



NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY ODISHA

MINUTES OF THE 19th MEETING OF ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 17th
June 2021 AT 06:00P.M.

Present:

1. Prof. Ved Kumari
Vice-Chancellor,
National Law University, Odisha, Cuttack
2. Mr. Debi Prasad Dhal
Senior Advocate
Managing Trustee, BCIT
Co- Chairman, Bar Council of India
3. Prof. Manoj Sinha
Director,
The Indian Law Institute,
Opp. Supreme Court of India
4. Prof. Rashmi M Oza
Professor of Law,
Department of Law, University of Mumbai,
5. Prof. S. Sachidhanandam
Senior Adjunct Professor,
National Law University, Odisha, Cuttack
6. Prof. (Dr.) Rita Ray,
Adjunct Professor of Sociology,
National Law University, Odisha, Cuttack
7. Dr. Sheela Rai,
Professor of Law,
National Law University, Odisha, Cuttack
8. Prof. A. Aruna Srilakshmi
Professor of Law and Chairman- Academic Coordination Committee
NLU Odisha, Cuttack
9. Prof. Dolly Jabbal
Professor of Law and Controller of Examination
NLU Odisha, Cuttack

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10. Dr. Arjyalopa Mishra
Assistant Professor of Management,
National Law University, Odisha, Cuttack

11. Ms. Madhubrata Rayasingh
Assistant Professor of Economics,
National Law University, Odisha, Cuttack

12. Prof. (Dr.) Yogesh Pratap Singh
Professor & Registrar, NLUO

Prof. Satish C. Shastri, Dean, School of Legal Studies, Mody University of Science & Technology, Sikar Rd, Laxmangarh was granted leave of absence due to ill health.

The Vice-Chancellor welcomed all members of the Academic Council.

The agenda items were presented and following decisions were taken by the Academic Council.

S.NO.	AGENDA ITEMS	Resolutions
	Welcome of Prof. Ved Kumari as new Vice-Chancellor of National Law University Odisha.	All members of the Academic Council Congratulated and welcomed Prof. Ved Kumari as the Vice-Chancellor of the NLU Odisha w.e.f. from March 20, 2021.
1.	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 18 th Academic Council Meeting held on August 21, 2020 with Action Taken Report.	Confirmed
	REPORTING ITEMS	
2. I.	Courses, Certificate and Credit Courses Offered	
A.	Proposed Courses for the Academic Year 2021-22.	Approved The Vice-Chancellor informed the Council that all the courses proposed to be offered (in July-November 2021 semester) were sent to honorary professors and other distinguished experts for their feedback. Based on the feedback received, the faculty members revised their courses and

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			presented their course outline before Vice-Chancellor, honorary professors and other faculty members (10-12 June 2021) specifying the cognitive learning outcomes of the course.
II.		Examination of Final Year BALLB/BBALLB, LL.M. and Other Batches	
	A.	Evaluation and Examination of Final Year BALLB and BALLB (2016-21)	Approved
	B.	Evaluation and Examination of LLM (2020-21)	Approved
	C.	Evaluation and Examination of First Year, Second Year, Third Year and Fourth Year Undergraduate courses	Approved
	D.	Award of three PHDs in the year 2020-21.	Approved
III.		Research/Consultancy/ Project of NLUO	
	A.	A Consultancy from Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI)	Noted
	B	Signing of MoU with the ICSI	Noted
	C.	Signing of MoU with "The International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease."	Noted
	D.	Signing of MoU with Cyber University	Approved
	E.	Research Projects at NLU Odisha	Noted
3.		ITEMS DIRECTLY REPORTED TO ACADEMIC COUNCIL	
	a.	Annual Report of the University	Approved
	b.	Approval of AQAR Report 2019-20	Approved
	c.	Academic Calendar 2021-22	Approved The Council was informed that BCI mandate of 18 weeks in a semester is being adhere to with the semester being from 5 th July to 12 th November 2021
	d.	University Publications	Approved
	e.	Faculty Development Programme June 2021	Approved The Council appreciated the efforts of Vice-Chancellor.

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f.	Change in names of two final year students	Approved
g.	Approval of Gold Medals finalized for Batch 2015-20.	Approved
h.	Consideration of Admission of Foreign Students applied through Admission 2 Alumni (A2A) portal of India Council for Cultural Relations , Government of India	<p>The Council expressed its happiness to see a good response from foreign nationals to get admission in NLUO. The Council resolved that in case of UG admissions, if seats are vacant under NRI/NRIS/ category, it may be transferred to FN first and then to general category.</p> <p>In case of LL.M. admission, a maximum 10 foreign nationals may be admitted.</p>
i.	Amendments to NLUO Ph.D. Regulations – 2018	Approved
j.	Visiting Professorship Application	<p>Approved</p> <p>The Council resolved that visiting professors may be appointed for a period of two years and depending on her/his contribution made, it may be renewed for another term.</p>
4.	Any Other Item with the permission of the Chair	<p>1. The request of final year students and proposal made by the Placement Committee of the University with respect to extended academic leave for assessment internship was placed before the council.</p> <p>The Council resolved that though University must adhere to BCI Rule of attendance, it can provide some relaxation internally for assessment internship as it is related to their career and future ensuring the courses prescribed by the BCI are fully covered.</p> <p>The Council resolved that final year students may claim 30 days assessment internship leave in the 9th</p>

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and 10th Semesters without interfering with the exam schedule of the University. The applications for Assessment Placement leave shall be allowed after strict verification of their claims by a Standing Committee of the Academic Council constituted for this purpose. The following Assessment Policy has been approved by the Academic Council:

ASSESSMENT INTERNSHIP POLICY FOR 5TH YEAR STUDENTS

PREAMBLE – A policy to grant extended academic leave for the 5th year students for the purpose of Assessment Internship(s).

I. APPLICABILITY – This Assessment Internship Policy shall apply to the final year students who have secured confirmed Assessment Internships during the IX or X semester.

II. APPLICATION FOR ASSESSMENT INTERNSHIP LEAVE - Students qualifying under **Rule I**, who have secured assessment internships in firms/chambers (both corporate and litigation) across the country or abroad during their IX or X semester may apply assessment internship leave on production of the letter for confirmed assessment internships without disturbing the examination schedule.

III. DURATION OF ASSESSMENT INTERNSHIP -The assessment internship leave under **Rule II** may be granted for a maximum of 30 days or the period of internship, whichever is shorter.

IV. Minimum Attendance Policy: Students obtaining the assessment internship leave may be permitted to sit

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		<p>for the examination in that semester only if they have secured minimum of 66.67% attendance overall and not less than 65% attendance in any course. This Rule shall be enforced strictly.</p> <p>V. Internship Record – Any student availing the benefit of assessment internship under Rule II shall be mandatorily required to produce the following after their internship in order to avail its benefit for the purposes of calculation of attendance:</p> <p>(a) An email from the organisation (where the student had done their assessment internship) providing the duration of the internship of the student; and</p> <p>(b) Certificate of successful completion of assessment internship issued by the organisation when the student undertook assessment internship.</p> <p>VI. A Standing Committee of the Academic Council shall thoroughly screen every application seeking assessment internship exemption from attendance in terms of Rules II.</p> <p>VII. Any student availing the assessment internship shall not be entitled for any exemptions from any examination or test on the ground that the student had not attended classes when the subjects covered in the examination or test were being covered.</p> <p>VIII. Residuary Clause – Beyond the aforementioned circumstances, in any extraordinary and special reasons, the Vice-chancellor or their designate in consultation with the RCC and with the approval of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council may take a final and binding decision for any further extension but in no case such extension shall be for more than seven days in a</p>
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		semester and the student shall still fulfil the 66.67% attendance requirement.
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The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.


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