

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
DISTANCE EDUCATION BUREAU

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List of Category-I HEIs entitled to offer Open and Distance Learning (ODL) programmes for academic year 2024-25, academic session October, 2024 (revised from July- August, 2024)

- I. UGC in its 563rd Commission meeting held on 22nd November 2022 decided that Category-I HEIs (notified by UGC as per UGC (Categorization of Universities (only) for Grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2018 and its amendments) willing to offer programmes under Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from Jan-Feb 2023 academic session shall submit information to UGC. HEI is also required to submit an affidavit for ensuring compliance to all the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
- II. Based on the above Commission decision, all Category-I HEIs willing to offer Open and Distance Learning programmes for academic year 2024-25, academic session October, 2024 (revised from July- August, 2024), submitted the information along with prescribed fees, affidavit and supporting documents to the UGC. The information collected from the HEIs was only to ascertain conformity to the following provisions:
 - a) Verification of Category-I Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) entitlement as notified by UGC.
 - b) Permissibility of proposed programmes to be offered under ODL mode.
 - c) Adherence to UGC Notification of Specification of Degrees, 2014 and its amendments.
 - d) Prior approval of Regulatory Authority, wherever applicable.
- III. As per the 578th Commission decision, Central or State or Private Universities don't require prior approval/recommendation/NOC from AICTE for offering of Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Postgraduate Diploma programmes falling under the discipline of Management, Computer Applications and Travel and Tourism. However, deemed to be Universities are still required to seek prior approval/recommendation/ NOC of AICTE for offering of such programmes in ODL and/or Online mode.
- IV. The HEIs are entitled to offer the ODL programmes for the period, till they are Category-I HEIs as per the relevant UGC notifications / regulations and if not, they shall discontinue the programmes and inform the same to UGC. The learners already enrolled in the currently entitled programmes shall be allowed to complete the programmes in the manner laid down as per the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
- V. Programmes under the purview of other regulatory authorities have been considered on the basis of NOC/ approval / recommendation received from the respective regulatory authority letter. The HEI shall abide by the conditions such as the number of seats, valid academic year, etc. mentioned in the relevant regulatory authority letter.

- VI. Higher Education Institution shall write 'UGC entitled as per University Grants Commission (Categorization of Universities (only) for Grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2018 and its amendment(s)' instead of 'UGC recognized' at all places.
- VII. The Higher Educational Institution shall scrupulously abide by all the terms and conditions as stipulated under Parts III, IV and V of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments (including any amendments thereto) and shall take steps as stipulated under Annexure-I to VIII & Annexure-X of the said regulations.
- VIII. The Higher Educational Institution shall also adhere to the policy of Territorial Jurisdiction and Learner Support Centers (LSC) as specified in Annexure-III and VIII of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments respectively.
- IX. Based on 582nd Commission decision, the last date of admission for offering ODL and Online Programmes for the academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning October, 2024 (revised from July- August, 2024) and last date to upload the student admission details on UGC-DEB web portal are as under :-
- ***Last Date for Student Admissions: 15th November, 2024***
 - ***Last Date for submission of Student details on UGC Web portal: 30th November, 2024.***
- IX. The Higher Educational Institution has submitted an affidavit to the effect that in case any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the Higher Educational Institution is found to be false or wrong at a later stage or in case there is any violation of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments by the HEI, the Higher Educational Institution shall be solely liable and responsible for any such contravention/violation and for any consequences thereof. In such events, the HEI may also be subject to the consequences stipulated under Regulation 7 of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 (including any amendments thereto).
- X. The list of entitled HEIs which have submitted the affidavit to ensure compliance of UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments and have been found complying with above mentioned provision (as per point 2 above), for academic year 2024-25, academic session October, 2024 (revised from July - August, 2024) is appended herewith.

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Secretary

S. No.	STATE	TYPE OF HEI	HEI NAME	LIST OF RECOGNISED PROGRAMMES UNDER CATEGORY – I For ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-25, ACADEMIC SESSION BEGINNING FROM OCTOBER, 2024 (REVISED FROM JULY-AUGUST, 2024)	
				NO. OF PROGRAMMES RECOGNISED	NAME OF THE PRAOGRAMMES
					32) MASTER OF SCIENCE (BOTANY) 33) MASTER OF SCIENCE (PSYCHOLOGY) 34) MASTER OF COMMERCE 35) MASTER OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS) 36) MASTER OF SCIENCE (GEOGRAPHY)
2.	ANDHRA PRADESH	DEEMED TO-BE-UNIVERSITY	GANDHI INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT (GITAM)	03	1) BACHELOR OF COMMERCE 2) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS - POLITICS, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND SOCIOLOGY) 3) MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH)
3.	CHANDIGARH	STATE UNIVERSITY	PANJAB UNIVERSITY	01	1) BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
4.	GUJARAT	STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY	DR. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR OPEN UNIVERSITY	22	1) BACHELOR OF COMMERCE (HONS) <i>(4 years duration)</i> 2) BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 3) BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL EDUCATION) 4) BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (EDUCATION) 5) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (HISTORY) <i>(4 years duration)</i> 6) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION) <i>(4 years duration)</i> 7) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (POLITICAL SCIENCE) <i>(4 years duration)</i> 8) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (ECONOMICS) <i>(4 years duration)</i>

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					9) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (SOCIOLOGY) (4 years duration) 10) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (SANSKRIT) (4 years duration) 11) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (GUJARATI) (4 years duration) 12) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (HINDI) (4 years duration) 13) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (ENGLISH) (4 years duration) 14) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (JOURNALISM & MASS COMMUNICATION) (4 years duration) 15) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (CYBER SECURITY) (4 years duration) 16) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY) (4 years duration) 17) BACHELOR OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (HONS) (COMPUTER APPLICATIONS) (4 years duration) 18) MASTER OF ARTS (INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEM) 19) MASTER OF SCIENCE (DATA SCIENCE) 20) MASTER OF ARTS (HINDU STUDIES) 21) MASTER OF ARTS (SANSKRIT) 22) MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK
5.	GUJARAT	PRIVATE UNIVERSITY	PARUL UNIVERSITY	16	1) BACHELOR OF COMMERCE (HONS) (4 years duration) 2) BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK (HONS) (4 years duration) 3) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (ECONOMICS) (4 years duration)