

**KARNATAK UNIVERSITY, DHARWAD**

KU/Aca(S&T)/(MGS-28)/1year LLM/2014-15/904/1431

Date: 11-12-2014

**NOTIFICATION**

11 DEC 2014

Sub: Approval of one year LLM course under Choiced Based credit system with effect from the academic year 2014-15 and onwards.

- Ref: 1. UGC D.O. letter No. 5-1/99(CPP-II) dated 21-01-2013  
2. BOS in Law Res. No. 01 dated: 10-05-2013  
3. Law Faculty Res. No. 01 dated: 08-11-2013  
4. Academic Council Res. No. 13 dated: 23-12-2013  
5. A letter No. KU/Aca(S&T)/(MGS-28)/1yearLLM course/2014-15/4429 dated 18-03-2014 written to the Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department (Universities), Bangalore.  
6. A Govt. letter No. ED 02 UKV 2014 dated 07-04-2014  
7. A letter No. KU/Aca(S&T)/(MGS-28)/1yearLLM course/2014-15/108 dated 16-05-2014 written to the Chairman, BOS in Law(PG), PG Dept. of Law, University Law College, Dharwad.  
8. A letter No. KU/PG/Law/2014-15/55 dated 23-05-2014 received from the Chairman, PG Dept. of Law, University Law College, Dharwad.  
9. A letter No. KU/Aca(S&T)/(MGS-28)/1yearLLM course/2014-15/582 dated 03-07-2014 written to the Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department (Universities), Bangalore.  
10. Vice-Chancellor's Order dated: 23-07-2014  
11. A Govt. letter No. ED 07 UKS 2014 dated: 17.09.2014.  
12. Vice-Chancellor's order dated: 01-12-2014.

In continuation of this notification No. KU/Aca(S&T)/(MGS-28) 1 year LLM/2014-15/898/22 dtd 25.07.2014 it is hereby notified to the Chairman PG department of studies in Law, Karnatak University's Sir Siddappa Kambli Law College, Dharwad that the One year LLM course under choiced based credit system which has been already introduced with effect from the year 2014-15 and onwards is now approved by the Government.

(copy of the Regulations & structure of the course is enclosed)

Hence the contents of this notification may please be brought to the notice of the concerned.

  
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To,

1. The Chairman, PG Department of Studies in Law, Karnatak University's Sir Siddappa Kambli Law College, Dharwad.

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2. The Principal, Karnatak University's Sir Siddappa Kambli Law College, Dharwad.

**Copy FWCs to:**

1. Dean, Faculty of Law, PG Dept. of Studies in Law, Karnatak University's Sir Siddappa Kambli Law College, Dharwad.
2. The Registrar (Evaluation) K.U. Dharwad.
3. The Registrar, Karnataka State Law University, Navanagar, Hubli.
4. The Director, CDC Section, K.U.Dharwad.
5. Dr. R.M.Vatnal, I/C Director, IT Section, K.U.Dharwad, with a request to put the above notification and its enclosures in K.U. website.
6. Internet Section, Examination Section, K.U.Dharwad.

**Copy for information & necessary action to:**

7. P.S. to Vice-Chancellor, K.U. Dharwad.
8. S.A. to Registrar, K.U. Dharwad.
9. S.A. to Registrar (Evaluation)
10. O.S. Academic (PG & CRT) Section, K.U.D.
11. O.S. Academic (Affiliation) Section, K.U.D.
12. O.S. Exam (P.G Branch) Section, K.U.D.
13. O.S. Exam (Confidential) Section, K.U.D.
14. O.S. Exam (QP Branch) Section, K.U.D.
15. O.S. Exam (Law Faculty) Section, K.U.D.
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17. O.S. CDC, K.U.D.

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Regulations Governing One Year Post-Graduate  
Programme in Law (LL.M.)

*(Framed under section 44(1)(c) of KSU Act 2000)*

  
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## Regulations Governing One Year P.G. Programme in Law (LL.M.)

(Framed under Section 44(1) (c) of the K. S.U. Act, 2000)

### 1.0 Title

These Regulations shall be called Karnatak University Regulations Governing One Year LL.M. Programme based on U.G.C. Guidelines 2012.

### 2.0 Commencement

These Regulations shall come into force from the date of the assent of the Chancellor or on such other date as determined by the Chancellor.

### 3.0 Definitions

In these Regulations, unless otherwise provided:

- a. "Academic Council" means Academic Council of the University constituted according to the *Karnataka State Universities Act, 2000*.
- b. "Board of Studies" means P.G. Board of Studies in Law of the University.
- c. "Compulsory Course" means fundamental paper, a student admitted to LL.M. Programme, should successfully complete to receive the Post Graduate Degree in Law (LL.M.).
- d. "Course Weightage" means number of credits assigned to a particular course.
- e. "Credit" means the unit by which the course work is measured. One Credit means one hour of teaching work or two hours of practical work per week. As regards the marks for the courses, 1 Credit is equal to 25 marks, 2 credits are equal to 50 marks, 3 credits are equal to 75 marks and 4 credits are equal to 100 marks.
- f. "Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA)" refers to the cumulative Grade Point Averages weighted across both the semesters.
- g. "Degree" means Post-Graduate Degree.
- h. "Grade" is an index to indicate the performance of a student in the selected course. These Grades are arrived at by converting marks scored in each course by the candidate in both Internal Assessment and Semester-end Examinations.
- i. "Grade Point Average (GPA)" refers to an indication of the performance of the student in a given semester. GPA is the weighted average of all Grades a student gets in a given semester.

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- j. "Optional / Specialization course" means advanced paper offered by the Department that a student of that Department can opt as a special paper.
- k. "Post Graduate Programme" means semesterised Master's Degree Programme in Law (LL.M.).
- l. "Student" means the student admitted to programmes under (k).
- m. "University" means Karnatak University, Dharwad.

#### 4.0 Minimum Eligibility for Admission

A candidate who has successfully completed the Three Year /Five Year Law Degree programme of this University or of any other University recognized as equivalent thereto by this University, shall be eligible for admission to the One Year Post Graduate Programme in Law (LL.M.) provided the candidate also satisfies the conditions like the minimum percentage of marks and other eligibility requirements as prescribed by the University from time to time.

Admissions shall be as per the Government of Karnataka reservation policy and the directions issued in this regard from time to time.

#### 5.0 Admission Test

All the eligible applicants shall appear for the Admission Test to be conducted by the Department of Law. Maximum marks for admission test shall be 100 and questions shall be in the nature of multiple choice questions. Merit list of candidates shall be prepared on the basis of 50% weightage given to percentage of marks obtained in qualifying degree and the score in the Admission Test.

#### 6.0 Duration of the Programme

The duration of study for LL.M. Programme shall extend over a period of one academic year, comprising two semesters, and each semester comprising Sixteen weeks with a minimum of ninety working days.

However, the students, who discontinue the programme after first semester due to extraordinary circumstances, are allowed to continue and complete the programme with due approval from the Registrar. Candidates shall not register for any other regular course other than Diploma and Certificate courses being offered on the campus during the Programme.

#### 7.0 Medium of Instruction and Evaluation.

The medium of instruction and evaluation shall be English.

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7.1 Programme Structure

7.2 The students of Post-Graduate Programme shall study the courses as may be approved by the Board of Studies in Law, Faculty of Law and the Academic Council of the University from time to time subject to minimum and maximum credits as outlined in these regulations.

7.3 There shall be Two categories of courses papers namely, Foundation/Compulsory Courses, Optional/Specialization Courses.

7.4 Every student admitted shall opt for all the compulsory courses and specialisation papers as prescribed vide Annexure-I. The Board of Studies may prescribe courses from time to time.

7.5 Every student shall undertake a Project work /Field work during the Second Semester leading to Dissertation for which the credits shall be Eight.

8.0 Course Details

8.1 Students in each stream of specialisation are required to pass Eight papers and a Dissertation.

8.2 Out of the Eight papers, students are required to pass the following three compulsory papers of Four credits each (1) Research Methods and Legal writing (2) Comparative Public Law/ Systems of Governance (3) Law and Justice in a Globalising World.

8.3 Students specialising in Corporate and Commercial law shall pass the following Five papers of Four credits each.

- 1) Competition Law/Investment Law
- 2) Labour and employment Law
- 3) International Trade Law
- 4) Intellectual Property Law
- 5) Cyber Law

8.4 Students specialising in Constitutional and Administrative Law shall pass the following Five papers of Four credits each.

- 1) Centre State Relations and Constitutional Governance
- 2) Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles
- 3) Administrative Law
- 4) Service Law
- 5) Local Self Government and Federal Governance.

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**9.0 Attendance:**

- 9.1 Each course shall be taken as a unit for the purpose of calculating the attendance.
- 9.2 Each student shall sign the attendance register maintained by the Department for each course for every hour/unit of teaching/practical. The course teachers shall submit the monthly attendance report to the Chairperson of the Department who shall notify the same on the notice board of the Department during the second week of the subsequent month.
- 9.3 Marks shall be awarded to the student for attendance as specified in the regulations concerning evaluation.
- 9.4 A student shall be considered to have satisfied the required attendance for each course if he/she has attended not less than 75% of the total number of instructional hours during the semester.
- 9.5 There is no provision for condoning shortage of attendance.
- 9.6 The students who do not satisfy the prescribed requirement of attendance shall not be eligible to appear for the ensuing examination. Such candidates may seek admission afresh to the given semester.
- 9.7 The students, who have participated in the State/National/International Level sports, NSS, NCC, Cultural activities and other related activities as stipulated under the existing regulations, shall be considered for giving attendance for the actual number of days utilized in such activities (including travel days) subject to the production of certificates from the relevant authorities within two weeks after the event.

**10.0 Examination:**

- 10.1 There shall be an examination at the end of each semester. The odd semester examination shall be conducted by the Department of Law / P.G. Centres / Colleges. The even semester examinations shall be conducted by the University.
- 10.2 There shall be semester-end examination of 3 hours duration for 75 marks.
- 10.3 Every student shall register for each semester-end examination as per the University Notification by submitting duly completed application form through the proper channel and shall also pay the fees prescribed.

  
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- 10.4 The Office of the Registrar (Evaluation) shall allot the Register Number to the candidate at the 1st semester-end examination. That will be the Register Number of the candidate for all subsequent appearances and semester-end examinations.
- 10.5 The Answer scripts shall be in the safe custody of the University for a minimum period of six months from the date of announcement of results. These shall be disposed off after six months.
- 10.6 A candidate may reappear for examinations if he has failed in any paper or papers or if he intend to improve his results in any paper/papers at the examinations as and when they are conducted (even semester in subsequent even semester and odd semester in subsequent odd semester only).
- 10.7 Candidates who have failed, remained absent or opted for improvement in any course/ courses shall appear for such course/ courses in the two immediate successive examinations that are conducted. However, in the case of the candidates appearing for improvement of their marks, the marks secured in the previous examination shall be retained, if the same is higher.
- 11.00 Odd Semester Examination**
- 11.1 There shall be a Board of Examiners to set, scrutinise and approve question papers.
- 11.2 The BOE shall scrutinise the question papers submitted in two sets by the paper setters and submit the same to the office of the Registrar (Evaluation).
- 11.3 The office of the Registrar (Evaluation) shall dispatch the question papers to the Departments/ P.G.Centres/ Colleges who shall conduct the Examinations according to the Schedule announced by the University.
- 11.4 The Chairperson of the Department/ Administrator of the P.G.Centre/ Principal of the College shall appoint one of their full time course teachers as Post Graduate Programme (PGP) Coordinator in the order of Seniority who shall conduct the examinations and arrange for evaluation of answer scripts.
- 11.5 Answer scripts shall be valued by the examiners appointed by the University. However, in those centres where an examiner for a particular course is not available, then the answer scripts of that course shall be dispatched to the office of the Registrar (Evaluation) who shall arrange for valuation of the same.

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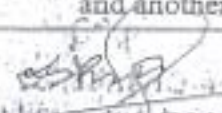
- 11.6 There shall be single valuation. The examiners shall value the answer scripts and shall indicate the marks awarded to each question on the answer script.
- 11.7 The Marks List, a copy of the Examination Attendance Sheet and the sealed bundles of the answer scripts shall be dispatched by the PGP Coordinator to the Registrar (Evaluation)'s Office after the conclusion of the valuation at the respective centres.
- 11.8 The Office of the Registrar (Evaluation) shall process and announce the results.
- 11.9 The University shall release to the concerned PGP Coordinator the approved funds towards the Conduct of the Examination.
- 11.10 The Teaching and non-teaching staff shall receive the approved remuneration under the permissible examination heads.


**12.00 Even Semester:**

- 12.1 There shall be a Board of Examiners to set, scrutinise and approve question papers.
- 12.2 As far as practicable, it will be ensured that 50% of the paper setters and valuers are from other Universities/ Research Institutes.
- 12.3 Each answer script of the semester-end examination (theory and project report) shall be assessed by two examiners (as far as practicable one internal and another external). The marks awarded to that answer script shall be the average of these two evaluations. If the difference in marks between two evaluations exceeds 20% of the maximum marks, such a script shall be assessed by a third examiner. The marks allotted by the third examiner shall be averaged with nearer award of the two evaluations.

Provided that in case the number of answer scripts to be referred to the third examiner in a course exceeds 20% of the total number of scripts at the even semester-end examinations, such answer scripts shall be valued by the Board of Examiners on the date to be notified by the Chairperson of the Board of Examiners and the marks awarded by the Board shall be final.

- 12.4 The dissertation shall be evaluated by two examiners as far practicable one internal and another external examiners.

  
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12.5 The dissertation work shall carry marks as under

- (1) Dissertation - 150 Marks  
 (2) Viva-voce - 50 Marks

12.6 The viva-voce examination shall be conducted by the Viva Voce Board consisting of the Chairman of the Department of Studies in Law, the project guide and one external examiner.

### 13.0 Evaluation

13.1 Each Course shall have two evaluation components - Internal Assessment (IA) and the Semester End Exams.

13.2 The IA component in a course shall carry 25% and the Semester End Examination shall carry 75% respectively. These courses shall have 3 marks allotted to attendance.

13.3 Marks for attendance shall be awarded to the students according to the following table.

Attendance (in percentage)	Marks
Above 90	3
Above 80 and up to 90	2
Above 75 and up to 80	1
75	No marks

13.4 Division of marks of internal assessment marks shall be as follows:

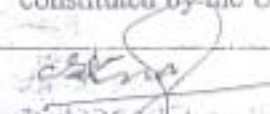
- (1) Mid Semester Test - 12 Marks  
 (2) Assignment - 10 Marks  
 (3) Attendance - 03 marks

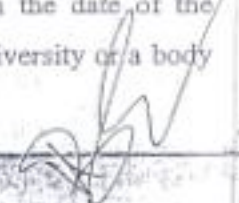
13.5 The IA marks list shall be notified on the Department notice board as and when the individual IA components are completed and the consolidated list shall be submitted to the Office of the Registrar (Evaluation) before the commencement of semester-end examination.

13.6 The tests shall be written in a separately designated book supplied by the University which shall be open for inspection by the students after evaluation.

13.7 There is no provision for seeking improvement of IA marks.

13.8 The IA records, pertaining to a Semester Examination shall be preserved by the Departments /Centres/Colleges for a period of one year from the date of the Semester Examination. These records may be called by the University or a body constituted by the University as and when deemed necessary.

  
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**14.0 Maximum duration for completion of the Programme:**

14.1 A candidate admitted to a post graduate programme shall complete it within a period, which is double the duration of the programme from the date of admission.

14.2 Whenever the syllabus is revised, the candidate reappearing shall be allowed for the examinations only according to the new syllabus.

**15.0 Declaration of Results**

15.1 The minimum for a pass in each course shall be 40% of the total marks including both the IA and the semester-end examinations. Further, the candidate shall obtain at least 40% of the marks in the semester-end examination. There is no minimum for the IA marks.

15.2 Candidates shall secure a minimum of 50% in aggregate in all courses of a programme in each semester to successfully complete the programme.

15.3 The candidates shall earn the prescribed number of credits for the programme to qualify for the PG Degree.

15.4 For the purpose of declaring Ranks and Classes, the aggregate of the marks in both the semesters shall be taken into account. However, Ranks shall not be declared in case the candidate has not successfully completed each of the courses in first attempt.

15.5 For the purpose of announcing the results, the aggregate of the marks secured by a candidate in all the semester examinations shall be taken into account.

**16.0 Marks, Credit Points, Grade Points, Grades and Grade Point Average.**

16.1 The grade points and the grade letters to candidates in each course shall be awarded as follows:

Percentage of marks	Grade Points	Grade Letter
75 and above, up to 100.00 %	7.50 to 10.00	A
60 and above but less than 75 %	6.00 and above but less than 07.5	B
50 and above but less than 60 %	5.00 and above but less than 6.0	C
40 and above but less than 50 %	4.00 and above but less than 05.00	D
less than 40.00 %	Less than 4.00	F

16.2 Credit Point (CP): The Credit Point for each course shall be calculated by multiplying the grade point obtained by the credit of the course.

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- 16.3 The award of Grade Point Average (GPA) for any student is based on the performance in the whole semester. The student is awarded Grade Point Average for each semester based on the Total Credit Points obtained and the total number of credits opted for. The GPA is calculated by dividing the total credit points earned by the student in all the courses by the total number of credits of those courses of the semester.
- 16.4 The Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) shall be calculated by dividing the total number of credit points in both the semesters by the total number of credits in both the semesters.
- CGPA for the I Semester =  $\frac{\text{Sum of the CP of the I Semester}}{\text{Sum of the credits of the I Semester}}$
- CGPA for the II Semester =  $\frac{\text{Sum of the CP of the I Sem} + \text{Sum of the CP of II Sem.}}{\text{Sum of the credits of the I Semester} + \text{II Semester}}$
- 16.5 The Grade Card at each semester examination shall indicate the courses opted by the student, the credit for the course chosen by the student, the credit points obtained in each course, the grade letter and the grade point average. No class shall be awarded for each semester and the same would only be awarded at the end of both the semesters based on Cumulative Grade Point Average.
- 16.6 Class shall be awarded to the successful candidates based on the Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) as specified below:

Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA)	Class to be awarded
7.5 to 10.0	First class with Distinction
6.0 and above but below 7.5	First Class
5.0 and above but below 6.0	Second Class

17.0 **Miscellaneous:**

- Notwithstanding anything contained in these regulations, the existing semester system (CBCS) continues unless it is repealed.
- The provisions of any order, Rules or Regulations of the University in force at the commencement of these regulations shall be inapplicable to the programme to extent of its inconsistency with these Regulations.
- The University shall issue such orders, instructions, procedures and prescribe such format as it may deem fit to implement the provisions of Regulations.
- If any difficulties arise during implementation of regulation, the Vice-Chancellor and the University shall be competent to issue necessary directions/ clarifications/ orders for successful implementation of Choice Based Credit System in consultation with Academic Council.

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Annexure -I**1. CORPORATE AND COMMERCIAL LAW SPECIALISATION**Semester -I:

- (1) Research Methods and Legal Writing
- (2) Comparative Public Law/ Systems of Governance
- (3) Competition Law/Investment Law
- (4) Labour and Employment Law
- (5) International Trade Law

Semester-II:

- (1) Law and Justice in a Globalised World
- (2) Intellectual Property Law
- (3) Cyber Law
- (4) Dissertation

**2. CONSTITUTIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW SPECIALISATION**Semester-I:

- (1) Research Methods and Legal Writing
- (2) Comparative Public Law/ Systems of Governance
- (3) Centre-State Relations and Constitutional Governance
- (4) Fundamental and Directive Principles
- (5) Decentralisation of Power and Local Self Government

Semester-II:

- (1) Law and Justice in a Globalising World
- (2) Administrative Law
- (3) Service Law
- (4) Dissertation

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