

Minutes of the Online Board of Studies Meeting in the subject of English, Faculty of Arts
held on 08/04/2023.

Members Present:

1. Dr. Neeta Chakravarty, Chairperson
2. Dr. Dinesh Kumar (Attended Online)
3. Dr. Anand Bodhale (Attended Online)
4. Dr. Pratima Das (Attended Online)
5. Dr. Mandar Talvekar (Attended Online)
6. Ms. Sharmila Jajodia, Faculty, Dept. of English
7. Dr. Maria Shaikh, Faculty, Dept. of English

Dr. Chakravarty

Ms. Sharmila

The Agenda of the meeting:

- 1) To discuss on NEP preparedness for F.Y.B.A. SEM I & II Syllabus.
- 2) To discuss about Major subject of DSC for F.Y.B.A. SEM I & II Syllabus.
- 3) To discuss on Generic Elective Course of F.Y.B.A. SEM I & II Syllabus.
- 4) To discuss on Ability Enhancement Course (AEC) for F.Y.B.A. SEM I & II Syllabus.
- 5) To discuss on Nomenclature of all subjects for F.Y.B.A. SEM I & II Syllabus.
- 6) To discuss on Credits and workload for B.A. English Program.
- 7) To discuss on inclusion of suggestions received from Industry Person, Professors, Alumni and Students.
10. Any other matter with the permission of the chair.

The Chairperson welcomed the BoS members and specified that the purpose of the meeting was to design the syllabus in line with the NEP guidelines. **The Chairperson also informed the members that the DSE on Literature and Coping Skills conducted via Swayam Platform was successfully completed by the present SYBA English students.** The following items were discussed during the meeting:

Item 1

The Chairperson presented the NEP Grid outlining the proposed framework for the distribution of credits in English, Communication Skills and Business Communication for F.Y. B.A./ B.Com. and B.Sc. to be implemented from 2023-24. BoS members were updated about the basic structure of the courses comprising of Major and Minor Courses, Ability Enhancement Course and Generic Electives for the above papers.

Item 2

The chairperson informed the experts that as the English Major paper for F.Y.B.A. is of 6 credits and it has been bifurcated into 2 papers with 3 credits each, it was decided by the BoS members that the present F.Y.B.A. (English) paper and Drama paper from T.Y.B.A. to be incorporated as two separate papers under English Major. However, **the unit on Drama to be substituted by Essay in FYBA English Sem II.**

Item 3

As recommended by BoS members, a paper on Culture Studies to be introduced under Generic Elective for F.Y.B.A. students

Item 4

The current F.Y.B.Com. Business Communication syllabus to be made more compact so as to accommodate it under Ability Enhancement Course for F.Y.B.Com. for 2 credits in both semesters. To add to this, a paper on Business Communication of 4 credits to be introduced in F.Y.B.A. for students opting for Hindi and Marathi Major. It was also put forth that a paper on Communication Skills for two credits to be incorporated under AEC for FYBA and FYBSc students.

Item 5

The broad nomenclatures – Introduction to Literature and Drama were decided. Specific nomenclatures will be framed when syllabus is presented.

Item 6

The BoS members gave the following inputs related to the workload:

1. To consider 2 lectures as 1 lecture and 5 tutorials for BC and CS papers. As per NEP nomenclature, tutorials to be treated as practicals for Skill based courses, Therefore, each tutorial should consist of a batch of 20 students.
2. To assess the workload by calculating the number of lectures before NEP and after its implementation.

Item 7

As per recommendations made by Alumini, industry personsand students through feedback given by them via Google forms, they highlighted the need to prepare students for competitive exams. Therefore, the Bos members suggested that some modules based on GRE/GMAT/IELT Should be introduced as part of the paper in Competitive Exams.

After an elaborate discussion of the above points, the meeting ended with Vote of Thanks to all BoS members.

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