Master of Business Administration (MBA) – Revised Syllabus 2019

2 year, 4 Semester Full time Programme Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) and Grading System Outcome Based Education Pattern

MBA I effective from AY 2019-20 MBA II effective from AY 2020-21

- 1.0 Preamble: The revised MBA Curriculum 2019 builds on the implementation of the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) and Grading System initiated in the AY 2013. The curriculum takes the MBA programme to the next level in terms of implementing Outcome Based Education along with the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) and Grading System.
- 2.0 Definitions:
- 2.1 Outcome Based Education:
- 2.1.1 Outcome Based Education (OBE) Approach: Outcomes are about performance, and this implies:
 - a) There must be a performer the student (learner), not only the teacher
 - b) There must be something performable (thus demonstrable or assessable) to perform
 - c) The focus is on the performance, not the activity or task to be performed
- 2.1.2 Programme Educational Objectives (PEOs): Programme Educational Objectives are a set of broad future-focused student performance outcomes that explicitly identify what students will be able to do with what they have learned, and what they will be like after they leave school and are living full and productive lives. Thus PEOs are what the programme is preparing graduates for in their career and professional life (to attain within a few years after graduation¹).
- 2.1.3 Graduate Attributes (GAs): Graduate Attributes (GAs) are the qualities, knowledge and capabilities that students are encouraged to take responsibility for developing throughout their studies and are the defining characteristics of the students passing out of the MBA program. These attributes include, but go beyond, the disciplinary expertise or technical knowledge.
- 2.1.4 Programme Outcomes (POs): Programme Outcomes are a set of narrow statements that describes what students (learners) of the programme are expected to know and be able to perform or attain by the time of graduation.
- 2.1.5 Programme Specific Outcomes (PSOs): Programme Outcomes are a set of narrow statements that describes what students (learners) of a particular specialization of the programme are expected to know and be able to perform or attain by the time of graduation. PSOs are also a function of the various course combinations offered by the Institute.
- 2.1.6 Learning Outcomes: A learning outcome is what a student CAN DO as a result of a learning experience. It describes a specific task that he/she is able to perform at a given level of competence under a certain situation. The three broad types of learning outcomes are:
 - a) Disciplinary knowledge and skills
 - b) Generic skills
 - c) Attitudes and values
- 2.1.7 Course Outcomes (COs): A set of specific statements that describes the complex performances a student should be capable of as a result of learning experiences within a course.
- 2.1.8 Teaching and Learning Activities (TLAs): The set of pedagogical tools and techniques or the teaching and learning activities that aim to help students to attain the intended learning outcomes and engage them in these learning activities through the teaching process.
- 2.1.9 Outcome Based Assessment (OBA): An assessment system that asks course teachers to first identify what it is that we expect students to be able to do once they have completed a course or program. It then asks course teachers to provide evidence that they are able to do so. In other words, how will each learning outcome be assessed? What evidence of student learning is most relevant for each learning outcome and what standard or criteria will be used to evaluate that evidence? Assessment is therefore a key part of outcome-based education and used to determine whether or not a qualification has been achieved.
- 2.2 Credit: In terms of credits, for a period of one semester of 15 weeks:a) every ONE hour session per week of L amounts to 1 credit per semester

¹ Graduation refers to passing out of the MBA programme. Graduation does NOT refer to 10+2+3/4 degree e.g. BA, BE, etc.

- b) a minimum of TWO hours per week of T amounts to 1 credit per semester,
- c) a minimum of TWO hours per week of P amounts to 1 credit per semester,

Each credit is a combination of 3 components viz. Lecture (L) + Tutorials (T) + Practice (Practical / Project Work / Self Study) (P) i.e. LTP Pattern. Indicative LTP, for each course, is documented in the syllabus.

The course teacher may modify the LTP of the course in view of the course requirements, nature of the course, the level of learners and the type of pedagogy and assessment tools proposed. The modified LTP shall have to be approved by the Director / Head of the Department / Designated academic authority of the Institute.

- **2.3 Session:** Each teaching-learning, evaluation session shall be of 60 minutes. However, institutes shall have the flexibility to define their time slots in a manner as to use their faculty and infrastructure resources in the best possible way and ensure effective learning.
- 2.4 Course Announcement: The institute shall announce the elective courses and specializations it proposes to offer the students out of the wider course basket. It is not mandatory to offer all the specializations and all the electives. The decision of the Director shall be final in this case. However, in the spirit of Choice Based Credit System, institutes should offer choices to the students for the elective courses and not offer only the minimum number of electives.
- 2.5 Course Registration: It is mandatory for every student, to register every semester, for the courses opted for that semester. Each student, on admission shall be assigned to a Faculty Advisor who shall advise her/him about the academic programs and counsel on the choice of courses considering the student's profile, career goals and courses taken in the earlier semesters. With the advice and consent of the Faculty Advisor, the student shall register for a set of courses he/she plans to take up for the Semester. Students shall have to register for the courses for the semester within first week of Semester I and immediately after conclusion of the preceding term for subsequent Semesters II, III and IV.

3.0 MBA Programme Focus:

3.1 Programme Educational Objectives (PEOs):

- 1. **PEO1:** Graduates of the MBA program will successfully integrate core, cross-functional and inter-disciplinary aspects of management theories, models and frameworks with the real world practices and the sector specific nuances to provide solutions to real world business, policy and social issues in a dynamic and complex world.
- 2. **PEO2:** Graduates of the MBA program will possess excellent *communication skills*, excel in *cross-functional*, *multi-disciplinary*, *multi-cultural teams*, and have an appreciation for *local*, *domestic and global contexts* so as to manage *continuity*, *change*, *risk*, *ambiguity and complexity*.
- 3. **PEO3:** Graduates of the MBA program will be appreciative of the significance of *Indian ethos and values in managerial decision making* and *exhibit value centered leadership*.
- 4. **PEO4:** Graduates of the MBA program will be ready to *engage in successful career pursuits* covering a broad spectrum of areas in *corporate, non-profit organizations, public policy, entrepreneurial ventures* and engage in *life-long learning*.
- 5. **PEO5:** Graduates of the MBA program will be recognized in their chosen fields for their managerial competence, creativity & innovation, integrity & sensitivity to local and global issues of social relevance and earn the trust & respect of others as inspiring, effective and ethical leaders, managers, entrepreneurs, intrapreneurs and change agents.

3.2 Programme Outcomes (POs): At the end of the MBA programme the learner will possess the

- 1. **Generic and Domain Knowledge -** Ability to articulate, illustrate, analyze, synthesize and apply the knowledge of principles and frameworks of management and allied domains to the solutions of real-world complex business issues
- Problem Solving & Innovation Ability to Identify, formulate and provide innovative solution frameworks to real world complex business and social problems by systematically applying modern quantitative and qualitative problem solving tools and techniques.
- 3. **Critical Thinking** Ability to conduct investigation of multidimensional business problems using research based knowledge and research methods to arrive at data driven decisions

- 4. **Effective Communication** Ability to effectively communicate in cross-cultural settings, in technology mediated environments, especially in the business context and with society at large
- 5. Leadership and Team Work Ability to collaborate in an organizational context and across organizational boundaries and lead themselves and others in the achievement of organizational goals and optimize outcomes for all stakeholders.
- 6. **Global Orientation and Cross-Cultural Appreciation:** Ability to approach any relevant business issues from a global perspective and exhibit an appreciation of Cross Cultural aspects of business and management.
- 7. **Entrepreneurship** Ability to identify entrepreneurial opportunities and leverage managerial & leadership skills for founding, leading & managing startups as well as professionalizing and growing family businesses.
- 8. **Environment and Sustainability** Ability to demonstrate knowledge of and need for sustainable development and assess the impact of managerial decisions and business priorities on the societal, economic and environmental aspects.
- 9. **Social Responsiveness and Ethics** Ability to exhibit a broad appreciation of the ethical and value underpinnings of managerial choices in a political, cross-cultural, globalized, digitized, socio-economic environment and distinguish between ethical and unethical behaviors & act with integrity.
- 10. **LifeLong Learning** Ability to operate independently in new environment, acquire new knowledge and skills and assimilate them into the internalized knowledge and skills.

3.3 Programme Specific Outcomes (PSOs): It is expected that **Institutes define the PSOs** for **each specialization** / **major-minor combination**. PSOs shall also vary based upon the **customized combination** of Generic Core, Generic Elective, Subject Core, Subject Elective, Foundation, Enrichment & Alternative Study Credit Courses that they offer.

3.4 Graduate Attributes (GAs): At the end of the MBA programme the learner shall exhibit:

GA1: Managerial competence

- GA2: Proficiency in Communication, Collaboration, Teamwork and Leadership
- GA3: Competence in Creativity & Innovation
- GA4: Research Aptitude, Scholarship & Enquiry
- GA5: Global Orientation
- GA6: Proficiency in ICT & Digital Literacy
- GA7: Entrepreneurship & Intrapreneurship Orientation
- GA8: Cross-functional & Inter-disciplinary Orientation
- GA9: Results Orientation

GA10: Professionalism, Ethical, Values Oriented & Socially Responsible behaviour

GA11: Life-Long Learning Orientation

4.0 MBA Programme Course Types & Evaluation Pattern:

Sr.No.	Course Type	Credits	Nature		Comprehensive	End	Total
					Concurrent	Semester	Marks
					Evaluation	Evaluation	
					(CCE)	(ESE) Marks	
			BASIC COUR	SE TYPES			
1	Generic Core (GC)	3	Compulsory		50	50	100
2	Subject Core (SC)	3	Compulsory specific)	(Specialization	50	50	100
3	Generic Elective (GE - UL)	2	Elective		0	50	50
4	Generic Elective (GE - IL)	2	Elective		50	0	50
5	Subject Elective (SE - IL)	2	Elective specific)	(Specialization	50	0	50
6	Summer Internship Project (SIP)	6	Project (Comp	ulsory)	50	50	100
			ADDITIONAL CO	OURSE TYPES			
1	Enrichment Courses (ENR)	1	Elective		25	0	25
2	Foundation Courses (FOU)	1	Elective		25	0	25

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3	Alternative Study Credit	2	Elective				50	0	50
	Courses (ASCC)								
4	Open Electives (OE)	3 or 2	Subject	Core	/	Subject	As per Subject (Core / Subject	Elective
			Elective				Pattern		

4.1 Course Types

- 4.1.1 **Foundation Course:** These courses focus on developing the basic abilities that support the understanding of other courses.
- 4.1.2 **Core courses** are the compulsory courses for all the students. Core courses are of two types: Generic Core & Subject Core.
- 4.1.3 **Generic Core**: This is the course which should compulsorily be studied by a candidate as a core requirement to complete the requirement of a degree in a said discipline of study. Therefore, Generic Core courses are mandatory and fundamental in nature. These courses cannot be substituted by any other courses. Such courses are also known as Hard Core Courses.
- 4.1.4 **Subject Core:** A Core course may be a Subject Core if there is a choice or an option for the candidate to choose from a broad category (grouping) of subjects (specializations / electives). These are also known as Soft Core Courses.
- 4.1.5 **Elective Course:** Elective course is a course which can be chosen from a pool of courses. It may be:
 - a) Very Specialized or advanced course focusing on a specific aspect
 - b) Supportive to the discipline of study
 - c) Providing an extended scope
 - d) Enabling an exposure to some other discipline/domain
 - e) Nurturing candidate's proficiency/skills.
- 4.1.6 **Generic Elective:** An elective course which is common across disciplines / subjects is called a generic elective. 'Generic Elective' courses develop generic proficiencies amongst the students.
- 4.1.7 **Generic Elective University Level**: These elective courses are supportive to the discipline of study and focus on the knowledge aspect of competence building. The course outcomes for such courses can be better assessed through traditional End Semester Evaluation.
- 4.1.8 Generic Elective Institute Level: These elective courses are aimed to develop inter-personal, technical and other skills aspect of competence building. The course outcomes for such courses can be better assessed through Comprehensive Concurrent Evaluation.
- 4.1.9 **Subject Elective:** A 'Discipline (specialization) centric' elective is called 'Subject Elective.' Subject Elective courses, in the Semester II, III and IV are focused on a specialization.
- 4.1.10 **Open Elective:** A subject elective course chosen generally from another Discipline / specialization / subject, with an intention to seek cross-functional exposure is called an Open Elective. A Subject Elective offered in one specialization area may be treated as an Open Elective by another specialization area and vice-a-versa.
- 4.1.11 Enrichment Course: This is a course generally offered to bright learners / fast learners for advanced inputs beyond the curriculum. Enrichment / Add-on Course shall be a 1 Credit Course. The course is of the nature of Course of Independent Study (CIS) and is designed for learners who have the ability and inclination to work independently with limited guidance, supervision and interaction with the faculty member(s).
- 4.1.12 Alternative Study Credit Courses: These courses prepare the learners for a VUCA (Volatile Uncertain, Complex and Ambiguous) world by going beyond the boundaries of their campus. Apart from core and elective courses, these courses engage students in discussion, debate and solution of real world challenges.
- 4.1.13 Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)²: Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) are such online courses which are developed as per the pedagogy stated in the AICTE regulation (2016) or equiavelent; following the four quadrant approach and made available on the SWAYAM platform of Government of India.

² AICTE (Credit Framework for online learning course through SWAYAM) Regulations, 2016

	Course#	Semester I		Semester II		Semester III		Semester IV		Credits	CCE Marks	ESE Mar
		COMPULSORY C	ORE	COURSES (GENE	RIC (O	GC) + SUBJECT (S	6C) +	Summer Interns	ship F	Project SIP)	
	1	GC - 1	1	GC - 7	1	GC - 11	1	GC - 14				
	2	GC - 2	2	GC - 8	2	GC - 12	2	GC - 15		6		
^	3	GC - 3	3	GC - 9	3	GC -13 (SIP)	3	SC - 5		6 Cr		
A	4	GC - 4	4	GC - 10	4	SC - 3	4	SC - 6		66 Credits		
	5	GC - 5	5	SC - 1	5	SC - 4				is.	1050	10
	6	GC- 6	6	SC - 2							2100	
			GE	NERIC ELECTIVE	COUR	RSES (UNIVERSIT	'Y LE	VEL) – GE - UL	-			
	7	GE UL - 1	7	GE UL - 4	6	GE UL – 7	5	GE UL - 10		22		
В	8	GE UL - 2	8	GE UL - 5	7	GE UL – 8	6	GE UL - 11		Credits	0	5
	9	GE UL - 3	9	GE UL - 6	8	GE UL – 9				dits	550	
			RIC /	SUBJECT ELECTIV	/E CO		TE L	-	SE - I	L		
	10	GE IL - 1	10	GE IL - 4	9	SE IL -3	7	SE IL -6		22 (
С	11	GE IL - 2	11	SE IL -1	10	SE IL -4	8	SE IL -7		Credits	550	
	12	GE IL - 3	12	SE IL -2	11	SE IL -5				lits	550	
										110	1600	1600
	12		12		11	I COURSES (OPT	8		43	Credits	CCE	ESE
D		FOUNDATION 3 FOUNDATION 4 FOUNDATION 5 FOUNDATION 6		FOUNDATION 9 FOUNDATION 10		COURSES (OPT				0 to 10 Credits		_
E		ENRICHMENT 1 ENRICHMENT 2 ENRICHMENT 3 ENRICHMENT 5 ENRICHMENT 6		ENRICHMENT 7 ENRICHMENT 8 ENRICHMENT 9 ENRICHMENT 10		ENRICHMENT 11 ENRICHMENT 12		ENRICHMENT 13 ENRICHMENT 14		0 to 14 Credits		_
т		ASCC 1 ASCC 2		ALTERNATIVE S ASCC 4 ASCC 5	TUDY	CREDIT COURS ASCC 7 ASCC 8	ES (C	ASCC 10 ASCC 11		0 to 22 Cre		

4.2 MBA Programme Structure: The Basic Programme Structure shall be as depicted below

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	ASCC 3	ASCC 6	ASCC 9					
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Note:

- 1. The basic programme structure comprises of Block A, B & C above.
- 2. Variations to the basic programme structure shall be defined at the institute level using any permissible combination of A,B,C,D,E and F blocks depicted above, taking into consideration institutional vision-mission-focus areas, industry demand, student learning capabilities, faculty competencies, availability of learning resources, etc. PSOs shall be appropriately defined by the institute.

	Bloc	CIE - ESE (Credits per		Credit	Course	
#	k	course)	Course Type	s	s	Nature
1.				_	-	COMPULSO
1	A1	50-50 (3 Credits)	GENERIC CORE (GC)	42	14	RY
1.						COMPULSO
2	A2	50-50 (3 Credits)	SUBJECT CORE (SC)	18	6	RY
1.						COMPULSO
3	A3	50-50 (3 Credits)	PROJECT	6	1	RY
			GENERIC ELECTIVE (UNIVERSITY LEVEL)			
2	В	0 - 50 (2 Credits)	GE – UL	22	11	ELECTIVES
3.			GENERIC ELECTIVE (INSTITUTE LEVEL) GE			
1	C1	50-0 (2 Credits)	- IL	8	4	ELECTIVES
3.			SUBJECT ELECTIVE (INSTITUTE LEVEL) SE -			
4	C2	50-0 (2 Credits)	IL	14	7	ELECTIVES
			TOTAL	110	43	
		OPT	IONAL COURSES (In Lieu of C1 / C2 ONLY)			
4.						
1	D	25 - 0 (1 Credit)	FOUNDATION COURSES	0 - 10	0 - 10	ELECTIVES
4.						
2	E	25 - 0 (1 Credit)	ENRICHMENT COURSES	0- 14	0 - 14	ELECTIVES
4.						
3	F	50 - 0 (2 Credits)	ALTERNATIVE STUDY CREDIT COURSES	0 -22	0 -11	ELECTIVES

5.0 Specializations offered: The following specializations shall be offered as MAJOR / MINOR:

- 1. Marketing Management (MKT)
- 2. Financial Management (FIN)
- 3. Human Resources Management (HRM)
- 4. Operations & Supply Chain Management (OSCM)
- 5. Business Analytics (BA)

The following specializations shall be offered ONLY as MINOR Specializations:

- 1. Rural & Agribusiness Management (RABM)
- 2. Pharma & Healthcare Management (PHM)
- 3. Tourism & Hospitality Management (THM)
- 4. International Business Management (IB)

Note:

- 1. Institutes may offer ONLY SELECT specializations based on industry needs, faculty strength & competencies, student demands, employability potential, etc.
- 2. Institutes MAY NOT offer a specialization if a **minimum of 20% of students** are not registered for that specialization.
- 3. The Institute MAY NOT offer an elective course if a **minimum of 20% of students** are not registered for that elective course.

5.1 Open Elective(s):

- 1. Learners who intend to learn specific courses from other specialization(s) can opt for Subject Elective (SE IL) courses from other specializations in lieu of the Subject Elective (SE IL) courses from their native specialization.
- 2. These open electives MAY BE from two different specializations.
- 3. Open Electives can be opted for only in Sem III and Sem IV.
- 4. Students can opt for maximum 1 Subject Elective (SE IL) course in Sem III and Sem IV each. i.e. Students can opt for maximum 2 Open Electives (total 4 credits).

5.2 Major Specialization + Minor Specialization Combination:

- 1. For a Major + Minor Specialization combination the learner shall complete
 - a) Major Specialization Courses: Total 9 (4 Subject Core courses and 5 Subject Elective courses)
 b) Minor Specialization Courses: Total 4 (2 Subject Core courses and 2 Subject Elective courses)
- 2. For a **Major + Minor Specialization combination** the learner shall **earn**
 - a) Major Specialization Credits: Total 22 (12 Credits from Subject Core + Minimum 10 Credits from Subject Electives)
 - b) Minor Specialization Credits: Total 10 (6 Credits from Subject Core + Minimum 4 Credits from Subject Electives)
- 3. The 10 credits of the MINOR specialization shall be from a single specialization, out of which 6 credits shall be mandatorily earned through the Subject Core Courses.
- 4. The Major + Minor specialization combination is OPTIONAL.
- 5. Students shall be permitted to opt for **ANY Major + ANY Minor** specialization combination, subject to institutional norms and guidelines, issued from time to time.
- 6. A student opting for Major + Minor specialization combination shall opt for Foundation Courses / Enrichment Courses / Alternative Study Credit Courses **ONLY in lieu of Generic Elective (GE IL) Courses**.
- 7. Institutes may stipulate additional criteria of minimum SGPA / CGPA, number of backlogs, expectations about specific graduation discipline for students who wish to take up a specific specialization / specific major minor combination. Such criteria may also involve the potential employability criteria for a particular specialization / Major + Minor specialization combination.

5.3 Options & Guidelines for Choice of Specialization:

- 1. Students can opt for a single specialization (i.e. Major Only 5 choices)
- 2. Students can opt for a two specializations (i.e. Major + Minor Combination 1(Major) + 8(Minor) choices)
- 3. Specializations which are offered ONLY as MINOR shall be offered in SECOND YEAR ONLY. (4 choices)
- 4. Courses for the Minor specialization shall be taken up in the second year ONLY (in either Sem III or Sem IV or in a combination of Sem III and IV).
- 5. The Major specialization of a student shall be determined by the Subject Core (SC) courses and the Subject Elective (SE IL) courses chosen in Sem II.
- 6. All courses (Subject Core (SC) courses and the Subject Elective (SE IL) courses) chosen in Sem II shall belong to the same specialization.
- 7. The learners shall generally complete 6 Subject Core courses (2 each in semester II, III, IV) and 7 Subject Elective courses (2, 3, 2 each in semester II, III, IV respectively). In this case he /she shall be awarded MBA (Functional Area Specialization) degree, e.g. MBA (Marketing), MBA (Finance), etc.
- The learners shall complete 4 Subject Core courses and 5 Subject Elective courses of Major specialization and 2 Subject Core courses and 2 Subject Elective courses of Minor specialization. In this case he /she shall be awarded MBA (Functional Area Specialization Major + Functional Area Specialization Minor) degree, e.g. MBA (Marketing + Finance), etc.

5.4 Foundation Courses:

- 1. All the Foundation Courses shall be of 1 credit each.
- 2. Maximum credits for Foundation Courses shall not exceed 10 (Ten) Credits.
- 3. Foundation Courses can be opted for ONLY IN LIEU of Generic Elective (GE IL) and / or Subject Elective (SE IL) courses.³
- 4. This choice can be exercised in Semester I (minimum zero Credits maximum six credits) or Semester II (minimum zero Credits maximum four credits) ONLY.
- 5. Foundation Courses CANNOT be opted for in Sem III and in Sem IV.
- 6. It is NOT MANDATORY for a learner to opt for Foundation Courses. However, Faculty members may advise a student to enroll for Foundation Course(s) after a methodical assessment of the relevant competencies of the student.
- 7. Foundation Courses shall be offered ONLY to those students who lack the basic competencies in the specific course. The institute shall conduct a methodical assessment of the relevant competencies of the student. to identify the learners who need to take up foundation courses. Records of the evaluation shall be preserved.

³ Except for a learner who opts for Major + Minor Specialization combination

- 8. Institutes may stipulate additional criteria for students desirous to take up Foundation Courses.
- 9. Foundation Courses shall be taught by the course teacher in workshop mode / project mode.
- 10. The course teacher shall oversee the progress of the learner as well as evaluate the learner for 25 marks / 1 credit.
- 11. Pre- and post-test: A test or other assessment activity shall be administered to the students both at the beginning of the foundation course and at the end of the foundation course, with the intention of demonstrating improved skills upon completion. The tests shall be essentially SKILL based.
- 12. Best of the two assessments shall be treated as the final evaluation.
- 13. The list of Foundation Courses is mentioned in Annexure I.

5.5 Enrichment Courses:

- 1. All the Enrichment Courses shall be of 1 credit each.
- 2. Maximum credits for Enrichment Courses shall not exceed 14 (Fourteen) Credits.
- 3. Enrichment Courses can be opted for, ONLY IN LIEU of Generic Elective (GE IL) and / or Subject Elective (SE IL) courses⁴.
- 4. This choice can be exercised in Semester I (minimum zero Credits maximum six credits) or Semester II (minimum zero Credits maximum four credits) or Semester III (minimum zero Credits maximum two credits) or Semester IV (minimum zero Credits maximum two credits).
- 5. It is NOT MANDATORY for a learner to opt for Enrichment Courses. However, Faculty members may advise a student to enroll for Enrichment Course(s) after a methodical assessment of the relevant competencies of the student.
- 6. Institutes may stipulate additional criteria for students desirous to take up Enrichment Courses.
- 7. Enrichment Courses shall be executed as **Course of Independent Study** (CIS) in guided self study mode.
- 8. A faculty guide shall be assigned for such courses. The learner shall select the Enrichment Course that he/she desires to opt for and submit an outline of the proposed study relevant to the course. The faculty guide shall approve the proposal after considering the nature of the work, learning effort required, desired outcomes and comprehensive coverage of the topic.
- 9. Since enrichment course is a guided self study course, 40 45 hours of work shall be equivalent to one credit. The faculty shall oversee the progress of the learner as well as evaluate the learner for 25 marks / 1 credit.
- 10. The learners shall document and submit details such as questionnaires, interview schedules, interview transcripts, observation sheets, photographs, testimonials from the organizations / persons interacted with, permission letters, acceptance letters, field work sampling plans, etc.
- 11. Enrichment Courses can be carried out in the campus library / in the campus IT lab / in a local community setting / in a start-up / in a government undertaking / in a NGO / in a cooperative / in a corporate entity.
- 12. The Enrichment Courses are organized in different Proficiency Tracks. Learners shall normally opt for enrichment courses from **NOT MORE THAN 3 Proficiency Tracks**.
- 13. Enrichment Courses are of the following types:
- a) **Seminar** Involves Desk Research of distributed learning material and information resources and submission and presentation of an analytical report. Maximum credits for Enrichment Courses of Seminar type shall not exceed 10 (Ten) Credits.
- b) Review Involves Desk Research of a small set of specific published reports/ databases and submission and presentation of an analytical report. Maximum credits for Enrichment Courses of Seminar type shall not exceed 10 (Ten) Credits.
- c) Case Study Development and Presentation Involves desk research and field work leading to the development, presenting and publishing of a case study. Maximum credits for Enrichment Courses of Case Study Development and Presentation type shall not exceed 10 (Ten) Credits.
- d) **Project** Involves field work leading to presentation of a comprehensive report based on the experiential learning. Maximum credits for **Enrichment Courses of Project type** shall not exceed 10 (Ten) Credits.
- e) Lab / Workshop Involves experiential learning through focused skill building activity. Maximum credits for Enrichment Courses of Lab / Workshop type shall not exceed 10 (Ten) Credits.
- f) Clinic / Fest Involves experiential learning through organizing an event / campaign. Maximum credits for Enrichment Courses of Clinic / Fest type shall not exceed 4 (Four) Credits.

⁴ Except for a learner who opts for Major + Minor Specialization combination

- g) **Personal Interest Course** Involves experiential learning through club activities at the Institute Level. Maximum credits for **Enrichment Courses of Personal Interest Course type** shall not exceed 4 (Four) Credits.
- 14. A well documented and comprehensive spiral bound report / publication, with appropriate referencing, is essential for all the enrichment courses. Relevant Audio, Video Material, should be included as a part of the report.
- 15. The Evaluation for the Enrichment Courses shall be as follows
 - a) Proposal and Scope of Work 5 Marks
 - b) Report 10 Marks
 - c) Presentation 5 Marks
 - d) Viva Voce 5 Marks
- 16. The presentation shall be similar to an open defence. The Viva Voce shall be carried out by minimum two faculty members including the guide.
- 17. The sum total of the number of Foundation Courses and the number of Enrichment Courses opted by a student in a particular semester should generally be an even number.
- 18. The list of Enrichment Courses is provided in Annexure I.

5.6 Alternative Study Credit Courses:

- 1. All the ASCC shall be of 2 credits each.
- 2. Maximum credits for ASCC shall not exceed 22 (Twenty two) Credits.
- 3. Alternative Study Credit Courses (ASCC) can be opted for, ONLY IN LIEU of Generic Elective (GE IL) and / or Subject Elective (SE IL) courses⁵.
- 4. This choice can be exercised in Semester I (minimum zero Credits maximum six credits) or Semester II (minimum zero Credits maximum six credits) or Semester III (minimum zero Credits maximum six credits) or Semester IV (minimum zero Credits maximum four credits). i.e. a learner may skip Generic Elective (GE IL) courses all together and earn the required 22 credits entirely through ASCC.
- 5. It is NOT MANDATORY for a learner to opt for Alternative Study Credit Courses. However, Faculty members may advise a student to enroll for Alternative Study Credit Course(s) after a methodical assessment of the relevant competencies of the student.
- 6. Institutes may stipulate additional criteria for students desirous to take up Alternative Study Credit Courses.
- 7. A MINIMUM of 60% of the total credits earned by a learner through ASCC shall either be from MOOCs or from Professional Certification Programmes.
- 8. Thus a learner may skip all Generic Elective (GE IL) courses and skip all Subject Elective (SE IL) courses and earn the required 22 credits entirely through ASCC.
- 9. The same TYPE of ASCC can be opted for multiple number of times. Norms for the same are prescribed in the relevant section later in this syllabus document. For e.g. A student may undertake 11 "Professional Certification Programs" and earn 22 credits or complete 11 MOOCS and earn 22 Credits.
- 10. ASCC shall be executed in online study mode / field work or project mode / certification mode.
- 11. A faculty guide shall be assigned for such courses. The faculty shall oversee the progress of the learner as well as evaluate the learner for 50 marks / 2 credits.
- 12. The learner shall select the ASCC that he/she desires to opt for and submit an outline of the proposed study relevant to the course. The faculty guide shall approve the proposal after considering the nature of the work, learning effort required, desired outcomes and comprehensive coverage of the topic.
- 13. There is no defined syllabus for the ASCC courses. Institutes shall define the syllabus and announce the same on the website.
- 14. Since ASCC is a guided self study course 40 45 hours of work shall be equivalent to one credit. The faculty shall oversee the progress of the learner as well as evaluate the learner for 50 marks / 2 credits.
- 15. The start date of the ASCC such as Professional Certifications shall be after the admission date for the MBA programme and the end date of the ASCC shall be within 6 months of the start date of the ASCC, but before the completion of Sem IV.
- 16. The list of ASCC is provided in Annexure I.

5.7 Combination of Options: A learner may opt for any combination of earning the 22 credits assigned to Generic Elective (GE - IL) courses and Subject Elective (SE - IL) courses through

⁵ Except for a learner who opts for Major + Minor Specialization combination

- e) Generic Elective (GE IL) courses
- f) Subject Elective (SE IL) courses
- g) Open Elective Courses
- h) Major + Minor specialization combination
- i) Foundation Courses
- j) Enrichment Courses
- k) Alternative Study Credit Courses

SUBJECT TO THE minimum and maximum limits of credits prescribed and, subject to institutional norms and guidelines, issued from time to time.

6.0 Summer Internship Project: At the end of Second Semester each student shall undertake a Summer Internship Project (SIP) for a **minimum of 8 weeks**. For SIP, 1 credit is equivalent to minimum 40-45 hours of effective work. SIP shall have 6 credits. It is mandatory for the student to seek advance written approval from the faculty guide and the Director of the Institute about the topic and organization before commencing the SIP.

The SIP may or may not have a Functional Focus, i.e. the student may take up a SIP in his/her intended area of specialization or in any other functional area of management. **Ideally the SIP should exhibit a cross-functional orientation.** SIP can be carried out in a Corporate Entity / NGO / SME / Government Undertaking / Cooperative Sector. SIP may be a research project – based on primary / secondary data or may be an operational assignment involving working by the student on a given task/assignment/project/ etc. in an organization / industry. It is expected that the SIP shall sensitize the students to the demands of the workplace.

Each student shall maintain a SIP Progress Diary detailing the work carried out and the progress achieved on a daily basis. The student shall submit a written structured SIP report based on work done during this period. The student shall submit the SIP Progress Diary along with the SIP Report.

Students shall also seek a formal evaluation of their SIP from the company guide. **The** formal evaluation by the company guide shall comment on the nature and quantum of work undertaken by the student, the effectiveness and overall professionalism. The learning outcomes of the SIP and utility of the SIP to the host organization must be specifically highlighted in the formal evaluation by the company guide. The SIP evaluation sheet duly signed and stamped by the industry guide shall be included in the final SIP report.

The SIP report must reflect 8 weeks of work and justify the same. The SIP report should be well documented and supported by –

- 1. Institute's Certificate
- 2. Certificate by the Company
- 3. Formal feedback from the company guide
- 4. Executive Summary
- 5. Organization profile
- 6. Outline of the problem/task undertaken
- 7. Research methodology & data analysis (in case of research projects only)
- 8. Relevant activity charts, tables, graphs, diagrams, AV material, etc.
- 9. Learning of the student through the project
- 10. Contribution to the host organization
- 11. References in appropriate referencing styles. (APA, MLA, Harvard, Chicago Style etc.)

The completion of the SIP shall be certified by the respective Faculty Guide & approved by the Director of the Institute. The external organization (Corporate / NGO/ SME/ Government Entity/ Cooperative/ etc.) shall also certify the SIP work.

The students shall submit a spiral bound copy of the SIP report by 15th September. The Institute shall conduct an internal viva-voce for evaluation of the SIP for 50 marks between 15th September to 30th September. The Panel shall comprise of two evaluators appointed by the Director of the Institute / Head of Department (for MBA departments in engineering colleges). Institutes are encouraged to involve senior alumni, industry experts, recruiters to conduct the internal viva-voce. The internal viva-voce panel shall provide a detailed assessment of the SIP report and suggest changes required, if any.

After the internal viva-voce, the student shall finalize the SIP report by incorporating all the suggestions and recommendations of the internal viva-voce panel. The internal guide shall then issue the Institute's Certificate to the student.

The student shall submit TWO hard copies & one soft copy (CD) of the project report before 30th October in Sem III. One hard copy of the SIP report is to be returned to the student by the Institute after the External Viva-Voce. In the interest of environmental considerations, students are encouraged to print their project reports on both faces of the paper. Spiral bound copies may be accepted.

There shall be an external viva-voce for the SIP for 50 marks. The external viva-voce shall be conducted after the theory exam of Semester III.

The Internal & the External viva-voce shall evaluate the SIP based on:

- 1. Adequacy of work undertaken by the student
- 2. Application of concepts learned in Sem I and II
- 3. Understanding of the organization and business environment
- 4. Analytical capabilities
- 5. Technical Writing & Documentation Skills
- 6. Outcome of the project sense of purpose
- 7. Utility of the project to the organization
- 8. Variety and relevance of learning experience

Copies of SIP report and records of evaluation shall be maintained by the Institute for a period of 3 academic years.

7.0 Comprehensive Concurrent Evaluation (CCE) / Concurrent Internal Evaluation (CIE):

- 1. The course teacher shall prepare the scheme of Comprehensive Concurrent Evaluation (Formative Assessment) before commencement of the term. The scheme of Comprehensive Concurrent Evaluation shall explicitly state the linkages of each CCE with the Course Outcomes and define the targeted attainment levels for each CO.
- 2. The Director / Head of the Department / designated academic authority shall approve the scheme of Comprehensive Concurrent Evaluation with or without modifications.
- 3. The course teacher shall display, on the notice board, the approved CCE scheme of the course and the same shall also be hosted on the website, not later than the first week of the term.
- 4. Each CCE item shall be of minimum 25 marks.
- 5. For a 3 Credit Course there shall be a MINIMUM of three CCE items. The final scores shall be converted to 50, using an average or best two out of three formula.
- 6. For 2 Credit Course there shall be a MINIMUM of two CCE items. The final scores shall be converted to 50.
- 7. For a 1 Credit Course there shall be a MINIMUM of one CCE item.
- 8. CCE shall be spread through the duration of course and shall be conceptualized, executed, assessed and documented by the course teacher along with student-wise and class-wise attainment levels of the COs and the attainment levels of the course.
- 9. The assessment outcome of each CCE shall be duly signed by the course teacher, programme coordinator / academic head and the Director / Head of the Department / designated academic authority of the Institute.
- 10. A copy of the duly signed CCE *outcome* shall be displayed on the notice boards, within a week of the assessment and course teachers shall guide the students on a need basis.
- 11. Institute may conduct additional make up / remedial CCE items at its discretion.
- 12. At the end of the term aggregate CCE scores / grades shall be calculated and the CO attainment levels shall be calculated by the course teacher. The same shall be displayed on the notice board

7.1 Comprehensive Concurrent Evaluation Methods: Course teachers shall opt for a combination of one of more CCE methods listed below.

Group A (Individual Assessment) – Not more than 1 per course

- 1. Class Test
- 2. Open Book Test

- 3. Written Home Assignment
- 4. In-depth Viva-Voce

Group B (Individual Assessment) - Atleast 1 per course

- 5. Case Study
- 6. Caselet
- 7. Situation Analysis
- 8. Presentations

Group C (Group Assessment) – Not more than 1 per course

- 9. Field Visit / Study tour and report of the same
- 10. Small Group Project & Internal Viva-Voce
- 11. Model Development
- 12. Role Play
- 13. Story Telling
- 14. Fish Bowls

Group D (Creative - Individual Assessment) – Not more than 1 per course

- 15. Learning Diary
- 16. Scrap Book / Story of the week / Story of the month
- 17. Creating a Quiz
- 18. Designing comic strips
- 19. Creating Brochures / Bumper Stickers / Fliers
- 20. Creating Crossword Puzzles
- 21. Creating and Presenting Posters
- 22. Writing an Advice Column
- 23. Library Magazines based assessment
- 24. Peer assessment
- 25. Autobiography/Biography
- 26. Writing a Memo
- 27. Work Portfolio

Group E (Use of Literature / Research Publications- Individual Assessment) – Not more than 1 per course

- 28. Book Review
- 29. Drafting a Policy Brief
- 30. Drafting an Executive Summary
- 31. Literature Review
- 32. Term Paper
- 33. Thematic Presentation
- 34. Publishing a Research Paper
- 35. Annotated Bibliography
- 36. Creating Taxanomy
- 37. Creating Concept maps

Group F (Use of Technology - Individual Assessment) – Not more than 1 per course

- 38. Online Exam
- 39. Simulation Exercises
- 40. Gamification Exercises
- 41. Presentation based on Google Alerts
- 42. Webinar based assessment
- 43. Creating Webpage / Website / Blog
- 44. Creating infographics / infomercial
- 45. Creating podcasts / Newscast
- 46. Discussion Boards

Rubrics: The course teacher shall design Rubrics for each CCE. Rubrics are scoring tools that define performance expectations for learners. The course teacher shall seek approval for the rubrics from the Director / Head of the Department / other designated competent academic authority of the institute. The course teacher shall share the approved Rubrics with the students at the start of the course. The rubric shall detail the following:

- 1. Linkages of the CCE to COs.
- 2. A description of the assessment brief concept note
- 3. Criteria that will be assessed the expected learning outcomes.
- 4. Descriptions of what is expected for each assessment component the expectations from the student.
- 5. Substantive description of the expected performance levels indicating mastering of various components the assessment criteria.
- 6. The team composition, if applicable.
- 7. The format and mode of submission, submission timelines
- 8. Any other relevant details.

7.3 Safeguards for Credibility of CCE: The following practices are encouraged to enhance transparency and authenticity of concurrent evaluation:

- 1. Involving faculty members from other management institutes.
- 2. Setting multiple question paper sets and choosing the final question paper in a random manner.
- 3. One of the internal faculty members (other than the course teacher) acting as jury during activity based evaluations.
- 4. Involvement of Industry personnel in evaluating projects / field based assignments.
- 5. Involvement of alumni in evaluating presentations, role plays, etc.
- 6. 100% moderation of answer sheets, in exceptional cases.

7.4 Retention of CCE Documents: Records of CCE shall be retained for 3 years from the completion of the Academic Year. i.e. **Current Academic Year (CAY) + 3 years.** Likewise records of assessments to decide the learning needs of students for opting for **Foundation Courses / capabilities for Enrichment Courses/ ASCC/ start-up option** etc. shall be retained for 3 years from the completion of the Academic Year.

8.0 End Semester Evaluation (ESE):

- 1. The End Semester Evaluation (Summative Evaluation) for the Generic Core (GC), Subject Core (SC) and the Generic Elective (GE UL) course shall be conducted by the Savitribai Phule Pune University.
- 2. The ESE shall have 5 questions each of 10 marks.
- 3. All questions shall be compulsory with internal choice within the questions.
- 4. The broad structure of the ESE question paper shall be as follows:

Question Number	COGNITIVE ABILITIES EVALUATED	Nature
Q.1	REMEMBERING	Answer any 5 out of 8 (2 marks each)
Q.2	UNDERSTANDING	Answer any 2 out of 3 (5 marks each)
Q.3	APPLYING	Answer 3 (a) or 3 (b) (10 marks)
Q.4	ANALYSING	Answer 4 (a) or 4 (b) (10 marks)
Q.5	EVALUATING	Answer 5 (a) or 5 (b) (10 marks)
	CREATING	

9.0 Programme Flexibility:

9.1 Average Credits per semester, Fast & Slow Learners:

- 1. It is expected that a student registers for 30 credits in Semester I, II, III each and balance 20 credits in Semester IV.
- 2. **Fast learners** (under accelerated plan), may be permitted to register for upto 6 additional credits per semester, subject to fulfilling the pre-requisites defined for a course, if any. However the degree shall be awarded not earlier than the end of the 2 academic years since the first admission to the MBA programme.

3. **Slow learners,** may be permitted to register for less than the normal credits defined for a semester but shall have to complete the programme within the stipulated maximum duration of 4 academic years since the first admission to the MBA programme.

9.2 Dropping an Elective Course:

- 1. Students who opt for an elective course and fail to earn the credits for the elective course (generic / subject / open) are permitted to opt for another elective course (generic / subject / open) in case they feel to do so.
- 2. In such a case they shall be said to have dropped the original course and opted for a new one.
- 3. Generic Core (GC), Subject Core (SC) CANNOT be dropped.
- 4. Generic Elective (GE UL), Generic Elective (GE IL) & Subject Elective (SE IL) can be dropped and replaced with equivalent alternative courses
- 5. Not more than four courses can be dropped and replaced with equivalent alternative courses during the entire MBA programme.

9.3 Horizontal or Lateral Credit Transfer:

- 1. When a learner successfully completes the courses included in an academic program at a certain level, he/she is allowed to transfer his/her credits in some of these courses to another same-level academic program having these courses in common. This is referred to as 'Horizontal or Lateral Credit Transfer'.
- 2. Horizontal or Lateral Credit Transfer shall be permitted **between the MBA and the MCA programme of SPPU** for the equivalent number of credits provided the courses are related to the MBA programme's PEOs and POs and are opted by the students during the period of his enrolment for the MBA programme.
- 3. The list of such courses eligible for Horizontal or Lateral Credit Transfer **between the MBA and the MCA programme of SPPU** shall be announced by the BOS/Faculty.
- 4. The upper limit for Horizontal or Lateral Credit Transfer shall be 6 credits.
- 5. Such transfer shall be permitted for Generic Elective (GE IL) & Subject Elective (SE IL) only.

9.4 Block Credit Transfer:

- 1. Block credit transfer refers to a group of courses, such as a completed certificate or diploma program that are accepted for transfer of credit into a degree program.
- Block credit transfer shall be permitted for all national and international professional certifications achieved by the learner provided the courses learning outcomes (CLOs) are related to the MBA programme's PEOs and POs and are opted by the students during the period of his enrolment for the MBA programme. The institute shall verify the linkages between the CLOs and the MBA PEOs and POs.
- 3. Such transfer shall be permitted for Generic Elective (GE IL) & Subject Elective (SE IL) courses ONLY.

9.5 Credit Transfer for MOOCs:

- 1. Learners are encouraged to opt for MOOCs (Massive Online Open Courses) through SWAYAM, NPTEL, EdX, Coursera, Udemy as a part of ASCC.
- 2. Priority shall be given to the SWAYAM platform. If a course is not available of SWAYAM, other online platforms may be used.
- 3. Not more than 20% of the total credits (22 Credits) shall be earned through the MOOCs.
- 4. Not more than 20% of the credits per semester (6 credits) per semester shall be earned through the MOOCs.
- 5. Since MOOC is a guided self study course 40 45 hours of work shall be equivalent to one credit. The faculty shall oversee the progress of the learner as well as evaluate the learner for 50 marks / 2 credits.
- 6. Students shall apply to the Director / Head of the Department / other designated competent academic authority of the institute in advance and seek permission for seeking credit transfer for the proposed MOOCs, he/she wishes to pursue.
- 7. Online courses of SWAYAM or equivalent platform shall be allowed if:
 - a) There is non-availability of suitable teaching staff for running a course in the Institution or
 - b) The facilities for offering the elective papers (courses), sought for by the students are not on offer in the Institution, but are available on the SWAYAM or equivalent platform.
- 8. Evaluation of MOOCS through SWAYAM:
- 8.1 In case of SWAYAM, the students shall be evaluated as a part of the MOOC itself by the host institution (i.e. institution who has launched the MOOC through SWAYAM).
- 8.2 The evaluation should be based on predefined norms and parameter and shall be based on a concurrent

comprehensive evaluation throughout the length and breadth of course based on specified instruments like discussions, forms, quizzes, assignments, sessional examinations and final examination.

- 8.3 After conduct of the examination and completion of the evaluation, the host institution shall award marks/grade as per the evaluation scheme announced and communicate the marks/grade to the students as well the parent institution of the student, within 4 weeks from the date of completion of the final examination.
- 8.4 The parent institution shall, incorporate the marks/grade obtained by the student, as communicated by the Host Institution of the SWAYAM course in the marks sheet of the student that counts for final award of the degree/diploma by the University with the proviso that the programs in which Lab/Practical Component is involved, the parent institution will evaluate the students for the practical/Lab component and accordingly incorporate these marks/grade in the overall marks/grade.
- 8.5 A certificate regarding successful completion of the MOOCs course shall be signed by the PI and issued through the Host Institution and sent to the Parent Institution.
- 9. Evaluation of MOOCS through EdX, Coursera, Udemy:
- 9.1 The concurrent comprehensive evaluation conducted by EdX, Coursera, Udemy may be adopted by the institute and the institute may accordingly incorporate these marks/grade in the overall marks/grade for the course.
- 9.2 Alternatively, the institute may carry out a concurrent comprehensive evaluation of such students who undertake MOOCs through the EdX, Coursera, Udemy platform.

9.6 Professional Certification Programmes:

- 1. Learners may opt for Professional Certification Programmes as a part of ASCC. These Professional Certification Programmes shall be offered by National, International organizations, Apex bodies, Chambers of Commerce, Professional certifying bodies, E-learning companies of repute.
- 2. Not more than 20% of the total credits (22 Credits) shall be earned through the Professional Certification Programmes.
- 3. Not more than 20% of the credits per semester (6 credits) per semester shall be earned through the Professional Certification Programmes.
- 4. Students shall apply to the Director / Head of the Department / other designated competent academic authority of the institute in advance and seek permission for seeking credit transfer for the proposed Professional Certification Programmes, he/she wishes to pursue.
- 5. For Professional Certification Programmes, 40 45 hours of work shall be equivalent to one credit. The faculty shall oversee the progress of the learner as well as evaluate the learner for 50 marks / 2 credits.
- 6. A valid certificate regarding successful completion of the Professional Certification Programmes shall be submitted by the learner to the institute for claiming the 2 credits.
- 7. Indicative list is provided below
 - i. Business English Certificate (Cambridge) / IELTS / TOEFL Certification
 - ii. Foreign Language Certification Equivalent to A1/A2 or above
 - iii. Google / MicroSoft / Oracle / Sun Certification
 - iv. NSE / BSE / NISM Certification
 - v. SAP Financial Accounting (FI) / Controlling (CO) / Sales and Distribution (SD) / Production Planning (PP)
 / Materials Management (MM) / Quality Management (QM) / Human Capital Management (HCM) / CRM Certification
 - vi. Six Sigma Certification
 - vii. ISO Certification (as an auditor)
 - viii. Tally ERP Certification
 - ix. NLP Certification

9.7 Start-up: Launching and Sustaining' program⁶: AICTE has launched the 'Start-up: Launching and Sustaining' program to promote entrepreneurship.

Learners opting for the 'Start-up: Launching and Sustaining' program shall earn the credits for the Generic Core (GC), Subject Core (SC) & Generic Elective (GE - UL); with the minimum desired CGPA.

⁶ As per AICTE Policy approved by the Executive Committee in its 100th meeting held on June 28, 2016

However, these learners shall skip the Generic Elective (GE - IL) & Subject Elective (SE - IL) courses and instead opt for the Milestone based concurrent comprehensive evaluation for 'Start-up: Launching and Sustaining' Programme as per the AICTE Policy laid down in this regard.

Such students shall have to fulfill two out of the five measurable outcomes as below:

- a) **Funding:** Student Start-up should acquire at least 1-5 Lakhs INR of start-up funding as capital/convertible equity or other similar equity instruments used in start-up investments.
- b) **Employment Created:** At least 5 additional jobs, (other than student founders) with a minimum of 15,000 CTC/employee/per month, paid for one full year, should be created by the student start-up.
- c) **Revenues Generated:** At least 5 Lakhs INR of Cumulative revenues should be generated by the student start-up as per Audited Profit and Loss Statements.
- d) **Surplus Generated:** At least 5 Lakhs INR of Cumulative surpluses should be generated by the student start-up as per Audited Profit and Loss Statements.
- e) **Patent Application or Granted:** The student start-up should have applied for registration of One Indian or International Patent OR such patent should be granted to the start-up

Other modalities and guidelines as per the AICTE policy shall be adhered to.

Students opting for the 'Start-up: Launching and Sustaining' program have the flexibility to create 'graduation outcomes' within 4 years of registering under the 'Start-up: Launching and Sustaining' program.

It would be mentioned in the Academic Transcript that the student has graduated through the 'Start-up: Launching and Sustaining' Graduation Programme.

Students who join only the 'Start-up: Launching and Sustaining' stream and are either unable to meet the requisite graduation outcomes or unable to continue for any reason can opt to fall back into the academic stream through the regular registration of the University Semesters.

SPPU may suitably verify the details of fulfilment of the two out of the five measurable outcomes listed above.

9.8 Additional Specialization:

- 1. A student who has earned the MBA with a MAJOR Specialization may enroll for additional specialization after passing out the regular MBA programme.
- 2. Additional specialization can be pursued in the MAJOR Specialization ONLY. i.e. Additional specialization cannot be pursued in the Specializations which are listed as MINOR ONLY.
- 3. Such students will be exempted from appearing for all the generic core and generic elective courses.
- 4. Such students shall have to appear for the subject core and subject elective courses of the additional specialization that they have opted for.
- 5. Students opting for MAJOR + MINOR specialization combination are NOT eligible to enroll for additional specialization.

10.0 Passing Standards:

- 1. A student shall be said to have earned the credits for a course if he/she earns minimum 40% marks.
- 2. Formative Evaluation and Summative Evaluation shall be separate heads of passing.

10.1 Grading System: The Indirect and Absolute Grading System shall be used, i.e. the assessment of individual Courses in the concerned examinations will be on the basis of marks. However the marks shall later be converted into Grades by a defined mechanism wherein the overall performance of the learners can be reflected after considering the Credit Points for any given course. The overall evaluation shall be designated in terms of Grade. The 10 point standard scale mandated by UGC shall be used.

The performance of a student will be evaluated in terms of two indices, viz.

- (a) Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) which is the Grade Point Average for a semester
- (b) Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) which is the Grade Point Average for all the completed semesters at any point in time

10.2 Scaling Down of CCE Scores: The marks obtained by the student for the CCE shall be scaled down, to the required extent, if percentage of the marks of CCE exceeds the percentage of marks scored in the ESE (End Semester University Examination) by 25% for the respective course.

10.3 Degree Requirements: The degree requirements for the MBA programme are completion of minimum 110 credits.

10.4 Maximum Attempts per Course:

- 1. A student shall earn the credits for a given course in maximum FOUR attempts.
- 2. Dropping a course and opting for another equivalent course can be done ONLY in the case of Generic Elective (GE UL), Generic Elective (GE IL) and Subject Elective (SE IL).
- 3. If a student drops a course and opts for another course in lieu of the dropped course the attempts utilized for the dropped course shall be included in the maximum 4 attempts available to earn the credits for a course.
- 4. The facility of dropping a course and opting for a new course in lieu of the dropped course shall be availed by the student only once per course during these four attempts available to him.
- 5. A student may drop at the most 4 courses (GE UL / GE IL / SE IL).

10.5 Maximum Duration for completion of the Programme: The candidates shall complete the MBA Programme **within 4 years** from the date of admission.

10.6 Grade Improvement:

- 1. A Candidate who has secured any grade other than F (i.e. passed the MBA programme) and desires to avail the Grade Improvement option, may apply under Grade Improvement Scheme within five years from passing that Examination.
- 2. He/she can avail not more than three attempts, according to the syllabus in existence, for grade improvement.
- 3. He /she shall appear for University Evaluation of **at least 1/3**rd of the Generic Core / Subject Core Courses (except SIP) for the purpose of Grade Improvement.
- 4. Generic Elective (GE UL), Generic Elective (GE IL) & Subject Elective (SE IL) cannot be selected for Grade Improvement.

11. Miscellaneous

- **11.1Attendance:** The student must meet the requirement of **75% attendance per semester per course** for grant of the term. The institute may condone the shortage in attendance in exceptional circumstances, up to a maximum of 10%. The institute shall have the right to withhold the student from appearing for examination of a specific course if the above requirement is not fulfilled.
- **11.2 Medium of Instruction:** The medium of Instruction & Evaluation shall be English.
- **11.3**LTP indicated in the syllabus is indicative.
- **11.4**Numbers indicated against each unit indicate L+T. These are indicative in nature. Course teachers may modify based on teaching & assessment, evaluation methods adopted.
- **11.5** Text Books and Reference Books refer to latest edition.
- 12. Detailed Course List for each category of courses is provided in Annexure I.
- 13. Detailed syllabus of each course is provided in Annexure II.