Department of Library and Information Science  
Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh

D.No.553/Lib.Sc.  

Minutes  

Dated: 22.11.2013

An Ordinary Meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department was held on 21.10.2013 at 12:30 p.m. in the Chairman’s Chamber.

The following members were present:-

1. Prof. Khalid Azam (Assigned Member)  
2. Prof. Adbul Mateen (Assigned Member)  
3. Prof. Shabahat Husain (in-Chair)  
4. Mr. S. Mustafa K.O. Zaidi  
5. Dr. Naushad Ali P.M  
6. Dr. Sudharma Haridasan  
7. Dr. Masoom Raza  
8. Dr. Nishat Fatima  
9. Dr. Mehtab Alam Ansari

The following Agenda items were discussed:

Before taking up the agenda, chairman welcomed all the members of BOS, particularly the Assigned Members namely, Prof. Khalid Azam and Prof. Abdul Mateen.

Item No.-1: Minutes of the ordinary meeting of BOS held on 20/03/2012 and special meetings of BOS held on 04/08/2012, 17/11/2012, 21/01/2013, 11/03/2013 and 29/05/2013 were confirmed.

Item No.-2: The board recommended the appointment of Examiners and Moderators for the session 2013-2014 as per the details given below:

1. B.A. (I Semester)  
2. B.L.I.Sc. (I Semester)  
3. M.L.I.Sc. (I Semester)  

The above three lists of Examiners and Moderators were sent to the Controller of Examinations through Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, under the confidential cover.
Item No.-3 Recommended the names of two co-opted members as follows:

1. Prof. P.B. Mangla  
   EB-210, Maya Enclave,  
   Delhi 110064.

2. Prof. M.P. Satija  
   Department of Library and Information Science,  
   Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, Punjab.

Any other item The following issues were discussed and recommended on behalf of BOS.

1. Framing of ordinances of B.L.I.Sc.
   The Board discussed the framework of B.L.I.Sc. Ordinances and recommended the same for approval by the Faculty and Academic Council. (Appendix-1)

2. To workout the modalities of the Internship Programme for the students of the Department the Board constituted the following committee:-
   I. Dr. Naushad Ali P.M (Convener)
   II. Dr. Masoom Raza (Member)
   III. Dr. Sudharma Haridasan (Member)
   IV. Dr. Nishat Fatima (Member)
   V. Dr. Mehtab Alam Ansari (Member)

3. With regard to the limitations imposed by the university to appoint external Examiners / Members of BOS with in 350 kms. from Aligarh. (Vide Office Memo No. D-148/FO/PS/2013 dated 9.10.2013), the board discussed the issue and found that there are only three universities that have full fledged Departments of Library & Information Science with in an ambit of 350 kms. these are:
   I. University of Delhi.
   II. Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra
   III. Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar University, Agra
   The last one is being headed by the only full time Assistant Professor.

   In such circumstances, it was resolved that the chairman should request the Vice-Chancellor on behalf of BOS to relax the restriction of 350 kms. for the department of Library & Information Science as a special case.
4. The board recommended additions/deletions in the Admission Test paper as per the details given below:

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<td>1.</td>
<td>Deptt. of Library and Information Science, B.L.I.Sc.</td>
<td>There shall be one paper of 100 marks comprising 100 questions on General English and General Knowledge (having focus on the use of Library)</td>
<td>There shall be one paper of 100 marks comprising of 100 questions as per the details given below: 1. General English - 50 Multiple choice questions – 50 Marks 2. General Knowledge - 40 Multiple choice questions – 40 Marks 3. General Awareness about the books and their use in a library 10 -Multiple choice questions – 10 Marks</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Deptt. of Library and Information Science, M.L.I.Sc.</td>
<td>There shall be one paper of 100 marks comprising of 59 questions of multiple choice, fill in the blanks, short answer questions and one essay type question.</td>
<td>There shall be one paper of B.L.I.Sc. Standard of 100 marks comprising of the following sections:- 1. 60 Multiple choice questions – 60 Marks 2. 06 Short Answer Questions (up to 50 words each) –30 Marks 3. 01 Essay Type Question (up to 250 words) –10 Marks</td>
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The meeting came to an end with a vote of thanks.

(Prof. Shabahat Husain)  
Chairman  
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Department of  
Library & Information Science  
A.M.U. Aligarh
CHAPTER – LII
Bachelor of Library and Information Science (B.L.I.Sc.)
(2-Semester Programme)
(Effective from the session 2013-2014)

• **Introduction:**
The Department of Library & Information Science offers a full time programme leading to the Bachelor of Library and Information Science (B.L.I.Sc.)

• **Eligibility:**
A candidate will be eligible to apply for admission to B.L.I.Sc. programme, if he/she has qualified:

   Either
   B.A./B.Sc/B.Com./B.Th. of this University or its equivalent examination with at least 50% marks

   OR

   B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./B.Th. with 45% marks plus a Master's degree with II division

• **Criteria for admission:**
Selection of candidates in B.L.I.Sc. will be made through an admission test comprising of a written test conducted through a paper comprising of 100 questions of one mark each as per the details given below:

   • General English - 50 Multiple choice questions – 50 Marks
   • General Knowledge - 40 Multiple choice questions – 40 Marks
   • General Awareness about the books and their use in a library
     10 Multiple choice questions – 10 Marks

• **Academic Session:**
The academic session for B.L.I.Sc. programme is divided into 02 regular semesters – autumn & winter, each of which shall be of approximately 20 weeks duration. The autumn semester will normally commence in the month of July/August and the winter in month of December/January every year. In the beginning of every session, the Controller of examination in consultation with the Chairman of the department of Library & Information Science shall notify the detailed academic calendar indicating the date of commencement of classes, last teaching day, date of commencement of examination etc.

• **Duration of the Programme:**
The minimum duration of the programme shall be of two consecutive semesters after admission.
The maximum duration of the programme shall be of four consecutive semesters after admission. However, grace of two more consecutive semesters may be allowed by the academic council on the recommendation of the chairman of the department and Dean of the faculty.

- **Curriculum and Credit System:**
  In order to be eligible for the award of degree of B.L.I.Sc., a candidate shall have to pass in I & II semester examinations comprising of papers of two/four credits, so as to accumulate a total of 48 credits.

**Attendance:**
Students who have put in 75% or more attendance in a semester will be eligible to appear in the end semester examination as prescribed in Chapter XVII of Academic Ordinances.

- **Examination & Evaluation:**
  - Each 04 credit paper will be evaluated out of 100 marks whereas each 02 credit paper will be evaluated out of 50 marks. The components of evaluation of the two types of papers will be as follows:
    - Four credit paper
      - Sessionals 25%
      - End semester Examination of two hours duration 75%
    - Two credit paper
      - Sessionals 15%
      - End semester Examination of two hours duration 35%

  - To pass in each paper in a semester, a candidate has to secure a minimum of:
    - 36% Marks in each paper (inclusive of Sessional work)
    - 40% Marks in Aggregate

- **Result:**
  - Not with standing anything contained in the foregoing clauses, if a student passes all the examinations in I and II semesters, his/her division will be awarded on the basis of aggregate percentage of marks as detailed below:
    - I Division 60% & above
    - II Division 50% & above but less than 60%
    - III Division 40% & above but less than 50%
• Grace Marks (GM) and Discretionary Marks (DM) may be awarded as per University rules.
• Distinction will be awarded in a paper in which a student secures 75% or more marks in aggregate of that paper.

• **Promotion from I to II semester:**
A student of I semester shall be eligible to be promoted to II semester if he/she completes the attendance requirement as well as secures a minimum of 16 credits in I semester.

• **Ex-students** (as defined in Chapter XVII (A) Revised of the Ordinances (Academic)), will be permitted by the Dean on the recommendation of the chairman to appear in the corresponding End Semester Examination. The marks obtained earlier by the ex-students in Sessional work/project/dissertation/viva-voce as the case may be, shall be carried forward.

In no case, supplementary or special examination shall be held.

• **Improvement**
To improve his/her performance, a candidate who passes I and II Semester examinations may appear in not more than 25% of the written papers of theory courses at the corresponding End Semester Examination, not later than one academic session after the declaration of his/her result. No improvement in the marks secured in Sessionals/Dissertation/viva-voce examination will be allowed. Such candidates shall not be entitled for hostel accommodation.

Permission for improvement shall be granted only once by the Dean on the recommendation of the chairman, provided the candidate is not enrolled in any other course of study during the academic year when he is permitted for improvement.

Provided further that if the candidate fails to improve his/her performance, the marks sheet and/or degree awarded to him/her earlier shall not be withdrawn.

• **Transitory Ordinance:**
Candidates admitted prior to the implementation of these ordinances shall be governed by the ordinances (academic) under which they were admitted. Students who fail in the courses that are no more offered in these new ordinances, will be allowed to pass the alternative courses of the new curriculum, and in case there are no alternative courses, the old courses may be offered. A student admitted previously may apply to the Dean through the Chairman concerned, to be governed by these revised ordinances. Such cases may be allowed on a case by case basis.