

**MINUTES OF THE 29TH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL
HELD ON JULY 16, 2014**

Item No. 5


**Course Structure and Examination Regulations for One Year LL.M.
(Master of Laws) Programme**

The Academic Council after detailed deliberations recommended the Course Structure and Examination Regulations for One Year LL.M. (Master of Laws) Programme to the Executive Council for its approval after including / modifying the following:

- The definition for Mandatory Courses, Elective Courses, Optional Papers and Seminar Papers should be included;
- The special exam indicated in Reg. 8.3 will be allowed provided the student takes special instruction class arranged for him / her;
- The maximum duration for completion of the course shall be two years instead of three years (Reg. 8.7);

The Course Structure and the Examination Regulations for the One Year LL.M. Programme as recommended by the Academic Council are given as **Annexure -- II.**




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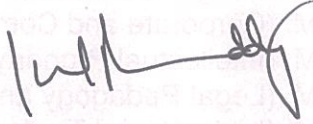
**EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 51ST MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE
COUNCIL HELD ON JULY 19, 2014**

Item No. 7

**Course Structure and Examination Regulations for One Year LL.M. (Master of Laws)
Degree Programme**

The Executive Council considering the recommendations of the Academic Council and after detailed deliberations approved the Course Structure and Examination Regulations for One Year LL.M. (Master of Laws) Degree Programme as given in the Agenda.




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AGENDA

ITEM NO. 7

COURSE STRUCTURE AND EXAMINATION REGULATIONS FOR ONE YEAR LL.M. (MASTER OF LAWS) DEGREE PROGRAMME

Recommended that the Executive Council may consider the course structure and also the Examination Regulations for the One Year LL.M. Degree Programme as recommended by the Academic Council and accord its approval for implementation from the academic year 2014 – 15. .

The Course Structure and Examination Regulations for the One Year LL.M. were placed before the Academic Council at its meeting held on July 16, 2014 and the Course Structure and Examination Regulations as modified and recommended by the Academic Council is given as Annexure – V.

Explanatory Note:

The Academic Council at its meeting held on February 21, 2013 taking into consideration University Grants Commission's Guidelines, recommended to the Executive Council for its approval offering of one year LL.M. Degree Programme from the academic year 2013 – 14 with the following specializations:

1. LL.M. (Corporate and Commercial Laws)
2. LL.M. (Intellectual Property Laws)
3. LL.M. (Legal Pedagogy and Research)
4. LL.M. (International Trade Law)
5. LL.M. (Personal Laws)
6. LL.M. (General)

The Council also recommended that more specializations may be offered in future depending upon the availability of the Faculty. The Council also recommended that the Vice-Chancellor may be authorized to approve the list of papers to be taught under each specialization along with the detailed course outline to be prepared by the concerned Faculty Members. Further it is recommended by the Council that specialized elective courses be offered for LL.M. students as well as B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) students as common pool.

The Executive Council at its meeting held on February 25, 2013 approved the recommendations of the Academic Council.

With the approval of the Academic Council and the Executive Council the one year LL.M. degree programme was offered from the academic year 2013 – 14. The course structure and the Examination Regulations for the one year LL.M. degree programme were prepared and deliberated in detail in number of Faculty Meetings. After incorporating all the suggestions made by the Faculty, the Course Structure and the Examination Regulations were finalized and placed before the Academic Council at its meeting held

on July 16, 2014 for its consideration and making suitable recommendations to the Executive Council.

The Academic Council after detailed deliberations suggested some modifications in the said Regulations. The Course Structure and the Examination Regulations as modified by the Academic Council is now placed before the Executive Council for its approval.

ANNEXURE – V

One Year LLM (Master of Laws) Degree Program

Course Structure:

Candidate admitted to One Year LL.M. Degree program at NALSAR University of Law can pursue specialized or general LL.M. Students admitted to the program have to complete three mandatory papers and six electives papers and a dissertation in order to complete the program. Student who opts for minimum four out of six electives in a particular specialization will secure an LL.M. in that specialization. Students who do not make such an option and /or opt for papers from diverse specializations or from the general pool will be awarded LL.M. (General).

At present the following specializations are offered at NALSAR: 1) Corporate and Commercial Laws; 2) Intellectual Property Laws; 3) Legal Pedagogy and Research; 4) International Trade Law; and 5) Personal Laws. Group of courses across various areas of law are on offer in the General stream. University reserves the right to offer the specializations subject to the exegeses of faculty in any given academic year. The University may expand the number of specializations if merited by the faculty expertise.

Definitions:

Mandatory Courses: *Students admitted to this program are required to study and complete the mandatory courses as per each of the mandatory course requirements.*

Elective Courses: *Elective Courses are courses which student chooses to study exercising the options available and include both optional and seminar papers.*

Optional Papers: *Optional papers are taught through contact classes and are evaluated on the basis of an end semester/end of course examination.*

Seminar Papers: *Seminar papers are transacted through contact classes and are evaluated on the basis of research draft / report and presentation.*

The One Year LL.M. Degree program requires the students to complete their mandatory papers, elective papers and dissertation as per the below mentioned scheme:

I Semester (July to December):

Mandatory Courses:	Course Credits	Maximum Marks
Research Methods and Legal Writing	3	100
Comparative Public Law	3	100
Law and Justice in Globalizing world	3	100

Elective Courses:	Course Credits	Maximum Marks
Optional Paper-I	2	100
Seminar paper-I	2	100
Seminar paper-II	2	100

II Semester (January to April):

Elective Courses:	Course Credits	Maximum Marks
Optional Paper-II	2	100
Optional Paper/Teaching Assistantship-III	2	100
Seminar Paper -III	2	100
Dissertation	3	200

- Students may opt for extra credits which would be shown in their transcript.

I SEMESTER:

The first semester will commence on July 1 and will conclude on December 15. Three mandatory papers and three elective papers will be completed in first semester in the following manner:

Three Mandatory papers:

The three mandatory papers are: 1) Research Methods and Legal Writing; 2) Comparative Public Law/Systems of Governance; and 3) Law and Justice in Globalizing world.

Research Methods and Legal Writing paper will commence on July 1 and will be completed by September 15. It will be evaluated through continuous evaluation process.

Two mandatory papers (Comparative Public Law/Systems of Governance and Law and Justice in Globalizing world) will be conducted through lectures from July 1 to September 15. Examination for these papers will be held in the last week of September for hundred marks each.

Three Elective papers:

Three elective papers (whether from the specialization or from the general stream as per the option of the student) will be conducted as follows:

- One elective paper will be seminar paper - I (research paper) which shall commence on July 10. This paper will be transacted through classes from July 10 to October 10 and evaluated through the submission of research paper and presentation to a group of faculty

members. The marks division for this paper will be 30 for presentation and 70 for research paper. The research paper has to be submitted by October 15.

- B. One elective paper will be an optional paper-I conducted through lectures from July 1 to October 15. Examination for this paper will be held in the last week of October for hundred marks.
- C. One elective paper will be seminar paper - II (research paper) which shall commence on September 15 transacted through classes till October 30 and evaluated through the submission of research paper and presented to the course teacher in the first week of January. The marks division for this paper will be 30 for presentation and 70 for research paper. The research paper has to be submitted by December 15.

Note: If a teacher indicates any one paper from among the pool of specialization papers as mandatory to be studied to obtain that specialization such a paper must be offered and completed in the first semester.

Dissertation topics from the students shall be sought in first week of October and supervisors will be allotted before October end.

II SEMESTER

Three elective papers and the dissertation will be completed in this semester which will commence on January 1 and concluded on April 30.

- A. One elective paper will be a seminar paper- III (research paper) which will commence on January 1 and transacted through classes till February 28. The paper will be evaluated through a research paper which shall be presented to the group of teachers. The marks division will be 30 for presentation and 70 for research paper. The research paper has to be submitted towards the end of March.
- B. Two elective papers will be optional papers conducted through lectures from January 1 to March 20. These papers will be evaluated by an end term examination which will be held in the last week of March for hundred marks. Subject to their suitability and availability of slots students can apply for Teaching Assistantship (TA) in lieu of one optional paper.

Dissertation has to be submitted with the supervisors' approval by April 30.

**EXAMINATION REGULATIONS
ONE YEAR LL.M. DEGREE PROGRAM
(From the Academic Year 2014-2015)**

1. CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEE

The Vice-Chancellor shall constitute the following Committee:

The Centre for Post-Graduate Legal Education Committee: The Centre shall comprise all Professors, Associate Professors and such other Faculty Members who are assigned LL.M. Courses teaching. The Vice-Chancellor shall nominate one Professor as Chairperson of the Centre. The Committee shall supervise the overall functions of One Year LL.M. Degree Program and shall make necessary recommendations on academic, examinations and other academic related matters.

2. SCHEME OF EVALUATION

The following shall be the scheme of evaluation for each course:

- 2.1 Each of the courses shall carry a maximum of 100 marks and the dissertation shall carry a maximum of 200 marks.

The Evaluation for mandatory papers (except Research methods and Legal Writing Course) and optional papers shall be as follows for each course:

End Semester/End of Course Examination: 100 Marks

The Evaluation for seminar papers shall be as follows for each course:

Research paper	:	70 Marks
Presentation	:	30 Marks

The Distribution of marks for dissertation shall be as follows:

Dissertation	:	150 Marks
Viva voce	:	50 Marks

- 2.2 The paper setting for the written examination shall be done either by the teacher who instructed the course or by some expert within or outside the University nominated by the Vice-Chancellor. The evaluation of answer scripts of the written examination shall be done by the concerned course teacher or the examiner appointed by the Vice-Chancellor. The evaluation of the dissertation shall be done by an external examiner who shall be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor from a panel of experts provided by the concerned supervisor.

3. ATTENDANCE

3.1 Every student has to secure a minimum of 75% attendance in all the subjects taken together in each Semester to be eligible to appear in the end-semester examination. Student shall not be permitted to take the end of the course/ end semester examination if the candidate falls short of the requisite attendance. Student shall not be permitted to submit seminar paper if the student falls short of the requisite attendance.

3.2 Medical Leave

- a) In case of serious ailments when a student has to be admitted as an in-patient in a clinic / hospital as recognized by the University, the classes missed will be deducted from the total classes held and attendance shall be calculated accordingly.
 - (i) In genuine cases, where the hospitalization is not necessary, the Examination Committee will accept Medical Certificate from a qualified Medical Practitioner and the same must be endorsed by the Chief-Warden concerned.
 - (ii) The decision of the Examination Committee on acceptance or rejection of the Medical Certificate shall be final.
 - (iii) Only such student, who has less than 75% mandatory attendance, may apply for grant of medical leave provided he/she has secured minimum of 65% attendance.
 - (iv) Students are required to submit medical leave forms along with medical record within a week of the student returning from the leave.
 - (v) No medical leave certificate issued / submitted post facto shall be considered under any circumstances.
- b) Any student who submits a medical certificate which is found to be fake or if the same is obtained from a non-qualified medical officer, clinic / hospital, shall be liable to disciplinary action.

4. SEMINAR SUBMISSION AND EVALUATION

4.1 While assigning the seminar titles to the students, the teachers concerned shall fix the last dates for submission of draft / final seminar report.

4.2 The last date for submission of seminar paper shall not go beyond the following: Seminar-I- October 15th; Seminar-II- December 15th and Seminar-III – 30th March. Submission after the prescribed date shall result in proportionate reduction of marks as per the instruction of the teacher.

- (i) Every student is required to secure a minimum of 35 marks out of 70 assigned to the seminar writing; and minimum of 50 marks out of 100 marks for both seminar writing and presentation put together.
- (ii) Student who fails to secure the minimum of 35 marks out of 70 marks in the seminar writing; 50 marks out of 100 in total seminar writing and presentation is required to re-submit the seminar after revision for evaluation before the commencement of the next Semester. If he/she fails to secure the minimum after re-submission also, he/she is treated as failed in the course and is required to re-register for the course subsequently in the relevant Semester when the course is offered and shall submit new draft and do the presentation.

Provided that in exceptional cases Vice-Chancellor may permit the student to resubmit their seminar paper before reregistering in the next academic year upon the recommendation of the Centre for Post Graduate Legal Education.

- (iii) Seminar presentations shall be allowed only after submission of the final draft / approved rough draft.
- (iv) Students are required to submit their written seminar paper as original work. Plagiarism in seminar paper shall constitute a serious academic malpractice which shall be dealt with as per the University Academic Misconduct Regulations. Plagiarism shall mean and include as is defined in the University Academic Misconduct Regulations.

5. END-SEMESTER / REPEAT AND IMPROVEMENT EXAMINATION

- 5.1** End-semester examination will be conducted at the end of the Semester/Course. The exam will be evaluated for 100 marks and three hours duration.
- 5.2** Repeat / Improvement exam will be held for students who were either absent with prior permission or had failed in the end semester examination or who wish to improve their grade.
- 5.3** The repeat examination shall be conducted only once (excluding the main examination) and grade secured at the repeat examination shall carry 'R' (Reappear) at the top of the Grade secured. The same shall be recorded in the Grade Sheet.
- 5.4** The Students who appear for end-semester examination and secure pass marks are only entitled to apply for improvement examination and shall take the examination at the time of repeat examination. Students who fail in end-semester examination cannot apply for improvement examination. The grade secured by

the student at the improvement examination shall be taken as the final grade and will carry the letter 'I' at the top of the Grade secured indicating that the grade was obtained after 'Improvement Test' and will be recorded in the Grade Sheet. Improvement in seminar is not allowed.

6. QUESTION PAPERS

- 6.1** The question papers generally shall be as far as possible application based. The paper shall be prepared by the teacher who instructed the course or by some expert within or outside the University nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.

7. DISSERTATION

- (i) The word limit for the Dissertation shall be between 14,000 to 18,000 words excluding table of contents, table of cases, table of statutes, abbreviations, foot notes, bibliography, appendix etc.
- (ii) The Cover page, Supervisor's Certificate, Student's Declaration and the manner of giving Acknowledgements shall be given as prescribed by the Centre for Post-Graduate Legal Education.
- (iii) The last date for submission of dissertation shall be 30th April.
- (iv) The dissertation shall be sent to an outside expert nominated by the Vice-Chancellor from among the panel of experts suggested by the Supervisor however, the Vice-Chancellor may add names of experts and send dissertation to such an expert.

8. EVALUATION AND AWARD OF GRADES AND GRADE VALUE (CGPA)

- 8.1** Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) is arrived at by dividing the sum of the products of Grade Values and the Course Credits in each course by the total number of credits in all the courses as per following table:

CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE

<u>Percentage of Marks</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>CGPA</u>
80 and above	O	8
75 – 79	D	7.5
70 – 74	A++	7
65 – 69	A+	6
60 – 64	A	5
55 – 59	B+	4
50 – 54	B	3
Below 50	F	0

8.2 The following abbreviations shall be used in the grade-sheet:

Ab	-	Absent
NA	-	Not Allowed
R	-	Repeat
W	-	Withheld (Result)
I	-	Improvement
F	-	Failed

8.3 A candidate to be successful has to obtain a minimum of 50% marks or the equivalent grade, i.e., B in every course/dissertation. However, the candidate who fails to obtain the minimum grade (i.e., B) shall be given one more chance (repeat-examination) to complete the course. If the student fails in the course in End Semester / End of Course Examination and also in repeat examination the student shall reregister for the course next year in the relevant semester.

Provided that in exceptional cases Vice-Chancellor may permit the student to take a special exam in the subject/subjects failed before reregistering in the next academic year upon the recommendation of the P G Council of the Centre for Post Graduate Legal Education, The special exam will be allowed provided the student takes special instruction class arranged for him / her.

8.4 No Student shall be allowed to absent himself / herself from any examination except with prior written permission of the Vice-Chancellor on a written request with reasons. Student who is absent without permission shall be declared 'failed' and may be allowed to take repeat examination. However, the grade sheet shall carry mandatory 'R'.

8.5 Once a student is declared as 'failed' for whatever reason, his/her grade shall carry ® with the grade obtained later. Likewise, student who is not allowed to take the End Semester/End of Course Examinations for shortage of attendance and has been allowed to re-register, the grade obtained subsequently shall carry ®.

8.6 Dissertation

8.6.1 After submission of Dissertation the Vice-Chancellor, on the recommendations of the Supervisor concerned, shall appoint one external examiner who is an expert in the relevant area of Dissertation.

8.6.2 The examiner shall enter the award of marks in the prescribed proforma and return the same to the University.

8.6.3 Candidate must secure a minimum of 50% marks in the Dissertation.

8.6.4 After a candidate qualifies in external examiners evaluation for the Dissertation there will be viva-voce which will be valued for 50 marks.

8.6.5 If a candidate secures 'F' grade in Dissertation or fails to submit the Dissertation within the time permitted he/she shall have one more chance to submit a revised Dissertation or Dissertation as the case may be within such time as required by the University.

- 8.7** A student admitted to the One Year LL.M. Degree Program shall have to complete all the prescribed requirements within a maximum period of 2 years from and including the year of admission in order to be eligible for the award of the Degree.

9. REVALUATION OF ANSWER SCRIPTS

- 9.1** Students who wish to apply for revaluation of answer scripts of End-Semester/End of Course examination (including Repeat) are required to make an application to the Vice-Chancellor along with a fee of Rs.2000/- per paper within one week from the date of declaration of result, if the University is in session. If the result is declared during vacations, the request shall be made within one week of re-opening of the University.
Provided that the Vice-Chancellor may waive the fee amount and limitation period in exceptional cases.
- 9.2** In case of revaluation, the student shall be awarded the grade obtained in revaluation. In case a student takes repeat examination and also applies for revaluation, the grade obtained in revaluation shall be considered as final. However, if he fails in revaluation, the grade obtained in repeat shall be considered as final.

10. UNFAIR MEANS AND MALPRACTICES

Unfair Means and other academic misconduct shall be dealt as per the University Academic Misconduct Regulations.

11. AWARD OF GOLD MEDALS

- 11.1** Gold Medal/s shall be awarded in the respective course/s on the basis of their highest grades/marks obtained.
- 11.2** Student who has been found ineligible as per the University Academic Misconduct Regulations shall not be eligible for award of gold medal/s.

12. AWARD OF THE DEGREE

Candidates who have completed all the courses cumulating to requisite credits and dissertation obtaining at least a "B" grade in all the courses and dissertation and Secured Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 4 out of 8 shall be awarded the LL.M. (Master of Laws) Degree.

1.2.2

JUNE-OCTOBER, 2018

URGENT - Courses Options - Reg.

PG Centre NALSAR <pgcentre@nalsar.ac.in>
To: llm2018nalsar@googlegroups.com
Cc: Vidyullatha Reddy <vidyullathareddy@gmail.com>

Wed, Jul 4, 2018 at 2:21 PM

Dear Students,

We are herewith attaching you the courses offered during this semester.
Some of the Courses are common for LLB & LLM students. Classes for these courses are already commenced and time table is sent to you.
Interested students can attend those classes.

Courses which are offered only for LLMs will commence from next week based on the strength.

You are required to send your course option in the following format on or before 09.00 am on 05/07/2018

Roll NO:

Name:

Elective-1:

Elective-2:

Seminar-1 :

NOTE: the above options sent by you can be modified during window period.

JUNE-OCTOBER, 2019

On Fri, Jul 12, 2019, 2:16 PM PG Centre NALSAR <pgcentre@nalsar.ac.in> wrote:
Dear Students,

You are required to send your course options in the following format before 04.00 pm on 14/07/2019 in the following format. (please mention full name of the courses as per outlines/timetable.)

Mail Sub: LLM - I Sem. Course Options

Roll No.:

Name:

Elective Course-1 :

Elective Course-2 :

Seminar Course-1:

if opting for extra courses ..

Elective Course-3 :

Seminar Course-2 :

Examination Branch.

JANUARY-APRIL. 2020

On Fri, 3 Jan 2020, 13:05 PG Centre NALSAR, <pgcentre@nalsar.ac.in> wrote:
Dear Students,

You are required to send your course options in the following format before 10.00 am on 06/01/2020 in the following format. (please mention the full name of the courses as per outlines/timetable.)

Mail Sub: LLM - II Sem. Course Options

Roll No.:

Name:

Elective Course-1 :

Seminar Course-1:

if opting for extra courses ..

Elective Course-2 :

Seminar Course-2 :

Examination Branch.

JANUARY-APRIL, 2021

PG Centre NALSAR <pgcentre@nalsar.ac.in>

Wed, Jan 13, 2021 at 10:18
PM

To: llm2020nalsar@googlegroups.com

Dear Students,

You are required to send your course options in the following format before 9.00 am on 15/01/2021 in the following format. (please mention the full name of the courses as per outlines/timetable.)

Mail Sub: LLM - I Sem. Course Options

Roll No.:

Name:

Elective Course-1 :

Seminar Course-1:

if opting for extra courses ..

Elective Course-2 :

Seminar Course-2 :

Elective Course-1 :

Seminar Course-1:

if opting for extra courses ..

Elective Course-2 :

Seminar Course-2 :

JUNE-OCTOBER 2021

Regarding Course Options

PG Centre NALSAR <pgcentre@nalsar.ac.in>

Fri, Aug 20, 2021 at 5:20 AM

To: llm2021nalsar@googlegroups.com

Cc: Vasanthi Nimushakavi <vasanthi.nimushakavi@gmail.com>

Dear Students

You are required to send your course options in the following format.

Elective 1 :-

Elective 2 :-

Seminar 1 :-

You have to select the courses which are not clashing

Please reply to this same thread / Mail without fail before 9.00 am 23/08/2021.

Ramya

Exam Section