

Master of Business Administration (MBA) –Syllabus 2019 Pattern (revised)

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

MBA I effective from AY 2022-23

MBA II effective from AY 2022-23

1.0 Preamble: The revised MBA Curriculum 2022 finetunes the MBA 2019 Pattern which was built upon the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) and Grading System and the Outcome Based Education. The MBA Curriculum 2022 also incorporates several aspects of NEP.

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 Assessment: It is the process of collecting, recording, scoring, describing and interpreting information about learning

2.1.10 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.

2.1.11 Rubric (Assessment Rubric): A rubric for assessment, also called a scoring guide, is a tool used to interpret and grade students on any kind of work against criteria and standards.

2.2 Academic credit: An academic credit is a unit by which the course work (theory/ practical/ training) is measured. Each course may be allotted credits in proportion to the time expected to be devoted by the student for that course. Thus, it determines the number of hours of instructions required per week

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.

2.2.1 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*
- b) *every TWO hour tutorial per week of L 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.

2.2.2 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.

2.2.3 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.

2.2.4 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
2. **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	Formative Assessment (FA) Marks	Summative Evaluation (SE) Marks	Total Marks
BASIC COURSE TYPES						
1	Generic Core (GC)	3	Compulsory	50	50	100
2	Subject Core (SC)	3	Compulsory (Specialization specific)	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 (Specialization specific)	50	0	50
6	Summer Internship Project (SIP)	6	Project (Compulsory)	50	50	100
ADDITIONAL COURSE TYPES						

1	Enrichment Courses (ENR)	1	Elective	25	0	25
2	Foundation Courses (FOU)	1	Elective	25	0	25
3	Alternative Study Credit Courses (ASCC)	2	Elective	50	0	50
4	Open Electives (OE)	3 or 2	Subject Core / Subject Elective	As per Subject Core / Subject 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:
- Very Specialized or advanced course focusing on a specific aspect
 - Supportive to the discipline of study
 - Providing an extended scope
 - Enabling an exposure to some other discipline/domain
 - 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 (Summative 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 equivalent; 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

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

	Course#	Semester I		Semester II		Semester III		Semester IV		Credits	FA Marks	SE Marks				
COMPULSORY CORE COURSES (GENERIC (GC) + SUBJECT (SC) + Summer Internship Project SIP)																
A	1	GC - 1	1	GC - 7	1	GC - 11	1	GC - 14		66 Credits						
	2	GC - 2	2	GC - 8	2	GC - 12	2	GC - 15								
	3	GC - 3	3	GC - 9	3	GC -13 (SIP)	3	SC - 5								
	4	GC - 4	4	GC - 10	4	SC - 3	4	SC - 6								
	5	GC - 5	5	SC - 1	5	SC - 4					1050	1050				
	6	GC- 6	6	SC - 2							2100					
GENERIC ELECTIVE COURSES (UNIVERSITY LEVEL) – GE - UL																
B	7	GE UL - 1	7	GE UL - 4	6	GE UL – 7	5	GE UL - 10		22 Credits						
	8	GE UL - 2	8	GE UL - 5	7	GE UL – 8	6	GE UL - 11			0	550				
	9	GE UL - 3	9	GE UL - 6	8	GE UL – 9					550					
GENERIC / SUBJECT ELECTIVE COURSES (INSTITUTE LEVEL) - GE – IL / SE - IL																
C	10	GE IL - 1	10	GE IL - 4	9	SE IL -3	7	SE IL -6		22 Credits						
	11	GE IL - 2	11	SE IL -1	10	SE IL -4	8	SE IL -7			550	0				
	12	GE IL - 3	12	SE IL -2	11	SE IL -5					550					
12										12	11	8	43	110 Credits	1600 FA	1600 SE
FOUNDATION COURSES (OPTIONAL)																
D	FOUNDATION 1 FOUNDATION 2 FOUNDATION 3 FOUNDATION 4 FOUNDATION 5 FOUNDATION 6		FOUNDATION 7 FOUNDATION 8 FOUNDATION 9 FOUNDATION 10							0 to 10 Credits						
ENRICHMENT COURSES (OPTIONAL)																
E	ENRICHMENT 1 ENRICHMENT 2 ENRICHMENT 3 ENRICHMENT 4 ENRICHMENT 5 ENRICHMENT 6		ENRICHMENT 7 ENRICHMENT 8 ENRICHMENT 9 ENRICHMENT 10		ENRICHMENT 11 ENRICHMENT 12		ENRICHMENT 13 ENRICHMENT 14			0 to 14 Credits						
ALTERNATIVE STUDY CREDIT COURSES (OPTIONAL)																
F	ASCC 1		ASCC 4		ASCC 7		ASCC 10			0 to 22 Credits						
	ASCC 2		ASCC 5		ASCC 8		ASCC 11									
	ASCC 3		ASCC 6		ASCC 9											

Note:

- The basic programme structure comprises of Block A, B & C above.
- 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.

LEGEND:

#	Block	FA - SA(Credits per course)	Course Type	Credits	Courses	Nature
1.1	A1	50-50 (3 Credits)	GENERIC CORE (GC)	42	14	COMPULSORY
1.2	A2	50-50 (3 Credits)	SUBJECT CORE (SC)	18	6	COMPULSORY
1.3	A3	50-50 (3 Credits)	PROJECT	6	1	COMPULSORY
2	B	0 - 50 (2 Credits)	GENERIC ELECTIVE (UNIVERSITY LEVEL) GE – UL	22	11	ELECTIVES
3.1	C1	50-0 (2 Credits)	GENERIC ELECTIVE (INSTITUTE LEVEL) GE – IL	8	4	ELECTIVES
3.4	C2	50-0 (2 Credits)	SUBJECT ELECTIVE (INSTITUTE LEVEL) SE - IL	14	7	ELECTIVES
			TOTAL	110	43	
OPTIONAL 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)
8. 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). **Courses Listed in a specific semester shall be available only in that semester. i.e. Courses listed in Semester III cannot be taken up in Semester IV or Semester II and like wise.**
4. 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.
5. All courses (Subject Core (SC) courses and the Subject Elective (SE - IL) courses) chosen in Sem II shall belong to the same specialization.
6. 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.
7. 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.
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).

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

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

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.
 - 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 Except for a learner who opts for Major + Minor Specialization combination

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

- 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

1. Corporate Entity
2. NGO
3. SME
4. Government Undertaking
5. Cooperative Sector.

SIP may be

1. a research project – based on primary / secondary data
2. 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 and apply conceptual knowledge in practice..

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. Clear and concise objectives
2. Clear methodology, articulated using technical terms indicating all steps and tools
3. Citation of substantial current and good quality literature
4. Application of concepts learned in Sem I and II
5. Understanding of the organization and business environment
6. Benchmarks used / Assumptions made
7. Technical Writing & Documentation Skills
8. Interpretation of results and justification thereof and validity of the results presented
9. Utility of the project to the organization
10. Comprehensiveness and stakeholder relevance of the 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 Formative Assessment (FA) / Concurrent Assessment (CA):