admitted to the PhD programme in a year shall be decided by the Research Committees of the Departments. The number shall be decided by taking into consideration the number of vacancies available under all the approved Supervising Teachers of the departments and their willingness to supervise specific research proposals submitted by the candidates.

# **6.** Assignment of supervising teachers

The supervising teacher shall be assigned by the Research Committee, on the basis of mutual consent of the supervising teacher and the candidate. The nature of the research proposal of the student and the competency of the supervisor to guide research in that area also should be taken into account. The research student has to carry out his/her research only in a research centre approved by the University.

## 7. Documents to be produced at the time of admission

The selected candidates shall submit the following original documents at the time of admission.

- 1) SSLC/ equivalent document to prove the age.
- 2) P.G. mark lists/M.Phil marklists
- 3) The original/provisional P.G./MPhil Degree certificate
- 4) Community Certificate in the case of SC/ST/OEC/OBC candidates
- 5) 'No Objection Certificate' from the employer(s) in the case of employed persons
- 6) Conduct Certificate
- 7) Transfer Certificate.
- 8) Eligibility certificate in the case of candidates who have secured their PG/M.Phil Degrees from Universities outside the state.
- 9) Migration Certificate: In the case of candidates from other Universities, the migration certificate is to be submitted within 3 months from the date of admission.

## 8. Fee

The selected candidates shall remit the prescribed fee including the first semester examination fee and the caution deposit. Subsequent installments of annual fee and library fee shall be remitted within 15 days from the beginning of the next year of research, with a fine fixed by the University for the next 15 days. Defaulters will be removed from the rolls. However, they may be readmitted by the Head of the Department if he/she is satisfied by the reasons for the default with the readmission fee as fixed by the University from time to time.

## 9. University Research Fellowship

Full time research scholars are eligible for University Research Fellowships depending upon availability. The research scholars are required to submit a monthly progress report and statement of attendance duly signed by their supervising teachers. This is mandatory for the disbursal of fellowship for the student every month. Full time research scholars are prohibited from undertaking any employment or pursuing any regular academic programme of any university.

**10. Leave Rules**: The leave rules laid down vide U.O. No. 3021/Acd.A2/2004/SSUS dtd. 01-06-04 will be applicable to the research scholars. (Appendix – I)

## 11. Part Time Research

Teachers working in Colleges/Universities/ recognized Research Institutions and the regular non-teaching staff of this University shall be permitted to convert to part-time research after the successful completion of the course work.

## 12. Supervision of Research

a) All permanent teachers of the University who have Ph.D. degrees in the subjects concerned and have two years of regular teaching experience and have published at least two research articles in approved journals/books are eligible to be approved as supervising teachers. They shall apply for approval in the prescribed form with necessary details. The Syndicate shall decide on each case, considering the number of research publications, years of teaching experience and participation in innovative study programmes. However, the Syndicate shall be competent to waive these requirements in exceptional cases for which reasons are to be recorded. No teacher shall refrain from research supervision and the research supervision in the Department shall be distributed as equally as possible among the teachers who shall give maximum commitment to the supervisory work. In the case of approved Research Guides who have not supervised any Ph.D research/are not willing to supervise candidates who are allotted to them, even after the lapse of 3 years after

- obtaining the guideship, their guideship shall be terminated by the Syndicate after seeking their explanation.
- b) The number of candidates registered for the Ph D programme under one supervising teacher at any point of time shall not exceed the number fixed by the UGC which at present is eight (8). For calculating the number of vacancies under a supervising teacher the date of submission of the thesis or the period of research permissible for a candidate, whichever is earlier will be taken into account. The stipulations of the UGC with respect to the conditions of guideship shall be observed while implementing the regulations.
- c) If a UGC-JRF candidate or a RGNF candidate insists on working under a particular research guide and if the guide is willing to supervise the candidate, the said candidate may be assigned to the guide as supernumerary under provisions of UGC's JRF or RGNF, subject to a maximum of 10 students at a time.

## 13. A) Research Committee.

- a) Every department offering the Ph.D programme shall constitute a Research Committee consisting of all approved Research Guides of the Department and two supervising teachers of other Departments. The Research committee shall have a minimum strength of five members. In those departments where approved supervisors are less in number competent persons in the discipline or related disciplines can be nominated from outside into the Research Committee with the approval of the Vice- Chancellor. The Head of the Department will be the Chairman of the Research Committee. If the Head of the Department is not a qualified supervising teacher, then the senior most supervisor of the department shall be the Chairman of the Research Committee. The quorum for the meeting shall be one third of the total strength including at least one member from outside department.
- **b)** Functions and duties of the Research Committee include :
  - 1) Assessing the research proposals of candidates and recommending admission to Ph.D Programme

- 2) Assigning supervising teachers to the research scholars
- 3) Recommending change of a supervising teacher on the mutual consent of the teacher and the student. The Vice Chancellor shall allow change of the Supervising Teacher based on this recommendation.
- 4) Recommending the constitution of the Doctoral Committee.
- **c)** The Head of the department shall maintain the records of the Research Committee.
- **d)** The Research Committee of every department is competent to recommend interdisciplinary research programmes, provided, it is convinced of the competence of both the researcher and the supervisor in the relevant disciplines. This may be ascertained on the basis of training, experience and publications of the candidate and the supervising teacher. If necessary, the research committee can assign a cosupervising teacher in such cases, preferably from within the university.
- e) In the interdisciplinary Centers of study the Syndicate can allow Ph.D programme based on the availability of competent supervising teachers. In such Centers the Vice-Chancellor shall form the Research Committee by nominating two experts in the subject/area of study concerned from outside the university, if necessary. While assigning supervising teachers, the Research Committee can recommend/appoint a co-guide from within the university, if it finds that the competency of the available supervising teacher is not sufficient to guide a particular research proposal.

## 14. Doctoral Committee:-

a) There shall be a Doctoral Committee for each candidate constituted by the Vice Chancellor upon the recommendations of the Research Committee. The committee shall consist of the supervising teacher as the Convener, the Head of the Department as the Chairman, the Dean of the Faculty and an external expert. If the Head of the Department is not an approved research guide, the Dean of the Faculty shall be the chairman. The supervisor shall maintain the records of the Doctoral Committee.

- b) The Doctoral Committee shall monitor the progress of the research work. Such monitoring shall be done at the end of every year. Annual approval of the Doctoral committee is necessary for the student to move onto the subsequent years. The Doctoral Committee shall also scrutinize, review and evaluate the written account of the research programme submitted by the candidate at the end of every year. It shall also ensure that the research scholar has got sufficient attendance as stipulated in the leave rules of the university and the UGC. The doctoral committee can suggest modifications to the topic/research work after discussion with the candidate. The student has to get the approval of the Doctoral Committee for the submission of the PhD thesis. The final synopsis of the thesis has to be approved by the doctoral committee.
- c) A research scholar has to publish at least one research paper or get an acceptance letter/communication from the publisher or present a paper in a seminar/workshops/symposium every year of the Ph.D programme. Such activities shall be recorded in the progress report. A research scholar shall publish at least one research paper in an approved journal with ISSN or contribute to a book with ISBN before the submission of the thesis and produce evidence for the same in the form of reprint of the paper or acceptance letter from the publisher. The research paper shall be evaluated and approved by the doctoral committee along with the final synopsis. This is a pre requisite for the submission of final thesis. A certificate to this effect shall be furnished by the Head of the Department while forwarding the applications submitted by the research scholars seeking permission to submit the final thesis.
- d) Changes in the research topic including the area and the title of research can be done only with the consent of the Doctoral Committee concerned. No change in the topic and title will be permitted after the completion of two years from the date of admission to the Ph D programme. However, partial

modification of the title can be permitted by the Doctoral Committee at any time during the period of research.

#### 15. Course Work

- (a) All the candidates admitted to Ph.D programme shall undergo the prescribed course work during the first semester. Candidates having M.Phil degree have to do only two courses, provided they had a course on Research Methodology in the M.Phil Programme. Other candidates have to do three courses, one of them must be a core course on Research Methodology, Of the other two courses, one shall be a core course offered by the Department, and the other shall be an elective course related specifically to the research topic chosen by the student. The syllabus for the core courses have to be approved by the Academic Council. Within the common structure approved by the Academic Council, the Research Committees of the Departments shall approve the syllabus for the elective course prepared on the basis of the topic of reseadch chosen by the student.
- **(b)** All the courses shall have four credits each. The procedure for evaluation of PhD course work is similar to that of MPhil course work, consisting of continuous internal assessment and university examination in the ratio 50: 50. Answer scripts of the university examination shall be evaluated by both the teacher offering the course and the external expert in the doctoral committee. The evaluation is followed by a viva voce by the doctoral committee which recommends the result of the course work.
- c) All research scholars have to successfully complete the course work by the end of the first semester in order to get Ph.D registration. Confirmation of registration shall be granted only on the successful completion of the course work. They have to score an aggregate grade of B+ (B plus) on a 9 point grading system. Those who do not successfully complete the course work

during the first semester shall complete the same during the next semester itself.

**d**) The admitted candidates have to seek provisional registration within two months of their admission. For this they have to submit a detailed research proposal to the Doctoral Committee which shall interview the candidate and make recommendations for registration. If a research proposal is rejected by the doctoral committee the candidate can submit a revised proposal within three months for consideration.

#### **16. Submission of Thesis**

- **a)** The research scholars (full time) shall submit the thesis after a minimum period of 3 years and a maximum of 5 years from the date of Ph.D. registration. For part-time research scholars it shall be four years and six years respectively. An extension for a period of only one year may be granted to any candidate if there are adequate grounds, with a fee fixed by the University.
- **b)** The part-time research scholars have to contact their Supervising teachers at least twenty days every year and this has to be recorded in their Annual Progress Report.

## c) De-registration:

Research scholars who have not availed extension of time shall be permitted to de-register from the Ph.D Programme. This option is meant for those students who want more time to finish the work, but are not sure whether they may be able to finish the work within the extended period. Such candidates can make a request for de-registration to the Registrar with the recommendation of the supervising teacher just before the expiry of the regular period. A de-registered research scholar ceases to be a student and

will be removed from the roll of the University. De-registered research scholars should get re-registered for the Ph.D Programme before the expiry of two years from the date of de-registration.

- d) Re-registration: De-registered research scholars should apply for re-registration to the Ph.D Programme before the expiry of two years from the date of de-registration. Such students shall remit the fee for re-registration as fixed by the University. Re-registered students should submit the thesis within one year from the date of re-registration failing which the re-registration granted to them will lapse automatically and they will not be permitted to submit the thesis any more. Re-registered students shall be provided with all the facilities required for doing research for one year from the date of re-registration.
  - e) The research scholar has to do a pre-submission seminar based on his/her research within the last four months before the date of submission of the thesis. Information about the schedule of the seminar has to be announced before the academic community, and the presentation shall be conducted before the teachers and students of the department. This is to enable the candidate to modify the thesis if necessary based on the feed backs and comments received during the discussion.
- **f)** The research scholar shall submit the application for submission of the thesis through the supervising teacher and the Head of the Department, to the Registrar three months prior to the submission of the original thesis, along with the following documents:
- 1) A completed application in the prescribed format.
- 2) The original receipt of remittance of the fee prescribed by the University.

- 3) Permission for the submission of the thesis from the final doctoral committee meeting along with a certificate stating that the student has done the pre-submission seminar in the department based on his/her research work from the respective Head of the Department.
- 4) Certificate regarding the publication of at least one research paper in an approved journal from the Head of the Department.
- 5) No-dues certificates from the Hostel, Library and Department
- 6) Fifteen copies of the final synopsis
- 7) Two CDs of the final approved synopsis in PDF format for uploading the same in the INFLIBNET.
- 8) 'No plagiarism Certificate' from the Supervising Teacher

## 17. Submission of the Final Thesis

The research scholar shall submit six copies of the thesis containing the following certificates and four CDs of the thesis in PDF format to the Head of the Department.

- i) A declaration signed by the research scholar that the study has not been used previously as a full work or as a part of any other work for the award of any other degree, diploma, associate-ship, fellowship, title or recognition.
- **ii)** A certificate from the supervising teacher that the thesis is the report of a bona-fide research work carried out by the candidate and that the candidate has successfully completed the required course work.

The Head of the Department shall forward the thesis and the CDs to the Pro Vice Chancellor forthwith.

## 18. Panel of Examiners

The supervising teacher shall furnish a panel of at least 10 experts/adjudicators (with their name, designation, phone number, address and area of specialization, years of service), of whom five shall be from outside the state from academic institutions or academicians in research institutions to the Vice-Chancellor, in a sealed cover. In the case of Malayalam Department, only 2 names of experts/adjudicators need be given from outside the State. The experts/adjudicators should not be below the rank of Associate Professor. The Vice-Chancellor shall constitute a Board of Adjudicators comprising of a chairman and two experts from the panel provided by the supervising teacher for the evaluation of the thesis. Out of the three experts/adjudicators at least one shall be from outside the State of Kerala. This principle may be followed as far as possible in the case of Malayalam Department also. The thesis shall be sent to them for adjudication. examiners for the Open Defence/Viva Voce shall consist of the Chairman, the Head of the Department and the Supervising Teacher. The supervising teacher shall be the Convener of the Viva Board.

### 19. Evaluation

The Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall make arrangements to complete the adjudication of the thesis within 6 months from the date of submission of the thesis. Within one week from the date of receipt of the report from the experts appointed by the Vice-Chancellor, the Convener shall fix a convenient date for the Open Defence - Viva Voce in consultation with the Head of the Department and the Chairman of the Board. The Dean of the Faculty shall also be invited to the Open Defence/Viva-Voce. The Head of the Department shall be the Moderator and the supervising teacher shall be the Convener of the Viva-Voce. In addition to the teachers, the research scholars and the PG students of the Department concerned and all those who are interested in the field shall be allowed to attend the open defence. An

invitation for the open defence/ Viva-voce shall be sent by the supervising teacher to a minimum of 20 persons in the subject concerned under record of posting. The Chairman shall prepare a report on the Open defence along with the members and it shall be forwarded along with the minutes of the session through the Head of the Department to the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, who shall forward the same to the Vice Chancellor for placing them before the Syndicate for the award of the Ph.D degree. The Syndicate shall award the Ph.D degree based on the report of the Board of Examiners.

## 20. Revision of thesis

- **(a)** If the adjudicators suggest corrections/modifications, etc., for the approval of the thesis for the award of the Ph.D degree, the same shall be communicated to the candidate. The candidate shall submit the corrected/modified thesis within 6 months from the date of receipt of the said communication.
- **(b)** If one of the three adjudicators do not recommend the award of the Ph.D degree to the candidate, the thesis shall be sent to a 4<sup>th</sup> expert/adjudicator appointed by the Vice-Chancellor from the original panel submitted by the supervising teacher. If the fourth expert/adjudicator also does not recommend the award of Ph.D degree, the thesis shall be rejected.
- **(c)** A thesis whether approved or not, shall be published only with the permission of the University. The University shall consider the opinion of the experts/adjudicators in this regard, while granting permission for publication.
- **21**. Following the successful completion of the evaluation process and announcement of the award of the Ph.D. degree, the University shall submit a soft copy of the thesis to the UGC within a period of 30 days for hosting the same in INFLIBNET.
- **22.** Along with the Degree, the University shall issue a Certificate to the effect that the Ph.D. Degree has been awarded in accordance with the regulations of the UGC with regard to Ph.D Programme in this regard.

## 23. Date of effect

This regulation shall come into effect from the 2015 admission onwards. Candidates who have already registered in accordance with the previous regulations shall continue to be governed by the regulations applicable to them.

**24**. If any difficulty arises in implementing the provisions of these regulations, the Vice-Chancellor may issue appropriate orders to remove the difficulty and the same may be reported to the Academic Council for approval.

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Annexure - I: Nine point Grading System

Annexure – II: Leave Rules