

# **REGULATIONS GOVERNING CERTIFICATE COURSE IN WOMEN'S STUDIES AND DEVELOPMENT IN MANGALORE UNIVERSITY.**

(Framed under Sec. 44(1)© of the KSU Act 2000)

## **Preamble**

There has been growing awareness about gender issues all over the world in recent years. In response to this trend, academics have recognized the importance of Women's Studies as critical input in societal development. Although attempts have been made earlier to introduce Women's Studies as an optional at the degree level, our colleges could not offer it because of certain disincentives in grant-in-aid policies. In this context, it is felt that the Women's Studies Centre of the Mangalore University should take steps to re-introduce women's studies as a discipline in the University. This could initially take the form of a graduate level certificate course (post-higher secondary or post Pre-University course), which could later be developed further into a Diploma course. In keeping with the recent IUB decision, the ultimate aim of this project is to set up a department of Women's Studies in the Mangalore University. This needs to be done in a phased manner so that a feeder group is created for Women's Studies at the Post Graduate level.

## **The Objectives of the certificate course are:**

- a) To promote awareness among both women and men of the need to develop women's full potential as resources for national development and as citizens.
- b) To emphasize the need to question existing values and counter reactionary forces which have denied women their productive roles by consigning them to their reproductive functions.
- c) To revitalize university education, by sensitizing it to social issues.
- d) To produce a sensitive society which offers meaningful roles to women in all developmental activities.

## **1. Title and commencement:**

- i) These regulations shall be called the regulations governing the Certificate Course in Women's Studies and Development in Mangalore University.
- ii) These regulations shall come into force from the date of assent of the Chancellor.

## **2. Eligibility:**

Both men & women are eligible to take the course. Minimum qualification will be Pre-university or its equivalent with a minimum aggregate of 45% marks (40% for SC/ST).

## **3. Duration of the Programmes:**

The Certificate course will be part-time and of one year's duration. Classes will be conducted either in the early morning or late evening on weekdays and on Saturday afternoons. The Certificate course will consist of 4 papers with 60 teaching hours each with 2 hours per week per paper. The academic schedule will

run from mid-July or August to March every year. The annual examination will be held in June every year. There shall be no supplementary examinations.

**4. Medium of Instruction:**

The medium of instruction will be both English and Kannada. Students can write their examinations in either English or Kannada.

**5. Attendance Requirements:** Students must attend at least 75% of classes held.

**6. Examinations:** All papers will carry 100 marks each.

The final examination question papers will be of 3 hours duration and for 80 marks each. They will consist of essay type and short answer questions (50% marks for each type) with adequate choice in the individual sections as itemized in the proposed syllabus. There shall be internal assessment for 20 marks per paper to be awarded through tests, assignments or class reports. There shall be no minimum mark for a pass in internal assessment. Internal assessment marks once awarded are not subject to change.

**Scheme of Examinations & Instructions:**

| Paper          | Title                           | Teaching Hours/ Week | Examination Hours | I A | Theory | Total |
|----------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----|--------|-------|
| I.             | Basic Issues in Women's Studies | 2                    | 3                 | 20  | 80     | 100   |
| II.            | Women, Society and Culture      | 2                    | 3                 | 20  | 80     | 100   |
| III.           | Women, Economy and Empowerment  | 2                    | 3                 | 20  | 80     | 100   |
| IV.            | Women, Politics and Law         | 2                    | 3                 | 20  | 80     | 100   |
| Total: 8 hours |                                 |                      |                   |     | Total: | 400   |

**7. Minimum Marks for a Pass:**

Any candidate who has obtained a minimum of 35% in each paper and 40% in aggregate (including internal assessment) shall be declared to have passed the exam. The candidates should complete the certificate course within a maximum period of 3 years from the date of admission.

**8. Maximum period for completion of the programmes:**

A candidate shall complete the programme within three years from the date of admission. The term completing the programme means passing all the prescribed examinations of the programme to become eligible for the certificate. No candidate shall be permitted to appear for the examinations after the prescribed maximum period for completing the programme.

## **9. Percentage of marks for declaring class:**

Class and distinction shall be declared at the end of each examination on the following basis,

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|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| First class with Distinction | 70% and above                   |
| First class                  | 60% and above but less than 70% |
| Second class                 | 50% and above but less than 60% |
| Pass class                   | 40% and above but less than 50% |

There shall be no ranking.

## **10. Rejection of Results:**

Application for rejection along with payment of the prescribed fee shall be submitted to the Registrar (Evaluation) through the college of study together with the original statement of marks within 30 days from the date of publication of the result.

(Assented by the Chancellor on 21.06.2006 as communicated in Government letter No. ED 01 UDS 2006 dated 05.07.2006 and notified under Notification No. MU/ ACC/ CR11/ 2005-06/A2 dated 20.07.2006.

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