

Agenda for 46th PGC meeting to be held on 26th Feb 2020 at 2.30 p.m. in meeting room A-618, 6th floor, R&D Block

1. Refer Minutes of 44th PGC Meeting which was held on 29th January, 2020, Dept of Mathematics has submitted the below documents with necessary updation in
 - Revised guidelines of PHD(Mathematics) [vide email dated 07.02.2020]
2. One of the PhD students who joined PhD program in July 2016 has requested for MTech on the way degree. He has completed the MTech-CSE (Gen) program requirement of 48 credits (40 credits of course work + 8 credits of CapP) with 9.6 CGPA.

As per MTech program requirements,

" Each MTech (ECE) student has to satisfy the core course requirement. For a specialization, this requirement is satisfied by completing all the core courses for that specialization. For MTech(ECE) without specialization, this can be satisfied by completing 12 credits from the core courses of any of the specializations. All other courses are electives. In electives, at most 4 credits of "Independent Study" and 4 credits of "Minor Project" can be taken. "

i.e. the student can do maximum 1 IP and 1 IS towards the MTech program requirement. However due to some issue of nomenclature in ERP, the student has done 2 IS (of 4 credit each).
[The present erp nomenclature is CSE690- Independent Study-IP/ IS/ UR]].

The advisor the student's Advisor has confirmed that the student had registered the credits in the capacity of 1IP and 1 IS.

[this needs approval of Senate after having recommendation of pgc – We have received Chair PGC approval on email, as this item needs approval of Senate we should first have approval of PGC]

3. MTech internship item (which was raised by HoD-ECE in the recent Senate meeting)
4. To discuss about Ph.D. programs other than regular and sponsored programs.
[Item was forwarded to Departments on 11th Nov 2019 for their recommendations]
Chair PGC apprised the members of the draft proposal for adding categories under existing Sponsored PhD program. In view of the fact that for working professionals it is difficult to stay in campus to complete course work requirement, Category B is proposed. Further, a Category C is proposed for self-funded candidates who are not under the payroll of an institute/enterprise and may have their own consultancy.

After detailed discussion, PGC has recommended to forward the below proposal to all departments for their inputs.

Sponsored PhD Program			
	Category A	Category B (proposed)	Category C (proposed)
	Existing Sponsored PhD Program	For working professionals	For Self funded
Eligibility criteria	Same as regular PhD Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program • Number of working years – to be discussed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program
Fees	Tuition Fees- Rs. 1 Lakh + campus maintenance	To be discussed	To be discussed

Admission process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program • NoC from the employer is an essential requirement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program • NoC from the employer is an essential requirement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program • An undertaking from any authorized person
Coursework requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program • Physical presence is required for course work completion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program • For highly experienced person, number of credits may be relaxed, say half or 3/4th of sponsored program. • Online courses can also be considered (with approval from advisor and PGC) • Physical presence won't be required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program • Physical presence is required for course work completion
Review requirement (Yearly / Mid-year review)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as regular PhD Program
Conversion to other program (regular PhD/ Mtech on the way)	To be discussed	To be discussed	To be discussed

CB Dept recommendation : CB Department is aligned with the proposed format.

ECE Dept recommendation : Sponsored PhD without mandatory in class course requirement. We broadly agreed but the exact implementation details need to be thought through. Evaluation should be at IIITD and qualification should not be relaxed at any point.

CSE Dept recommendation: It is suggested to add additional clauses with the existing rules, rather than making new categories. To enable addition of students who cannot come to campus for the one year duration continuously, online courses can be considered. However, the student should visit the Institute for small sessions like, for 30 days once in a year. Sponsored students must stay a few weeks per semester with his advisor. We should explore the new ideas for a year or two years instead of making new policies.

For Self-funded: If a student does not want to take stipend, his TAship can be waived off.

Also, an undertaking is needed for sponsored/working person to keep the employer informed about association with IIIT-Delhi. We also need to work on rules for transfer across different PhD schemes.

5. To discuss about ORF guidelines.

[Item was forwarded to Departments on 11th Nov 2019 for their recommendations]

PGC discussed about transferring of an ORF token earned by a student to his/ her advisor.

After detailed discussion PGC has recommended the following:

1. A Ph.D. student who earns an ORF token against his/her external fellowship support, will be allowed to transfer his/her token to his/her advisor. The token can be then used by the

advisor (as per the requirement). Such transfers can be useful in cases where the student is eligible but may not consume the token during his tenure as student.

2. The faculty may transfer the token to any other faculty as well. However, an NoC from the student concerned will be necessary.

ORF requires that the student visit the research lab. For such visit to be fruitful, the advisor would need to have a collaborator who is working on the same/similar problem as that of student' thesis. This may or may not come timely. However, such opportunities may arise for other students (working with advisor) who are not supported via external funding. It would be beneficial to transfer the tokens in these cases. However, such transfers must happen with mutual consent of students and faculty members involved.

CB Dept recommendation : CB Department is aligned with the proposed suggestions regarding ORF guidelines.

ECE Dept recommendation : The faculty agreed on the point that transfer of ORF token from the student to the faculty advisor/co-advisor shall be allowed on mutual consent of the student and the faculty. However, transfer of ORF token from one faculty to another was not agreed upon.

CSE Dept recommendation : Awaited.

6. To discuss the Ph.D. thesis reviewers list.