

**Agenda for 16th meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) to be held on 19th January 2022 @ 2.30 PM through google meet.**

<p><b>Item 1.</b></p>	<p>To confirm the <a href="#">minutes of the 15th AAC meeting</a> held at 12.00 noon on 30th September 2021 through Google meet.</p>
<p><b>Item 2.</b></p>	<p><b>Reporting Items</b></p> <p>Following course descriptions were discussed and approved over email:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. BIO5xx: <a href="#">Computational Methods in Oncology Research (CMOR)</a> – Dr. Debarka Sen Gupta</li> <li>2. CSE518: <a href="#">Concurrent and Learned Data Structure</a> – Dr. Bapi Chatterjee</li> <li>3. CSE618: <a href="#">Meta-Learning</a> – Dr. Gautam Shroff</li> <li>4. CSE567: <a href="#">Programmable Networking</a> – Dr. Rinku Shah</li> <li>5. ECExxx-<a href="#">Estimation Theory Course</a> – Dr. Sanat Biswas</li> <li>6. DES206: <a href="#">Prototyping Interactive Systems (PIS)</a> – Dr. Richa Gupta</li> <li>7. ECExxx: <a href="#">Applied Optimization methods for machine learning (AOMML)</a> – Dr. Pravesh Biyani</li> <li>8. SSH325/SSH525: <a href="#">Ethics of AI</a>: Dr. Manohar Kumar</li> <li>9. CSE568: Social Network Analysis: Dr. Tanmoy Chakraborty</li> </ol> <p>The existing course “Mining Large Networks” was proposed for a name change as Social Network Analysis. The AAC recommended offering this course with a new course code, while keeping the previous course as an anti-requisite.</p>
<p><b>Item 3.</b></p>	<p>To discuss a proposal to create Alumni Awards received from the Dean of Communication &amp; AI. The proposed document is placed as <a href="#">Annexure-II</a></p>
<p><b>Item 4.</b></p>	<p><b>To review the guidelines for the Doctoral Dissertation Award</b></p> <p>While recommending various awards and medals for the 10<sup>th</sup> convocation in the 52<sup>nd</sup> Senate meeting held on 4.10.2021, the Senate has advised AAC to have a relook at the guidelines for the Doctoral Dissertation Award.</p> <p><i>In the academic year 2020-21, 26 PhD students were awarded PhD degrees, out of which 17 students have received the Doctoral Dissertation Award (note that only 7 awardees were positively recommended by all three external examiners).</i></p>
<p><b>Item 5.</b></p>	<p>In the 13th AAC meeting, a list of companies proposed by the departments was approved for the Industry Doctoral program. During the discussion, AAC members from the Department of CSE suggested adding the following names to the list:</p> <p><b>1. Google 2. Microsoft 3. IBM 4. CISCO 5. Facebook 6. Apple 7. Siemens 8. Persistent Systems 9. <u>Adobe Research</u> 10. <u>Verisk Analytics</u> 11. <u>ABB Robotics</u></b></p> <p><b><i>The AAC suggested sharing the names of these companies with the Department of CSE for any further comments.</i></b></p>

The Department of CSE has proposed adding the following companies in the list:

United healthcare group (Optum)

Qualcomm
CDAC R&D.
TCS R&D
GS1 India
Microsoft India
Google India
Adobe India
IBM Research
IBM India
Microsoft Research
VMware

Also, please find here the [link](#) wherein all proposed companies are listed for reference. The AAC is requested to deliberate on this.

**Item 6. To discuss timelines for the PhD comprehensive exam.**

**Item 7. *During the discussion of the above point in 15<sup>th</sup> AAC, Dr. Kiriti suggested allowing IIITD students to attend classes at the Institutes/Universities without any MoU. The Institute already has a policy to allow students to do credits outside the Institute. However, there are no proper guidelines for the transfer of credits. Currently, it is being done on a case-by-case basis. The B.Tech guidelines for the same are as follows:***

*6.7 **Transfer of Credits** Students may be permitted to do academic work and courses in places of repute outside IIIT-Delhi and may be allowed to spend up to 2 semesters at another University. The maximum credit transfer allowed is 40 credits over the entire B.Tech. program (with a maximum of 20 credits in a semester). Based on their performance/quantum of work done and the contents of the course/work, some credits may be transferred for similar courses/projects. Institutions with which IIIT-Delhi has arrangements/MOU/student exchange programs, transfer of credits may also be permitted. This transfer of credits will be approved on a case-by-case basis by the DOAA and will be reported to the Senate.*

The AAC is requested to deliberate and recommend a framework to allow credit transfer for the courses done by students outside IIITD.

<p><b>Item 8.</b></p>	<p><b>To discuss the existing provision of taking IP/IS for B.Tech. students. The current regulation states the following:</b></p> <p>“A student may take “Independent Project” or “Independent Study” or “Undergraduate Research” courses for 1, 2, or 4 credits in a semester. No more than 8 of these credits can count towards the credit requirements of the degree. Only students with satisfactory CGPA (at least 7.5) or with a strong interest in some area (the faculty advisor to determine this) and with a CGPA of at least 7.0 can take these courses.”</p> <p>Few statistics from the previous semester will be placed on the table.</p>
<p><b>Item 9.</b></p>	<p><b>To consider a proposal for MTech CB Dual degree program and discuss its regulations.</b></p> <p>The proposed regulation document is placed as <a href="#">Annexure I.</a></p>
<p><b>Item 10.</b></p>	<p><b>M.Tech. online courses through IP/IS.</b></p> <p>M.Tech. students are allowed to opt for online courses through an IP/IS, and there is confusion in the setup. The AAC is requested to deliberate on this matter.</p>
<p><b>Item 11.</b></p>	<p><b>ORF for externally funded PhD students</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Repurposing ORF grant during COVID</li> <li>- TAship responsibilities and timings</li> </ul> <p>The current guideline is <a href="#">shared here for reference.</a></p>
<p><b>Item 12.</b></p>	<p><b>To discuss the policy of M.Tech. and Ph.D. theses submission in the Library and making theses public and the inclusion of TRs (Technical Report).</b></p> <p>To define the “embargo” Dr. Debajyoti will take up this matter.</p>
<p><b>Item 13.</b></p>	<p><b>To frame a policy for a course name change.</b></p> <p>The AAC at its 15<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30.09.2021 agreed to have a policy on name change of courses and has desired deliberations in the upcoming meetings.</p>
<p><b>Item 14.</b></p>	<p><b>a) Limiting the number of evaluations to a total of 5 (including mid-sem and end-sem) to reduce exam loads on the students.</b></p> <p><b>b) Teaching in sister institutes like IITs/NITs/ISIs/ etc.</b></p>

	<b>Any other items with the permission of the Chair.</b>

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