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Proceedings of the meeting of Board of Studies for under Graduate and Post Graduate programme in Botany

A meeting of the Board of Studies appointed by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UOU, Haldwani was held on July 9, 2019 in the conference hall of the University. The following members were present.

1. Prof. P.D. Pant, Director I/C, School of Sciences, Uttarakhand Open University, Haldwani
2. Dr. Y.S. Rawat, Professor Botany, Department of Botany, DSB Campus, Kumaun University, Nainital-
3. Dr. C.M. Sharma, Professor Botany, Department of Botany, HNB Garhwal Central University, Srinagar
4. Dr. Pooja Juyal, Department of Botany, School of Sciences, Uttarakhand Open University, Haldwani

Dr. R.C. Dubey, Professor of Botany, Gurukul Kangri University, Haridwar, could not attend the meeting.

PROCEEDINGS

At the outset, Dr. Pooja Juyal welcomed the members to the meeting on behalf of the University and on his own behalf. She then briefed the members about the B.Sc. and M.Sc. programmes of the UOU and presented the agenda items for discussion.

She informed the members that UOU had entered into an agreement with BRAOU, Hyderabad, and has been using their SLM for Master level (Botany) programme. But now the University has decided to develop its own course material. B.Sc. SLM has been completed. The remaining arrangement may continue till such time UOU prepares its own SLM.

Subsequently, members discussed the detailed syllabi.

The following decisions were taken:

1. Since the Uttarakhand open University has already signed MOU with Dr.BR Ambedkar Open University Hyderabad for implementation of M.Sc. Botany Syllabus for the Academic year sessions 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, therefore BOS has agreed to implement the M.Sc. Botany course, as this such provision has already been made by the University for the academic 2019-2020 and 2020-2021. After ²⁰²⁰ 2021 onwards, the semester mode syllabus and SLM for M.Sc. Botany are being developed by UOU which should be introduced soon. However, the existing arrangement may continue till UOU prepares its own SLM.

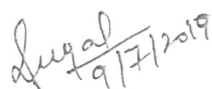
2. The syllabus for fourth semester was discussed in detail and the members of the BOS feel that there is a need to revise and alter the papers & contents provisioned for fourth semester. It was decided that the members will revise and format the syllabus of fourth semester & will submit it within a month.
3. The existing syllabus was modified.
4. The members of the BOS recommended that annual mode for B.Sc. Botany Programme developed by UOU annual mode should be adopted; however, semester mode/CBCS of programme should be adopted in future.
5. Counselling period/ practical sessions of one/two weeks in each year/semester must also be devoted by the University as compulsory workshop.
6. BOS recommended that only such study centres can offer M.Sc. Botany programme those are recognized for M.Sc. Botany programmes and have Faculty and Laboratories at master level as per UGC ODL regulation 2017.
7. BOS recommended and approved the list of experts for the SLM preparation and paper setting etc. However, if required, some more experts may be included.
8. BOS has approved only two elective papers in Botany at present and two elective papers for future.
9. BOS approved a tentative list of subject experts for the developments of SLM, paper-setting, moderation, and examiners etc for both B.Sc. and M.Sc. programmes. These lists are attached with the minutes and marked as Annexure No. 3. However, if required, some more experts may be included with the permission of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.
10. If any modification is urgently required regarding the programme/course contents the Programme Coordinator can make the same with the endorsement of the higher authority (Director/Director Academics). The modifications will be placed in the next BOS meeting for approval.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.


Prof. P. D. Pant


Prof. Y.S. Rawat


Prof. C.M. Sharma


Dr. Pooja Juyal