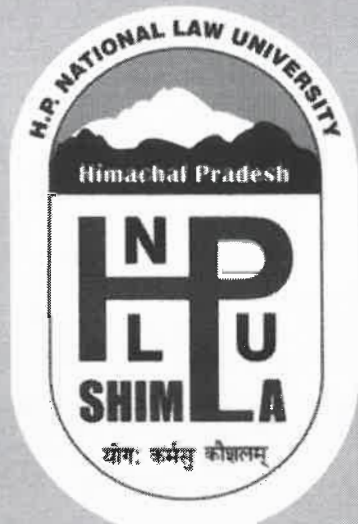


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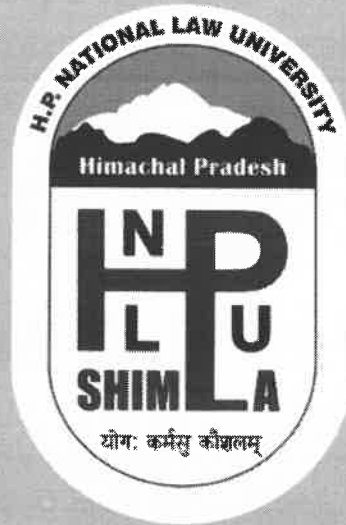
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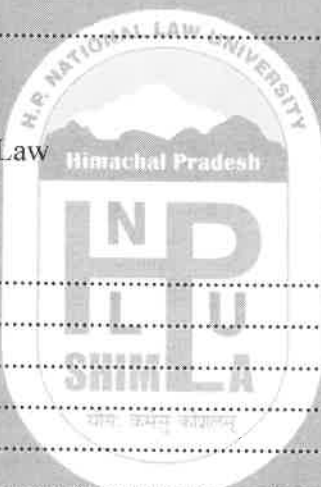
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PART-I

Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla, Courses of Study, Admission, and Curriculum Regulations, 2019

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1. SHORT TITLE, EXTENT AND COMMENCEMENT

- 1.1 These Regulations shall be called the Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla (*herein after referred as 'HPNLU'*) Courses of Study, Admission, and Curriculum Regulations, 2019.
- 1.2 These Regulations shall come into force *w.e.f.* the 25th of December, 2019.
- 1.3 Admission to various Courses offered by the University shall be regulated by these Regulations.
- 1.4 The provisions contained in these Regulations shall be applicable to candidates already registered for various Courses.

2. COURSES OF STUDY

- 2.1 The University shall institute the following Degrees/Diplomas subject to provisions of Regulatory Bodies such as the Bar Council of India/ University Grants Commission or any other regulatory authority/Body.
 - (i) **Undergraduate Courses:** Five-year B.A. LL. B (Hons.) integrated Course and B.B.A. LL. B (Hons) integrated Course (FYIC).
 - (ii) **Post Graduate Programme:** One-year LL.M. Programme through its 'Centre for Post Graduate Legal Studies' as prescribed by UGC Regulations, 2013, and as governed by the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Regulations for One-year LL.M. Degree Programme, 2019.
 - (iii) **Doctor of Philosophy in Law:** As governed by the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Rules for Doctor of Philosophy in Law (Ph. D.) Programme, 2019.
 - (iv) **Post Graduate Diploma:** One-year Program (with two semesters) in areas of legal knowledge such as Competition Law, Intellectual Property Law (IPR), Cyber Law & Security, Forensic Science, Natural Resource Law, Forest Management and Law; Law, Science and Technology etc.
 - (v) Any other Course/ programme approved by the University.

3. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR DIFFERENT COURSES/PROGRAMMES

- 3.1 **Under Graduate Program:** For all Undergraduate Programmes like B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) (Five-Years Integrated Course), admission shall be done on the basis of Common Law Admission Test (hereinafter referred to as CLAT). Candidates should have passed 12th (10+2) examinations from any recognized board with a minimum of 50% marks or an equivalent grade. The cut off marks/grades for candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (SC/ST) shall be 45%. Candidates must have any compartment in the said results. Candidates who have obtained their 10+2 through the Open School/ University/ Distance Learning Mediums directly shall not be eligible for admission to the said courses.

- 3.2 Post Graduate Programme:** Candidates should have a LL.B. Degree (3 years or 5 years) from a recognised University/Institution in India or Foreign University/Institution recognised as equivalent under Indian Law with a minimum of 50% marks or equivalent grade.

Provided, in case the candidate belongs to SC/ST Category, the cut off marks/grades shall be 45%.

Tie Breaker Rule: In case of equal marks, the break of tie shall be as per the following procedure and order:

- i. (Higher age)-1
- ii. (Computerized draw of lots)-2

- 3.3 Doctor of Philosophy in Law:** Admission shall be made *as per* the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Regulations for the Doctor of Philosophy in Law (Ph.D.), 2019.

- 3.4 Post Graduate Diploma Programmes:** Minimum qualifications shall be as follows: Graduate Degree in Law or other relevant field from any University/Institution recognised in India or Foreign University/Institution recognised as equivalent under Indian Law with a minimum of 50 % marks.

- 3.5 Any Other Programme:** As approved by the competent statutory body from time to time.

Explanation 1: In determining equivalency, the university listed with Association of Indian Universities and any other nodal agency which is statutorily empowered to determine equivalency, will be considered.

Explanation 2: Candidates appearing in the qualifying examination shall also be eligible to apply.

Explanation 3: There shall be no upper age limit for admission to these courses.

3A. ADMISSION TO DIFFERENT COURSES/ PROGRAMME OF THE UNIVERSITY¹

- 3A.1** Admission to different Undergraduate courses, Post Graduate Programmes and Doctor of Philosophy in law shall be done by such committee consisting of such number of faculty members as may be constituted by the Registrar with the prior approval of the Vice-Chancellor.
- 3A.2** The Admission Committee shall be headed by the Dean Academic Affairs or a senior faculty member.
- 3A.3** It shall be overall responsibility of the Establishment Branch headed by the Registrar of the University to complete admission process in the first year of course/ programme and Doctor of Philosophy in Law, within the time notified every academic year with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor.

3B. ADMISSION TO SUBSEQUENT YEARS OF DIFFERENT COURSES/

¹ Inserted as per the decision of the 9th meeting of Academic Council and approved by the Executive Council held on 25th March, 2021 w.e.f.30-05-2021

3B.1 There shall be a Standing Admission Committee for smooth conduct of admissions in all subsequent years i.e. 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th year of courses in B.A./B.B.A. LL.B(FYIC) of the University.

3B.2 The Standing Admission Committee shall be headed by the Dean Academic Affairs and it shall consist of four faculty members of which at least one member must be female faculty member, to be nominated by the Registrar with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor. The Registrar may with the approval Vice-Chancellor, appoint any number of Sub Admission Committee comprising of faculty members for admission in 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th year.

3B.3 There shall be separate sub-committees for admissions in 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th years each.

3B.4 Each Sub-Admission Committee shall have at least three faculty members.

3B.5 The Standing Admission Committee shall have requisite secretarial staff drafted or provided by the office of Registrar for smooth conduct of the admissions.

3B.6 All Sub-Admission Committees shall function under the immediate supervision of the Standing Admission Committee.

3B.7 Responsibilities of Standing Committee;

- a.) Development of Admission Form for the different semesters/streams/Disciplines
- b.) Development of check list of the documents to be supplied by students at the time of admission along with the Admission Form
- c.) To ensure that the information provided by the students is correct and is supported by required documents
- d.) To ensure that no student is given admission in 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th year without compliance by him/her of all the documentary requirements and payment of prescribed fee for the year/semester concerned.

3B.8 All admissions in 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th year, as the case may be, shall be completed during the period of 15 days immediately preceding the first day of the new Academic Session prescribed in the Academic Calendar of every year of the University.

3B.9 Every student shall be required to fulfil the requirement of admission in 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th year, as the case may be, by submitting complete admission form along with all requisite documents through the respective Sub Admission Committee to the Standing Admission Committee within the time notified by the Standing Admission Committee.

3B.10 A Student who fails to complete the requirements of Rule 3B.9 shall not be eligible for getting his/her name on the rolls/attendance register of the relevant year of the course/programme.

3B.11 The Standing Admission Committee shall forward/provide the complete lists of rolls/attendance register with respect to 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th year, as the case may be, to the Establishment Branch of the University, and the Registrar shall forward the same to the Dean Academic Affairs and the Examination Branch. The Registrar shall forward to the office of examination department and to the office of Dean Academic Affairs the list of student who have been granted exemption under Rule 3C.5, on or before the first day of every academic year.

3C. RULES REGARDING PAYMENT OF PRESCRIBE FEE BY THE STUDENTS WITH RESPECT TO 2ND, 3RD, 4TH OR 5TH YEAR, AS THE CASE MAY BE (ODD SEMESTERS)

3C.1 As per the fee structure prescribed/ revised, from time to time, for an academic year the fee may be payable in two instalments.

3C.2 All the students shall be required to deposit prescribed fee, if applicable in instalments, first instalment of the fee (odd semesters), during the time period of 15 days referred to in Rule 3B.8 and the same shall be notified by the Registrar.

3C.3 If a student fails to deposit fee within the said period, his/her admission form shall not be considered by the Standing Admission Committee. Such students shall not be eligible for getting his/her name on the rolls/attendance register of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th year, as the case may be.

3C.4 A student, whose name is not on the rolls/attendance register of the University shall, not be entitled to attend classes or for being allotted hostel accommodation and other benefits.

3C.5 In exceptional cases, a student may be allowed, by the Registrar with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor, to take admission without payment of fee, as referred in rule 3C.2, but after complying all other requirements of Admission Form along with all requisite documents etc.

Provided that it is hereby clarified without prejudice to Rule 3C.5, no student shall be allowed to take admission in 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th year, as the case may be, after 15 days from the date of commencement of classes in that Academic Session.

It is further provided that the Vice-Chancellor, on the basis of written justifications supported by sufficient and due document and a proofs, may grant exemption beyond the above 15 days but not more than one month to a student to comply a requirements of Rule 3C.2 .

3C.6 If a student fails to take admission within prescribed time period, he/she shall be required to re-register in the previous year and shall not be considered for promotion to next higher year.

3D PAYMENT OF FEE, 2ND INSTALMENT (EVEN SEMESTERS)

3D.1 The Registrar of the University shall notify the time for payment of the second instalment of the prescribed fee (even semesters), as per the fee structure of the University, in the last week of January, every year.

3D.2 The students shall given at least 15 days' time to deposit the 2nd instalment of the fee payable.

3D.3 A student who fails to deposit the 2nd instalment of fee, referred under Rules 3D.1/3D.2 shall not be eligible for getting his name on the rolls/ attendance register, even semesters, as the case may be.

3D.4 The Establishment Branch of the University and the Registrar shall insure that the Establishment Branch forwards the certified copy of the lists of student, i.e. rolls/ attendance register of the concern all the even semesters, who has complied with the Rules of 3D.1 and who have been granted exemption under Rule 3D.5, to the Examination Branch and to the office of Dean Academic Affairs on or before the first day of class notified for even semesters.

3D.5 In exceptional cases, a student may be allowed, by the Registrar with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor, to deposit the 2nd instalment of fee with a relaxation of 15 days beyond the time, referred under Rules 3D.1/3D.2.

3D.6 A student who is covered under Rules 3B.8, 3C.2 and 3D.5, respectively, for 1st instalment and 2nd instalment, shall be eligible to get his name on the rolls/attendance register of the University, only, from the date of payment of such fee respectively.

3E ADMISSION IN 2ND, 3RD, 4TH OR 5TH YEAR, AS THE CASE MAY BE, PAYMENT OF FEE AND COUNTING OF ATTENDANCE

3E.1 Attendance percentage thereof in any course, of a students who takes admission/pays prescribed fee beyond the prescribed time and as per the Rules 3B.9, 3C.2 and 3D.5, respectively, for 1st instalment and 2nd instalment, shall be counted on the basis of the entire number of classes taken in that course / paper and not from the date on which he/she complete the requirement of admission or pays fee.

- 4 LATERAL ENTRY:** There shall be no lateral entry or migration from any other university to HPNLU, Shimla. There shall be no lateral entry on the plea of graduation in any subject or exit by way of awarding a degree splitting the integrated double degree course, at any intermediary stage of integrated double degree course or any other integrated programme of study.

5 DURATION OF THE SEMESTER

5.1 Under Graduate Courses: The duration of each Semester in Under Graduate courses shall be of 18 weeks with not less than 36 class hours per week including Tutorials, Seminars, Presentations, Curricular Moot Courts and Examinations etc.

5.2 Post Graduate Programme: The duration of the programme shall be One Year, divided into two semesters of 18 weeks each, with not less than 30 class hours per week including Tutorials, Seminars, Presentations, Library work and Examinations etc.

6. INTAKE AND RESERVATION FOR B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (HONS.) COURSES & LL.M PROGRAMME

6.1 Subject to Rule 6.3, a total of 60 students shall be admitted to each Under Graduate Course.

6.2 Subject to Rule 6.3, a total of 40 students shall be admitted to the LL.M. One-year Programme.

6.3 Admissions to Undergraduate Courses as well as Post Graduate Programme shall subject to following Reservation criteria:

(i) Within the Sanctioned Intake

- (a) 15% Reservation for Scheduled Castes**
- (b) 7.5% Reservation for Scheduled Tribes**
- (c) 5% Horizontal Reservation for Differently Abled**
- (d) 5% Horizontal Reservation for Wards of Serving/Retired Defence Personnel**
- (e) Out of 40 seats of Post Graduate Programme 10 seats shall be horizontally reserved for Women Candidates.**
- (f) 25% seats in Under Graduate Courses and Post Graduate Programme shall be horizontally reserved for Himachal Pradesh State Domicile Candidates.**

(ii) Supernumerary Seats

- (a) Kashmiri Migrants: 5% of total intake of each Course/Programme
- (b) Kashmiri Residents: 02 Seats in each Course/Programme
- (c) International Students, including Non-Resident Indians (NRIs): 15% seats in each Course/Programme.

Explanation: The expression Non-Resident Indian (NRI) shall mean and include *bona fide* NRI and their children only.

6.4 The intake duly approved for each Academic Year shall be enclosed as **Annexure-A** of these Regulations.

7. FEE STRUCTURE

- 7.1 Fees Structure for each course shall be duly notified from time to time, and shall be deemed to be a part of these Regulations as **Annexure B**.
- 7.2 There shall be an annual increase of Rs. 5000/- in the Tuition Fee in every Academic Session of every programme. Such increase shall equally apply to supernumerary **seats**.
- 7.3 In case of cancellation/withdrawal of admission, the fees shall be refundable *as per* UGC Rules/Guidelines.

8. **MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION:** Medium of instruction in all the courses shall be in English only.

9. **RESIDENCY:** HPNLU, Shimla shall be a residential University.

10. CURRICULUM

- 10.1 Courses for B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) shall be designed and approved *as per* the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Act, and shall comply with the guidelines of Regulatory Bodies such as the Bar Council of India.
- 10.2 The Board of Studies, referred under the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Regulations for the Doctor of Philosophy in Law, shall frame, update, make and recommend the courses of study for Undergraduate Courses.
- 10.3 In accordance with the Regulations framed by the Bar Council of India, Courses designed for B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) shall have the following Components: -
 - (i) **Social Sciences:** Economics, Political Science and Sociology
 - (ii) **Management:** Human Resource Management, Marketing, and Accounting
 - (iii) **Law Courses shall be as follows**

(a) Compulsory Courses	-	20
(b) Honours Courses	-	08
(c) Specialization Courses	-	06
(d) <input type="checkbox"/>		
- 10.4 Courses in Social Sciences and Managements shall be divided into major courses and minor courses. The major course shall have 06 papers spread from the first to the sixth

semesters. Whereas minor course shall have 3 papers spread from the first to the third Semesters.

- 10.5 Each student pursuing B.A. LL.B. shall opt for one major course to be chosen from Economics, Political Science and Sociology. Each student pursuing B.B.A. LL.B. shall opt for one major course to be chosen from Economics, Human Resource Management and Accounts and Audit.]²
- 10.6 Each Course designed for B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), Post Graduate and Ph.D. and any other Programme shall be placed for approval before the Board of Studies, Academic Council, and Executive Council *as per* the provisions of the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Act, 2016 (16 of 2016).
- 10.7 Curriculum for Under Graduated courses, Prost Graduate Programme and Doctor of Philosophy in Law and any other Programme duly approved shall be enclosed as Annexure-C, D, and E of these Regulations.

11. EXAMINATIONS AND EVALUATION

- 11.1 Examinations and Evaluation of each Course/Programme of B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) Post Graduate Programme and Doctor of Philosophy in Law shall be governed by Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla Examination Regulations, 2019.
- 11.2 Subject to provisions of the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Regulations for One Year LL.M. Degree Programme, 2019, the examination and evaluation of Post Graduate Programme shall be governed by the Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla Examination Regulations 2019.
- 11.3 Examination and Evaluation Doctor of Philosophy in Law shall be governed by the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Rules for Doctor of Philosophy in Law.

¹ Deleted as per the decision of the 5th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 23rd October, 2019 w.e.f. 26-02-2020.

² Substituted as per the decision of the 6th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 20th February, 2020 w.e.f. 28-02-2020.

ANNEXURE-A

HIMACHAL PRADESH NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, SHIMLA

[Seat Matrix]

UG Course: B.A. LL.B. (Five Years Integrated Course): Intake-60*

Sr. No.	Category	No. of Seats
1.	General	46
2.	SC (15%)	09
3.	ST (7.5%)	05
	Total	60
*Horizontal Reservation		
1.	PwD (5%)	03
2.	Wards of Serving/Retired/Defence Personnel – 5%	03
3.	Himachal Pradesh Domiciled Candidates (25%)	15
Supernumerary Seats		
1.	Kashmiri Migrants (5%) (As per UGC/MHRD Notification)	03
2.	Residents of J&K (As per UGC/MHRD Notification)	02
3.	NRI & Foreign Nationals (15%)	09

UG Course: B.B.A. LL.B. (Five Years Integrated Course): Intake-60*

Sr. No.	Category	No. of Seats
1.	General	46
2.	SC (15%)	09
3.	ST (7.5%)	05
	Total	60
*Horizontal Reservation		
1.	PwD (5%)	03
2.	Wards of Serving/Retired/Defence Personnel (5%)	03
3.	Himachal Pradesh Domicile Candidates (25%)	15

Supernumerary Seats		
1.	Kashmiri Migrants (5%) (As per UGC/MHRD Notification)	03
2.	Residents of J&K (As per UGC/MHRD Notification)	02
3.	NRI & Foreign Nationals (15%)	09

PG Course: LL.M. (One Year Programme): Intake-40*

Sr. No.	Category	No. of Seats
1.	General	31
2.	SC (15%)	06
3.	ST (7.5%)	03
	Total	40
*Horizontal Reservation		
1.	PwD (5%)	02
2.	Wards of Serving/Retired/Defence Personnel (5%)	02
3.	Himachal Pradesh Domicile Candidates (25%)	10
4.	Women	10
Supernumerary Seats		
1.	Kashmiri Migrants (5%) (As per UGC/MHRD Notification)	02
2.	Residents of J&K (As per UGC/MHRD Notification)	02
3.	NRI & Foreign Nationals (15%)	06
4.	BC/OBC (27%) (all India basis)	11
5.	EWS (10%) (all India basis)	04

ANNEXURE-B

FEES STRUCTURE (Academic Session 2020-21)

Fees Structure B.A. /B.B. A. LL. B. (Hons.) Batches 2020-25, for the Academic Session 2020-21 *				
	Fees Details	Annual Fees	First Half (At time of Admission)	Second Half
1	Admission Fee	5000	5000	
2	Tuition Fee	120000	60000	60000
3	NRI Student	750000	750000	
4	SAARC Candidates (Excluding Indians)	350000	350000	
5	Facilities Fee	35500	17750	17750
6	Campus Development Fee	10000	5000	5000
7	Examination Fee	10000	5000	5000
8	Library Fee	5000	2500	2500
9	Moot Court	5000	2500	2500
10	Hostel Charge	20000	10000	10000
11	Refundable Security	10000	10000	
Total Fees		220500	117750	102750

Fees Details		Annual Fees	Annual Fees (COVID – 19)
B.A./B.B.A LL.B (2019-20) *			
1	Admission Fees	-	
2	Indian Student	125000	120000
Examination & Facilities Fees			
3	Facilities Fees	40500	40500
4	Examination Fee	5000	5000
5	Moot Court & Seminar Workshop/visiting Faculty	5000	5000
Hostel Charge			
6	Hostel Residence Fees	20000	20000
7.	Mess Fees	27360	-
Total		222860	190500



Fees Details		Annual Fees	Annual Fees (COVID – 19)
B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (2018-19) *			
1	Admission Fees	-	
2	Indian Student	130000	125000
Examination & Facilities Fees			
3	Facilities Fees	40500	40500
4	Examination Fee	5000	5000
5	Moot Court & Seminar Workshop/visiting Faculty	5000	5000
Hostel Fees			
6	Hostel Residence Fees	20000	20000
7	Mess Fees	27360	-
Total		227860	195500

Fees Details		Annual Fees	Annual Fees (COVID – 19)
* B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (2017-18)			
1	Admission Fees	-	
2	Indian Student	135000	130000
Examination & Facilities Fees			
3	Facilities Fees	37500	37500
4	Examination Fee	3000	3000
5	Moot Court & Seminar Workshop/visiting Faculty	5000	5000
Hostel Fees			
6	Hostel Residence Fees	20000	20000
7	Mess Fees	27360	-
Total		227860	195500



Fees Details		Annual Fees	Annual Fees (COVID – 19)
*B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (2016-17)			
1	Admission Fees	-	
2	Indian Student	140000	135000
Examination & Facilities Fees			
3	Facilities Fees	37500	37500
4	Examination Fee	3000	3000
5	Moot Court & Seminar Workshop/visiting Faculty	5000	5000
Hostel Fees			
6	Hostel Residence Fees	20000	20000
7	Mess Fees	27360	-
Total		232860	200500

** There shall be an annual increase of Rs. 5000/- in the tuition fees in every Academic Session of every programme. Such increase will equally apply to supernumerary seats.*

Fees Structure for the LL.M. One-year Programme

Fees Details		Annual Fees	First Hall (At time of Admission)	Second Hall
1	Admission Fees	5000	5000	-
2	Tuition Fees	80000	40000	40000
3	Facilities Fees	31500	15750	15750
4	Campus Development Fees	10000	5000	5000
5	Examination Fee	10000	5000	5000
6	Library Fees	5000	2500	2500
7	Hostel Fees	20000	10000	10000
8	Refundable Security	10000	10000	
Total		171500	93250	78250
Mess Bill				

Fees Structure for the Ph.D. in Law Programme (2018-19)

Fees Details		Annual Fees	Annual Fees (COVID - 19)
1	Admission Fees	-	
2	Indian Student	60000	55000
Examination & Facilities Fee			
3	Facilities Fees	23500	23500
4	Examination Fee	3000	3000
5	Moot Court & Seminar Workshop/visiting Faculty	5000	5000
Total		91500	86500

Fee Details		Annual Fees	Annual Fees (COVID – 19)
Ph.D. (2017-18)			
1	Admission Fees	-	
2	Indian Student	55000	50000
Examination & Facilities Fees			
3	Facilities Fees	23500	23500
4	Examination Fee	3000	3000
5	Moot Court & Seminar Workshop/visiting Faculty	5000	5000
Total		86500	81500



ANNEXURE-C

Course Curriculum: B.A/B.B.A. LL.B. Hons. (FYIC)

Sr.	1 st Semester				2 nd Semester			
	<u>Course Code</u>	<u>Papers/Courses</u>			<u>Course Code</u>	<u>Papers/Courses</u>		
1.	LB-101	Law of Torts, MV Act & Consumer Protection Act			LB-201	Law of Contract-I (General Principles and Specific Relief Act)		
2.	LB-102	Legal Methods and Research Methodology (HP ² - 1)			LB-202	Legislative Drafting (HP ² -2)		
3.	LB-103	English-I			LB-203	English-II		
4.	LB-104	Economics-I (Micro Economics)			LB-204	Economics-II (Macro Economics)		
	<u>Course Code</u>	B.A.LL.B.	<u>Course Code</u>	B.B.A. LL.B.	<u>Course Code</u>	B.A.LL.B.	<u>Course Code</u>	B.B.A. LL.B.
5.	BL-101	Political Science-I (Political Theory)	BBL-101	Management Theory & Practice	BL-201	Political Science-II (State & Political Obligation)	BBL-201	Organizational Behavior & Behavioral Psychology
6.	BL-102	Sociology-I (Introductory Sociology)	BBL-102	Financial Accounting	BL-202	Sociology-II (Sociology of Contemporary India)	BBL-202	Audit Practice

5 th Semester					6 th Semester			
B.A/B.B.A. LL.B.					B.A/B.B.A. LL.B.			
	<u>Course Code</u>	<u>Papers/Courses</u>			<u>Course Code</u>	<u>Papers/Courses</u>		
1.	LB-501	Family Law-I			LB-601	Family Law-II		
2.	LB-502	Property Law			LB-602	Jurisprudence-I		
3.	LB-503	Company Law			LB-603	Code of Civil Procedure and Limitation Act		
4.	LB-504	Law of Evidence			LB-604	Information Technology Laws		
	<u>Course Code</u>	B.A.LL.B.	<u>Course Code</u>	B.B.A. LL.B.	<u>Course Code</u>	B.A.LL.B.	<u>Course Code</u>	B.B.A. LL.B.
5.	LB-505E	Economics-V (Public Finance)	LB-505E	Economics-V (Public Finance)	LB-605E	Economics-VI (Quantitative Techniques)	LB-605E	Economics-VI (Quantitative Techniques)
	BL-505P	Political Science-V (Comparative Politics)	BBL-505M	Human Resource Development	BL-605P	Political Science-VI (Recent Trends in Indian Politics)	BBL-605M	Entrepreneurship Development Management
	BL-505S	Sociology-V (Tribal Society)	BBL-505A	Money and Banking	BL-605S	Sociology-VI (Contemporary Sociological Theory)	BBL-605A	Investment Management

	7th Semester			8th Semester	
	B.A./B.B.A. LL.B.			B.A./B.B.A. LL.B.	
	<u>Course Code</u>	Papers/Courses	<u>Course Code</u>	Papers/Courses	
1.	LB-701	Principles of Taxation Law	LB-801	Media Law (including Right to information) (HP2-5)	
2.	LB-702	Intellectual Property Rights -I	LB-802	Intellectual Property Rights -II	
3.	LB-703	Public International Law	LB-803	Environmental Law	
4.	LB-704	(Drafting, Pleading and Conveyance) (CP ^I -2)	LB-804	(Professional Ethics and Professional Accounting System) (CP ^I -3)	
5.	LB-705	International Trade Law (HP2-4)	SP.. 805*	SP-I *	



9th Semester			10th Semester	
B.A./B.B.A. LL.B.			B.A./B.B.A. LL.B.	
	<u>Course Code</u>	<u>Papers/Courses</u>	<u>Course Code</u>	<u>Papers/Courses</u>
1.	LB-901	Law of Interpretation of Statutes (HP2-6)	LB-1001	Service Law (HP2-8)
2.	LB-902	Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) (CP ¹ -4)	LB-1002	Labour Law
3.	SP.. 903*	SP-II*	SP.. 1003*	SP-V*
4.	SP.. 904*	SP-III*	SP.. 1004*	SP-VI*
5.	SP.. 905*	SP-IV*	LB-1005	Minor Acts and Supreme Court Rules
6.			LB-1006	(Moot Court Exercises and Internship) (CP1-1)

CP: Clinical Paper; 2 HP: Honors Paper;

SP: Specialisation papers: There are four specialisation Groups. Group (A)- Constitutional Law; Group (B)- Business Law; Group (C)- Crime & Criminology, and Group (D)- International Law. The Coding of papers of each Group starts with 'SP'-Specialisation followed by Group Sign indicated as A or B or C or D. Followed by a numerical number (1-6) indicating paper number of that group concluded by numerical number indicating semester and paper number of that semester. For example, the code-SPA1-505, indicated specialisation paper of group 'A' (i.e., Constitutional Law Group) specialisation paper 1 of that group, offered in VIII Semester and 5th paper of that semester.

Sl. No.	Specialization Papers/Groups (SP)							
	<u>Course Code</u>	(A) Constitutional Law Group	<u>Course Code</u>	(B) Business Law Group	<u>Course Code</u>	(C) Crime & Criminology	<u>Course Code</u>	(D) International Law
1.	SPA1-805	Legal Philosophy including theories of Justice	SPB1-805	Corporate Governance & Finance	SPC1-805	Prison Administration	SPD1-805	International Organizations
2.	SPA2-903	Local self-government including panchayat self-administration	SPB2-903	Banking Law (including Negotiable Instrument Act)	SPC2-903	Penology & Victimology	SPD2-903	International Human rights
3.	SPA3-904	Comparative Constitution	SPB3-904	Bankruptcy & insolvency and Insurance Law	SPC3-904	Forensic Science	SPD3-904	International Environmental Law
4.	SPA4-905	Health Law	SPB4-905	Investment and Security Law	SPC4-905	Offences against child & woman	SPD4-905	Law of the sea
5.	SPA5-1003	Federalism	SPB5-1003	Competition Law	SPC5-1003	White collar crimes	SPD5-1003	Humanitarian & refugee law
6.	SPA6-1004	Human Rights	SPB6-1004	Energy Law	SPC6-1004	Criminal psychology	SPD6-1004	International Criminal Law

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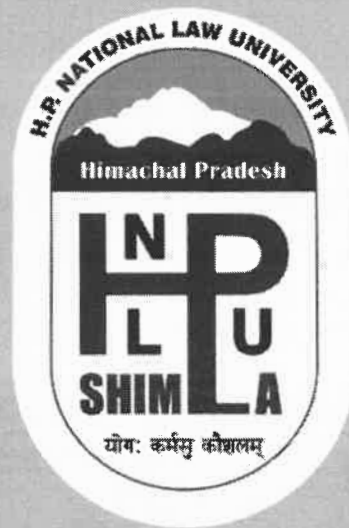
- Each Paper (in B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons) are of Four Credits.
- Each student pursuing B.A. LL.B. shall opt one major paper from Economics, Political Science or Sociology. Each student pursuing B.B.A. LL.B. shall opt one major paper from Economics, Human Resource Management and Accounts and Audit.
- This is to be noted that students (Batches admitted till 2019-2020 Academic Session) opting for major in Human Resource Management will complete their total 06 courses by Semester 5th only.
Alternatively, in case University offers major Course in all the three streams, i.e., Human Resource Management, Accounts and Audit and Economics following subjects with the following arrangements for Batches of 2018-2019 & 2019-2020 shall apply.

Major Course	1st Sem	2nd Sem	3rd Sem	4th Sem	5th Sem	6th Sem	7th Sem
HRM	Paper 1st & 2nd	Paper 3rd	Paper 4th	Paper 5th	Paper 6th	N.A.	N.A.
Accounts and Audit	N.A.	Paper 1st	Paper 2nd	Paper 3rd	Paper 4th	Paper 5th	Paper 6th

ANNEXURE-D
Curriculum: LL.M. (One Year Programme) ¹

Sl. No.		1 st Semester		
	Course Code	Compulsory Papers		
1.	LM-101	Legal Research Methodology		
2.	LM-102	Law and Justice in a Globalizing World		
3.	LM-103	Term Paper		
		Specialization Papers		
	Course Code	Constitutional Law	Course Code	Criminal Law
4.	LM-104	Constitutional Governance and Federalism	LM-106	Criminology and Criminal Justice Administration
5.	LM-105	Global Administrative Law	LM-107	Criminal Justice System and Human Rights
		International Law		Corporate and Commercial Law
6.	LM-110	International Organizations	LM-112	Law on Corporate Management
7.	LM-111	International Humanitarian Law	LM-113	Laws on Securities and Financial Markets
		Optional Papers		
8.	LM-108	Media Law		
9.	LM-109	Victimology		
10.	LM-114	International Human Rights Law		
11.	LM-115	Intellectual Property Law		

2 nd Semester				
Course Code		Compulsory Papers		
1.	LM-201	Comparative Public Law		
2..	LM-202	Dissertation (3 Credits)		
		Specialization Papers		
Course Code		Constitutional Law	Course Code	Criminal Law
3.	LM-203	Constitutional Rights & Theory	LM-205	International Criminal Law
4.	LM-204	Service Law	LM-206	Sentences and Sentencing
		International Law		Corporate and Commercial Law
5.	LM-209	AIR and Space Law	LM-211	Competition Law
6.	LM-210	International Dispute Settlement	LM-212	Taxation Laws
		Optional Papers		
7.	LM-207	Health Law		
8.	LM-208	Cyber Crimes & Cyber Security		
9.	LM-213	Environmental Law		
10.	LM-214	Corporate Social Responsibility		
* Optional/specialisation Papers shall be offered when at least 5 students have opted for the same Course.				
Note: Each optional Paper LL.M. (One Year) Programme are of Two Credits, except compulsory/foundation courses and Dissertation which are of three Credits each.				



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PART-II

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1. SHORT TITLE, EXTENT AND COMMENCEMENT

These Regulations shall be called the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Shimla Regulation for LL.M. (One Year) Degree Programme, 2019.

These Regulations shall come into force *w.e.f.* the 25th of December, 2019.

Admission to the LL.M. (One Year) Degree Programme shall be governed by these rules.

2. ADMISSION

Admission to LL.M. (One-year) Degree Programme shall be through Common Law Admission Test (CLAT).

3. COURSE STRUCTURE

3.1 The course curriculum, the seat intake, and the fees structure, shown in detail, in the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Courses of Study, Admission and Curriculum Regulations, 2019, shall apply. The relevant rules of the **Himachal Pradesh National Law University Regulations for Doctor of Philosophy (Ph. D.) Programme in Law, 2019** and the Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla, Examinations Regulations, 2019, shall apply.

3.2 One Year LL.M. Degree programme under semester system shall have at least 18 weeks of teaching/research/practical in each semester.

3.3 The University shall offer LL.M in International and Comparative Law, Constitutional and Administrative Law, Corporate and Commercial Law, Criminal and Security Law, Family and Social Security Law and Legal Pedagogy, and Research.

4. THE CENTRE OF POST-GRADUATE LEGAL STUDIES

There shall be a Centre of Post-Graduate Legal Studies (CPGLS) established as per UGC guidelines.

5. THE COURSE CURRICULUM

5.1 The Programme shall be spread evenly for the duration of one year with not less than 12 credits in each semester carrying of total of 26 credits.

5.2 The course curriculum for One Year LL.M. Degree programme shall have the

following components:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| (i) Foundation/Compulsory Papers | (3 papers of 03 credits each) |
| (ii) Optional/Specialization Papers | (6 papers of 02 credits each) |
| (iii) Dissertation | (03 credits) |
| (iv) Term Paper | (02 credits) |

5.3 A student shall take a minimum of four specialization papers from any particular Group to qualify degree of LL.M. with specialization in the particular specialization/Group. The candidate shall opt for remaining paper/papers out of the specializations offered in order to complete the number of courses prescribed to complete the Degree.

5.4 Foundation/Compulsory Papers:

The Foundation Courses shall consist of the following three subjects/papers:

- i. Research Methods and Legal Writing*
- ii. Law and Justice in a Globalizing World*
- iii. Comparative Public Law*

5.5 Optional/Specialization Papers:

The list of papers/subjects given in each specialization/group and of optional papers are given in **Annexure-D** of **The Himachal Pradesh National Law University Shimla Courses of Study, Admission, and Curriculum Regulations, 2019.**

6. DISSERTATION

The dissertation shall carry a minimum of three credits (200 Marks).

7. TERM PAPER

The Term Paper shall carry a minimum of two credits (100 Marks).

8. EXAMINATIONS AND EVALUATION

8.1 The examinations shall be conducted semester-wise.

8.2 All Examinations of the programme shall be governed by the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Examinations Regulations, 2019.

8.3 The evaluation in a course/paper shall consist of the following three components:

- (i) Seminar Paper and Presentation (15+10=25 Marks)
- (ii) Mid-Semester Examinations (25 Marks)
- (iii) End-Semester Examinations (50 Marks)

8.4 [Notwithstanding anything stated in Rule 7 of these Regulations, the Term Paper and Dissertation shall be evaluated out of 100 Marks and 200 Marks respectively, and the same shall be examined by external expert/s.

Explanation: External evaluation, with respect to Dissertation, shall consist of 150 marks for Written and 50 Marks for Viva-Voce conducted by the External Experts or External Members of Research Advisory Committee. A student shall have to secure 50% marks to pass each paper/course.]¹

8.5 A student who fails to submit Seminar Paper/Presentation or Dissertation within the notified time, may be allowed to submit/present the same after depositing prescribed late fee.

8.6 Student failing to secure minimum pass marks in Term Paper or Dissertation shall be allowed to re-submit the same for evaluation once after depositing the prescribed late fee.

9. GRADES AND DIVISIONS

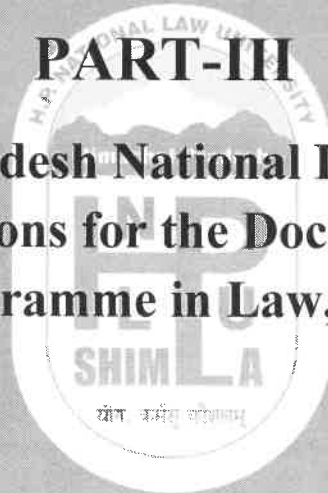
Award of Grades and divisions shall be governed by the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Examinations Regulations, 2019.

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PART-III

Himachal Pradesh National Law University Shimla Regulations for the Doctor of Philosophy Programme in Law, 2019



Part-III

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1. SHORT TITLE, EXTENT AND COMMENCEMENT

1.1 These Regulations shall be called the Himachal Pradesh National Law University (HPNLU), Shimla Regulations for Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Programme in Law, 2019. The relevant rules of the Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla, Examinations Regulations, 2019, shall apply.

1.2 These Regulations shall come into force *w.e.f.* the 25th of December, 2019.

1.3 Admission and other matters relating to Doctor of Philosophy Programme in Law will be regulated by these regulations. The Degree of Doctor of Philosophy may be granted in Law by the University subject to the general guidance of the Academic Council, Board of Studies, and Research Advisory Committee.

1.4 The provisions contained in this Regulation shall be applicable to candidates already registered for the Ph.D. Programme in Law.

2. THE BOARD OF STUDIES

2.1 The Board of Studies shall consist of: -

- (i) The Vice-Chancellor, who shall be the Chairperson
- (ii) The Dean Academic Affairs
- (iii) Two faculty members nominated by the Vice-Chancellor
- (iv) Two external experts nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.

Note: However, the external experts from respective social science subject/management subject shall be invited whenever any issue relating to social science /management curriculum is to be considered.

2.2 The Board of Studies shall meet at least twice a year, and shall have the power to perform the following functions:

- (i) To frame, update, make and recommend the courses of study for UG, PG and Ph.D. Course Work.
- (ii) To add, delete subjects/papers as per the guidelines of regulatory body.

- (iii) To frame, modify the structure of the courses, term papers, dissertations, thesis and question papers etc.
- (iv) Approval of candidates' Ph.D. Synopsis as recommended by Research Advisory Committee.
- (v) To prepare and recommend panel of examiners for UG, PG; appointments of supervisors and examiners/experts for Ph.D. Course Work, and evaluation of Ph.D. thesis.
- (vi) Any other item requiring attention of the Board.

3. RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

3.1 There shall be a Research Advisory Committee constituted by Vice Chancellor for One Year LL.M. and Ph.D. Programmes.

3.2 The Research Advisory Committee shall consist of the following:

- (i) The Vice Chancellor or senior faculty member nominated by Vice Chancellor, who shall be the Chairperson.
- (ii) Dean Academic Affairs or any faculty member nominated by the Vice Chancellor.
- (iii) Two external experts nominated by the Vice Chancellor.
- (iv) The respective Supervisor or the LL.M. /Ph.D. Scholar shall be the member when the matter regarding such scholar is being considered.

3.3 The Research Advisory Committee shall have power to perform the following functions:

- (i) To finalize the topics/titles of LL.M. Dissertation and Ph.D. Theses.
- (ii) To review the LL.M. and Ph.D. Synopsies and make recommendations to the Board of Studies.
- (iii) To guide the research scholars to develop the study design and research methodology and identify the course(s) that he/she may be required to qualify.
- (iv) To review and evaluate the research scholar's presentation of six-monthly progress of his/her work including Ph.D. course work.
- (v) Any other matter requiring attention of the Research Advisory Committee.

- 3.4 A research scholar shall appear before the Research Advisory Committee to make a presentation of the progress of his/her work including Ph.D. Course Work for evaluation and further guidance.
- 3.5 The six-monthly progress reports shall be submitted to the Board of Studies through the Research Advisory Committee.
- 3.6 In case the progress of the research scholar is unsatisfactory in three consecutive six monthly reports the Research Advisory Committee shall record the reasons for the same and forward the same to the Board of Studies for making specific recommendation to the Vice Chancellor.

4. ELIGIBILITY & ADMISSION

- 4.1 Master's degree in Law, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) or an equivalent degree from a foreign educational Institution accredited by an Assessment and Accreditation Agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.
- 4.2 A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/differently-abled and other categories of candidates as per the University Grant Commission guidelines from time to time.
- 4.3 The admission to the Ph.D. Programme shall two-staged process i.e. qualifying Entrance Test and Presentation to be made before the Research Advisory Committee.
- (i) The admission to the Ph.D. Programme shall be through a qualifying Entrance Test i.e. HPNLU Ph.D. Entrance Test. The test shall be only a qualifying one. The candidates who appear in the Ph.D. Entrance Test need to secure not less than 50% Marks (without round off) to qualify the test. The Test shall have 50% questions from Research Methodology and the remaining from Constitutional Law and Jurisprudence.
- (ii) The Candidates who qualify the entrance test shall be required to present their research proposal before the Research Advisory Committee.

(iii) The Candidates having already qualified UGC-NET (including JRF) shall be exempted from appearing in the Entrance Test, and shall be required to appear before the Research Advisory Committee directly to present their research proposal.

(iv) The Research Advisory Committee shall examine all proposals and shall recommend to the Board of Studies which shall examine and recommend to the Vice Chancellor for provisional registration to the Ph.D. Programme.

(v) The approved candidate may be allowed to be registered for the Ph.D. Programme as Full Time or Part Time Researcher.

(vi) All the interested candidates whether exempted from Entrance Test or not, should apply to Ph.D. Programme in the prescribed manner and on payment of prescribed fees notified by the University in the entrance notification every year.

4.4 The candidate, on being provisionally admitted will pay the prescribed fees and will be provisionally enrolled in the University. His/her date of enrollment will be considered from the date of the payment of fees.

4.5 A research scholar provisionally admitted to the Ph. D. programme shall be required to undergo Ph.D. course work as prescribed under Rule 6. The research scholar shall have to qualify the coursework as per the provisions of the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Examination Regulations, 2019.

4.6 The duration of the course work shall be of one semester. A scholar failing to qualify the course work shall be given another chance to re-appear in the examination. A scholar who fails to qualify in the second attempt, his/her provisional registration shall be cancelled.

5 ALLOCATION OF RESEARCH SUPERVISOR

5.1 Subject to approval of the Vice Chancellor, the Board of Studies shall allocate the Supervisor to the candidate register for Ph.D. Programme.

5.2 Any regular Professor of the University with at least five research publications in refereed journals and any regular Associate/Assistant Professor of the university with a Ph.D. degree and at least two research publications in refereed journals may be recognized as Research Supervisor.

Provided that only a full-time regular teacher can act as a supervisor. The external supervisors are not allowed except in cases of interdisciplinary studies with the prior approval of the Research Advisory Committee.

- 5.3 The maximum strength of students allocated to a supervisor shall be according to the designation of the supervisor *i.e.* Professor-08, Associate Professor-06 and Assistant Professor-04 students.

In case of joint supervision, the number of students enrolled will be counted as one for each of the Joint Supervisors.

- 5.4 A regular faculty member, who is no more in the services of the University, will cease to be the supervisor/joint supervisor, with immediate effect and the University will appoint another supervisor/joint supervisor in his/her place.

Provided that where a regular faculty member retires from the active service of the University due to superannuation, he/she may continue to work as supervisor if the candidate enrolled under him/her has already made pre-Ph.D. submission.

6. FINALIZATION OF RESEARCH TITLE AND PH.D. SYNOPSIS

- 6.1 The research scholar shall finalize his/her title of research in consultation with his/ her supervisor, and shall make a presentation before the Research Advisory Committee within three months from the date of enrollment.

Provided that the Vice Chancellor may extend the time period for approval of research title for a maximum period of six months.

- 6.2 The scholar shall prepare the Ph.D. Synopsis in consultation with the Supervisor and submit the synopsis within six months from date of approval of the title. He/she shall make presentation of the Synopsis before the Research Advisory Committee.

Provided that the Vice Chancellor may extend the time period for approval of Ph.D. Synopsis for further period of six months.

Provided further that in exceptional cases a research scholar may apply for change in the approved title by depositing requisite fee as notified from

time to time. The request for change may be approved by Board of Studies on the recommendation of the Research Advisory Committee.]¹

6.3 The Research Advisory Committee, on the basis of Ph.D. Synopsis submitted and the presentation made, shall recommend, with or without modification, to the Board of Studies, for approval.

6.4 The Board of Studies may:

- (i) reject the synopsis,
- (ii) accept the synopsis with or without modifications.

The Scholar shall, in case of (i), submit fresh synopsis and make presentations before the Research Advisory Committee and in case of (ii), shall incorporate the modifications within the time period allowed by the Board of Studies.

7. COURSE WORK

7.1 Course Structure

- (a) [Legal Research and Methodology (100 Marks, 04 Credits)
- (b) Emerging Trends in Law (100 Marks, 04 Credits)
- (c) Publication and Research Ethics (50 Marks, 02 Credits)
- (d) Written Assignments; (Subject/area Specific)

- (i) Writing of One Research Paper not less than 5000 words long.
- (ii) Submitting the report of a pilot empirical research/field work.
- (iii) Review of literature not less than 30 pages long (MS Default).

The performance of the Research scholar in written assignments shall be evaluated by Research Advisory Committee on satisfactory / unsatisfactory criteria.]²

7.2 During the Ph.D. Course Work, each Research scholar shall have to take 03 classes at UG level spread over a period of six months in one subject,

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which, along with the feedback of students taught, shall be submitted to the Research Advisory Committee.

7.3 At the end of the course work, the research Scholar shall be evaluated through Written Examinations and Presentation to be made before the Research Advisory Committee. The Components for evaluation shall be as follows:

(A) Written Examinations:	(Total 250 Marks)
(a) Legal Research and Methodology	(100 Marks)
(b) Emerging Trends in Law	(100 Marks)
(c) Publication and Research Ethics	(50 Marks)

(B) Written Assignments (Satisfactory/unsatisfactory)

(C) Teaching Assignment (Satisfactory/ unsatisfactory)]¹

7.4 The result of Ph.D. course work shall be declared as 'satisfactory' or 'unsatisfactory'. A research scholar with, in written examinations, a SGPA of not less than 5.6, shall be deemed to have completed the course work satisfactorily. The candidate failing to complete the course work 'satisfactorily', will have to reappear in the written Examinations or Written Assignments as the case may be.

8. DURATION OF THE PH.D. PROGRAMME

8.1 The duration of the Ph.D. Programme shall commence from the date of enrollment *i.e.* date of first fee submission for the Ph.D. registration.

8.2 The duration of Ph.D. Programme shall be of a minimum period of three years, including course work and a maximum of five years.

Provided that women candidate and person with disabilities (more than 40% disabilities) may be allowed a relaxation of two years in the maximum duration.

Provided further that the women candidates may be provided maternity leave once in the entire duration of Ph.D. for up to 240 days.

8.3 In case, the scholar is not able to submit thesis within the prescribed time limit, he/she may apply for extension of time to the Board of Studies through the Supervisor along with written justifications. The Board of Studies, after

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examining the written justifications, may recommend to the Vice Chancellor for extension of time for a maximum period of six months.

8.4 In exceptional case, if the scholar is not able to submit the thesis even within the extended period of six months, by the Board of Studies, as prescribed under Rule 8.3, the Vice Chancellor may, upon the written justifications submitted by the scholar, further extend the period to a maximum of one year.

8.5 In case the scholar is not able to submit the thesis even within the extended period, Rule 8.5, his/ her registration shall be deemed to be cancelled.

9. PROGRESS REPORT

9.1 Every candidate registered for Ph.D. Programme shall be required to submit six monthly progress report through the supervisor.

9.2 [Every scholar is required to submit the six-monthly progress report on or before 31st December and 30th June in each Academic Session. Where the scholar fails to submit the report within the prescribed time, he/she may submit the same after depositing late fee prescribed in this behalf.]¹

9.3 The Progress Report shall be laid before the Research Advisory Committee and Board of Studies, and the same shall be examined as satisfactory or unsatisfactory.

9.4 Subject to Rule 3.6, where three consecutive six-monthly report of any scholar is found unsatisfactory the Board of Studies shall make recommendation to the Vice Chancellor for the cancellation of Ph.D. registration of the research scholar.

10. SUBMISSION OF PH.D. THESIS

10.1 [On a report from the supervisor that the thesis is likely to be submitted within six months, the Dean Academic Affairs, with the prior approval of the Vice Chancellor, shall convene a meeting of the Board of Studies for finalizing the panel of external examiners to evaluate the Ph.D. Thesis]²

10.2 The supervisor shall forward a list of at least 06 (six) external examiners, who are Professors, working or retired, with full particulars of each, to the Dean

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Academic Affairs, who shall place it before the Board of Studies. The Board of Studies shall forward the same with/without modification to the Vice Chancellor.

10.3 Out of the panel of 06 examiners forwarded by Board of Studies, the Vice Chancellor shall appoint three examiners to evaluate, amongst whom not more than one may be from the State of Himachal Pradesh.

10.4 [Prior to the submission of the thesis, the research scholar shall make a pre-submission presentation before the Research Advisory Committee (RAC), and the same shall be open to all faculty members and research scholars for getting feedback and comments, which may suitably be incorporated into draft thesis under the guidance of the supervisor.]¹

10.5 The Research Scholar shall submit his/her thesis (04 Copies) along with the soft copy thereof (CD) in the prescribed format within a period of three months from the date of satisfactory Ph.D. Pre-submission Presentation.²

*[Provided that the Ph.D. Thesis/LL.M. Dissertation /Term Paper Submission Forms, must contain security provisions like provision for photograph and Barcode/Hologram.]*³

10.6 The research scholar shall publish one research paper in a refereed /UGC listed journal, and make two paper presentations in conferences/seminar before submission of the thesis. The scholar is required to submit the same in the form of the reprint or photocopy.

Provided that the research paper and paper presentations shall be directly related to his/her topic of the research.

10.7 The research scholar shall submit to the Examination Branch, four copies of thesis, duly signed by the Supervisor along with the following:

- (i) A certificate by the Supervisor counter signed by Dean Academic Affairs
- (ii) A declaration by the candidate.
- (iii) A certificate along with similarity index duly signed by authorized person/expert countersigned by the Supervisor and the Dean Academic

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Affairs indicating the percentage of similarity index which in no case shall exceed 10%.

Provided that extent of the similarity index shall be subject to the UGC guidelines notified from time to time.

(iv) ['Citation' of approximately 80 words about the thesis containing crux of the research work, shall be signed by the Supervisor and countersigned by the Dean Academic Affairs.]¹

(v) A Compact Disk (CD) which shall include Citation, Research Synopsis, Abstract, Ph.D. Thesis, and a Passport Size Photo of the Research Scholar.

10.8 The research scholar may incorporate in his/her thesis the contents of any work which he/she may have published subject to the UGC guidelines notified from time to time.

10.9 At the time of depositing the thesis, candidate is required to provide, in the prescribed format: -

(i) No Objection/No Dues Certificate from Library,

(ii) No Objection/No Dues Certificate from the Account Section,

(iii) No Objection/No Dues Certificate from Establishment,

(iv) No Objection/No Dues Certificate from the office of Dean Student Welfare

(v) Any other document prescribed by the University.

11. EVALUATION OF PH.D. THESIS

11.1 A period of two months shall be given to the examiners for evaluating the thesis. However, if the report is not received within six months from the date of dispatch, the Controller of Examination shall initiate the process, after seeking approval from the Vice Chancellor, to get it evaluated from another examiner.

11.2 The examiner shall examine the thesis and submit the report in the prescribed format provided in this behalf, along with such additional observations, as

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he/she may deem necessary. In his/her assessment, the examiner shall be required to express his/her categorical opinion on the following points:

- (i) that the thesis is an original piece of research work.
- (ii) that the thesis contributes to the existing knowledge either form the point of the discovery of new facts or the interpretation of existing facts or both;
- (iii) that the research scholar has given proof of consistent thinking and critical approach to the problem enunciated by him/her;
- (iv) that the literary presentation of the thesis is satisfactory;
- (v) that the research scholar has adequately acknowledged the existing sources/literature.

11.3 The examiner shall make clear recommendations to the effect that:

- (i) The thesis be accepted for the award of the Doctor of Philosophy in Law;
or
- (ii) The thesis be rejected; or
- (iii) The research scholar be allowed to present his thesis in a revised form.

Provided that the report under clause (ii) or (iii) shall include the grounds on which the recommendation is based. The examiner shall also indicate questions to be asked from the research scholar during the *viva voce*.

- (iv) The thesis is fit or not fit for publication or fit for publication with modifications. In case the examiner recommends modifications, the thesis may be allowed to be published after incorporation of specified modifications.

11.4 When all the reports have been received, the Controller of Examinations shall initiate the process to seek the approval of the Vice Chancellor for conducting the public *Viva Voce* from any of the external examiners.

11.5 If all the three external examiners recommend rejection of the thesis, the Vice-Chancellor shall reject the thesis.

11.6 In case, two of the three examiners recommend the thesis for the award of the degree, the Controller of Examination shall initiate the process mentioned under Rule 11.4 for public *viva voce*.

11.7 Where, two of the external examiners are in favour of re-submission of the thesis after revision, the research scholar shall be directed to re-submit the revised thesis not later than six months from the date of communication of the order. The research scholar shall be supplied extracts of the reports of the examiners indicating the line on which the thesis is to be revised. The thesis so resubmitted shall be sent for evaluation, preferably to the same examiners.

11.8 In case where, two of the external examiners reject the thesis, the matter shall be laid before the Board of Studies. The Board of Studies may accept the recommendation made by examiners or permit re-submission of the revised thesis not later than six months from the date of such a decision. The thesis so revised, shall be sent for evaluation *as per* these regulations, Rule 10.

11.9 The research scholar shall be allowed to re-submit the thesis after depositing requisite fee notified in this regard.

12. CONDUCT OF *VIVA VOCE*

12.1 The Vice Chancellor shall constitute a Board of Examiners for conducting *Viva Voce*. The Board of Examiners for *viva voce* shall consist of:

- (i) The Vice Chancellor or the nominee of the Vice Chancellor who shall be the Chairperson.
- (ii) One external examiner who has evaluated the thesis.
- (iii) Supervisor

12.2 Two members including external examiner shall constitute the quorum of the Board of Examiners.

12.3 The research scholar shall have to defend the thesis before the Board of Examiners in the public *viva voce* to be conducted by the Board of Examiners *as per* the date notified by the Controller of Examinations in consultation with the external examiner in this regard.

12.4 If the Board of Examiners is satisfied with the performance of the research scholar, the Board shall recommend the award of the degree of Doctorate of Philosophy (Ph. D.) in Law. The Controller of Examinations shall, subject to the approval of the vice chancellor, notify results of Ph.D. *Viva Voce*.

12.5 If the research scholar's performance is found to be unsatisfactory, the Board of Examiners may give the research scholar a second chance for the defense.

12.6 The reports of the Board of Examiners shall be submitted to the Vice Chancellor, who may pass orders for granting provisional degree, subject to the approval of the Academic Council and the Executive Council, whose decision shall be final.

12.A. **PUBLICATION OF DOCTORAL THESIS:** Thesis of the Ph.D. degree successfully awarded may be allowed to be published as per the rules contained under *Annexure-I* of **The Himachal Pradesh National Law University (HPNLU), Shimla Courses of Study, Admission, and Curriculum Regulation,” 2019.**²

13. **FEES AND REMUNERATION:** The fee-structure of Ph.D. Programme and the remuneration for evaluation etc., shall be as specified under *Annexure-B* of **The Himachal Pradesh National Law University (HPNLU), Shimla Courses of Study, Admission, and Curriculum Regulation,” 2019**, and *Annexure-A* of the **Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla, Examinations Regulations, 2019**, respectively.



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GUIDELINES FOR PUBLICATION OF DOCTORAL THESIS

Rule 12A in PART-III Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla Regulations for the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Programme, 2019, of Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Academic Regulations, 2019

- 1. Publication of Research Thesis**
 - 1.1 A researcher, having been awarded Doctorate of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Degree from Himachal Pradesh National Law University Shimla (hereinafter 'the University') may apply for the publication of his/her thesis.
 - 1.2 The applicant desirous of publication of his/her thesis shall be required to fill the Application Form (Annexure-A) within two years from the date of award of Ph.D.
 - 1.3 Application for publication of the thesis is required to be accompanied with the 'abstract of the thesis and a brief CV of the Applicant.
- 2. Eligibility Criteria for Publication of Thesis**
 - 2.1 On receipt of the application for publication of the thesis, the Dean Academic Affairs, with prior approval of the Vice-Chancellor shall obtain the copies of the reports of the external examiners from the Office of Controller of Examinations.
 - 2.2 The University shall allow publication of thesis if the publication thereof is categorically recommended by the examiner/s without modifications.
 - 2.3 In the case where the external examiner/s suggests for modification/revision of the thesis before publication, the copy of the report shall be made available to the author, who shall make necessary modifications and shall submit two hard copies of the modified/revised thesis to the Office of Dean Academic Affairs.
 - 2.4 The Dean Academic Affairs shall place the revised copy of the thesis along with the reports of the Examiner/s before the Research Coordination and Development Committee (RCDC) for consideration.
 - 2.5 Upon receipt of the report of RCDC with respect to satisfactory modification/revision of the thesis, and with prior approval of the Vice-Chancellor, the Dean Academic Affairs shall make recommendations about the publication of the thesis.
- 3. Conditions**
 - 3.1 The thesis shall be published within one year from the date of permission for publication. The permission for the publication will automatically lapse after one year unless the University specifically grants an extension on a request made by the author/publishers.
 - 3.2 The author is required to submit three (03) copies of the published thesis to the University library within two months of the publication.
 - 3.3 The permission for publications shall be subject to further conditions that:
 - (a) the responsibility for the facts stated, opinions expressed, or conclusions reached, is entirely that of the author and that the University accepts no responsibility for them.
 - (b) the publisher should ensure that the final product is of high quality from the production point of view.
 - (c) the following shall be printed at the blurb of the Book, either written inside the back cover of a hardback or any other prominent place:
"The [titled of the thesis] is completed under the supervision of [Name of the Supervisor] and was submitted to the Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla for the award of Doctorate of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Law, and was awarded in the year [year]."

Annexure-A



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APPLICATION FOR PUBLICATION OF DOCTORAL THESIS

1. Name of the Research Scholar:

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4. Mother's Name:

5. Email Id : _____; Mobile No. _____

6. Present Address:

State: _____; Pin. _____

7. Title of the Thesis:

8. Name of the Supervisor:

9. Date of Registration:

10. Year of Award of Ph.D.:

(enclose self-attested copy of Ph.D. degree/provisional degree)

Name & Signature of Applicant



PART-IV

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1. SHORT TITLE, EXTENT AND COMMENCEMENT

1.1 These Regulations shall be called the Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla, Examinations Regulations, 2019.

1.2 These Regulations shall come into force *w.e.f.* the 25th of December, 2019.

2. CONTROLLER OF EXAMINATIONS, APPOINTMENT AND RESPONSIBILITIES

2.1 There shall be an office of Controller of Examinations.

2.2 The Vice-Chancellor shall appoint the Controller of Examination.

2.3 The Controller of Examination shall be responsible for implementation of the rules contained in the Regulations, of the *Himachal Pradesh National Law University Examinations Regulations, 2019*.

2.4 The Controller of Examinations, in consultation with the Vice-chancellor, shall plan, organize, supervise and take decisions in all examinations related matters. The COE may make recommendations to the Vice-Chancellor for any desired changes/modifications/ amendment of these Regulations from time to time.

2.5 The COE may make recommendations to the Vice-chancellor for approval of procedures for maintenance of examinations and academic records by the Examination Branch.

2.6 The examination process, being confidential in nature, no person, students, faculty members, staff or outsiders, shall seek access to the secrecy branch of the office of COE for any reason whatsoever. Any query may be made at the enquiry counter of the Examination Branch.

3. ATTENDANCE

3.1 **Attendance in Undergraduate Courses:** No student of any of the Undergraduate Courses shall be allowed to sit for the end semester examinations in a subject if the student concerned has not attended minimum of 70% of the classes held in the subject concerned including the curricular moot court exercises, tutorials and practical training conducted in the subject taken together.

Provided that if a student for any exceptional reasons fails to attend 70% of the classes held in any subject, the vice-Chancellor may allow the student to sit for the end semester examinations if the student concerned has attended at least 65% of the classes held in the subject concerned and attended 70% of classes in all the subjects taken together.

- 3.2 Attendance in Post Graduate Courses:** A minimum of 75% attendance, in aggregate, shall be compulsory to appear in the end semester Examinations. A candidate who fails to obtain 75% of attendance shall not be allowed to sit in the examinations.
- 3.3 Academic leave:** Academic leave shall only be granted by the Vice Chancellor on the recommendation of the Dean Academic Affairs. While applying for academic leave, the student shall specify the class hour(s) that he/she may be absent. The academic leave shall be given for a class hour/set of class hours, and not in terms of days. An academic leave form shall accordingly be filed and forwarded to concerned faculty for preparing attendance record.
- 3.4** The Academic leave to a student shall be considered, subject to the prior approval of the Vice Chancellor, or any person designated by him, for participation in moot court, arbitration, trial advocacy, client counselling and drafting competitions. It is further clarified that academic leave shall not be granted for participation in Summer School programmes, internships, job interviews, passport/visa interviews or examinations of any kind internal and external etc., under any circumstances.
- 3.5** Invitation for participation in any of the activities mentioned in 3.4, for which a student may be granted academic leave, should be addressed to and received by the University.
- 3.6** Academic leave shall not exceed 15% of the total classes in any given semester. The Academic leave shall include Travel/journey period.
- 3.7** In case a student is unable to appear, due to approved academic leave, in any examination, there shall not be any rescheduling of the said examination.
- 3.8** If a student is assigned any University assignment, duly granted by appropriate authority with the approval of the Vice chancellor, he/she shall be granted attendance for the period.

4. EXAMINATION AND EVALUATION SYSTEM

- 4.1 The University shall follow the Credit-based Semester System in respect to examination, evaluation and award of degree/diploma/certificate in all the courses/programmes.
- 4.2 The course run by the University may be examined internally as well as externally to ensure a comprehensive assessment of performance of the students throughout the semester. The distribution of marks in the examination shall be as per the following table.

Sr. No.	Internal/External Assessment	Marks
Internal Assessment		
1	Assignment & Presentation	25 (15+10)
2	Mid-Semester Examination	25
External Assessment		
3	Semester-End Examination	50
	Total	100

- 4.3 Internal assessment of shall be based on the parameters of mid-semester examinations, and assignments (which shall include written assignments and presentations).
- 4.4 The assignment and practical examination, if any, shall be conducted as per the Academic Calendar. The assignments may consist of project and presentation, moot court exercise, trial advocacy, client counselling, arbitration & mediation competition, drafting competition, etc.
- 4.5 'Mid semester examinations' shall be conducted after completion of at least 50% of prescribed syllabi.
- 4.6 The schedule for all examinations shall be notified by the Controller of Examinations in consultation with the Vice-chancellor, in advance, at least one week before the scheduled date of the examinations.
- 4.7 For the purpose of end semester examinations, necessary directions shall be issued by the Controller of Examinations for submission of examination forms, issuance of Admit Cards, seating plans and other arrangements.
- 4.8 The University may provide honorarium to all external/internal examiners as *prescribed under Annexure-A.*

- 4.9 Subject to the UGC regulations/notifications, the Differently-abled students may be allowed additional time (20 minutes per scheduled hour), and to use relevant assistive devices for specific papers where such devices are necessary. Such a candidate may be allowed to use services of a scribe.

Provided that student who, is unable to write the examinations due to any physical injury, may ask for a scribe after filling up the prescribed form and submission of medical certificate.

- 4.10 Question Paper Setting and assessment of courses/subjects, in both, mid-term and end term Examinations may be internal or external as decided by the Controller of Examinations with the approval of the Vice Chancellor.

5. SETTING OF QUESTION PAPERS

- 5.1 There shall be internal/external setting of question papers for mid/end-Semester Examinations.
- 5.2 Subject to the recommendations of the Board of Studies and approval of the Vice-chancellor, the Controller of Examinations shall prepare the panel of question paper setters/ examiners.
- 5.3 The questions papers shall cover specified syllabus in the mid semester examinations shall cover the first and the second module of the syllabi, and the entire syllabi in the end semester examinations. The question papers in all courses, shall comprise of combinations of theory and problems/ **application** based designed to evaluate analytical skills of the students.
- 5.4 Question paper of mid semester examinations shall have two Sections. Section 'A', shall carry compulsory questions, containing 02 'Short Answer type questions', (one each from modules 1 and 2 of the syllabus), carrying 2.5 marks each. Section 'B' of the question paper shall be Descriptive in nature and shall have 02 questions (one each from modules 1 and 2 of the syllabus), with additional option from the respective modules, carrying 10 marks each.
- 5.5 Question papers for end semesters examination shall have two Sections. Section 'A', shall carry compulsory questions, containing 06 'Short Answer type questions', (at least one from each module of the syllabus), carrying 3 marks each. Section 'B' of the question paper shall be Descriptive in nature and shall have 04 questions (at least one from each module of the syllabus), with additional option from the respective modules, carrying 08 marks each.

- 5.6 For the mid/end semester examinations, set(s) of question papers shall be prepared by a question paper setter and shall be submitted to the Controller of Examinations as per the schedule notified in this regard.

6. MODERATION COMMITTEE

- 6.1 There shall be a Moderation Committee consisting of three-members coordinated/headed by the Controller of Examination. The Vice-Chancellor shall nominate two-faculty members to the Moderation Committee.
- 6.2 The Moderation Committee shall moderate all question papers, and shall finalize the question paper after moderation.
- 6.3 The Controller of Examinations shall get the results moderated, wherever required, with the prior approval of the Vice Chancellor.

7. MEDIUM AND DURATION OF EXAMINATION

- 7.1 Except for language paper(s), the medium of examination shall be English only.
- 7.2 The duration of mid semester examination shall be 90 (ninety) Minutes.
- 7.3 The duration of end semester Examination shall be of 03 (three) hours.

8. RE-APPEAR AND IMPROVEMENT OF GRADE

8.1 Subject to other provisions of these Regulations:

- (a) A student of any undergraduate course shall have to secure 45% marks to pass the paper(s).
- (b) A student of post graduate Programme, a student shall have to secure 50% marks to pass the course/paper.
- (c) A research scholar of Ph.D. Course work shall be secure 50% marks in each paper, in written examinations of the Ph.D. course work to pass the paper(s).¹

- 8.2 A student who fails to secure the minimum pass marks *as per* Rule 8.1 or remains absent in the examination shall be declared "Failed" in that course. He/she shall appear in the reappear examination for that course. If he/she passes the paper(s) in the reappear examination, the grade obtained shall have ® mentioned against it in the transcript. A student who absents himself/herself for an examination without permission shall be declared "Failed" in that course. He/She shall appear in the Repeat/Reappear Examination for that course. If he/she passes the course in the Repeat/Reappear Examination, the grade obtained shall have ® mentioned against it in the transcript. It is further clarified that no exemption of any kind in any examination during an academic year shall be provided on medical grounds.

- 8.3 The Reappear Examination shall generally be organized with regular Semester Examinations i.e. with mid semester as well as end semester examinations. However, with the approval of the Vice Chancellor, special Repeat Examination(s) may be conducted for Students of Final Year in each Programme.

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8.4 The Grades obtained in the Reappear Examinations shall be indicated with ® at the top of the Grade.

It is further clarified that reappear examinations shall be for the written examination component only i.e. mid semester & end semester examinations respectively (50 + 25= 75 marks). The marks awarded in assignment shall remain as originally awarded.

8.5 The students who appear for reappear examinations shall be allowed to do so only after paying the prescribed fee.

[Explanation: A Student who absents himself/herself from the assignment component of examination in a paper shall have to pass the course out of 75 marks of written component of examinations (i.e. in no case repeat submission of assignment and presentation shall be allowed).

Provided that in exceptional individual cases, the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of Controller of Examinations may allow a student to give written assignment submission and presentation on a later date than notified in the usual course or through Academic Calendar but prior to declaration of results.]¹

8.6 Subject to Rule 8.1, students desirous of improving their Grades may apply to the Controller of Examinations on payment of the prescribed fee and appear in Reappear Examinations, (End-Term examination component only), as mentioned in Rule 8.4 of this Regulations. The Grade originally obtained by such candidate at the end of the semester examination will be cancelled and the Grade obtained pursuant to the marks obtained at the Reappear Examinations will be treated as final. However, if student fails to appear in the Improvement Examination, then his original grade shall remain unchanged.

8.7 The fees for duplicate hall tickets, showing of end-term answer scripts, Reappear/Repeat Examinations, Improvement Examinations etc., shall be payable as prescribed in **Annexure-B**.

9. INVIGILATION OF EXAMINATIONS

9.2 Examination duty shall be compulsory for the teaching faculty and the non-teaching staff.

9.3 Invigilator-examinee ratio shall be 1:25. For the conduct of Mid/End Semester examinations, there shall be a Centre Superintendent and a Deputy Superintendent and Invigilators.

9.4 The Controller of Examinations shall communicate the schedule of examination duties to all the teaching and non-teaching staff prior to

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commencement of the examination. The Centre Superintendent shall ensure equitable distribution of examination duties, as far as possible in each paper on day to day basis.

- 9.5 The payment for paper setting, moderation, evaluation of answer scripts, term paper and dissertation shall be made as prescribed under **Annexure-A**.

10 GRACE MARKS

- 10.1 A student who has failed in any subject, may get grace marks not more than 6 marks to clear his paper(s).
- 10.2 Subject to Rule 10.1 a student may be allowed to get the benefit of grace marks in the maximum two subjects.

11. SCRUTINY

- 11.1 Scrutiny shall mean the evaluation of un-checked answers and re-checking of the totaling of marks in any given paper.
- 11.2 A student, who is not satisfied with the marks secured in the end-semester examinations may apply for scrutiny on the prescribed format after payment of scrutiny fee as prescribed under **Annexure-B**.
- 11.3 The student is free to apply for scrutiny of any number of papers in a given semester. However, for any paper, this facility may be availed only once.
- 11.4 For scrutiny, a student shall submit the duly filled the prescribed Scrutiny Form within 15 days from the date of declaration of results.
- 11.5 If there is any change in the marks of the student after the scrutiny, the student shall be provided the revised Mark Sheet on the submission of his original Mark sheet.
- 11.6 If a failed student secures passing marks after scrutiny, he/she shall be entitled for promotion to the subsequent semester without depositing any late fee.

12. RE-EVALUATION OF ANSWER SCRIPTS

- 12.1 A student seeking revaluation of an answer script of end-semester examinations (or Reappear) may apply to the Controller of Examination within 15 days from the date of declaration of results in the prescribed Revaluation Form after payment of the prescribed fee under Annexure II. If the result is declared during vacations, the request shall be made within one week from the date of re-opening of the University.

12.2 The Controller of Examination shall get the answer script revaluated by a re-valuator approved of the Vice Chancellor.

12.3 The student shall be awarded the grade as per the marks obtained in revaluation. However, if the difference between the original marks awarded and marks obtained after revaluation is more than 10 marks, the average of the both shall be treated as final award.

13. PROMOTION TO SUBSEQUENT YEAR AND AWARD OF DEGREE

13.1 Student securing at least 5.6 CGPA shall be awarded degree/diploma.

13.2 Subject to Rule 13.6, a student securing 'C' grade in the requisite number of papers shall be promoted to subsequent year. If a student fails to secure 'C' grade or 5.6 CGPA in the requisite number of papers for the award of Degree she/he may apply for improvement under Rule 8. If the student has secured 'C' Grade in all papers, but fails to secure 5.6 CGPA, she/he shall have to improve the CGPA by reappearing in papers of his/her choice.

13.3 No student shall be promoted to the subsequent year of the Programme except by way of Rule 13.6 If a student who has been debarred from appearing in an end-semester examination due to shortage of attendance in a compulsory paper, she/he shall not be promoted to the subsequent year.

13.4 Subject to Rule 13.6, if a student is not being promoted to subsequent year of the course/program, he/she shall be required to re-register for the said course/courses when these are again offered, by paying the prescribed fees. Such students shall be evaluated for 100 marks (50+25+25), for the course(s).

13.5 A student who has been declared 'failed' due to shortage of attendance, and has not been promoted to the next year of the course/program, shall be required to re-register himself for those said course(s). Such students shall be evaluated for 100 marks (50+25+25), for the course(s).

13.6 *Promotion Scheme to subsequent years shall be based on the following rules:*

For promotion to 2nd year – A student shall have passed 70% of all papers i.e., 08 out of 12 papers of the 1st year.

For promotion to 3rd year - A student shall have passed all papers of the 1st year and passed 70% of all papers i.e., 07 out of 10 courses of 2nd year

For promotion to 4th year, a student shall have passed all courses of the 1st and 2nd years and passed 70% of all papers i.e., 07 out of 10 courses of the 3rd year

For promotion to 5th year, a student shall have passed all courses of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd years and passed 70% of all papers i.e., 07 out of 10 courses of the 4th year.

13A. [MAXIMUM NUMBER OF YEARS FOR COMPLETING UG/PG COURSE/PROGRAMME:

13A.1 A candidate who is enrolled in B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. Five Year Course (FYIC) shall have maximum 8 years to complete his/her degree.

13A.2 A candidate who is enrolled in LL.M. One Year Programme shall have maximum 3 years to complete his/her degree.]¹

14. CREDIT SYSTEM

14.1 Credit connotes the unit that gives weight to the value level or time requirement of a course. 01 Credit shall be equal to 15 Teaching Hours. If a course has 6 papers in semester, and each paper is having 4 Credits, then the total credits of the paper of the Semester shall be calculated 4 (credits per paper) * 6 (number of papers) = 24 (Total Credits of the Subject).

14.2 Grade Value shall mean the value assigned to the marks obtained by a student in a paper. Grade value is based on 10-point scale.

14.3 [Letter Grade shall mean the Alphabetical Grade/s determined on the basis of Grade Value obtained by the Student in a paper. The Grade Value on 10-Point Scale, and the letter grade to be given to the student, is on the basis of Grade Value obtained by the Student. The Table given below shows the marks range, grade value and corresponding letter grade.

(a) For B.A./B.B.A.LL.B.

Sr. No.	Marks Range (Out of 100)	Grade Value (10-point Scale)	Letter Grade
1	90 and above	10	A+(Outstanding)
2	80 and above but below	09	A(Excellent)

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	90		
3	70 and above but below 80	08	B+(Distinction)
4	60 and above but below 70	07	B (Good)
5	50 and above but below 60	06	C+ (Average)
6	45 and above but below 50	05	C (Pass)
7	00>45	00	F (Fail)

(b) For LL.M.

Sr. No.	Marks Range (Out of 100)	Grade Value (10-point Scale)	Letter Grade
1	90 and above	10	A+ (Outstanding)
2	80 and above but below 90	09	A (Excellent)
3	70 and above but below 80	08	B+ (Distinction)
4	60 and above but below 70	07	B (Good)
5	50 and above but below 60	06	C+ (Average)
6	00>50	00	F (Fail)

* No round off shall be allowed in calculating Marks Percentage.

For Example: In a paper, if a student secures marks in the range of 70-79, the Grade Value for that paper shall be 8, and the Letter Grade for that paper shall be B+ (Distinction)].¹

14.4 Grade Point shall be calculated by multiplying the Grade Value obtained by the student and the Credits of that paper. For example, if the student secures the Grade Value 08, and the Credit of the paper is 04, then the Grade Point of the student in that paper shall be $8 \times 4 = 32$

14.5 Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) of a student shall be calculated as the sum total of the Grade Points secured by the student in all the papers of a semester divided by total Credits (sum total of credits of all the papers in that semester) in a semester.

For Example: If there are 6 papers in a semester, and each paper is having 4 Credits, total Credits of the Semester shall be calculated as $6 \times 4 = 24$.

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ANNEXURE-A¹**Honorarium/remunerations for experts/examiners/evaluators etc., .**

TITLE	UG	PG	Ph.D.
Paper setting (internal)	500/-	700/-	700/-
Paper setting (external)	1000/-	1200/-	1500/-
Moderation (each paper)	100/-	150/-	150/-
Evaluation			
a. Paper (internal)	30/- (Per answer script)	50/- (Per answer script)	50/- (Per answer script)
b. Paper (External)	50/- (Per answer script)	60/- (Per answer script)	100/- (Per answer script)
c. Dissertation (LL.M.)	1000/-	1000/-	
d. Term-Paper	-	500/-	-
e. Honorarium to Scrutinizer (including End-Term/Mid Term/Presentation Award-Lists and entry in the tabulation register).	4/- (per student per paper)		
f. Ph.D. Thesis	1000/-	1000/-	2,000/-
g. Viva Voce	1,000/-	1,500/-	1,500/-
h. Checking Assistant (for each Answer Scripts)	01/-	01/-	01/-

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If the student is securing grade points as 24 (GP1), 28 (GP2), 32 (GP3), 32 (GP4), 36 (GP5) and 40 (GP6) in Paper 1 (P1), Paper2 (P2), Paper 3 (P3), Paper 4 (P4), Paper 5 (P5), Paper 6 (P6), respectively, then the SGPA shall be calculated as (GP1) + (GP2) + (GP3) + (GP4) + (GP5) + (GP6) divided by the total credits.

$$\text{Therefore, SGPA} = (24 + 28 + 32 + 32 + 36 + 40) \div 24$$

$$\text{So, the SGPA} = 192 \div 24$$

$$\text{SGPA} = 8$$

- 14.6** Quality Points (QP) is the sum total of all the grade points obtained in semester.

$$\text{For Example: GP1} + \text{GP2} + \text{GP3} + \text{GP4} + \text{GP5} + \text{GP6} = \text{Quality Points.}$$

$$\text{There for, QP is: } 24 + 28 + 32 + 32 + 36 + 40 = 192$$

- 14.7** Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) shall be the sum total of Quality points of all the Semesters of a course till date divided by Total Credits of the Course till date. CGPA shall be considered up to two decimal places.

$$\text{CGPA} = \text{Total Quality Points in a Course} \div \text{Total Credits of the Course}$$

- 14.8** The calculation of CGPA in the second semester and the consecutive semesters shall be done according to the following formula:

$$\text{CGPA of semester II} = \text{QPI} + \text{QP II} \div \text{Total Credits of Semester I + II}$$

Similarly,

$$\text{CGPA of semester III} = \text{QP I} + \text{QP II} + \text{QP III} \div \text{Total Credits of Semester I + II + III}$$

Other semester's CGPA shall be calculated in the like manner.

- 14.9** The Division obtained shall be calculated on the basis given bellow:

Sr. No.	CGPA	Division
1	8.45 and above	First Division with Distinction
2	6.45 and above, but below 8.45	First Division
3	5.6 and above, but below 6.45	Second Division

14.10 University degree shall be awarded to the students securing C or above grade in all of its papers, and an overall CGPA of not less than 5.6.

14.11 The Conversion formula for converting CGPA to the corresponding percentage of marks shall be as follows:

$$X = 10Y - 4.5$$

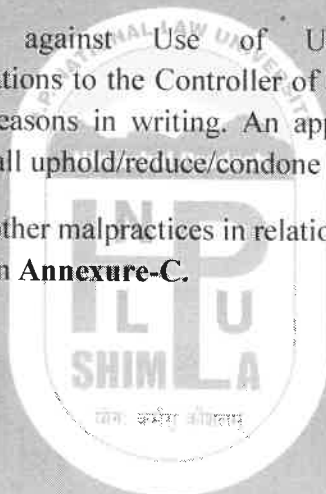
Where X = Percentage of Marks; Y = CGPA; 10 is 10-point scale, and 4.5 is the mean value of Class Interval of marks range.

15. Rules against 'Unfair means' and Committee against Use of Unfair Means in examinations

15.1 There shall be a Committee against Use of Unfair Means in examinations constituted by the Vice Chancellor.

15.2 The Committee against Use of Unfair Means shall submit report/recommendations to the Controller of Examinations who shall impose the penalty with reasons in writing. An appeal can be made to the Vice-Chancellor who shall uphold/reduce/condone the penalty.

15.3 Unfair means and other malpractices in relation to the examination shall mean as specified in **Annexure-C**.



ANNEXURE-B¹

Prescribed fees for Reappear/Repeat/improvement/scrutiny/revaluation etc.

TITLE	UG	PG	Ph.D.
4. Re-registration	5000/-	5000/-	5000/-
5. Dissertation			
Reappear/Repeat/Improvement (per paper)	1000/-	1000/-	1000/-
6. Scrutiny (per paper)	200/-	200/-	200/-
Revaluation (per paper)	2000/-	2000/-	2000/-
Resubmission of Term Paper	--	1000/-	---
Resubmission of Dissertation/thesis	---	3000/-	15000/-
Re-submission of Ph.D. Research Synopsis	--	----	2000/-
Late fee for submission of Six-Monthly Progress Report	---	---	*1000/-
Late Fee for submission of Term-Paper	---	*500/-	-----
Late fee for submission of Dissertation	---	*500/-	-----
Late fee for Exam Fee	*100/-	*100/-	*100/-
Provisional Degree	500/-	500/-	2000/-
Duplicate Marksheet	1000/-	1000/-	---

* The Late Fee shall be payable up to a maximum of three months at the rate specified for each months payable cumulatively as on the date of submission

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ANNEXURE-C

Guidelines on Use of Unfair Means (UFM) in Examinations

A candidate who uses unfair means or indulge in disorderly conduct at or in connection with examinations shall be liable in accordance with the rules given below.

Here "Candidate" means an examinee taking an examination. Examination means Mid-Term, End-Term, Project, Assignments, which are considered as part of evaluation for awarding grades/marks in a subject.

UNFAIR MEANS SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

1. During examination, having in possession or access to:
 - a. Any paper, book, note or any other unauthorized material which has relevance to the syllabus of the examination concerned.
 - b. Mobile Phones or any electronic gadget which can potentially be used for communication or copying. However, use of calculator (not scientific calculator), as per the express instructions in the question paper may be allowed.
 - c. Anything written on any other instrument or any kind of literature or any other thing which may have relevance to the syllabus of the examination of the course/paper concerned.
 - d. Anything written or signs made on the body of the candidate or his/her clothes/garments, handkerchief etc. which may have relevance to the syllabus of the examination paper concerned.
 - e. Anything written on the question paper which may have relevance to the syllabus of the examination paper concerned.
2. Giving or receiving assistance in answering the question papers to or from any other candidate/person in the examination hall/premises during the examination hours.
3. Talking to another candidate or any unauthorized person inside or outside the examination room during the examination hours without the permission of the invigilating staff.

4. Swallowing or attempting to swallow or destroying or attempting to destroy a note or paper or any other material.
5. Impersonating any candidate or getting impersonated by any person for taking the examination.

PUNISHMENT

A candidate found using unfair means or involved in disorderly conduct or disturbing other candidates, at or in connection with an examination shall be referred to the Committee against Use of Unfair Means in Examination. The committee shall consider the UFM cases as referred to it by the Controller of Examinations. The committee may recommend for awarding one or more of the following punishments:

1. Cancellation of the examination of the paper in respect of which he/she is found to have been guilty; and/or
2. Cancellation of the examination of the entire semester for which he/she was a candidate and/or debarring from examination for future semester(s).
3. Any other punishment deemed suitable by the Committee.

NORMS OF PUNISHMENT

The following norms for punishment are laid down.

1. If the candidate is found having in his/her possession of any material relevant to the syllabus of the examination paper concerned but has not copied from or used it.
The punishment shall be the cancellation of the examination of that particular paper and he/she shall be awarded F grade in that paper with all the consequences to follow.
2. If the candidate is found in his/her possession of the material and has copied from such material.
The punishment shall be the cancellation of the present semester examinations and he/she shall be awarded F grade in all the papers of that semester with all the consequences to follow.
3. If the candidate is found talking to another candidate or to any unauthorized person inside or outside the examination hall during the examination hours without the permission of the invigilator his/her examination in that paper may be cancelled and F grade shall be awarded in that paper with all the consequences to follow.
4. If the candidate is found reading or possess some incriminating material relevant to the syllabus of the paper in Examination Premises, his/her examination in that particular paper or his whole semester examination depending on the gravity of the offence shall be cancelled.
5. If the candidate is found giving or receiving assistance in answering the question papers to or from any other candidate/person in the examination hall

or outside during the examination hours, his/her examination in that particular paper shall be cancelled and F grade will be awarded in that paper with all the consequences to follow.

6. If the behaviour of the candidate on being caught is unsatisfactory or the candidate uses resistance/violence against the invigilator or any person on examination duty or consistently refuses to obey the instructions, the above punishments may be enhanced according to the gravity of the offence as deemed fit by the Committee against Use of Unfair Means in Examination.

All such cases shall be reported to the Academic Council in its subsequent meeting.



PART-V

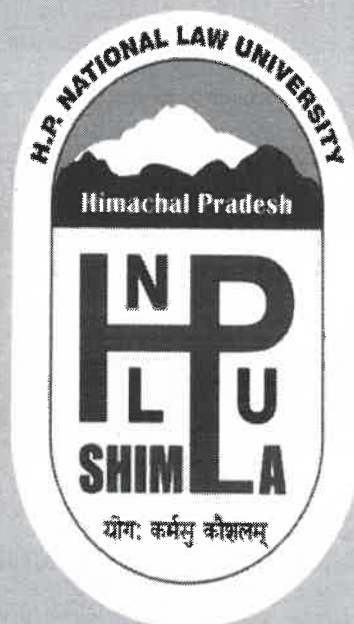
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1. **Removal of difficulty:** The Vice Chancellor is authorized to make necessary changes in these Regulations to remove difficulty and bring it in consonance with the corresponding statutory requirements.



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