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To

The Deans of Regional Campuses /
The Deans of Constituent Colleges /
The Principals of the Non-Autonomous Affiliated Colleges.

Sir / Madam,

Sub: A.U.–Offer of skill based courses (as Mandatory/Value Added Courses to the students pursuing of B.E. / B.Tech. Degree programmes) under R-2017 and R-2021 – Reg.
Ref: Approval of Vice-Chancellor, dated: 04.11.2022.

With reference to the above, it is informed that the 28th Academic Council of Anna University has decided to offer skill based Employability Enhancement Courses as mandatory courses / Value Added Courses to the students pursuing B.E. / B.Tech. degree programmes in University Departments.

A student may accumulate up to 6 credits through such courses, and such credits will be considered in lieu of the Professional Elective and/or Open Elective courses.

In this regard, a student is permitted to drop either 1 or 2 Professional Elective / Open Elective course(s) as per the procedure given below.

Table: Procedure to drop Professional Elective / Open Elective course(s)

No. of courses	Total No. of credits earned	Courses to be printed in the grade sheet	No. of Professional elective/open elective can be dropped	No. of credits considered for GPA/CGPA calculation
1	2	1	-	-
2	4	2	1	3
3	6	3	2	6

- The credits earned by the student of the successfully completed Skill Based Courses shall be recorded in the grade sheet.
- If a student has not successfully completed the skill based courses during the semesters V, VI and VII, then the same shall not be recorded in the grade sheet.
- If a student earns 2 credits in Semester V and then enrolls for another 2 credits in Semester VI, then he / she is permitted to drop one Professional elective/ open elective course in Semester VI. Further, if the student earns 4 credits upto Semester VI and enrolls for another 2 credits in Semester VII, then he/she is permitted to drop an additional professional elective/open elective course in the VII semester.

If the student has enrolled for skill based courses but has not successfully earned 4 or 6 credits and also dropped 1 or 2 PE/OE courses in anticipation of pass, then he/she has to enrol the PE/OE (as the case may be) to meet the total credit requirements to earn the degree.

Method for computation of Grade point of dropped PE / OE courses

The method of Computation of Grade point for the dropped PE/OE courses is given below:

1. If a student has successfully completed two Skill Based Courses, then the computation of Grade point for one PE/OE course dropped in lieu of those two skill based courses is as follows.

$$\text{Grade point} = (2 \text{ credits} * \text{higher grade point obtained} + 1 \text{ credit} * \text{lower grade point obtained}) / 3 \text{ credits.}$$

For example, for two courses of two credit each, if the grades obtained are,
Course 1– C grade – 5 points
Course 2– O grade – 10 points

Then, the grade point of the dropped course for the calculation of CGPA is obtained as:
 $(1 \times 5 + 2 \times 10) / 3 = 8.33$.

One PE/OE course shall be dropped for 3 credits with grade point computed as above.

2. If a student has successfully completed three Skill Based Courses, then the computation of Grade point for dropping two PE/OE in lieu of those three skill based courses is as follows.

For three courses of two credit each

Computation of Grade point of each of the two dropped PE/OE courses for the calculation of CGPA = Average grade point of three skill based courses.

Two PE/OE courses shall be dropped of 3 credits each, with grade point computed as above.

This decision is taken with the approval of the competent authority.

This is to be ratified in the forthcoming Academic council meeting.

This is for your information and necessary action at your end.


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