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**EXAMINATION RULES**  
**FACULTY OF ARTS**  
**JADAVPUR UNIVERSITY**

1. To be eligible to appear at a University Examination in the Faculty of Arts, a student must have satisfied the condition as laid down in 46(a) of the First Regulation subject to a minimum of 30 lectures per course per semester, and satisfactory completed continuous assessment for each course/paper as specified by respective Boards of Studies.

The eligibility clause will be taken into account only at the end of the 2nd/4th/6th semester, not to be applied to 1st/3rd/5th semester of the BA (Honours) examination and at the end of the end/4th semester examination not to be applied to 1st/3rd semester examination of the MA examination.

2. No student in the Faculty of Arts shall be permitted to appear at the Bachelor's or Master's degree examination after the lapse of the periods as specified below :

B.A. : 6 years after admission to the first semester class

M.A. : 5 years after admission to the first semester class

No student shall be permitted to appear at any course/paper for the Bachelor's or Master's degree examination more than four times.

3. The Bachelor of Arts Examination shall be held in six parts :

1st semester and 2nd semester for the 1st year students

3rd semester and 4th semester for the 2nd year students

5th semester and 6th semester for the 3rd year students

4. Time allowed for examination on each course/paper for the Bachelor's examination and the Master's examination :

Examination	Full marks	Time for examination
End-Semester	30	120 minutes
Continuous evaluation	20	Respective Boards of studies will decide depending upon the nature of internal assessment

5. There would be automatic promotion at the end of B.A. First Semester/Second Semester/Third Semester/Fourth Semester/Fifth Semester irrespective of the marks obtained in the previous semester examination subject to the eligibility conditions as laid down in(1) for appearing at the examination being satisfied.

Students failing in one or more courses/papers of first, second, third and fourth semester examinations will be entitled to clear them during the regular semester examinations of courses to be held in subsequent years, the maximum number of such chances a student can avail of being governed by Regulation (2). No student shall be permitted to appear at any course more than four times.

6. The distribution of papers in the B.A. Examination will be as follows :

**1st semester** 2/3 Honours courses + 2/1 extra departmental course(s)

**2nd semester** 3 Honours courses + 1 extra departmental course

**3rd semester** 3 Honours courses + 1 extra departmental course

**4th semester** 4/3/2 Honourse courses + 0/1/2 extra departmental course(s)

**5th semester** 4 Honourse courses

**6th semester** 4 Honours course

There will be either 18 Honours courses and 6 extra departmental courses of 50 marks each or 20 Honours courses and 4 extra departmental courses of 50 marks each for the BA Honours course.

**The 50 marks for each course will be allocated as follows :**

20 marks for continuous evaluation during the semester

30 marks for end semester examination

Explanation : Continuous internal assessment shall be on the basis of tutorials, term papers, reports, seminar presentations, class tests or any combination of these, evenly distributed over the entire period of study. The modalities of such assessment will be notified by the respective Boards of Studies and communicated to the Dean, Faculty of Arts at the beginning of each semester.

7. A special supplementary final B.A. (fifth and sixth semester) Examination will be held one month after the publication of the 6th semester Examination results. Only those students who have pssed in all Corses of first, second, third, fourth semester but have failed in the courses of the fifth semester and/or sixth semester will be entitled to sit for the special supplementary examination. Such student shall not however have the benefit of rank or award.
8. Pass marks in each Honours and extra departmental courses will be 40% of marks. Candidates must pass separately in each Honours course or paper. Candidates securing 60% marks or above in aggregate in the Honours Course of all semester examinations will be placed in the First class, provided they have cleared all the extra departmental courses. Candidates securing 40% or more but less than 60% will be placed in the second class.
9. The Master of Arts Examination shall be held in four parts :
- 1st semester & 2nd semester for the 1st year students
- 3rd semester & 4th semester for the 2nd year students

There would be automatic promotion at the end of M.A. First Semester/Second Semester / Third Semester irrespective of the marks obtained in the previous semester examination subject to the eligibility conditions as laid down in (1) for appearing at the examination being satisfied.

10. Students failing in one or more papers of any semester examination of first and second year class will be eligible to clear these papers in the regular semester examinations to be held in subsequent years -

the number of such chances being governed by Rule (2). No student will be permitted to sit for any course/course more than four times.

11. The distribution courses in th M.A. examination will be as follows :

1st semester 4/5 courses of 50 marks each

2nd semester 4/5 courses of 50 marks each

3rd semester 4/5 courses of 50 marks each

4th semester 4/5 courses of 50 marks each

There will be at least 16 courses/papers of 50 marks each for the MA programme. However, departments have the option of taking more courses/papaers up to a maximum of 20 courses/papers of 50 marks each.

The 50 marks for each course will be allocated as follows :

20 marks for continuous internal assessment

30 marks for end-semester test

12. A special Supplementary Final Examination of all the papers of the Master's degree examination will be held six weeks after the publication of the results of the regular final examinations. any student of M.A. final year class having failed to clear one or more papers will be eligible to appear in the special Supplementary Final Examination. Such student shall not however have the benefit of rank or award.

13. Students failing to clear one or more papers in the special supplementary Final Examination as provided in 12 will have the chance to clear them in the regular semester examinations and the special final supplementary examinations to be held in subsequent years – the maximum number of such chance being governed by the provisions of regulation (2).

14. Pass marks in each course will be 40% of marks. Candidates must pass separately in each course. Candidates securing 60% marks or above in aggregate of all the courses/papers of all semesters examinations of the Master's degree will be placed in the First class. Candidates securing 40% or mor ebut less than 60% will be placed in the Second Class.

15. The following procedure shall be followed at the Bachelor's and Master's degree examination :

i) Question paper for each course will be set by internal paper setter(s) and the answer script will be examined by internal examiner(s).

ii) Moderation of the paper(s) will be done by the Departmental Examination Committee as provided in the clause 37 of the First Regulation.

iii) A student may apply for review of his/her answer script, if he/she so desires. There shall be a panel of three reviewers per paper of whom at least one will be external examiner.

iv) Students will be awarded grades and credit-point. In each semester the marksheet shall contain marks awarded per paper/course. Grades and the credit point (total). The minimum credit point for M.A. is 60 and for B.A. is 4 points per course per semester.

#### **Classification of Grades**

% marks obtained	Grade	Grade Point, gi
71 and above	A+	10
60 to 70	A	9
55 to 59	B+	8
50 to 54	B	7
45 to 49	C+	6

40 to 44	C	5
Less than 40	Unsatisfactory/fail	0

Tentative Academic Calendar \* (session July – June) :

First semester	14/15 weeks
Second semester	14/15 weeks

First semester : [ July to December ]

Teaching period - I	(7 weeks)
Puja Vacation	(4 weeks)
Teaching period - II	(7 weeks)
Preparatory leave & examination	(3 weeks)
Evaluation	(3 weeks)
End semester break	(3 days)

Second semester : [ January - June ]

Teaching period - I	(7 weeks)
Teaching period - II	(7 weeks)
Preparatory leave & examination	(3 weeks)
Evaluation and	(3 weeks) plus
Summer Vacation	(5 weeks)

\* Dates will be suitably modified every year.

## **Faculty Council of Arts**

### **ADDENDUM**

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It has been clarified under the approval of the Vice Chancellor that

- 1) In case of students who have failed to clear any course and is taking the examination (end semester test only) in subsequent semester under current rules, the candidate be considered passed if he/she obtains at least 40% in the end semester test (irrespective of marks obtained in continuing evaluation/mid semester test. This would mean that the candidate would be awarded the lowest grade for passed candidates in that particular course. Otherwise the candidate will be declared passed if he/she obtains 40% of marks in the paper/course.
- 2) At the end of regular sixth semester examination (for BA courses)/fourth semester examination (for MA course) a candidate who has failed in one course only may be allowed the benefit of addition of a maximum of 5 marks. These five marks to be awarded for the course are to be deducted from the total marks obtained in any other single course i.e., only if a minimum of 5 marks in excess of pass marks for the single course is available for deduction.

As regards 2) mentioned above it needs to be clarified further

- a) At the end of regular sixth semester examination (for BA courses)/fourth semester examination (for MA course) a candidate who has failed in one course only i.e., if he/she fails to obtain at least 40% of marks in only one course, he/she may be allowed the benefit of addition of a maximum of 5 marks. These five marks to be awarded for the course are to be deducted from the total marks obtained in any other single course i.e., only if a minimum of 5 marks in excess of pass marks for the single course is available for deduction.
- b) At the end of regular sixth semester examination (for BA courses)/fourth semester examination (for MA course) a candidate who has failed in one course only and is taking the examination (end semester test only) in subsequent semesters under current rules and fails to obtain at least 12 marks out of 30 marks in the end semester examination or at least 20 marks out of 50 marks in the course, the candidate may be allowed the benefit of addition of a maximum of 5 marks. These five marks to be awarded for the course are to be deducted from the total marks obtained in any other single course i.e., only if a minimum of 5 marks in excess of pass marks for the single course is available for deduction.

Principal Secretary  
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