

Minutes of the 41st meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) held on 25th July 2024 at 10:30 AM in the Senate Room.

<p>1.</p>	<p>The following members/special invitees were present:</p> <p>Prof. Vikram Goyal – AAC Chair Dr. Sumit J. Darak – DoAA Dr. Debajyoti Bera - UG Chair Dr. Sneh Saurah - PG Chair Dr. Richa Gupta Dr. Jaspreet Kaur Dhanjal Dr. Sayan Basu Roy Dr. Sneha Chaubey Dr. Sonia Baloni Ray Dr. Arjun Ray Dr. Gayatri Nair Dr. Sayak Bhattacharya Ms. Deepali Gupta Mr. Ashutosh Brahma- Manager (Academics) Ms. Anshu Dureja - DM (Academics) Ms. Nisha Narwal - AM (Academics) Ms. Sanjana Soni - JM (Academics) Mr. Syed Asrar Ul Haq - Student Senate</p> <p>At the outset, Prof. Vikram Goyal (AAC Chair) welcomed all members/special invitees to the AAC meeting. Thereafter, the agenda items were taken up for discussion, and the following decisions/recommendations were made:</p>
<p>2.</p>	<p>To confirm the minutes of the 40th AAC meeting held on July 16th, 2024.</p> <p>1.1: <u>Allow Internship for Credit for the M.Tech. (CSE) Program</u></p> <p>The AAC, in its 40th, discussed and recommended the proposal given below to allow Internships for credit for M.Tech.(CSE) program;</p> <p>Students in the current M.Tech. program find it extremely difficult to meet the graduation requirements. They have raised the concern that they are unable to explore tougher courses and instead focus on completing the credit requirement. To give them a breather and also observe that internships at tech companies/research labs/universities, if properly done, could be a value addition, the department is proposing an optional 4-6 month internship for credits. This being a project-type of activity, this course can be considered in lieu of a 4 credit Independent/Minor Project (IP).</p>

	<p>The revised internship document for the M.Tech.(CSE) program is placed in Annexure XIII for consideration of the Senate.</p> <p>Action: Dr. Debajyoti & Dr. Shad</p> <p>1.2: <u>Modify Refresher Courses for the MTech(CSE) Program</u></p> <p>AAC, in its 39th meeting, deliberated on modifying the refresher course for the M.Tech CSE program, in addition to M.Tech. CSE, this proposal was also extended and approved for the M.Tech. CSE Research program.</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p><u>Reporting Items</u></p> <p>1.1. The new courses below have been emailed to AAC members. The below courses were approved in the AAC-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dr. Deepak Prince will offer two new courses, "4 Credits" UG/PG course: "SOC 316 Political Anthropology: State, Subject, Power". The course description is attached herewith for your reference. ● Dr. Deepak Prince will offer two new courses, "4 Credits" UG/PG course: "SOC 702 Advanced Political Anthropology". The course description is attached herewith for your reference. ● Dr. Praveen Priyadarshi will offer a new "4 Credits" UG/PG course: - "SSH 341/541 Governing AI: Policy, History, Theory" in Monsoon 2024. The course description is attached herewith for your reference. ● Dr. Anuj Grover will offer a new "4 Credits" course UG/PG course: "ECE323/EVE323/ECE526 - Intelligent Product Design Workshop, in the summer 2024". The course description is attached herewith for your reference. ● Dr. Venkata Ratandeeep Suri will be offering a new course of "4 Credits" for UG/PG - "SSH 711: Data and Society" in Monsoon 2024. The course description is attached herewith for your reference.
<p>4.</p>	<p><u>To discuss the Franco-India Dual Degree Proposal in Collaboration with Université Côte d'Azur within M.Tech.(CB) Program</u></p> <p>The AAC thoroughly reviewed the proposal and noted the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The preparatory module will be exempt for UCA students. ● There will be no fee for UCA students. <p>Additionally, the AAC requested that the proposal be finalized for the pre-senate meeting.</p>

Action: CB Department.

5.

Revamping B.Tech. CSB Program Structure

The AAC thoroughly discussed and suggested highlighting the changes before the Senate and approved the same.

Action: CB Department

6.

Modify Course Requirements for the M.Tech. (CSE) Program

The department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) undertook a process for reviewing the M.Tech.(CSE) curriculum (General, and all specializations, except the AI specialization). Multiple meetings were held, including a workshop involving external members. The final proposal consists of the following major changes:

- The current graduation requirement (for MTech-General, IS, DE and MC specializations) is at least one course from three different buckets -- Theory/Algorithms, Software, and Systems. However, a clear distinction of courses in the Software bucket vs those in the Systems bucket was never clear. A need was also felt to offer ML as a compulsory course for MTech students. Further, the department faced multiple operational challenges regarding offering multiple courses in each bucket. The new proposal is a set of 3 core courses: Introduction to Graduate Algorithms, Introduction to Graduate Systems, and Machine Learning.
- Students in the current MTech program find it extremely difficult to meet the graduation requirements. They have raised the concern that they are unable to explore tougher courses, instead focusing on completing the credit requirement. To give them some breather, and also observe that the proposed core courses are already part of the current specialization course requirements, the specialization credit requirement was reduced from 16 to 12.
- Currently, MTech students are allowed to take online courses as an IP/IS. This created an ambiguity. The new proposal is to allow them to register for at most 4 credits of online courses directly with S/X grade.

The updated M.Tech.(CSE) specific regulation is placed in [Annexure XII](#) for the consideration of the Senate.

Action: CSE Department

7.	<p><u>Proposal to Amend Eligibility Criteria for PhD Admissions</u></p> <p><i>Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.</i></p>																				
8.	<p><u>Eligibility Criteria for "IIITD- Young Alumni Award"</u></p> <p>The AAC had an in-depth discussion and suggested that initial coordination with each program coordinator is essential. The AAC advised the Alumni Office to relook into the proposal. The alumni award will remain unchanged for the time being.</p> <p><i>Action: Communication Department</i></p>																				
9.	<p><u>To Discuss the BTP Timeline Issues For Few Graduating Students</u></p> <p>The AAC deliberated and decided to recommend these exceptions, noting the communication gap in the emails sent to the students. The AAC recommended this exception to the Senate to allow the below-mentioned students to graduate;</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="399 865 1515 1495"> <thead> <tr> <th>Roll No.</th> <th>Student Name</th> <th>BTP not completed in regular semesters</th> <th>Remarks</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2020224</td> <td>Nirmit Malik</td> <td>Completed BTP in Summer Term 2023 & Monsoon 2023</td> <td>Student informed that advisor asked him that he cannot continue BTP further</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2020426</td> <td>Apoorva Agrawal</td> <td>Completed BTP in Summer Term 2022 & Monsoon 2022</td> <td>He can be permitted as we informed the students for regular semester BTP in Jan 2023</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2020124</td> <td>Shivam Agarwal</td> <td>Completed BTP in Summer Term 2022 & Monsoon 2022</td> <td>He can be permitted as we informed the students for regular semester BTP in Jan 2023</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2020141</td> <td>Tanishq Goyal</td> <td>Completed BTP in Summer Term 2022 & Monsoon 2022</td> <td>He can be permitted as we informed the students for regular semester BTP in Jan 2023</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>Action: Academic Department</i></p>	Roll No.	Student Name	BTP not completed in regular semesters	Remarks	2020224	Nirmit Malik	Completed BTP in Summer Term 2023 & Monsoon 2023	Student informed that advisor asked him that he cannot continue BTP further	2020426	Apoorva Agrawal	Completed BTP in Summer Term 2022 & Monsoon 2022	He can be permitted as we informed the students for regular semester BTP in Jan 2023	2020124	Shivam Agarwal	Completed BTP in Summer Term 2022 & Monsoon 2022	He can be permitted as we informed the students for regular semester BTP in Jan 2023	2020141	Tanishq Goyal	Completed BTP in Summer Term 2022 & Monsoon 2022	He can be permitted as we informed the students for regular semester BTP in Jan 2023
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10.	<p><u>Proposed Changes to Opine Feedback Form</u></p> <p><i>Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.</i></p>																				

11.	<p><u>Allocation of 3xx and 5xx Code to Course and Evaluation Criteria</u></p> <p><i>Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.</i></p>
12.	<p><u>Discussion on 7xx/8xx-Level Courses</u></p> <p><i>Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.</i></p>
13.	<p><u>Request for Review and Standardization of Prerequisite Policy for DSA Course Enrollment</u></p> <p><i>Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.</i></p>
14.	<p><u>To Deliberate on ‘Value Added courses’ in NAAC Curriculum Enrichment Point</u></p> <p><i>Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.</i></p>
15.	<p><u>Invigilation Guidelines for Mid-Semester and End-Semester Examinations</u></p> <p><i>Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.</i></p>
16.	<p><u>Regulation of Medical Certificates and Exam Accommodations</u></p> <p><i>Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.</i></p>
<p><i>The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and by the Chairperson.</i></p>	