



**MAHARASHTRA ANIMAL & FISHERY
SCIENCES UNIVERSITY**

Academic Regulations - 2023

POST GRADUATE

(MASTERS & DOCTORATE)

DEGREE PROGRAMME

**MAHARASHTRA ANIMAL & FISHERY SCIENCES UNIVERSITY, NEAR
FUTALA LAKE ROAD, NAGPUR - 440 001**

ACADEMIC REGULATIONS 2022:POST-GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMME

			In exercise of the powers conferred under clause (iv to vii) of sub-section 2 of Section 30 read with sub-section (3) of Section 35 of the Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University Act, 1998, the Academic Council hereby makes the following regulation and alter the same having been approved by the Executive Council under clause (xvi to xix) of Section 27 of the Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University Act, 1998.
			<u>REGULATION NO. 146/2022</u>
1.0			Short Title and Commencement:
		1.1	These regulations shall be called "The Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University, Nagpur: Academic Regulations 2022 Post-Graduate (Masters & Doctorate) Degree Programme. The regulations shall be applicable to regular as well as MAFSU In-service candidates and all the earlier Academic Regulations in the matter shall stands cancelled.
		1.2	These Regulations shall be deemed to have come into force from the Academic Year 2023 - 2024 .
2.0			Definitions:
	2.1	a)	" Act " means the Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University Act 1998 (Maharashtra Act No. XVII of 1998).
		b)	" Statutes " means the Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University Statutes 2002.
		c)	" University " means the Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University, Nagpur (MAFSU).
		d)	" Faculty " means the faculty or faculties (Veterinary Science, Fishery Science & Dairy Technology) constituted under section 31 of Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University Act 1998
	2.2		An Academic year shall consist of two semesters, each of maximum 18 - 20 weeks duration excluding the duration of semester-end examination.
	2.3		A semester shall consist of not less than 18 – 20 weeks. After an instructional period of 18 - 20 weeks, practical examinations shall be scheduled during the next week and the semester end theory examinations during next two week.
	2.4		" Course " means a unit of instructions or segment of subject matter as specified in course calendar to be covered in a semester. It has a specific number, title and credits.
	2.5		" Credit " means one clock hour learning in theory or two clock hours in laboratory and /or field practical/ or hospital teaching work per week.
	2.6		" Credit load " means the quantum of credits undertaken by a student or assigned to a student in a semester. A student shall not be entitled to register for more than 20 credits in a semester.

	2.7		“ Course content ” means a concise outline of the subject matter of the discipline.
	2.8		“ Curriculum ” means a series of courses selected, designed and prescribed to provide training of a student to meet the prescribed requirements for a degree.
	2.9		“ Discipline ” means a field of specialization.
	2.10		“ Department ” means a subject (discipline) unit of the Faculty to manage and organize teaching, research and extension education activities in the jurisdiction of the University.
	2.11		“ Head of the Department ” means the academic officer principally responsible for teaching, research and extension education programmes of the Department in the College/institute/faculty and/or University.
	2.12		“ Advisor ” means the Chairperson of the Students Advisory Committee or the Major Advisor / Research Guide recognized as per the respective Academic Regulation in vogue guiding the post-graduate study programme including thesis research
	2.13		“ Co- advisor ” means the students co-advisor guiding Master’s/ Ph.D. programme may be faculty member recognized by Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University.
	2.14		“ Students Advisory Committee ” means the committee constituted to plan, supervise and guide the post-graduate programme of a student.
	2.15		“ Major Field ” means the subjects/disciplines for which the student registers for post –graduate degree programme.
	2.16		“ Minor Field ” means the discipline/subject related and/or relevant to the topic of research or field of specialization.
	2.17		“ Student ” means a person who is enrolled in the University, any College or School or any other Institution recognized by the University or distance education programme of University, for receiving instruction or for qualifying himself for any Postgraduate degree, diploma, certificate or other academic distinction conferred by the University.
	2.18		“ Grade Point ” means the actual percentage of marks obtained by a student in a particular course divided by 10 and expressed to two decimal points.
	2.19		“ Course Credit Point ” means a product of course credit and a grade point secured by a student in a course, which shall be expressed up to three decimal points.
	2.20		“ Grade Point Average ” (GPA) means the quotient of the total grade points obtained by a student in the courses during a semester divided by the total number of credits of courses successfully completed in that semester and shall be calculated to second decimal point.
	2.21		“ Cumulative Grade Point Average ” (CGPA) means the quotient of the total grade points obtained in all the courses during the degree programme divided by the number of credits successfully completed by a student and shall be calculated up to three decimal points.
			Words and expressions used in the Act, Statutes and Regulations and not defined in these Regulations shall have the

			meaning assigned to it in the Act, Statutes or Regulations as the case may be.
3.0			Academic Calendar: The academic calendar specifying the dates of registration, commencement of instructions, examinations, end of semester or academic year etc. shall be prepared by Controller of Examinations and notified from time to time by the Registrar after approval of the Dean of the respective faculty.
4.0			Admission:
	4.1	a)	Selection of candidates for the first semester of masters degree course shall be made on the basis of merit in concerned group of subject in the All India Entrance Examination for Admission (AIEEA) conducted by National Testing Agency, New Delhi. However candidate should be eligible to secure admission in any of the subject of concerned group as per the prospectus.
		b)	Selection of candidates for the first semester of doctoral degree course shall be made on the basis of merit in concerned subject in the All India Entrance Examination for Admission (AIEEA) conducted by National Testing Agency, New Delhi and interview together. The Interview shall be conducted by MAFSU. The minimum qualifying marks shall be 50% for unreserved and 40% for reserved category candidates.
	4.2		The minimum requirement for admission to P.G. degree programme is Bachelor degree of concerned faculty with CGPA 6.00/10.00 or 3.00/5.00 or 2.40/4.00 for general category and 5.5 /10.00 or 2.75/5.00 or 2.2/4.00 for reserved category. For Ph.D. degree programme, qualifying examination is Master's degree in the respective subject with CGPA 7.00/10.00 for general category and 6.50/10.00 for reserved category & basic qualification of respective faculty or recognized University is essential.
	4.3	a)	The admissions shall be made on the basis of CGPA obtained in 10 point scale in the qualifying examination. The formula for conversion of CGPA in 4 point scale to CGPA in 10 point scale shall be - a) For CGPA between 2.0 & 3.49 in 4 point scale (X) to CGPA in 10 Point scale (Y) $Y = 1.5 + 2X$ b) For CGPA between 3.50 & 4 in 4 point scale (X) to CGPA in 10 point scale (Y) $Y = 8.5 + 3(X-3.5)$
		b)	Formula for conversion of percent marks to CGPA in 10 point scale. $X = Y/10$, where X - CGPA in 10 point scale and Y = percent marks.
	4.4		Candidates selected for provisional admission to a post-graduate degree programme shall report to the respective Dean/Associate Dean of the college during the period notified by the Registrar & shall receive necessary directives for registration from the Dean/Associate Dean.
	4.5		Fees levied on account of registration, tuition, hostel, examination, students council, general insurance, gymkhana, library etc. shall be such as determined by the Executive Council from time to time on the recommendation of Academic Council.
	4.6		Any revision in the fees to be collected from students on any account shall be applicable to all the students irrespective of their year of admission unless specified by the competent authority.

	4.7		The student, once admitted to a particular college/subject can change the subject as per the availability of the seats after last round of admission within college. Such seats will be notified by the Registrar within 7 days after last round of admission. Students shall have to apply for change in subject through their Associate Dean to the Registrar within next 7 days of vacancy notification. Applications of the students shall be considered strictly on the basis of merit & availability of vacant seats. No application shall be entertained after the above-specified period. These facilities shall be applicable only to students admitted up to the last round of admission. This clause shall not be applicable to the candidates admitted through ICAR quota.
	4.8		Once a student is admitted to Master's degree and wishes to change his/her admission during next academic year with respect to subject, he/she may do so, provided he/she applies a fresh for admission. In the event of securing admission, the earlier admission shall stand automatically cancelled. The credits of the courses successfully completed will be transferred to his/her credit bank through Credit Bank Transfer.
	4.9		Admission shall consist of payment of University fee at the time of admission.
	5.0		Registration :
	5.1		Registration shall consist of payment of college fees, hostel fees and other fees/charges in the respective colleges notified / given in prospectus of respective admission year
	5.2		Registration of various courses shall be determined by the Major Advisor in consultation with the respective course teachers recommended by the HOD and approved by the Dean/Associate Dean of the concerned College/Institute. Registration for each course be mentioned in the Registration Form (PGR Annexure-I).
	5.3		After receipt of the registration forms (PGR Annexure-I) from students, the Dean/Associate Dean of the college shall prepare a list of students and forward the same to the Registrar within a month after admission to I semester for allotment of enrolment number. Registrar shall allot enrolment number to the student migrating from other University and communicate the same to the Dean/Associate Dean for notification.
	5.4		The Dean/Associate Dean of the college shall assign enrolment number received from the Registrar to each of the students admitted in the academic year.
	5.5		Late Registration:
		a)	A student seeking admission to semester other than the first shall be permitted by the Dean/ Associate Dean of the college/institute on recommendation of the advisor and on payment of late fee Rs. 100/- per day (or as decided by the University from time to time) up to a period of five working days from and excluding the day notified for registration. This clause shall not be applicable to the student seeking admission to first semester.
		b)	A late registration for the period of up to 10 days to a student shall be permitted by Dean Faculty on recommendation of the Dean/Associate Dean of college/institute and on payment of late fees of Rs. 200/- per

			day (6-10 days) up to a period of 10 working days from and excluding the date of registration.
		c)	<p>The Vice-Chancellor may permit late registration to a student on recommendation of Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute and Dean Faculty with late fees of Rs. 400/- per day (11-15 days) up to a period of 15 working days from and excluding the date of registration. No registration shall be permitted on the expiry of this period.</p> <p>After the last day of registration (including the period specified for late registration), the student shall not be permitted to register in that semester. However, within 60 days from the last date of registration he/she shall have to obtain written permission from the Head of the Institute for break in studies. He/She shall pay the gap fee which will be equivalent to the fees payable at the time of registration in that respective semester for the semester(s) in which he/she did not register during immediate next semester. If he/she fails to do so his/her name shall be removed from the College/Institute/University roll on the recommendation of the Dean/Associate Dean of concerned college & his/her admission shall stand cancelled. This chance will be given only once during that PG programme as per the provisions of clause 9.3 given below.</p>
		d)	In-absentia/online registration is not permitted under any circumstances except in special case of natural disaster/pandemic etc. excluding first semester.
		e)	Medical examination is compulsory for all the students and the same should be done from the Civil Surgeon/University Medical Officer or other Medical Officer as nominated by the College/Institute and approved by the University within a period of two months from the date of admission. Date of medical examination shall be fixed by Dean/Associate Dean after last round of admission.
		f)	If a student fails to appear at the medical examination arranged by the University/College/ Institute, he/she will have to get himself/herself medically examined from the above medical authorities at his/her own expenses and produce examination report before the end of first semester. In case he/she fails to produce the medical examination report within the specified time, he/she will not be allowed to appear for the subsequent examination.
6.0			Eligibility Certificate: Students other than MAFSU graduates who are provisionally admitted in the University shall have to apply to the Registrar in the prescribed form (PGR Annexure-II) along with the original and true copies of the testimonials for eligibility immediately after registration.
	6.1		Student migrating from any other University within the State of Maharashtra shall be required to pay Rs. 500/- or the fees as prescribed by the University from time to time for eligibility certificate.
	6.2		Students migrating from the Universities or statutory examining bodies outside the Maharashtra State and seeking admission in this University shall be required to pay Rs. 1000/- or fees prescribed by the University from time to time for eligibility certificate. No student from

			other University or statutory examining body shall finally be admitted to any Institute/ College constituent or affiliated to this University without the production of an eligibility certificate signed by the Registrar of this University.
	6.3		For students migrating from Universities outside India, the examinations conducted by such Universities or examining bodies shall be given general equivalence as suggested by equivalence committee after ascertaining the standards of passing & after verifying the course catalogues/syllabus, etc., the deficiency courses, if needed, will have to be completed within a period of one year. While applying for eligibility certificate, the applicant shall attach with his application, true copies of the following documents along with the originals :
		a)	A statement of marks/grade card/transcript of the last qualifying examination passed.
		b)	A migration certificate or correspondence made regarding this to University.
		c)	A provisional/degree certificate of the last qualifying examination.
		d)	College Leaving Certificate.
		e)	Caste Certificate, if applicable.
7.0			Transfer of student within University.
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8.0			Refund of fees :
	8.1		A student shall get 50% refund of tuition fees, 100% caution money and 100% examination fees, if he/she desires to cancel his/her admission for bonafide reasons and applied within one month after date of registration of I semester. In case, University cancels the admission of the student, 100% fee shall be forfeited.
	8.2		Only 100% caution money may be refundable to a student after cancellation of admission any time during the degree course or completion of the degree course. Such refund will however be materialized only on production of the original receipts/ satisfaction of the concerned authority.
	8.3		After completion of course, a student shall apply within six months for refund of caution money. Otherwise the amount of caution money be forfeited & deposited to Student's Aid Fund of respective colleges/institute.
9.0			Time limit for completion of degree.
	9.1	a)	The minimum residential requirement for completion of Master's & doctorate degree shall be four and six consecutive semesters respectively from the date of admission for regular candidates.
		b)	The minimum residential requirement for completion of doctorate degree shall be eight consecutive semesters respectively from the date of admission for MAFSU In-service candidates.
	9.2	a)	The regular candidate admitted for the Master's & Doctorate degree may be declared qualified for the degree provided the candidate completes all the prescribed requirements within 10 & 14 consecutive semesters respectively for the date of admission to the Master's & Doctorate Degree programme, provided he / she registers for each

			<p>semester regularly. If he / she fails to register for any of the semester or unable to complete all the prescribed requirement within prescribed semesters mentioned above from the date of admission for respective degree programmes, his/ her admission shall be cancelled.</p> <p>However on an application of the candidate addressed through proper channel to the Dean of the concerned faculty, an extension in this time limit for completion of the M. V. Sc programme upto one semester and Ph.D. programme upto two semester may be granted by the Dean of the concerned faculty on the recommendation of the research guide and concerned Head of the University Department / Sectional Head.</p>
		b)	<p>The MAFSU In-service candidate admitted for the Doctorate degree may be declared qualified for the degree provided the candidate completes all the prescribed requirements within 14 consecutive semesters respectively for the date of admission to the Doctorate Degree programme, provided he / she registers for each semester regularly. If he / she fails to register for any of the semester or unable to complete all the prescribed requirement within prescribed semesters mentioned above from the date of admission for respective degree programmes, his/ her admission shall be cancelled.</p> <p>However on an application of the candidate addressed through proper channel to the Dean of the concerned faculty, an extension in this time limit for completion of the Ph.D. programme upto two semester may be granted by the Dean of the concerned faculty on the recommendation of the research guide and concerned Head of the University Department / Sectional Head.</p>
	9.3		Break in Study: Student shall be permitted to break in his / her studies subject to following conditions:
		a)	Candidate shall be allowed to take break in studies only after successful completion of courses of first two semesters registered by him/her. This provision shall not be applicable to MAFSU In-service and female candidate availing maternity leave.
		b)	The candidate shall have to apply for break in studies on valid reasons to the Registrar with the recommendation of the concerned Sectional Head and Dean/Associate Dean of the concerned college/institute.
		c)	Candidate shall be allowed a maximum break of five semesters once only during his/her Master's Degree Course and seven semesters for Doctorate degree course. However, female candidate shall be allowed a break for one semester on recommendation of registered Medical Practitioner during advance pregnancy at any time of study. This special concession shall be given once during her course curriculum subject to having less than two child. Moreover, the student has to complete the degree programme in maximum period as prescribed in the regulation for completion of Master's Degree/Doctorate studies and if the course curriculum is in vogue at that time.
		d)	Candidate has to pay gap fees (equivalent to total fees) of all the semesters at the time of registration after the break for which he/she could not register in order to continue his/her registration.
		e)	Candidate shall have to complete all the prescribed requirements of respective degree courses as per the provision of clause 9.2 above

		f)	For re-joining, the candidate shall have to apply to the Registrar through the Dean/Associate Dean of the college.
		g)	The absence other than above mentioned provisions will be dealt as per the other provisions of this Academic Regulation.
10.0			Courses, Credits, Curriculum, System of Teaching and Evaluation:
			The details of the courses, credits and curriculum of degree programme shall be such, as may be determined from time to time by the Executive Council on the recommendation of Academic Council in consultation with the respective Faculty and the Board of studies.
11.0			Students Advisory Committee:
	11.1		In case of newly admitted students, the concerned Professor/Head of the Department/ Sectional Head shall function as Chairperson of the Students Advisory Committee till the Students Advisory Committee is constituted.
	11.2	a)	Every student shall have a recognized Advisor/Research Guide from the major field of specialization and he/she shall function as Chairperson of the Students Advisory Committee. At any given time an Academic Officer shall not be a Chairperson of Students Advisory Committee (including Masters & Doctoral programme) of more than five students.
		b)	The retiring Academic Officer/faculty may not be approved to act as Chairperson of the Students Advisory Committee for Masters student if he/she is left with less than two years of service and for Doctoral students if he/she is left with less than three years of service. However, in special circumstance, permission of Dean of the concerned faculty shall be obtained after due recommendation of the concerned HoD and Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute.
		c)	The Academic Officer/faculty of MAFSU on extraordinary leave or on study leave or transferred or who leave the University service shall cease to continue to act as Chairperson of the Students Advisory Committee.
		d)	The Academic Officer/faculty who retired or leave the University service may be approved to act as Chairperson of the Students Advisory Committee with the approval of Vice Chancellor after due recommendation of the concerned HoD and Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute and Dean of the concerned faculty on the following conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The concerned staff member must be resident in India and if he/ she agrees to guide research and must be available for consultations; ii. An application is made by the student concerned duly supported by the Advisory Committee; iii. In case of a Ph.D. student, he/ she must have completed his/ her comprehensive examinations and the research work must be well in progress and it is expected that the student will submit the thesis within a year. iv. If the student has completed his course work and minimum of 10 research credits and the retiring Chairperson stays at the

			<p>Headquarters of the College, till the thesis is submitted.</p> <p>v. If the Chairperson proceeds on deputation to another organization, he/ she may be permitted to guide the student provided his/ her new organization is at the Headquarters of the College and his/ her organization is willing for the same.</p>
	11.3		The other members of the Students Advisory Committee shall be suggested by the Chairperson of the Students Advisory Committee in consultation with the Professor/Head of Departments/Sectional Head of the major and minor disciplines and also with the knowledge and consent of the members concerned. The second member in the Students Advisory Committee shall preferably be from the student's major field.
	11.4		For each student admitted to post graduate degree programme, the Students Advisory Committee excluding the chairperson, consisting minimum four and maximum six members and whereas for doctoral degree programme, the Students Advisory Committee consisting of minimum four and maximum six members both the major and minor fields of specialization (including the faculty members from national laboratories/other Universities, State/Central Govt. Research Laboratories or allied subjects, if necessary which may also act as Co-guide) shall be constituted. The Advisor of each student shall be nominated by the University/College Professor/HOD/ Sectional Head. A proposal for formation of the Students Advisory Committee shall be forwarded in prescribed proforma in five copies (PGR Annexure – III) for approval of the Dean/Associate Dean of the concerned college/institute before the end of first semester. In case of any dispute regarding the formation of Students Advisory Committee, the decision of Associate Dean shall be final. A copy of the approved Students Advisory Committee shall be submitted to the Dean of the concerned faculty and Controller of Examination, MAFSU, Nagpur.
	11.5		Whenever the Chairperson of Students Advisory Committee is not available for any reason, another member from the students major field nominated by the Head of Department of college and approved by the Dean/Associate Dean of the concerned college/institute shall take over as Chairperson. The vacancy if any caused in the Advisory Committee shall also be filled in by appointment of another faculty member.
	11.6		The Students Advisory Committee of each student shall meet at least once in a semester and send an assessment report to the Dean/Associate Dean of the concerned college/institute through the Head of the Department.
	11.7		The Chairperson of the Students Advisory Committee should be recognized as per the provisions of MAFSU Academic Regulation in vogue.
	11.8		The qualifications and experience of teachers for recognition as PG course teachers and or research guide (Advisor) shall be such as determined by the Executive Council on the recommendation of the Academic Council from time to time.
	12.0		Credit Requirement:
	12.1	a)	The following shall be the credit requirement for the post – graduate

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		b)	The student admitted to the post – graduate degree programme shall complete the all major courses, minor courses and supporting courses in I, II and III semester. All the other courses not included in the courses of major and minor disciplines shall be considered as supporting courses in addition to the list of supporting courses indicated in by ICAR in Common Academic Regulations for PG and Ph.D. Programmes published in December 2021. The common courses and seminar(s) along with thesis research shall be taken up in III semester.																																				
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		d)	The course title 'Research and Publication Ethics' (Course Code – RPE 700 & Credit Hours – 1+1) is compulsory major course for doctorate programme for all the disciplines apart from regular major courses of the respective disciplines.																																				
		e)	The Board of Studies (BoS) of each Faculty shall identify available online courses in the form of e-courses, MOOCs, SWAYAM etc. and a student may select from the listed courses. The interested students may provide the details of the on-line courses to the BoS for its consideration.																																				
		f)	A Postgraduate student may take up to a maximum of 20% credits in a semester through online learning resources.																																				
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			available in the form of e-courses/MOOCs on SWAYAM or other online platforms. If a student has already completed any of these courses during UG, he/she may be permitted to register for related courses with the prior approval of the Head of Department / concerned Board of Studies.						
13.0			Course Plan:						
			The course plan for the entire post-graduate degree programme shall be so designed as to enable the student to achieve proficiency in the discipline of his/her specialization, and minor/ supporting disciplines. The course plan shall be finalized by the Students Advisory Committee taking into consideration of the students' academic record and training requirements in the particular field/discipline. The final course plan in the prescribed form (PGR Annexure – VI) shall be forwarded to the Dean/Associate Dean of the concerned colleges/institute before the end of first semester for approval. Any change in the course plan shall require a prior approval of the Dean/Associate Dean of the concerned colleges/institute.						
14.0			Credit load:						
	14.1	a)	The maximum credit load per semester shall be 20 credits for the post-graduate degree programme for regular candidates.						
		b)	The maximum credit load per semester shall be 09 credits for the course work semesters and 15 credits for research semesters for the doctorate degree programme for MAFSU In-service candidates.						
	14.2		Subject to the provision of clause 14.1 above, a student may add or withdraw course(s) within fortnight from the date of registration with the prior consent of the Advisor, concerned course teacher and Head of Department/Sectional Head in the prescribed form (PGR Annexure – IV) with the approval of Dean/Associate Dean of the concerned college/institute.						
15.0			Credit Seminar:						
	15.1	a)	The Students Advisory Committee shall finalize the topic of credit seminar of a student.						
		b)	The master's student shall present one seminar of one credit in the major discipline of his/her studies.						
		c)	The doctoral student shall present two seminars of one credit each in the major discipline of his/her studies.						
		d)	The Seminar Evaluation Committee shall consist of four Academic Officers as follows: <table border="1" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td>i)</td> <td>Head of Department / Sectional Head of concern discipline</td> <td>Chairperson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ii)</td> <td>03 Academic Officers</td> <td>Member</td> </tr> </table> <p>The committee shall assess the performance of the credit seminar of a student in the prescribed form (PGR Annexure – V).</p>	i)	Head of Department / Sectional Head of concern discipline	Chairperson	ii)	03 Academic Officers	Member
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	15.2		It is mandatory for the student to deliver the credit seminar on the topic other than the topic of his/her thesis research work.						
	15.3		The credit seminar shall be conducted as per the following modalities approved by the faculty.						
		a)	The Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute should nominate / identify one academic officer as an Officer In-charge/Coordinator for						

			credit seminar.
		b)	All the students of post-graduate programme, registering for credit seminar should approach to the Officer In-charge/Coordinator along with their topic to be delivered in the seminar within seven days from the last date of registration.
		c)	The Officer In-charge/Coordinator of the respective college/institute should identify suitable day and time in week for delivering such seminar.
		d)	Amongst the enrolled students for credit seminar, the Officer In-charge/Coordinator for credit seminar should notify the list of the students and schedule of seminar by lottery system after compilation of information and arrange not more than two seminars on the specified date and time under intimation to office of the Associate Dean of concern college/institute.
		e)	Seminar should be started latest by one month after the date of registration for third semester in which the seminar is registered in order to adjust that last seminar be delivered before schedule date of semester end examination.
		f)	Evaluation of the seminar shall be done as per the above clause 15.1 (d).
		g)	Result of seminar shall be submitted along with the result of other subjects / courses on the date specified by college / University.
16.0			Outline of Research Work (ORW):
	16.1		The ORW should indicate a precise title of research topic, its importance, review of literature, methodology, facilities required and time schedule for completion of the research work.
	16.2		Before finalizing the ORW of the students, it should be discussed in the College Advisory Council before discussion in the respective Board of Studies and suggestions, if any, should be incorporated by the Students Advisory Committee.
	16.3		The ORW of a student in the prescribed proforma (PGR Annexure – VII) recommended by the Students Advisory Committee shall be submitted for approval of the Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute before the end of the second semester for regular master's and doctoral students and third semester for In-service doctoral students.
	16.4		Minor changes, if any, like change of title of thesis or some modification in methodology/parameters, if required due to unavoidable circumstances during/after completion of research work or suggestions made by External Examiner, may be allowed to incorporate with the recommendation of Students Advisory Committee & approval of Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute under intimation to Dean, Faculty & Controller of Examinations, while submitting the final bound thesis.
17.0			Attendance:
	17.1		Every student shall attend all lectures, practical, library work, extension education visits, study tours and the meetings with teacher, advisor etc.
	17.2		Each teacher shall maintain a record of student's attendance in a roster for each course taught by him/her in a semester.

	17.3		If a student fails to attend minimum seventy-five percent of the total number of scheduled lectures and practical separately in a laboratory / field / assignment, classes in a course held during a semester, he/she shall not be eligible to appear at the semester-end examination and shall be declared as failed. Such a student shall repeat the course(s) when offered. A student participating in inter collegiate higher level tournament or other activities sponsored by the University/College shall be deemed to have attended the academic programme during that period.
	17.4		A student repeating the course, who has appeared for the examination and failed, is exempted from the attendance.
18.0			Evaluation:
	18.1		A student's progress in a course shall be judged through periodical examinations. Mid-semester theory examination shall be conducted by the course teacher/HOD/Dean/ Associate Dean of the college/institute when approximately half the course is completed (i.e.around 11 th week of commencement of the semester) for the Masters student only. It shall consist of one hour theory paper. The semester end theory or practical examination shall conducted for Masters and Doctoral students and it should be minimum of two hours duration. The dates of semester-end examination shall be notified by the Registrar well in advance with approval ofthe Dean of respective faculty.
	18.2		The allocation of total marks for theory and practical examination shall be proportionate to the number of credits (for example a course with two credits for theory and one credit for practical i.e. 2 + 1 credits, allocation of marks between theory and practical shall be in the ratio of 2 : 1 i.e. Theory 100 marks and practical 50 marks. Similarly a course with 1 + 2 credits shall have 50 marks for theory and 100 marks for practical).
	18.3	a)	The relative weightage of marks to various examinations conducted for Masters students shall be as under: Theory : Mid-semester examination 20 % Semester-end examination 80 % Practical : Record of Class work 20 % (Attendance, Assignments & Practical Journal etc.) Semester-end examination 80 % Maximum marks allotted for viva-voce examination shall be 25 % of total marks allotted for Practical examination (i.e. 10 marks out of 40 for one credit).
		b)	The relative weightage of marks to semester end examination conducted for Doctoral students shall be as under: Theory : Semester-end examination 100 % Practical : Record of Class work 20 % (Attendance, Assignments & Practical Journal etc.) Semester-end examination 80 % Maximum marks allotted for viva-voce examination shall be 25 % of total marks allotted for Practical examination (i.e. 10 marks out of 40 for one credit).
	18.4		The Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute shall make available the students, semester wise Academic Performance Transcript/Grade

			Card (PGR Annexure-VIII) containing information regarding the courses taken, grade points awarded credit points obtained etc. to the concerned student & Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee.															
	18.5		Provision of Writer: Under unavoidable circumstances, if a student desires help of a writer at the time of examination, the Dean/Associate Dean shall provide a writer on written request from student at least a day before the commencement of paper. A writer must be a graduate other than the concerned Faculty in which the student is appearing. The remuneration to the Writer as deemed shall be borne by the concerned student.															
19.0			Grading :															
	19.1		The percentage of marks earned in a course is divided by 10 and is expressed to three decimal places. At the end of each semester, a student shall be given grade points in 0 -10 point scale on the basis of his/her performance in the examinations. This represents the grade point awarded in that course.															
	19.2		A minimum of 6.50 CGPA is required for passing a particular course for Master's & Ph.D. course.															
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	20.2	a)	A Student seeking less than 65% marks in a course for Master's & 65% marks for Ph.D. shall be declared as failed in that course,															
		b)	The student who has 75% attendance but failed in courses can apply for the semester end examination as a compartment only for once directly (only for examination) without attending the classes for those course(s) in the immediate next semester. However, such students shall have to register by filling the said courses in the registration form & by payment of fees of Rs. 500/- per course, in addition to registration fee of semester. Such repeat courses shall not be considered for the maximum credit load prescribed for the semester.															
		c)	The student should have only one chance for compartment exam. If he/she fails in the particular course(s) in the compartment exam then he/she will be allowed to repeat the said course(s) in the immediate next semester (i.e. corresponding odd or even semester, as the case may be) or he/she can opt for repeating the course completely (without registering for compartment) in the corresponding odd or even semester. However, if he fails after repeating the courses(s) then his/her admission shall stand cancelled. Whereas, the student who has failed due to less than 75% attendance in course(s) should be allowed to repeat that/those course(s) only once in the corresponding odd or even semester. If he/she fails again (either due to less than 75% attendance or less than 65% marks) then his/her admission shall stand cancelled. Thus for post-graduate degree programmes repeating of															

			course(s) will be allowed for one time only.
		d)	The result of compartment, if any, will be denoted as 'C' on the Transcript and Permanent Academic Record as is done for Repeat by denoting 'R'. The credits of the courses successfully completed will be transferred to his/her credit bank through Credit Bank Transfer.
21.0			Error in Result:
	21.1		The answer books of mid-semester examination shall be shown to the students within fifteen days from the date of examination. The discrepancies, if any pointed out by the student, shall be verified and corrected by the concerned course teacher & Professor/Sectional Head/HOD. Re-totaling of the semester-end examination marks shall be done after application to the Dean/Associate Dean of the concerned college/institute. Such applications shall be considered only if received within seven days along with fee of Rs.100/- or as prescribed from time to time to the Dean/Associate Dean of the concerned college/institute from the date of the declaration of the result. Fees for re-totaling of semester end marks shall be refundable in case of change in marks. No revaluation of semester-end examination is allowed.
	21.2		The University/college may provide the certified copies of Theory/Practical Answer Book(s) of the examinee for mid-term / semester-end examinations under Right to Information Act – 2005, if requested by the examinee only.
22.0			Academic Performance:
			The Academic Performance Transcript shall be issued by the Registrar and Grade Card shall be issued by Associate Dean after completion of the entire course work and research on payment of the prescribed fees (PGR Annexure-IX).
23.0			Academic Status:
			A student must necessarily obtain cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of at least 6.50 for Master's degree and 6.50 for Doctorate degree (10 point scale) after satisfactorily completing the requisite courses & research work determined by the Students Advisory Committee.
24.0			Qualifying Examination:
	24.1	a)	The qualifying/comprehensive examination is meant to judge the students candidature for the doctoral degree programme.
		b)	The Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee will submit the proposal for conducting qualifying/comprehensive examination in the prescribed proforma (PGR Annexure-X) for Ph.D. programme to the Professor/HOD/Sectional Head in triplicate, not later than 15 days from the commencement of the semester in which the examination is proposed to be held. The Head of the department will submit the same through the Dean/Associate Dean of College/Institute confidentially within the next one week to the Dean, Faculty. The name of external examiner shall be approved by the Dean of the concerned faculty from the panel of three experts recommended by the Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee and will be communicated to the HOD/Sectional Head through Dean/Associate Dean of college/institute. qualifying/comprehensive examination must be completed within

			three months from the date of permission/approval from the Dean of concerned faculty.
	24.2		The qualifying/comprehensive examination shall be based on oral examination by the Students Advisory Committee along with an external examiner. This examination shall be taken to assess the overall ability of the student to conduct research with the theoretical background he/she possesses.
	24.3		A notice for holding the qualifying/comprehensive examination of the Doctoral students in the discipline to be held at one time as far as possible shall be issued at least a month in advance by the Head of the Department. The comprehensive examination shall be conducted only after securing minimum CGPA of 6.50 in the semester-end examination by concerned student.
	24.4		The qualifying/comprehensive examination shall be held before the end of third semester.
	24.5		The Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee shall submit the report of the qualifying/comprehensive examination in the prescribed proforma (PGR Annexure – XI) to the Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute and Controller of Examination through proper channel. Deficiencies in the performance of the student, if any may be indicated and additional training/assignments to make up the deficiencies are to be suggested.
	24.6		A student obtaining ‘Unsatisfactory’ remark in qualifying/comprehensive examination shall be re-examined not earlier than one month.
	24.7	a)	The student obtaining ‘Unsatisfactory’ remark in qualifying/comprehensive examination shall apply to the Dean of the concerned faculty through proper channel with the recommendation of Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee and Head of the Department.
		b)	If the student fails in the re-examination, he/she shall appeal to the Dean of the concerned faculty for further examination.
		c)	The student should clear the qualifying/comprehensive examination in maximum three attempts failing which he/she will not be considered eligible for award of the degree.
25.0			Unfair Means:
	25.1		The Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute shall have the primary responsibility of preventing and dealing with the case of preparation, attempt, abetment and use of unfair means in all examinations.
	25.2		The concerned teacher or invigilator, who during the course of examination notices or to whose notice it has been brought that a student is preparing, attempting, abetting, in use or is actually using or has used unfair means in mid-semester examination or semester-end-examination shall seize all the incriminating material, including the answer book from the student instructing him/her to solve the remaining question(s) within the rest of the examination period in the newly issued answer paper.
	25.3		The teacher or invigilator concerned shall on the very day of the alleged preparation for or attempt of abetment in use or actually used

			unfair means by a student in mid-semester examination or semester-end-examination report to the Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute through In-Charge of Examination (if appointed), the occurrence of the said alleged preparation, along with the answer script (s) and evidence in support to the same.						
	25.4		On receipt of the report referred to in clause (25.3) above, the Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute shall himself hold enquiry into the alleged preparation, attempt, abetment or actual use of unfair means in the examination within three days. The concerned student shall be given an opportunity to be heard by the Dean/Associate Dean. Pending the said enquiry, the student shall be permitted to appear in the remaining part of the concerned examination, but his result shall not be declared till a final decision in the said case is taken by the Dean/ Associate Dean of the college/institute.						
	25.5		On the completion of the enquiry referred to in clause (25.4) above, if the Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute holds that the student is not guilty of the charge of preparation attempt, abetment or the actual use of unfair means, he shall direct to evaluate both the answer books and the result be declared accordingly.						
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	25.7		The Dean/Associate Dean of the College/Institute shall give punishment by an order in writing as stated in clause 25.6 and his order shall be binding on the student and all other concerned. The action taken shall be communicated immediately to the Dean of the concerned faculty and Registrar for information.						
	25.8		Occurrence of any other incident and use of unfair means not covered above shall be dealt with by the Dean/Associate Dean as per the "Maintenance of Discipline and Good Conduct by Students" Rules of the University.						
26.0			Thesis:						
	26.1	a)	The Chairperson of Students Advisory Committee shall ensure that all members of the Students Advisory Committee are duly consulted before draft thesis is submitted by the student. The certificate to the effect duly signed by the Students Advisory Committee shall be submitted with the draft thesis.						

		b)	The Chairperson of Students Advisory Committee shall ensure that the draft thesis submitted by the student is duly checked through a Plagiarism Detecting Tool approved by MAFSU as per the MAFSU Academic Regulations regarding Promotion of Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism. The system generated Plagiarism Detecting Tool Report duly signed by student and Chairperson – Students Advisory Committee shall be submitted with the draft thesis.
	26.2		Each Masters candidate shall be required to submit three and Doctoral candidate four copies of unbound thesis through the Head of Department/Sectional Head and the Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute along with No Dues Certificate. After scrutinizing and verification of the submitted documents, and due satisfaction, one copy out of these thesis along with the proposal in the prescribed proforma (PGR Annexure-XII) shall be sent to the External Examiner (as approved by the University) directly by the Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute under intimation to Controller of Examinations. In case of Ph.D. student, evaluation of thesis shall be done by appointing two referee/examiners from outside of Maharashtra.
	26.3		The thesis shall be accompanied by:
		a)	A copy of one research paper published for Ph.D. (or acceptance letter thereof from the editorial board) in referred journal having NAAS impact factor and at least acceptance letter thereof from the editorial board of journal having NAAS impact factor for M.V.Sc.
		b)	Certificate duly endorsed by the Advisory Committee to the effect that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The thesis is the result of the student's bonafide research work and ii) The contents submitted for the award of degree have not been submitted previously for any Diploma or Degree.
		c)	Anti-Plagiarism Certificate and Plagiarism Detecting Tool Certificate
	26.4		Each Ph.D. students shall have to submit three copies of the progress report highlighting the research findings of the thesis, to the Major Guide for approval of the Advisory Committee, at least six months in advance of the proposed date of submission of the thesis. The same should be submitted to the Controller of Examinations through proper channel. However, the student will continue to register and pay the necessary fees till the submission of thesis, subject to the provisions in Rule 9.2
	26.5		A Ph.D. student shall deliver a seminar on the thesis research findings before the submission of thesis.
	26.6		The post-graduate thesis shall consist of the following Chapters : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Introduction 2) Review of Literature 3) Material and Methods. 4) Results and discussion (combined or separate) 5) Summary & conclusion(s) 6) Bibliography

			The appendices, if any, shall be added after the Bibliography.
	26.7		The post-graduate thesis shall also include Declaration of Student (PGR Annexure-XIII), Declaration of Students Advisory Committee (PGR Annexure-XIV) and Certificate (PGR Annexure-XV) before the index page.
	26.8		The structure and lay out of various chapters in the thesis shall be as per the standard format given in the thesis manual of this University.
27.0			Evaluation of Thesis :
	27.1		Master's Degree :
		a)	The thesis submitted in partial fulfillment of Master's degree shall be evaluated by an external examiner. The external examiner shall be appointed by the Dean of the concerned faculty from panel of three examiners proposed by the Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee through proper channel or from the approved list of the experts available with the University.
		b)	The external examiner shall send his report to the Controller of Examination and a copy of the same to the Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee. The report shall be in the prescribed proforma (PGR Annexure – XVI).
		c)	In case, the examiner does not recommend the thesis for the award of the degree, the University may refer the thesis for evaluation to another external examiner from the same panel. If the second external examiner recommends the thesis for acceptance, his recommendation may be accepted. If the thesis is rejected by the second external examiner also, the candidate shall have option to continue the work, rewrite the thesis or submit thesis on fresh research project depending on the comments of the examiner once again not earlier than two semesters, but restricting to ten semesters from the date of admission.
		d)	A final viva-voce examination shall be held by the Students Advisory Committee in collaboration with the external Examiner (one who has evaluated the thesis) appointed by Dean, (Faculty) after the receipt of the satisfactory report of the external examiner. In case, external examiner is unable to attend the examination, the substitute external examiner shall be appointed in emergency by the Dean/Associate Dean of the College under intimation to Dean of the concerned faculty. The Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee shall be the Chairperson of the Examination Committee. The degree shall be awarded on the unanimous recommendation of the Examining Committee. The final viva-voce examination report as per the prescribed format (PGR Annexure-XVII) shall be submitted to the Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute through the HOD who in turn forwards the same to the Controller of Examinations.
		e)	A notification containing the name(s) of the candidates declared eligible for the degree along with the title of thesis and the name of the research guide shall be issued by the Registrar on approval of the Vice-Chancellor.
	27.2		Doctorate Degree :
		a)	The thesis submitted in partial fulfillment of Ph.D. degree shall be evaluated by two external examiners appointed by the Vice-Chancellor of the University. The Chairperson, Students Advisory

			Committee shall be the Chairperson of the examining committee. The external examiners shall be from outside the University. They shall ordinarily be recommended by the Dean of concerned faculty from a panel of six external examiners proposed by the Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee from the list of experts in the particular field. However, the Dean of the concerned faculty may modify the panel of external examiners proposed by the major advisor. The external examiners shall send their reports on the thesis directly to the Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee, with a copy of the same to the Controller of Examinations. The report shall be in the prescribed format (PGR Annexure - XVI)
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		c)	If the examiner(s) recommends(s) additional work for the award of the degree, the candidate may be permitted to continue the work and submit thesis once again not earlier than two semesters from the date of such communication, but restricting to fourteen semesters from the year of admission & no further extension shall be granted in any circumstances. The submission of thesis for the third time is not allowed and the candidate has to select new topic of research.
		d)	After receiving satisfactory reports, a viva voce examination shall be conducted by the Students Advisory Committee in collaboration with one of the external examiners who have evaluated the thesis and recommended it for the award of the degree. The external examiner shall be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor of the University on the recommendation of the Dean of the concerned faculty. The Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee shall be the chairperson of the examining committee. The candidate shall have to defend the thesis at viva-voce examination in open house and the draft of the thesis shall be displayed on web.
		e)	The degree shall be awarded on recommendation of the Examination Committee in regards to the thesis itself and the performance of the student in the final viva-voce examination. The recommendation of the committee shall be forwarded by the Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee to the Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute through Head of the Department in the prescribed proforma (PGR Annexure-XVII).
		f)	A student who fails in the final vive-voce examination may be permitted to appear for the second time. The permission to reappear for the second time may be given but the re-examination shall take place not earlier than three months after the first examination and it will be conducted by the committee as previously constituted. Re-examination for the third time is not permissible and the student who fails for second time shall not be eligible for award of degree.

		g)	The Dean/Associate Dean of the college/institute will forward a copy of the report of thesis and final vive-voce to the Controller of Examination. A notification containing the name of the candidate declared eligible for degree along with the title of thesis and name of Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee shall be issued by the Registrar on approval of the Vice- Chancellor after the verification by the Post Graduate Result Committee, MAFSU and recommendation of the Chairman, Board of Examination, MAFSU.
28.0			Internship for Development of Entrepreneurship in Agriculture (IDEA) during Masters Programme:
			Currently, a provision of 30 credits for dissertation work in Masters programmes helps practically only those students who aspire to pursue their career in academic/ research. There is hardly any opportunity/ provision under this system to enhance the entrepreneurship skills of those students who could start their own enterprise or have adequate skills to join the industry. Therefore, in order to overcome this gap, an optional internship/ in-plant training (called as IDEA) in lieu of thesis/ research work is recommended which will give the students an opportunity to have a real-time hands-on experience in the industry. It is envisaged that the internship/ in-plant training would enhance the interactions between academic organizations and the relevant industry. It would not only enable the development of highly learned and skilled manpower to start their-own enterprises but also the industry would also be benefitted through this process. This pragmatic approach would definitely result in enhanced partnerships between academia and industry.
	28.1		Objectives of IDEA programme:
		a)	To promote the linkages between academia and industry
		b)	To establish newer University – Cooperative R&D together with industry for knowledge creation, research and commercialization
		c)	Collaboration between Universities and industries through pilot projects
		d)	To develop methods for knowledge transfer, innovation and networking potential
		e)	To enhance skill, career development and employability
	28.2		Following criteria for IDEA shall be taken into consideration:
		a)	At any point of time there should not be more than 50% of students who can opt under IDEA in a college/institute of MAFSU
		b)	The Chairperson, Students Advisory Committee / Major Advisor shall be from a college/institute of MAFSU and Co-advisor (or Advisory Committee member) from industry
		c)	Total credits (30) shall be divided into 20 for internship/ in-plant training and 10 for writing the report followed by viva-voce similar to dissertation
		d)	Work place should be industry; however, academic/ research support would be provided by the University or both. MoU may be developed accordingly
		e)	The IPR, if any, would be as per the University policy

29.0		Teaching Assistantship:
	29.1	Teaching assistantship shall be encouraged. This will give the required experience to the students on how to conduct courses, practical classes, evaluation and other related academic matters. This is an important part of Ph.D. training all over the world and it is expected to address the shortage of faculty in many institutions/ universities.
	29.2	The fulltime doctoral students of the University with or without fellowship may be considered for award of Teaching Assistantships in their respective Departments. The Teaching Assistantship shall be offered only to those doctoral students who have successfully finished their course work. Any consideration for award of Teaching Assistantships must have the consent of the Major Advisor concerned.
	29.3	Teaching Assistantships shall be awarded on semester to semester basis on the recommendation of a screening/ selection committee to be constituted by the Vice Chancellor. All classes and assignments given to the Teaching Assistants, including tutorials, practicals and evaluation work shall be under the supervision of a faculty member who would have otherwise handled the course/ assignment.
	29.4	Each Ph.D. student may be allowed to take a maximum of 16 classes in a month to UG/ Masters students.
	29.5	No additional remuneration shall be paid to the students who are awarded ICAR JRF/ SRF. The amount of fellowship to be paid as remuneration to other students (who are receiving any other fellowship or without any fellowships) may be decided by the MAFSU as per the rules in force. However, the total amount of remuneration/ and fellowship shall not exceed the amount being paid as JRF/ SRF of ICAR.
	29.6	At the end of each term, Teaching Assistants shall be given a certificate by the concerned Head of the Department, countersigned by the Associate Dean, specifying the nature and load of assignments completed.
30.0		Registration of project personnel (SRF/ RA) for Ph.D.
	30.1	A provision may be made to enable the project personnel (SRF/ RA) to register for Ph.D. However, this can be done only if they are selected based on some selection process such as walk-in-interview. The prior approval of PI of the project is mandatory to consider the application of project personnel (SRF/ RA) for Ph.D. admission
	30.2	The candidates need to submit the declaration stating that the project work shall not be compromised because of Ph.D. programme. Further, in order to justify the project work and Ph.D. programme, the number of course credits should not be more than 8 in a semester for the project personnel (SRF/ RA) who intend to register for Ph.D.
31.0		Academic Records of Students :
		The Registrar shall be responsible for maintaining permanent record of the academic performance of the students registered for various post-graduate programmes, including the course taken, performance in semester-end-examination, answer books, grades obtained, degree awarded, prizes/medals and other distinctions won and any other items pertaining to their academic performance, to enable the Registrar to discharge this responsibility effectively, the Dean/Associate Dean,

			HOD/Section-In-charge. Advisor or course Teachers shall maintain such records and furnish such information to the Controller of Examinations, Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University in such forms and by such dates as may be determined from time to time by the Registrar.
32.0			Declaration of Result and issue of Certificates etc. :
			On satisfactory completion of the requisite courses and research as put up by the Controller of Examinations & Registrar, approved by the Dean/Director of Instructions, the Vice-Chancellor, on being satisfied, shall approve the result and thereupon the Registrar shall declare the result and issue the Provisional Degree Certificate, Academic Performance Card etc. to the student. The fees shall be charged while issuing the certificates as prescribed by the University from time to time.
33.0			Award of Degree :
			A degree under the seal of the University and signed by the Vice-Chancellor be presented at the convocation or in absentia as the case may be, to each student who has successfully completed the post-graduate requirements for the award of the degree in accordance with the provision of these Regulations.
34.0			Amendment of Cancellation of Result :
			If after the declaration of the result of a student, at any time in future, it is discovered that the result of that student has vitiated by an error, malpractice, fraud or other conduct, whereby the said student has been benefited and that he has in the opinion of the Vice-Chancellor either been a party or has connived at the malpractice, fraud or improper conduct, notwithstanding the award of the post-graduate degree, the Vice-Chancellor shall always have the authority to amend the same result of such a student and to pass such an order as he may deem fit. Such an order by the Vice -Chancellor shall be final and binding on the concerned student and all other concerned.
35.0			Student's Responsibilities :
			Every student undergoing instruction in the course leading to the award of the post-graduate degree is expected to know the general academic requirements to qualify himself/herself for the award of the said degree and he/she is further expected to assume full responsibility for complying with the same. He/she is also expected to keep constantly in touch with his/her advisor and course teacher so that the teacher may watch his/her progress and guide him/her, along right lines. In no case shall the requirements of these Regulations be waived or exempted simply because a student pleads ignorance of the same.
36.0			Removal of name from roll :
			The name of the student may be removed by the Registrar from the roll of the University duly recommended by the Dean/Associate Dean for any one or more of the following reasons in addition to Maintenance and Discipline Regulation and Good Conduct Rules – 2001 for the students passed of the Executive Council vide resolution No. 32/2001 of dated 17.08.2001

	36.1	a)	Non- payment of penalties/dues on or within the dates fixed for the purpose.
		b)	Continuous absence for a period of fifteen days or more in classes without permission.
		c)	Misbehaviour of any kind including disrespectful conduct and acts of violence causing wilful damage to the University property, participation in strikes, demonstrations or disturbances of any kind, behaving in such a manner as to bring the University or his/her teacher into disrepute.
		d)	Violation of any of the University/College/Hostel Rules.
		e)	Negligence in studies.
		f)	Non-registration of any of the semester or unable to complete all the prescribed requirement within prescribed semesters mentioned in clause 9.2 above.
	36.2		The discipline amongst students shall be maintained as per the provisions under section 56 of the MAFSU Act XVII of 1998.
37.0			Saving :
			Any changes or modifications in this Regulation made from time to time by the appropriate authorities would effect from the date as may be decided by the Vice-Chancellor & applicable to all the students who are on roll on that date and on subsequent date. Similarly, in the event of any difficulty arising at any time in the implementation of the provisions of these Regulations or in interpretation thereof. The decision of the Vice-Chancellor shall be final and binding on all the concerned.

