

# **Ordinances and Regulations**

With Respect to

**Choice Based Credit System (CBCS)** 

For the

**Programmes** 

Under

The Faculty of Humanities/Commerce & Management

With effect from the

Academic year 2020-21

## **Board of Studies in English & Business Communication Subjects**

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#### Part I

**R.** \*\*\*\* : The Definitions Of The Key Terms Used In The Choice Based Credit System And Grading System Introduced From The Academic Year 2020-2021 Are As Under:

# Outline of the Choice Based Credit System as outlined by the University Grants Commission:

- 1. **Core Course:** A course, which should compulsorily be studied by a candidate as a core requirement is termed as a Core course.
- 2. **Elective Course:** Generally, a course which can be chosen from a pool of courses and which may be very specific or specialized or advanced or supportive to the discipline/subject of study or which provides an extended scope or which enables exposure to some other discipline/subject/domain or nurtures the candidate's proficiency/skill is called an Elective Course.
  - 2.1 **Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) Course**: Elective courses may be offered by the main discipline/subject of study is referred to as Discipline Specific Elective. The University/Institute may also offer discipline related Elective courses of **interdisciplinary** nature (to be offered by main discipline/subject of study).
  - 2.2 **Dissertation/Project**: An elective course designed to acquire Special/advanced knowledge, such as supplement study/support study to project work, and a candidate studies such a course on his own with advisory support by a teacher/faculty member is called dissertation/project. A Project / Dissertation work would be of 6 credits. A Project / Dissertation work may be given in place of a discipline-specific elective paper.
  - 2.3 Generic **Elective** (**GE**) **Course**: An elective course chosen generally from an unrelated discipline/subject, to seek exposure is called a Generic Elective.
- P.S.: A core course offered in a discipline/subject may be treated as an elective by another discipline/subject and vice versa and such electives may also be referred to as Generic Elective.
  - 3. **Ability Enhancement Courses (AEC):** The Ability Enhancement (AE)

Courses may be of two kinds: Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses (AECC) and Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC). "AECC" courses are the courses based upon the content that leads to Knowledge enhancement;

SEC courses are value-based and/or skill-based and are aimed at providing hands-on-training, competencies, skills, etc.

#### 4. Choice Based Credit System (CBCS)

CBCS allows students to choose inter-disciplinary, intra-disciplinary courses, skill-oriented papers (even from other disciplines according to their learning needs, interests and aptitude) and more flexibility for students.

#### 5. Honours Program

To enhance employability and entrepreneurship abilities among the learners, through aligning Inter-Disciplinary / Intra Disciplinary courses with Degree Program. Honours Program will have 40 additional credits to be undertaken by the learner across three years essentially in Inter / Intra Disciplinary course.

A learner who joins Regular Undergraduate Program will have to opt for the Honours Program in the first year of the Program. However, the credits for honours, though divided across three years can be completed within three years to become eligible for award of honours Degree.

#### 6. Program:

A Program is a set of course that are linked together in an academically meaningful way and generally ends with the award of a Degree Certificate depending on the level of knowledge attained and the total duration of the study.

#### 7. Course:

A 'course' is essentially a constituent of a 'program' and may be conceived of as a composite of several learning topics taken from a certain knowledge domain, at a certain level. All the learning topics included in a course must necessarily have academic coherence, i.e. there must be a common thread linking the various components of a course. Several linked courses considered together are in practice, a 'program'.

#### 8. Bridge Course:

Bridge course is visualized as Pre semester preparation by the learner before the commencement of regular lectures. For each semester the topics, whose knowledge is considered as essential for effective and seamless learning of topics of the Semester, will be specified. The Bridge Course can be conducted in online mode. Online content can be created for the Bridge Course Topics.

#### 9. Module and Unit:

A course which is generally an independent entity having its own separate identity is also often referred to as a 'Module' in today's parlance, especially when we refer to a 'modular curricular structure'. A module may be studied in conjunction with other learning modules or studied independently. A topic within a course is treated as a Unit.

#### **10. Self-Learning:**

**20%** of the topics will be marked for Self-Learning. Topics for Self-Learning are to be learned independently by the student, in a time-bound manner, using online and offline resources including online lectures, videos, library, discussion forums, fieldwork, internships etc.

Evaluative sessions (physical/online), equivalent to the credit allocation of the Self Learning topics, shall be conducted, preferably, every week for each course. Learners are to be evaluated in real-time during evaluative sessions. The purpose of evaluative sessions is to assess the level of the students' learning achieved in the topics earmarked for Self-Learning.

The teacher's role in these evaluative sessions will be that of a Moderator and Mentor, who will guide and navigate the discussions in the sessions, and offer concluding remarks, with proper reasoning on the aspects which may have been missed by the students, in the course of the Self-Learning process.

The modes to evaluate self-learning can be a combination of the various methods such as written reports, handouts with gaps and MCQs, objective tests, case studies and Peer learning. Groups can be formed to present self-learning topics to peer groups, followed by Question and Answer sessions and open discussion. The marking scheme for Self Learning will be defined under Examination and Teaching.

The topics stipulated for self-learning can be increased or reduced as per the recommendations of the Board of Studies and Academic Council from time to time. All decisions regarding evaluation need to be taken and communicated to the stakeholders preferably before the commencement of a semester. Some exceptions may be made in exigencies, like the current situation arising from the lockdown, but such ad hoc decisions are to be kept to the minimum possible.

#### 11. Credit Point:

Credit Point refers to the 'Workload' of a learner and is an index of the number of learning hours deemed for a certain segment of learning. These learning hours may include a variety of learning activities like reading, reflecting, discussing, attending lectures/counselling sessions, watching especially prepared videos, writing assignments, preparing for examinations, etc. Credits assigned for a single course always pay attention to how many hours it would take for a learner to complete a single course successfully.

#### 12. Credit Completion and Credit Accumulation:

Credit completion or Credit acquisition shall be considered to take place after the learner has successfully cleared all the evaluation criteria concerning a single course. Learner level of performance above the minimum prescribed level (viz. grades/marks obtained) has no bearing on the number of credits collected or acquired. A learner keeps on adding more and more credits as he completes successfully more and more courses. Thus the learner 'accumulates' course wise credits.

#### 13. Credit Bank:

A Credit Bank in simple terms refers to stored and dynamically updated information regarding the number of Credits obtained by any given learner along with details regarding the course/s for which Credit has been given, the course-level, nature, etc. Also, all the information regarding the number of Credits transferred to different programs or credit exemptions given may be stored with the individual's history.

#### 14. Credit Transfer:

(Performance transfer) When a learner completes a program, he/she is allowed to transfer his/her past performance to another academic program having some common courses and Performance transfer is said to have taken place.

#### **15. Course Exemption:**

Occasionally, when two academic programs offered by a single university or by more than one university, may have some common or equivalent course-content, the learner who has already completed one of these academic programs is allowed to skip these 'equivalent' courses while registering for the new program. The Learner is 'exempted' from 'relearning' the common or equivalent content area and from re-appearing for the concerned examinations. It is thus taken for granted that the learner has already collected in the past the credits corresponding to the exempted courses.

#### Part II

Note: The Ordinances and Regulations given below apply to Under Graduate Programmes of the University.

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The minimum duration of the Under Graduate Programme will be of 3 years in the Semester pattern i.e. from Sem. I to Sem. VI.

The degree will be awarded to a learner who completes 120 credits of the programme in a period of 3 to 6 years from the year of enrolment to semester VI.

If a learner does not earn 120 credits in 12 semesters from the year of enrolment to semester I, he/she may at his/her option transfer his/her performance in the existing/new program after establishing an equivalence between old and new syllabus. Such a performance transfer will be decided by the Board of Studies / Ad-hoc Board / Ad hoc Committee of the concerned subject. The admission to the program will be governed by the existing rules

O\*\*\*\*\* The fees for the transfer of credits or performance will be based on the number of credits that a learner has to complete for the award of the degree.

**R** \*\*\*\* Credits earned at one institution for one or more courses under a given program will be accepted under another program either by the same institution or another institution either through Direct Performance Transfer or Course exemption.

#### **R\*\*\*\*** The Scheme of Teaching and Examination:

The Scheme of Teaching and Examination shall be divided into **TWO** components, **internal assessment and External assessment** (semester-end examination) for each course of the program.

The performance of the learners shall be evaluated in two components: Internal Assessment with 40% marks by way of continuous evaluation and by Semester End Examination with 60% marks by conducting the theory examination.

Internal Assessment: - It is defined as the assessment of the learners based on continuous evaluation as envisaged in the credit-based system by way of participation of learners in various academic and correlated activities in the given semester of the programme.

A). Internal Assessment – 40%

40 marks

1. For Theory Courses

Sr. No.	Particulars	Marks
1	ONE class test / online examination to be conducted in the given semester	15 Marks
2	One assignment based on curriculum (to be assessed by the teacher Concerned	10 Marks
3	Self-Learning Evaluation	10 Marks
4	Active participation in routine class instructional deliveries	05 Marks

#### 2. For Practical Courses

Sr. No.	Particulars						
1	Semester End Practical Examination		15 Marks				
	Journal	05 Marks					
	Viva	05 Marks					
	Laboratory Work	05 Marks					
2.	One assignment/project with the class presentation to be	e assessed by	10 Marks				
	teacher concerned						
	Presentation	05 Marks					
	Written Document	05 Marks					
3	Self-Learning Evaluation						
4	Active participation in routine class / Laboratory instruct	05 Marks					

# > Project and Assignment:

- Project or Assignment, which can in the following forms
  - Case Studies
  - Videos
  - Blogs
  - Research paper (Presented in Seminar/Conference)
  - Field Visit Report
  - Presentations related to the subject (Moot Court, Youth Parliament, etc.)
  - Internships (Exposition of theory into practice)

- Open Book Test
- Any other innovative methods

## > Self-Learning Evaluation

- 20% of the topics of the curriculum are learned by the student through self-learning using online/offline academic resource specified in the curriculum. Hence 20% of the lectures shall be allocated for evaluation of students on self-learning topics.
- The identified topics in the syllabus shall be learnt independently by the students in a time-bound manner preferably from online resources. Evaluative sessions shall be conducted by the teachers and will carry 10 Marks.
- club the self-learning topics into 3-4 groups of topics only for evaluation.
- Prescribe time duration (in days) for completion of each group of the topic and earmark self-learning evaluation lectures in the timetable. Hence each group of the topic can be assigned 3 regular lectures for this evaluation for the entire class.

## 3 Sub Topics

Each evaluative session shall carry 3 Marks (3 x 3 Units = 9 Marks). Students who participate in all evaluative sessions shall be awarded 1 additional Mark.

#### **4 Sub Topics**

Each evaluative session shall carry 2.5 Marks  $(2.5 \times 4 \text{ Units} = 10 \text{ Marks})$ .

- Evaluation of self-learning topics can commence in regular lectures assigned for self-learning evaluation in the timetable
- All students will actively participate in the presentation of each of the sub-topics.
- SUGGESTIVE Methods for Evaluation of Self-learning topics IN LECTURES:
  - Seminars/presentation (PPT or poster), followed by Q&A
  - Objective questions /Quiz / Framing of MCQ questions.
  - Debates
  - Group discussion
  - You-Tube videos (Marks shall be based on the quality and viewership)
  - Improvisation of videos
  - Role Play followed by question-answers
  - Viva Voce
  - Any other innovative method

Student can be evaluated based on the quality of presentation, quality of q & a, the framing of the quiz, conduct of quiz, performance in debate etc

• Teachers can frame other methods of evaluation also provided that the method, duly approved by the college examination committee, is notified to the students at least 7 days before the commencement of the evaluation session and is forwarded for information and necessary action at least 3 days before the commencement of the evaluation session.

**SEMESTER END EXAMINATION: -** It is defined as the examination of the learners based on performance in the semester-end theory / written examinations.

#### B. Semester End Examination- 60 %

60 Marks

- 1) Duration These examinations shall be of 2 hours duration.
- 2) Question Paper Pattern:
  - i. There shall be four questions each of 15 marks.
  - ii. All questions shall be compulsory with internal choice within the questions.
  - iii. The question may be sub-divided into sub-questions a, b, c, d & e only and the allocation of marks depends on the weightage of the topic.

The marks of the internal assessment should not be disclosed to the students till the results of the corresponding semester is declared by the University.

## **Bachelor of Commerce**

Curriculum – First Year Undergraduate Programmes

Business Communication Course

for

**B** Com Programme

Part 1 - Preamble

# **Section D**

## **BUSINESS COMMUNICATION**

Curriculum – First Year Undergraduate Programmes
Semester-I and Semester -II

# Part 1 - Preamble

Communication has gained significant importance in all the fields of life. Spoken as well as written communications are considered to be effective life skills which have enormous powers when they are used accurately. In today's world, mastering the skills of Business Communication is considered as the key to success. Since effective communication skills act as an aid for understanding and delivering knowledge in any subject, it is therefore mandatory to introduce a course in Business Communication to the Fist Year Bachelors of Commerce students. The syllabus offers a combination of theories as well as practical aspects of the subject. It has been carefully designed to ensure that the various components of listening, speaking, writing & presentation skills have been dealt upon. The course will enable students to learn the essential communication skills and will prepare them to be job ready. The course equips the learners with the necessary know-how of official correspondences, new methods of interface and dynamics of group communication.

#### Semester I

#### 1. Course Objectives:

- To develop awareness of the nuances of the communication processes
- To develop effective listening skills in order to enhance their critical listening competency
- To develop effective writing skills in order to enable students to write with precision, correctness, exactness, efficiency and accuracy
- To develop effective oral skills in order to enable students to speak clearly, confidently and to gain the attention of an audience
- To effectively make use of the various communication technologies in this digital era

#### 2. Process adopted for Curriculum Designing:

A team was constituted with four internal members, four external teachers from the Department of English, three experts from the industry and two student representatives to frame the syllabus. The syllabus was initially drafted and sent to the Board of Studies of the Department of English. A draft copy of the syllabus was then sent to academicians, experts from industry and research scholars through emails and their inputs were gathered through meetings. These valuable inputs were deliberated and incorporated into the final syllabus.

Multiple meetings were held for deliberations and discussions of the syllabus. After discussion with them, personally, via mail, via messages, the changes in the syllabus were introduced. This consisted of theory and practical components. The topics for self-learning, internal assessments, project work, class tests and tutorial activities were discussed.

#### 3. Salient Features, how it has been made more relevant:

The curriculum focuses on the theoretical as well as practical aspects of Communication in general and Business Communication in particular. The curriculum aims to pay special attention towards oral as well as written communication skills which are essential in today's business world. A combination of lectures and personalized attention during tutorials would contribute towards making students confident orators, having a wide vocabulary and excellent writing skills.

The Business Communication course comprises of two semesters- Semester I & Semester II in the First Year of the Bachelors of Commerce Course. Each semester has 3 units per semester. Keeping in tune with UGC norms, three lectures and one tutorial per division has been assigned for the course. A total number of 3 credits have been assigned for this paper. The internal assessment carries 40 marks while the external examination comprises of 60 marks. Therefore, the Internal (formative assessment) and external (summative assessment) examination is in the ratio of 40:60.

The current course is designed to enhance the theoretical knowledge and practical skills that the subject offers. While designing of the syllabus care has been taken to balance the theory of communication and the practical spoken and written aspects of the subject. The course would contribute towards the students to become better communicators.

#### 4. Learning Outcomes

- After successful completion of the course the students should be able to enhance their listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in order to meet the challenges of the business world
- A basic introduction to the theory of communication would enable the students to apply theoretical knowledge to practical aspects of communication
- The students would successfully learn to identify and overcome barriers to communication
- An adequate knowledge and practice of essential business letter writing skills would enable students to express themselves in an intelligible and comprehensive manner
- The knowledge and skills to draft a comprehensive job application letter and an impressive resume would prepare students to be job ready

#### 5. Input from stakeholders:

The experts from the industry & academia suggested topics which could be deleted, added or modified in the proposed syllabus. According to these suggestions, the topics for the syllabus, tutorial activities, self-learning & internal assessments were finalized. Keeping in mind the demands from the industry, an attempt has been made to prepare a syllabus which will be relevant for the present job market.

# Part 2 - The Scheme of Teaching and Examination

## Semester – I

Sr.	Choice Based Credit System	Subject Code	Remarks
No.			

# First year Semester -I Internal and External Assessment Details

Sr. No.	Subject Code	Subject Title	Lectures Per Week (Lecture of 45min)				Evalu	ıation	Schen	ne	Total Marks		
			Unit	S L	L	Т	P	Cre dit	SL E	СТ	TA	SE E	
	UC-FCO-104	Business Communication	3	20 %*	3	1	0	3	10	20	10	60	100

<sup>\*</sup>One to two lectures to be taken for CONTINUOUS self -learning evaluation

S.N	Subject	Subject	Unit Title	Lect	Total No.	Credi	Tot al
	Code			ures	of	t	Mark
	Couc				Lectures		S
		I	Theory of Communication	15			
		II	Business Correspondence	15	45	3	100
		III	Language & Writing Skills	15			(60+4 0)

Note: One tutorial per batch per week in addition to number of lectures stated above (Batch size as per the University norms

Periods: 45 lectures + 15 Tutorials (3 lectures + 1 tutorial per week) per semester

- Lecture Duration 45 Minutes = 0 .75 Hours. (45 Lectures equivalent to 33.75 hours)
- One Credit =16.87 hours equivalent to 17 Hours

#### Part 3: Detailed Scheme

#### I Year Semester – I Units – Topics – Teaching Lectures

**Curriculum Topics along with Self-Learning topics** - to be covered, through self-learning mode along with the respective Unit. Evaluation of self-learning topics to be undertaken before the concluding lecture of the respective UNIT.

**Business Communication (Total Lectures: 45)** 

#### **Unit-1: Theory of Communication**

[15 Lectures]

- 1.1 Concept of Communication: Models of Communication Linear / Interactive / Transactional / Shannon and Weaver (To be only discussed in class) Meaning, Definition, Process, Need, Feedback Emergence of Communication as a key concept in the Corporate and Global world
- 1.2 Digitalized Communication: Types Internet, Blogs, E Mail, Moodle, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter & WhatsApp), Web conferencing tools Advantages & Disadvantages
- 1.3 Communication at Workplace: Channels Formal and Informal—Vertical, Horizontal, Diagonal, Grapevine, Methods Verbal / Non Verbal (including Visual), Business Etiquettes
- 1.4 Business Ethics: Ethics at workplace Importance of Business Ethics, Personal Integrity at the workplace Business Ethics and media Computer Ethics Corporate Social Responsibility
- 1.5 Barriers to Communication: Physical/ Semantic/Language / Socio-Cultural / Psychological Barriers, Ways to overcome these Barriers
- 1.6 Listening Skills: Importance of Listening Skills, Obstacles to Listening, recommendations for cultivating good Listening Skills

#### **Unit-2: Business Correspondence**

[15 Lectures]

- 2.1 Theory of Business Letter Writing: Parts, Structure, Layouts-Full Block, Principles of Effective Letter Writing, Principles of effective E mail Writing
- 2.2 Personnel Correspondence: Statement of Purpose, Letter of Recommendation, Job Application Letter and Resume, Letter of Appointment (to be discussed in class), Letter of Acceptance of Job Offer, Letter of Appreciation, Letter of Resignation

#### **Unit-3: Language & Writing Skills**

[15 Lectures]

- 3.1 Commercial Terms used in Business Communication (to be only discussed)
- 3.2 Paragraph Writing: Developing an idea, using appropriate linking devices, Cohesion and Coherence etc
- 3.3 Tutorials Activities: Speaking Skills, Writing Skills, Remedial Grammar, Soft Skills Emotional Quotient, Conflict Management, Time Management, Presentation Skills (Students can be asked to make a Power Point Presentation on any topic of their choice in order to enhance Listening / Speaking/ Reading / Writing)

## **Self- Learning – Topics**

Unit 1: 1.2-Digitalized Communication: Types – Internet, Blogs, E – Mail, Moodle, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter & WhatsApp), Web conferencing tools Advantages & Disadvantages Unit 1: 1.4-Business Ethics: Ethics at workplace - Importance of Business Ethics, Personal Integrity at the workplace Business Ethics and media Computer Ethics Corporate Social Responsibility Unit-3: 3.4- Paragraph Writing: Developing an idea, using appropriate linking devices, Cohesion and Coherence etc

#### **Online Resources:**

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https://nptel.ac.in/courses/110/105/110105052/ (Unit 1:1.2)
https://nptel.ac.in/courses/109/104/109104107/ (Unit 1:1.2)
https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/cec20_mg32/preview (Unit 1: 1.4)
https://www.digimat.in/nptel/courses/video/110105079/L01.html (Unit 1: 1.4)
https://nptel.ac.in/courses/109/106/109106094/ (Unit-3: 3.4) (week 5)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L1J9ZPVydrc (Unit-3: 3.4)
https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=guidelines+on+paragraph+writing (Unit-3: 3.4)

#### **Reference Books:**

Sr. No.	Title Author/s Publisher	Edition
		Year
1	Effective Listening Skills by Kratz, Abby Robinson, Irwin Professional Publishing, Toronto, 1995	1995
2	Body Language by Allan Pease, Sudha Publications, Delhi, 1998	1998
3	Essentials of Business Writing by Guffey Mary Ellen, South-Western College Publishing, Ohio	2000
3	Business Communication Strategies by Monippally, Matthukutty, M., Tata McGraw Hill, New Delhi, 2001	2001
4	Basic Business Communication: Skills for Empowering the Internet Generation by Raymond V. Lesikar and Marie E. Flatley, 9 <sup>th</sup> Edition, Tata McGraww Hill, New Delhi, 2002	2002
5	Business Communication by Meenakshi Raman and Prakash Singh, Oxford University Press, 2007	2007
6	Effective Business Communication by Herta A. Murphy, Herbert W.Hildebrandt, Jane P.Thomas, McGraw Hill, 2008	2008
7	Business Communication: Making Connections in a Digital World by Raymond V. Lesikar, 13 <sup>th</sup> Edition, McGraw Hill Education, 2009	2009
8	Non-Verbal Communication: Studies and Applications by Moore, Ninja-Jo, Oxford University Press, New York, 2010	2010
9	Business Communication by D. Chaturvedi and Mukesh Chaturvedi, Third Edition, Pearson, 2013	2013

	10	Ethics in Management by S.A.Sherlekar, Himalaya Publication, New	2016
		Delhi.	
Ī	11	Business Ethics by Pearson, 8 <sup>th</sup> Edition, Pearson Education.	2018

# Semester II

### **Course Objectives:**

- To learn successful job interview skills
- To develop effective language & writing skills which are essential for the functioning of a business organization
- To familiarize students with the various forms of group communications
- To create an awareness of the goals and objectives of Public Relations for a business organization

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

- Students will be job ready as they would be acquainted with the various interview skills
- To acquire various language & writing skills like drafting a notice, agenda and resolutions, trade letters, reports, summarizing, business proposals etc. which are essential for the smooth functioning of a business organization
- Students would be well aquatinted with the different forms of group communications; their advantages and disadvantages
- To learn the coordination, tools and strategies of internal and external public relations activities

# Part 4 - The Scheme of Teaching and Examination

# Semester – II

Sr. No.	Choice Based Credit System	Subject Code	Remarks

# First year Semester -I Internal and External Assessment Details

Sr.	Subject Code	Subject Title	Lectures Per Week			Evaluation Scheme			ne	Total		
No.			(Lec	cture of	45mi	n)						Marks

<sup>\*</sup>One to two lectures to be taken for CONTINUOUS self -learning evaluation

Note: One tutorial per batch per week in addition to number of lectures stated above (Batch size as per the University norms)

S.N	Subject	Subject	Unit Title	Lect	Total No.	Credi	Tot al
	G 1			ures	of	t	Mark
	Code				Lectures		S
		I	Group Communication	15			
		II	Business Correspondence	15	45	3	100
		III	Language & Writing Skills	15			(60+4 0)

Periods: 45 lectures + 15 Tutorials (3 lectures + 1 tutorial per week) per semester

- Lecture Duration 45 Minutes = 0 .75 Hours. (45 Lectures equivalent to 33.75 hours + 15 Tutorials equivalent to 11.25 hours )
- One Credit = 22.5 hours equivalent to 23 Hours

#### Part 5: Detailed Scheme

#### I Year Semester – II Units – Topics – Teaching Lectures

**Curriculum Topics along with Self-Learning topics** - to be covered, through self-learning mode along with the respective Unit. Evaluation of self-learning topics to be undertaken before the concluding lecture of the respective UNIT

**Business Communication (Total Lectures: 45)** 

# **Unit-1: Group Communication Lectures**

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- 1.1 Interview Skills: Group Discussion, Preparing for an Interview, Types of Interviews Job, Appraisal, Grievance, Exit, Online
- 1.2 Meetings: Need and Importance of Meetings, Conduct of Meeting and Group Dynamics, Role of the Chairperson, Role of the Participants, Drafting of Notice, Agenda and Resolutions, Classifications of Secretaries Company Secretary/ Private Secretary, Functions of secretaries (only to be discussed and not to be assessed)
- 1.3 Committees and Conferences: Importance & Types of Committees, Meaning and Importance of Conference, Organizing a Conference, Modern Methods: Skype & Webinar
- 1.4 Public Relations: Meaning, Functions of PR Department, External and Internal Measures of PR, Crisis Management, Press Release

#### **Unit-2: Business Correspondence**

[15 Lectures]

2.1 Trade Letters: Letters of Inquiry, Letters of Complaints, Claims, Adjustments, Sales Letters, Promotional Leaflets and Fliers, Consumer Grievance Redressed Letters, Letters under Right to Information (RTI) Act

#### **Unit-3: Language and Writing Skills**

[15 Lectures]

- 3.1 Reports and Business Proposals: Parts, Types, Feasibility Reports, Investigative Reports, Drafting of Business Proposals
- 3.2 Summarization: Identification of main and supporting/sub points, Presenting these in a cohesive manner
- 3.3 Tutorial Activities: Group Discussion, Brainstorming Sessions, Mock Interviews, Concept Mapping

## **Self -Learning Topics**

**Unit 1:1.1-** Interview Skills: Group Discussion, Preparing for an Interview, Types of Interviews – Job, Appraisal, Grievance, Exit, Online

Unit 3:3.2- Summarization: Identification of main and supporting/sub points, Presenting these in a cohesive manner

#### **Online Resources:**

https://nptel.ac.in/courses/109/105/109105144/ (week 7&8) (Unit 1:1.1)

https://nptel.ac.in/content/storage2/courses/109104030/Module8/Lecture25.pdf ((Unit 1:1.1)

http://www.laspositascollege.edu/raw/summaries.php (Unit 3: 3.2)

https://nptel.ac.in/content/storage2/courses/121106007/Assignments/Assignment%201.pdf (Unit 3: 3.2)

#### **Reference Books:**

Sr. No.	Title Author/s Publisher	Edition Year
1	Modern Business Correspondence by Garlside, L.E., McDonald and Evans Ltd., Plymouth	1980
2	Effective Communication Made Simple by Eyre, E.C., Rupa and Co., Calcutta	1985
3	Excellence in Public Relations and Communication Management edited by James E. Grunig, Lawrence Eribaum Associates Hillsdale, NJ 1992	1992
4	Making Meetings Work by Barkar, Alan, Sterling Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi	1993
5	How to Interview and be Interviewed by Brown, Michele and Gyles Brandreth, Sheldon Press, London	1994
6	The Right Way to Conduct Meetings, Conferences and Discussions by H.M. Taylor and A.G. Mears, Elliot Right Way Books	1994

7	The Essence of Effective Communication by Ludlow, Ron, Prentice, New Delhi	1995
8	Communication in Organisation by Fisher Dalmar, Jaico Publishing House, Delhi	1999
9	Effective Academic Writing by Savage, Alice . Oxford:OUP	2005.
10	Business Communication by Ramesh Tiwari, Pointer Publication, Jaipur	2006
11	Business Communication II by Muktha M. Jacob, Chippy S.Bobby, Shefali Naranje, Himalaya Publishing House	2008
12	"What Is Public Relations?" by Roos, Dave, SAGE. New York	2014
13	The Art of the Interview by James Storey, Create Space Publishing	2016

# **Bachelor of Management Studies**

# **Curriculum – First Year Undergraduate Programmes**

#### **Business Communication Course**

for

#### **BMS Programme**

#### **SEMESTER I**

#### **Objectives**

#### By end of this course, students should be able to

- 1. To develop interpersonal skills that contributes to effective and satisfying personal, social and professional relationships
- 2. To learn formal verbal and non verbal communication as it plays a vital role in achievement of organisational goals
- 3. To gain knowledge regarding exchange of information both within internal and external parties of organisation for better understanding.
- 4. To study the latest techniques of communication for effective communication at workplace

# **Learning Outcomes**

- 1. Identify various methods of communication and learn to apply it in business communication
- 2. Understand and demonstrate the use of basic and advanced writing techniques.
- 3. Discuss the impact of word choice and tone on a business message
- 4. Draft a résumé and a cover letter
- 5. Discuss effective interview strategies and prepare for common interview questions and Group Discussion

# **Detailed Syllabus**

Sr. No.	Modules/Units	No. of Lectures
1.	Theory of communication  1.1 Concept of communication: Meaning definition,	15
	objectives, process, emergence and impact of technological advancements on communication 1.2 Channels of communication: formal and informal, vertical, horizontal, diagonal, grapevine 1.3 Methods and modes of communication: verbal and non- verbal 1.4 Barriers to communication: physical barriers,	
	language barriers, socio-cultural barriers, psychological barriers 1.5 Listening: importance of listening skills, cultivating good listening skills	
2	Written Communication	15
	2.1 Need and functions & Layouts of Business Letters 2.2 Business Letters - Letter of Application, Resume Writing ,Resignation Letters , Statement of purpose, 2.3 Summarization: identification of main and supporting points, presenting these in a cohesive manner 2.4 Interview Skills- Steps to prepare for an interview	
	and Group Discussion	
3.	Oral Communication 3.1 Meaning, Nature and Scope 3.2 Principles of Effective Oral communication 3.3 Techniques of Effective Speech 3.4 Effective Presentation Skills	15
4.	Personality Enhancement:	15
	<ul><li>4.1 The art of Public Speaking</li><li>4.2 Voice modulation</li><li>4.3 Grooming</li><li>4.4 Personal Branding</li><li>.</li></ul>	

#### **Self Learning Topics**

- 1.1 Concept of communication: impact of technological advancements on communication
- 1.5 Listening: cultivating good listening skills
- 2.3 Summarizations: identification of main and supporting points, presenting these in a cohesive manner
- 2.4 Virtual Communication Social Media Communication
- 3.1 Meaning, Nature and Scope
- 4.2 Voice modulation

#### **Online Resources**

http://ugcmoocs.inflibnet.ac.in/ugcmoocs/view\_module\_ug.php/196 (letter writing) http://ugcmoocs.inflibnet.ac.in/ugcmoocs/view\_module\_ug.php/196 (effective communication principles)

https://onlinecourses.nptel.ac.in/noc19\_hs36/preview (personality enhancement)

https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/nou19\_hs09/preview (listening and speaking)

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# **BMS Programme First Year**

# **Semester II**

# **Under Choice Based Credit, Grading and Semester System**

(To be implemented from Academic Year 2020-2021

#### **Section D**

## **BUSINESS COMMUNICATION**

# Part 1- Preamble

The course on Business Communication provides a holistic view of communication process in organizations. The learners study organizational structure and their related information systems. The learners are introduced to the use of advanced technology in communication too. The syllabus will help them gain knowledge regarding modern forms and modes of communication. It helps learners to cope with the globalization and virtualization of information. The course teaches them to optimally utilize the available information on modern mode of communication

The course helps students to deal with competitive business environment in which firms are seeking to reconstruct their organizational structures. In depth knowledge regarding new management architectures through communication strategies is provided to the students. This course is designed to teach effective communication to the learners in English in professional contexts. The learners are expected to expand the vocabulary and improve their ability to write and speak in English. Learners will experience confidence boast in both social and professional setting and build meaningful relationships with peers. The course imparts interpersonal skills that is required for achieving success

The syllabus equips the learners to use specific terminology and skills that can be applied for business negotiations, reports, emails, conversations, interviews and presentations. The learners will be trained to be ready to step into industry as they gain necessary skills during the course. The topics also include techniques for writing essential business documents that is persuasive to both internal and external audience.

This course intends to facilitate a deeper understanding of communication and teach the learners the importance of working with team members in accomplishing goals at an individual and institutional level. Also, the learners will be able to apply their knowledge by critiquing real-world business scenarios at the workplace. There will be an opportunity for the learners to know ways to build consensus and resolve conflict in a business setting. The syllabus aims to make the learners globally competitive by introducing continuous evaluation system in Semester II. The course is divided into modules for concept of communication, business writing, corporate grooming and etiquette and personal enhancement. Students will have an opportunity to participate in activities that promotes self-awareness and awareness of others. The successful completion of course will help them enhance their ability to think and act creatively.

## F.Y.B.M.S.

## **Business Communication**

# (INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION AND PERSONALITY ENHANCEMENT) SEMESTER II

#### **Course Objectives**

- 1. To enhance interpersonal skills that contribute to satisfying personal, social and professional relationships
- 2. To gain knowledge about channels and methods of communication and learn their applications
- 3. To draft letters essential for business correspondence
- 4. To acquire skills to handle interview questions, conferences, group discussions and meetings

#### 2. Process adopted for curriculum designing:

The initial draft of the syllabus was sent to the Board of Studies of the Department of English. The draft copy of the syllabus was sent through email to the team of academicians, experts from industry and research scholars. Multiple team meetings were held, where the experts shared their inputs that were gathered and incorporated into the final syllabus.

#### 3. Salient features, how it has been made more relevant:

The Business Communication curriculum aims to develop oral and written skills that will enhance the learner's chances of employability. Culture-specific knowledge and advanced mode of communication is included so that students remain up-to-date with any development in business world. The syllabus incorporates communication tips and techniques that will enhance learner's articulation, expression and interpretation.

Keeping in tune with UGC norms, 4 lectures per division has been assigned for the course. A total number of 3 credits have been assigned for this paper. The internal assessment carries 40 marks while the external examination comprises of 60 marks. Therefore, the Internal (formative assessment) and external (summative assessment) examination is in the ratio of 40:60.

#### 4. Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course students would be able to:

- 1. Enhance listening, speaking, reading and writing skills to meet the challenges in the business environment
- 2. Understand the importance of communication methods and channels in order to successfully use them in professional settings
- 3. Understand and demonstrate the use of basic and advanced writing techniques

4. Confidently participate in meetings, conferences, interviews and group discussions

## 5. Input from stakeholders:

The recommendation of the experts from the industry were included, and modified in the proposed syllabus. The self—learning and internal assessment topics were revised according to the suggestions in the meeting. A topic in external syllabus business writing module was added and modification in corporate etiquette module was introduced in the syllabus keeping in mind the expectations of the corporate world.

Part 2 - The Scheme of Teaching and Examination

#### Semester – II

Sr.	Choice Based Credit System	Subject Code	Remarks
No.			

# First year Semester –II Internal and External Assessment Details

Sr.	Subject Code	Subject Title	Lec	tures Pe	er W	eek		Cre						Total
No.			(Lecture of 45min)		dits	Evalı	uation	Schem	ne		Mark s			
			un	S.L	т	т	D		SL	T. A	CT		S	
			its		L	Т	P		Е	TA	СТ	P	E E	
		Business Communication	4	20%	4	0	0	3	10	10	15	5	6	100

SL- Self learning, L-lecture, T- Tutorial, P- Practical, SLE – Self learning evaluation, TA-Teaching assessment, CT- class test, SEE -Semester end evaluation

S.N	Subject code	Subject U	nit Title	Lectur es	Total number of lectures	Credi ts	Total Mark s
		I	Theory of Communication	15			
		II	Corporate grooming and Etiquettes	15	60	3	100(6 0+40)
		III	Personality Enhancement	15			
		IV	Business Writing and language	15			

# First Year Semester – II

- Lecture Duration 48 Minutes (<u>60 Lectures</u> equivalent to 48 hours)
- One Credit = 16 hours

**Detailed Syllabus** 

Sr.	Modules/Units	No. of
No.		Lectures
1.	<ul> <li>Theory of communication</li> <li>1.1.Concept of Communication: meaning, definition, objectives, process, emergence and impact of technological advancements on communication</li> <li>1.2.Channels of Communication: formal and informal, vertical, horizontal, diagonal, grapevine</li> <li>1.3.Methods and Modes of Communication: verbal and non- verbal</li> <li>1.4.Barriers to Communication: physical barriers, language barriers, sociocultural barriers, psychological barriers</li> <li>1.5.Listening: importance of listening skills, cultivating good listening skills</li> </ul>	15
2	<ul> <li>Corporate grooming and Etiquettes</li> <li>2.1 Self-Management and Personality Development</li> <li>2.2 Presentation: Principals of Effective Presentation, Effective use of various audio-visual aids</li> <li>2.3 Interviews: Group Discussion, Types of Interviews, Preparing for an Interview</li> <li>2.4 Meetings and Conferences: Need and Importance of Meetings and Conferences, Role of Chairperson and Participants, Drafting of Notice, Agenda and Resolutions</li> </ul>	15

	2.5 Corporate Etiquette: Dining etiquette, Telephone etiquette, Office etiquette, Meeting etiquette, Business card etiquette	
3.	Personality Enhancement:  The Art of Public Speaking: Overcoming Stage Fear 3.2 Voice Modulation 3.3 Personality Grooming: Personal Branding – Importance, Strategies, Steps to build powerful personal brand 3.4 First Impression – Power of Personal Appearance 3.5 Vocabulary Enhancement	15
4.	4.1 Theory of Business Letter Writing: Parts, Structure, Layout of Letters-(Full block, Modified Block, Semi- Modified Block) 4.2 Resume Writing and Job Application Letter 4.3 Personnel Correspondence: Statement of Purpose, Letter of Acceptance of Job-offer, Letter of Resignation, Letter of Appreciation, Letter under Right to Information Act (RTI) 4.4 Reports: Parts, Types, Feasibility report, Investigative report 4.5Summarization: Identification of main and supporting sub points, Presenting these in a cohesive manner 4.6 Email Writing 4.7 Business Proposal	15

# **Self Learning Topics**

	3 <b>1</b>
Impact of technological advancements on communication (Unit 1:1.1)	
Summarization: identification of main and supporting sub points, presenting these in a cohesive manner (Unit 4:4.5)	
Business Proposal (Unit 4: 4.7)	

## **Online Resources**

Omnie Resources	
https://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED557272.pdf (Unit 1:1.1)	
https://2020science.org/2009/04/07/communication-science-and-technology-in-a-	
connected-world/ (Unit 1:1.1)	
https://nptel.ac.in/content/storage2/courses/121106007/Assignments/Assignment%201.p	
<u>df</u>	
(Unit 4:4.4)	
http://www.laspositascollege.edu/raw/summaries.php (Unit 4:4.5)	
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-zgKOguRrRs (Unit 4: 4.5)	
https://youtu.be/mozVzcNZMG0 ( Unit 4: 4.7)	

#### Reference Books:

Sr. No.	Title Author/s Publisher	Edition Year
1	Modern Business Correspondence by Garlside,	1980
	L.E., McDonald and Evans Ltd., Plymouth	
2	Effective Communication Made Simple by Eyre,	1985
	E.C., Rupa and Co., Calcutta	
3	Excellence in Public Relations and	1992
	Communication Management edited by James E.	
	Grunig, Lawrence Eribaum Associates Hillsdale,	
	NJ 1992  Making Meetings Work by Barkar, Alan, Sterling	1002
4	Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi	1993
5	How to Interview and be Interviewed by Brown,	1994
	Michele and Gyles Brandreth, Sheldon Press,	
	London	
6	The Right Way to Conduct Meetings, Conferences	1994
	and Discussions by H.M. Taylor and A.G. Mears,	
	Elliot Right Way Books	
7	The Essence of Effective Communication by	1995
8	Ludlow, Ron, Prentice, New Delhi	1000
0	Communication in Organisation by Fisher Dalmar, Jaico Publishing House, Delhi	1999
9	Effective Academic Writing by Savage, Alice.	2005.
	Oxford:OUP	
10	Business Communication by Ramesh Tiwari,	2006
	Pointer Publication, Jaipur	
11	Business Communication II by Muktha M. Jacob,	2008
	Chippy S.Bobby, Shefali Naranje, Himalaya	
	Publishing House	
12	"What Is Public Relations?" by Roos, Dave,	2014
	SAGE. New York	
13	The Art of the Interview by James Storey, Create	2016
	Space Publishing	

# **BUSINESS COMMUNICATION**

Curriculum - First Year Undergraduate Programs

# **BBI** and **BFM**

**Semester-I** 

2020-2021

# **Section D**

# **BUSINESS COMMUNICATION**

# Part 1 - Preamble

Communication encompasses multiple aspects of a complex process. It assumes different forms and is embedded in everything one does as an individual or as part of a social structure. The Course on **Business Communication** for the **First Year BBI and BFM** learners, thus, encapsulates and expounds the subtleties of the process of communication. The development of interpersonal skills that accord the essential and fulfilling personal, social and professional relationships to the learners is also targeted by this Course. An appropriate apprehension of the verbal and non-verbal cues used in communication largely assists the accomplishment of one's goals. Business Communication facilitates this understanding to the learners through a detailed inquiry in this area of study. Since communication is the key for all business ventures, the focus of this Course is on building proficiency in the learners on the diverse modus operandi of exchange of information both within and outside an organization.

Today, technology and business communication go hand in hand. Transferring an unerring understanding of the latest digital equipment and techniques used for effective communication to the learners forms a major objective of this subject.

Identification and application of varied methods of communication prevalent in the business environment, thorough comprehension of the use of basic and advanced writing techniques, knowhow of the nuances of spoken communication especially in the corporate world by the learners are some of the foremost desired outcomes, post the successful completion of this Course.

An overall personality growth of the learners with acute focus on the blooming of listening, speaking, reading and writing skills, of paramount significance to the learners in their private, public and more so, in their professional life, forms the prime intention of this Course.

# F.Y.B.B.I. and F.Y.B.F.M. SEMESTER I Business Communication

#### **Course Objectives**

- **1.** To help learners develop interpersonal skills that contribute to effective and satisfying personal, social and professional relationships
- **2.** To facilitate understanding of the nuances of verbal and non-verbal communication as it plays a vital role in the accomplishment of organisational goals
- **3.** To impart knowledge regarding exchange of information both within and outside the organisation.
- **4.** To upskill learners with the use of the latest digital tools and techniques to facilitate effective communication at workplace

#### **Process adopted for Curriculum Designing:**

The syllabus was initially drafted and sent to the Board of Studies of the Department of English. A draft copy of the syllabus was then sent to academicians, experts from industry and research scholars through emails and their inputs were gathered through meetings. These valuable inputs were deliberated and incorporated into the final syllabus.

#### Salient Features, how it has been made more relevant:

The curriculum focuses on the theoretical as well as practical aspects of Communication in general and Business Communication in particular. The curriculum aims to pay special attention towards listening, spoken and written communication skills which are essential in today's business world. A combination of lectures and personalized attention during tutorials would contribute towards making students confident orators possessing wide vocabulary and exceptional writing skills.

Keeping in tune with UGC norms, 4 lectures per division has been assigned for the course. A total number of 3 credits have been assigned for this paper. The internal assessment carries 40 marks while the external examination comprises of 60 marks. Therefore, the Internal

(formative assessment) and external (summative assessment) examination is in the ratio of 40:60.

### **Learning Outcomes:**

On completing this course, the learners would be able to:

- 1. Identify various methods of communication and learn to apply them in business communication
- 2. Understand and demonstrate the use of basic and advanced writing techniques
- 3. Analyse the impact of word choice and tone of a business message
- 4. Draft a Covering Letter and a Résumé
- **5.** Discuss effective interview strategies and prepare for common interview questions and Group Discussion

#### Input from stakeholders:

The experts from the industry & academia suggested topics which could be deleted, added or modified in the proposed syllabus. According to these suggestions, the topics for the syllabus, tutorial activities, self-learning & internal assessments were finalized.

### Part 2 - The Scheme of Teaching and Examination

#### Semester - I

Sr.	Choice Based Credit System	Subject Code	Remarks
No.			

### First year Semester -I Internal and External Assessment Details

S. N	Subject Code	Subjec	ct Unit Title	Lectures	Total No. of	Credi t	Tot al Marks
					Lectures		
		I	THEORY OF COMMUNICATION	15			
					60	3	100
							(60+40)
		II	CORPORATE GROOMING AND	15			
			ETIQUETTE				
		III	PERSONALITY ENHANCEMENT	15			
		IV	WRITING SKILLS				
				15			

Sr. No.	Subject Code	Subject Title	Lectures Per Week (Lecture of 48 min)			Cre dit	Evaluation Scheme					Total Marks		
		Business Communication	Units	S.L.	L	Т	P		SL E	TA	СТ	AP	SE E	100(60+40)
			4	20%	4	0	0	3	10	10	15	05	60	

SL- Self learning, L-lecture, T- Tutorial, P- Practical, SLE – Self learning evaluation, TA-Teaching assessment, CT- class test, SEE -Semester end evaluation

- Lecture Duration 48 Minutes (60 Lectures equivalent to 48 hours)
- One Credit = 16 classroom teaching hours

### **Part 3: Detailed Scheme**

### I Year Semester – I Units – Topics – Teaching Lectures

**Curriculum Topics along with Self-Learning topics** - to be covered, through self-learning mode along with the respective Unit. Evaluation of self-learning topics to be undertaken before the concluding lecture of the respective UNIT.

### **Business Communication (Total Lectures: 60)**

Sr. No.	Modules/Units	No. of Lectures
1.	Unit 1 - THEORY OF COMMUNICATION	15
	1.1 Concept of Communication: Meaning, Definitions, Objectives, Process, Feedback, Emergence and Impact of Technological Advancements on Communication	
	<b>1.2</b> Channels of Communication: Intrapersonal, interpersonal, formal and informal, vertical, horizontal, diagonal, grapevine	
	<b>1.3</b> Objectives of Communication: Information, Motivation, Order, Education & Training, Suggestion, Counselling Persuasion, Warning	
	<b>1.4</b> Methods and Modes of Communication: Verbal and Non- Verbal: Body Language - Posture, Gestures, Expressions, Dress and Appearance; Grooming, Space and Proxemics	
	<b>1.5</b> Barriers to Communication: Physical barriers, Language barriers, Socio-cultural barriers, Psychological barriers, Technological barriers	
	<b>1.6</b> Listening: Importance of listening skills, Cultivating good listening skills	
2	Unit 2 - CORPORATE GROOMING AND ETIQUETTE:	15
	2.1 Powerful Speaking, Self-Management and Personality Management	
	<b>2.2</b> Presentation: Principles of Effective Presentation, Effective use of various audio-visual aids	
	<b>2.3</b> Objectives of Presentation – 3 W's – Why, What, Who –Structuring the Presentation -Verbal (spoken & written) and Visual Skills	

	presenting these in a cohesive manner  TOTAL	60
	<ul><li>4.3 Reports: Types - Feasibility Report, Investigative Report</li><li>4.4 Summarization: Identification of main and supporting sub-points,</li></ul>	
	<b>4.3</b> Personnel Correspondence: Statement of Purpose, Letter of Acceptance of Job-offer, Letter of Resignation, Letter of Appreciation, Letter under Right to Information Act (RTI)	
	4.2 Job Application Letter and Resume Writing	
	<b>4.1</b> Theory of Business Letter Writing: Parts, Structure, Layout of Letters-(Full block, Modified Block, Semi- Modified Block)	
4.	Unit 4 - WRITING SKILLS:	15
	3.5 Vocabulary Enhancement	
	3.4 First Impression – Power of Personal Appearance	
	3.3 Personality Grooming: Personal Branding – Importance, Strategies, Steps to build powerful personal brand	
	3.2 Voice Modulation	
	3.1 The Art of Public Speaking: Overcoming Stage Fear	
3.	Unit 3 - PERSONALITY ENHANCEMENT:	15
	<b>2.6</b> Corporate Etiquette: Dining Etiquette, Telephone Etiquette, Office Etiquette, Meeting Etiquette	
	2.5 Meetings and Conferences: Need and Importance of Meetings and Conferences, Role of Chairperson and Participants, Drafting Notice, Minutes, Agenda and Resolutions	
	<b>2.4</b> Interviews: Types of Interviews, Group Discussion, Preparing for an Interview	

### **Self- Learning Topics**

Unit	Topics
1	Impact of Technological Advancements on Communication: Types – Internet,
	Blogs, E-Mail, Social Media – Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp (Unit 1, 1.1)
2	Corporate Etiquette - Dining Etiquette, Telephone Etiquette, Office Etiquette,
	Meeting Etiquette (Unit 2, 2.6)
3	Summarization: Identification of main and supporting points, presenting these in a
	cohesive manner (Unit 4, 4.4)

#### Online Resources

Omme Resources
https://www.msuniv.ac.in/images/academic/academic_affairs/Chapter%20-%207.pdf (Unit
1, 1.1)
https://nptel.ac.in/content/storage2/courses/109104030/Module9/Lecture29.pdf (Unit 2,
2.6)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-zgKOguRrRs (Unit 4, 4.4)

#### **Evaluation Pattern**

The performance of the learners shall be evaluated into two components viz. by Internal Assessment with 40% marks in the first component and by conducting the Semester End Examinations with 60% marks as the second component.

The allocation of marks for the Internal Assessment and Semester End Examinations are as shown below:

#### A) Internal Assessment – 40 Marks

1. One class test/online examination to be conducted in given semester

15 Marks

2. One assignment/project based on curriculum (to be assessed by the teacher concerned)

10 Marks

3. Self- Learning and evaluation

10 Marks

4. Active participation in routine class instructional deliveries

05 Marks

### B) Semester End Examinations – 60 Marks

### **Reference Books:**

Sr. No.	Title Author/s Publisher	Edition Year
1	Organisational Communication- The Effective Management, Columbus Grid Inc Board of Studies-in-Accountancy, Phillip, Louis V., University of Mumbai51   Page Reference Books	1975
2	The Human Connection, Montagu, A and Matson, Floyd, McGraw Hill, New York.	1979
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8	Business Ethics: New Challenges for Business Schools and Corporate Leaders, Peterson, Robert A and Ferrell, O.C, Prentice Hall of India Pvt., Ltd	2005
9	Code of Conduct for Managers, Mishra Rajiv K, Rupa Company	2006
10	Effective Technical Communication, 36.M. Ashraf, Rizvi Tata McGraw Hill	2006
11	Ethics Incorporated: Top Priority and Bottom Line, Dipankar, Response Books • Krevolin,	2006
12	Ethics, Business and Society: Managing Responsibly, Gupta, Anand Das Response Books	2010

### **Bachelor of Management Studies**

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### **Bachelor of Accounts & Finance**

**Curriculum – First Year Undergraduate Programmes** 

Business Communication Course for BMS & BAF Programme First Year

### **Semester II**

# **Under Choice Based Credit, Grading** and Semester System

(To be implemented from Academic Year 2020-2021

### **F.Y.B.M.S. & F.Y.B.A.F.**

### **Business Communication**

### (INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION AND PERSONALITY ENHANCEMENT) SEMESTER II

### **Course Objectives**

- 5. To enhance interpersonal skills that contribute to satisfying personal, social and professional relationships
- 6. To gain knowledge about channels and methods of communication and learn their applications
- 7. To draft letters essential for business correspondence
- 8. To acquire skills to handle interview questions, conferences, group discussions and meetings

### **Learning Outcomes**

By the end of this course students would be able to:

- 5. Enhance listening, speaking, reading and writing skills to meet the challenges in the business environment
- 6. Understand the importance of communication methods and channels in order to successfully use them in professional settings
- 7. Understand and demonstrate the use of basic and advanced writing techniques
- 8. Confidently participate in meetings, conferences, interviews and group discussions

### Part 2 - The Scheme of Teaching and Examination

### Semester – II

S	r.	Choice Based Credit System	Subject Code	Remarks
N	lo.			

## First year Semester –II Internal and External Assessment Details

Sr.	Subject Code	Subject Title	Lectures	Per We	ek			Cred						Total
No.			(Lecture of 48 min)			its	Evaluation Scheme				Marks			
			units	S.L					SL			A	S	
					L	T	P		E	TA	CT	P	E	
													E	
		Business Communicatio n	4	20%	4	0	0	3	10	10	15	5	6 0	100 (60+40 )

SL- Self learning, L-lecture, T- Tutorial, P- Practical, SLE – Self learning evaluation, TA-Teaching assessment, CT- class test, SEE -Semester end evaluation

### First Year Semester – II

S.N	Subject code	Subject Un	nit Title	Lectur es	Total number of lectures	Credi ts	Total Mark s
		I	Theory of Communication	15			
		II	Corporate Grooming and Etiquette	15	60	3	100(6 0+40)
		III	Personality Enhancement	15			
		IV	Business Writing and Language	15			

- Lecture Duration 48 Minutes (<u>60 Lectures</u> equivalent to 48 hours)
- One Credit = 16 classroom teaching hours

**Detailed Syllabus** 

Sr.	Modules/Units	No. of					
No.							
1.	Theory of Communication	15					
	<ul> <li>1.1 Concept of Communication: meaning, definition, objectives, process, emergence and impact of technological advancements on communication</li> <li>1.2 Channels of Communication: formal and informal, vertical, horizontal,</li> </ul>						
	diagonal, grapevine 1.3 Methods and Modes of Communication: verbal and non- verbal						
	<ul><li>1.4 Barriers to Communication: physical barriers, language barriers, socio-cultural barriers, psychological barriers</li><li>1.5 Listening: importance of listening skills, cultivating good listening</li></ul>						
	skills						
2	Corporate Grooming and Etiquette	15					
	2.6 Self-Management and Personality Development						
	2.7 Presentation: Principals of Effective Presentation, Effective use of various audio-visual aids						
	2.8 Interviews: Group Discussion, Types of Interviews, Preparing for an Interview						
	2.9 Meetings and Conferences: Need and Importance of Meetings and Conferences, Role of Chairperson and Participants, Drafting of						
	Notice, Agenda and Resolutions						
	2.10 Corporate Etiquette: Dining etiquette, Telephone etiquette, Office etiquette, Meeting etiquette, Business card etiquette						

3.	Personality Enhancement:	15
	<b>3.1</b> The Art of Public Speaking: Overcoming Stage Fear	
	3.2 Voice Modulation	
	<b>3.3</b> Personality Grooming: Personal Branding – Importance, Strategies, Steps to build powerful personal brand	
	<b>3.4</b> First Impression – Power of Personal Appearance	
	3.5 Vocabulary Enhancement	
4.	Business Writing and Language	15
	4.1 Theory of Business Letter Writing: Parts, Structure, Layout of Letters-	
	(Full block, Modified Block, Semi- Modified Block)	
	4.2 Resume Writing and Job Application Letter	
	4.3 Personnel Correspondence: Statement of Purpose, Letter of Acceptance	
	of Job-offer, Letter of Resignation, Letter of Appreciation, Letter under Right	
	to Information Act (RTI)	
	4.4 Reports: Parts, Types, Feasibility report, Investigative report	
	4.5Summarization: Identification of main and supporting sub points,	
	Presenting these in a cohesive manner	
	4.6 Email Writing	
	4.7 Business Proposal	

### **Self-Learning Topics**

Impact of technological advancements on communication (Unit 1:1.1)

Summarization: identification of main and supporting sub points, presenting these in a cohesive manner (Unit 4:4.5)

Business Proposal (Unit 4: 4.7)

### **Online Resources**

https://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED557272.pdf (Unit 1:1.1)

https://2020science.org/2009/04/07/communication-science-and-technology-in-a-connected-world/ (Unit 1:1.1)

https://nptel.ac.in/content/storage2/courses/121106007/Assignments/Assignment%201.pdf (Unit 4:4.4)

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https://youtu.be/mozVzcNZMG0 ( Unit 4: 4.7)

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2	Effective Communication Made Simple by Eyre,	1985
	E.C., Rupa and Co., Calcutta	
3	Excellence in Public Relations and	1992
	Communication Management edited by James E.	
	Grunig, Lawrence Eribaum Associates Hillsdale, NJ 1992	
4	Making Meetings Work by Barkar, Alan, Sterling	1993
	Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi	
5	How to Interview and be Interviewed by Brown,	1994
	Michele and Gyles Brandreth, Sheldon Press,	
	London	
6	The Right Way to Conduct Meetings, Conferences	1994
	and Discussions by H.M. Taylor and A.G. Mears,	
7	Elliot Right Way Books	1005
1	The Essence of Effective Communication by Ludlow, Ron, Prentice, New Delhi	1995
8	Communication in Organisation by Fisher Dalmar,	1999
	Jaico Publishing House, Delhi	
9	Effective Academic Writing by Savage, Alice.	2005.
	Oxford:OUP	
10	Business Communication by Ramesh Tiwari,	2006
	Pointer Publication, Jaipur	
11	Business Communication II by Muktha M. Jacob,	2008
	Chippy S.Bobby, Shefali Naranje, Himalaya	
	Publishing House	
12	"What Is Public Relations?" by Roos, Dave,	2014
	SAGE. New York	
13	The Art of the Interview by James Storey, Create	2016
	Space Publishing	

### **Bachelor of Arts**

**Curriculum – First Year Undergraduate Programmes** 

**B Voc** 

**Business Communication Course** 

For the

BVOC Programme First Year Semester I

# SECTION D BUSINESS COMMUNICATION PART-1 Preamble

The Business Communication syllabus is an attempt to enhance proficiency in language. It will also help the learners internalise the techniques to professional success by understanding workplace culture. The syllabus helps learners to effectively articulate business ideas to audiences from diverse background.

The learners are expected to understand the communication concepts in this course. The topics impart knowledge regarding language and nonverbal communication. Hence, learners will be aware about the need to convey desired meanings in face-to-face and remote professional relationships. The learners are expected to know written communication used in a professional setting. Hence, they learn to draft essential business documents and have the opportunity to practice written communication. They can draft documents needed for job application with much ease. The learners will be confident as they attempt mock interview , meetings and conferences under guidance of their teachers as a part of the curriculum.

After the completion of the course, the learners will value the needed for impactful oral presentations in front of an audience. They will understand the importance of everyday practice. The personality enhancement section is also a part of the syllabus as it is a key to achieve long and short-term business goals. In this course, the learners are equipped with techniques and tips regarding business communication that is direct, concise and convincing to the receiver. The course also emphasises on the fact that communication is not only helpful in sharing thoughts and ideas but also essential in achieving objectives and becoming more successful. Hence, the learners are expected to apply the concepts and lessons learnt from the course in business communication.

The course is taught in Semester I and primarily focuses on concept of communication, business writing, presentation skills and personality enhancement. The objective is to help the learners develop good relationships with colleagues and customers. Hence, the learners must take away strong communication skills tips and techniques and make themselves valuable members in any team.

### 1. Course Objectives

- 1. To understand the relevance of presenting the messages with an intent of persuading or informing the audience
- 2. To study types of obstacles in communication and the way it hinders the chances of personal and professional success
- 3. To recall the importance of listening effectively and identify the difference between hearing and listening
- 4. To learn Public Speaking and maintain interpersonal relationships with people in the business environment

#### 2. Process adopted for curriculum designing:

The syllabus was initially framed by internal members and sent to the Board of Studies of the Department of English. Multiple meetings were held with the team of academicians, experts from industry and research scholars. After discussion regarding theory and practical components of the syllabus personally, via email, via messages, the changes in the syllabus were incorporated.

#### 3. Salient features:

The curriculum is designed to enhance theoretical as well as practical knowledge in Communication. Special care has been taken while designing the syllabus as it aims to balance oral and written communication skills topics tailored according to the need of industry. A combination of lectures providing knowledge regarding communication concepts and its application would contribute towards making learners confident orators, having a wide vocabulary and excellent writing skills.

Keeping in tune with UGC norms, 4 lectures per division has been assigned for the course. A total number of 4 credits have been assigned for this paper. The internal assessment carries 40 marks while the external examination comprises of 60 marks. Therefore, the Internal (formative assessment) and external (summative assessment) examination is in the ratio of 40:60.

### 4. Learning Outcome

By the end of this course students would be able to:

- 1. Understand the importance of effective communication to achieve the desired goals
- 2. Overcome barriers that arise during the communication process
- 3. Understand that genuine listening can build relationships, solve problems, ensure understanding, resolve conflicts, and improve accuracy
- 4. Understand and demonstrate the use of basic and advanced writing techniques

### 5. Input from stakeholders:

There were modifications suggested by the internal and external experts to make the syllabus holistic and relevant to the needs of the industry. A topic was added in the external syllabus in the Presentation Skills module and also the self-learning topics were revised keeping in mind the difficulty level of the students.

### Part 2 - The Scheme of Teaching and Examination

### Semester – I

Sr.	Choice Based Credit System	Subject Code	Remarks
No.			
	Business Communication	UH-FBV-	
		101	

## First year Semester –I Internal and External Assessment Details

Sr.	Subject Code	Subject Title	Lec	tures Pe	er W	eek		Cre						Total
No.			(Lecture of 45min)				dits	Evalı	ıation	Schen	ne		Mark s	
			un its	S.L	L	Т	P		SL E	TA	СТ	A P	S E E	
	UH-FBV-101	Business Communication	4	20%	4	0	0	4	10	10	15	5	6 0	100 60+4 0

SL- self learning, L-lecture, T- Tutorial, P- Practical, SLE – self learning evaluation, TA-Teaching assessment, CT- class test, SEE semester end evaluation

S.N	Subject code	Subject U	nit Title	Lectur es	Total number of lectures	Credi ts	Total Mark s
		I	Theory of Communication	15			
		II	Business Writing and language	15	60	4	100(6 0+40)
		III	Presentation Skills	15			
		IV	Personality Enhancement	15			

### First year Semester –I

Lecture duration – 1 hour One credit – 15 hours

### **Detailed Syllabus**

Sr. No.	Modules/Units	No. of Lectures
1.	Theory of communication	15
	1.1 Concept of Communication: Meaning, definition, objectives, process,	
	emergence and impact of technological advancements on communication	
	1.2 Channels of Communication: formal and informal, vertical, horizontal, diagonal, grapevine	
	1.3 Methods and Modes of Communication: Verbal and Non- Verbal	
	1.4 Barriers to Communication: Physical barriers, Language barriers, Socio-	
	Cultural barriers, Psychological barriers	
	1.5 Listening: Importance of listening skills, cultivating good listening skills	
2	Business Writing and Language	15
	2.1 Theory of Business Letter Writing: Parts, Structure, Layout of Letters-	
	(Full block, Modified Block, Semi- Modified Block)	
	2.2 Business Letters - Letter of Job Application, Resume Writing, Resignation	
	Letter, Statement of Purpose	
	2.3 Summarization: identification of main and supporting points, presenting	
	these in a cohesive manner	
	2.4 Business Proposals	
3.	Presentation Skills	15
	3.1 Meaning, Nature and Scope	
	3.2 Principles of Effective Oral communication	
	3.3 Techniques of Effective Speech	
	3.4 Effective Presentation Skills	
	3.5 Interview Skills and Group Discussion- Strategies to prepare for Selection	
	interview and Group Discussion	
4.	Personality Enhancement	15
	4.1 The Art of Public Speaking	
	4.2 Voice Modulation	
	4.3 Grooming	
	4.4 Personal Branding	
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### **Self Learning Topics**

Self Learning Topics							
Emergence and impact of technological advancements on communication (Unit 1:1.1)							
Summarization: identification of main and supporting points, presenting these in a							
cohesive manner (Unit 2:2.3)							
Business Proposals (Unit 2:2.4)							
Oulling December							
Online Resources  https://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED557272.pdf (Unit 1:1.1)							
https://2020science.org/2009/04/07/communication-science-and-technology-in-a-							
connected-world/ (Unit 1:1.1)							
https://nptel.ac.in/content/storage2/courses/121106007/Assignments/Assignment%201.pdf							
(Unit 2:2.3)							
http://www.laspositascollege.edu/raw/summaries.php (Unit 2:2.3)							
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-zgKOguRrRs (Unit 2:2.3)							
https://youtu.be/mozVzcNZMG0 ( Unit 2:2.4)							

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### **Section D**

### **Bachelor of Arts**

### Syllabus for F.Y.B.A

Program: B.A.

**Course: Communication Skills in English** (Core Paper)

### Part 1 - Preamble

Information, Dialogue, and Discourse: All three are needed in a civilized society. While, to an extent, the art of communication is natural to all human beings, in today's world of complexities, it has also acquired some elements of science. It is hoped that after studying this course, students will perceive a difference in their personal and professional interactions and learn application of effective communication skills in different domains.

Communication Skills syllabus is an attempt to enhance language proficiency by providing adequate exposure to listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. It takes an integrated approach to the appropriate use of language in different situations and for different purposes.

An attempt has been made to introduce topics that emphasize the development of language skills and encourage effective communication of thoughts, ideas and expressions. The syllabus would contribute to the intellectual, personal, and vocational development of the students in an orderly manner. The course seeks to help students excel in the efficient and effective use of communication skills across different situations. Overall, the course will make the learners employable with enhanced soft skills.

These topics will be explored through debates, group discussions, speeches; comparison, and contrast, students will learn accurate use of language for effective oral and written communication. Students will learn to create texts that are coherent, cohesive, balanced, convincing, and interesting.

The course is divided into two semesters: Semester - I will primarily focus on remedial grammar, reading skills, writing skills in the form of Correspondence and Essays, and Interpretation of data. Semester II introduces students to advanced writing skills. The students through this course will navigate the digital information landscape and gain critical skills of email writing, editing, summarizing, report writing, and creative writing. The concepts discussed throughout the year can be applied to learn other subjects as well.

The curriculum tries to encourage students toward self-learning. Some of the topics have been identified for them to learn through the various online resources launched by the University Grants Commission (UGC) along with the Ministry of Education. The same topics will be used

for discussions in the classroom. They will be assessed using short assignments based on those materials.

We hope that the course content will help students navigate their career in the right direction and set them on the path towards success in professional life.

#### 1. Course Objectives: The main objectives of the course are:

- To enhance language proficiency by providing adequate exposure to reading and writing skills
- To orient the learners towards various communication tasks
- To increase the range of lexical resource through a variety of exercises

### 2. Process adopted for Curriculum Designing:

A syllabus framing committee, with representatives of various stakeholders was constituted. Multiple online meetings were held. The draft copy of the syllabus was sent to the committee members through e-mail. After discussion and deliberations with the members, in meetings and via mail, the syllabus was finalised. Input of subject experts, particularly of literature industry was taken into account.

#### 3. Salient features and how the syllabus has been made more relevant:

Communication Skills in English course at the entry level Graduation Programme includes theoretical and tutorial components. The course has four units and 20% self-learning component. Internal (formative assessment) and external (summative assessment) examination is in the ratio of 40:60.

Effective Communication skills in English is a powerful tool in the current employment environment. Students would learn to articulate their thoughts in a clear and concise manner that will allow their ideas to be better understood by the receivers. The course will help to improve their writing skill by enabling them to select and use appropriate formats for the audience, use the correct medium and adjust their writing style accordingly.

The syllabus is made for interactive learning using tutorials and learner centred methods such as worksheets and role play. Upon completing this course the learners will be able to communicate effectively in various styles and registers.

The course would give the students the option to develop skills in areas which have direct relevance to employability such as teacher/educator, content writer and editor.

### 4. Learning Outcomes:

On successful completion of the course learners are expected -

- To imbibe English grammar and Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing skills to meet the challenges of the world.
- To be able to process complex information with clarity and conciseness.

### 5. Input from stakeholders:

The experts from the industry & academia suggested topics which could be deleted, added or modified in the proposed syllabus. According to these suggestions, the topics for the syllabus, tutorial activities, self-learning & internal assessments were finalized. Suggestions to provide online self-learning links and to include review writing were incorporated.

### Part 2 - The Scheme of Teaching and Examination

### Semester – I

Sr. No.	Choice Based Credit System	Subjects		Subject Code	Remarks
1	BA- English	FYBA- Communication Skills in English –Paper- I and Paper - II	Theory	UH: UACSE-101 UH: UACSE-201	

### First year Semester-I Internal and External Assessment Details

Sr.	Subject	Subject Title	Lectures Per Week (Lecture of 45 min)					Credits	Credits	<b>Evaluation Scheme</b>					Total
No.	Code	· ·	Units	S.L.*	L	T	P		SLE	TA	CT	Proj.	SEE	PE	Marks
1	UH: UACSE -101	Communication Skills in English – Paper I	5	20 %	3	1	0	3	10	05	15	10	60	0	100
2	UH: UACSE- 201	Communication Skills in English – Paper II	5	20%	3	1	0	3	10	05	15	10	60	0	100
	Total Credits		06			Total Marks			200						

<sup>\*</sup>One to two lectures to be taken for CONTINUOUS self -learning evaluation

L: Lecture, T: Tutorials, P: Practical, Ct-Core Theory, CP-Core Practical, CT-Class Test, TA-Teacher Assessment, SLE: Self Learning Evaluation, Proj: Project/Assignment, PE: Practical Evaluation, SEE: Semester end examination

- Lecture Duration 50 Minutes
- One Credit = 15 Classroom Teaching hours

### **Part 3: Detailed Scheme Theory**

### **FYBA**

Communication Skills in English – Paper-I
I Year - Semester – I - Units – Topics – Teaching Lectures

Curriculum Topics along with Self-Learning topics - to be covered, through self-learning mode along with the respective Unit. Evaluation of self-learning topics to be undertaken before the concluding lecture instructions of the respective UNIT.

Theory	UH:UACSE-101		nester One: Skills in English – Paper-I
		Credits: 03	(Total Lectures: 45)

Unit –I	Basic Language Skills: Grammar	09					
	a) Articles, prepositions, conjunctions						
	b) Transformation of Sentences (Simple, Compound,						
	Complex)						
	c) Tenses						
	d) Subject-Verb agreement						
	e) Question Tags						
	f) Direct and Indirect Speech						
	g) Voice						
Unit – II	Reading Skills: Comprehension (unseen passage)	09					
		Lectures					
	The following skills to be acquired:						
	<ul> <li>Reading with fluency and speed</li> </ul>						
	Skimming and scanning						
	<ul> <li>Identifying relevant information</li> </ul>						
	<ul> <li>Isolating fact from opinion</li> </ul>						
	<ul> <li>Understanding concepts and arguments</li> </ul>						
	<ul> <li>Identifying distinctive features of language</li> </ul>						
	(Passage should be of 250-350 words of Level I. The passage may						
	be taken from literary/scientific/technical writing as well as from						
	the fields of journalism, management and commerce.)						
Unit- III	Writing Skills (Formal Correspondence): Letters	09					
		lectures					
	a) Job Application Letter (without Resume)						
	b) Statement of Purpose						

	c) Request for Recommendation Letter d) Request for information under Right to Information Act (RTI)	
Unit: IV	Interpretation of Technical Data:	09
	Students should be taught to read and interpret maps, pie	Lectures
	charts, tables, line and bar graphs and flow charts and express	
	the same in paragraph format.	
Unit: V	Writing Skills: Essay:	09
	a. Expository	Lectures
	b. Persuasive	
	c. Analytical	
	d. Reflective/Descriptive	

20% Self-Learning Segment

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Topics		
RTI Letters, Request Letters, Reading Comprehension Passages etc. – Unit- III		
Links:		
• <a href="https://nptel.ac.in/courses/109/107/109107172/-">https://nptel.ac.in/courses/109/107/109107172/-</a> Unit-IV		
• <a href="https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/nou20_hs09/preview">https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/nou20_hs09/preview</a> - Unit- II		

### **Suggested Topics for Tutorials: (Semester – I)**

- 1. Group Discussions
- 2. Mock Interviews
- 3. Fundamentals of Grammar
- 4. Debates / Speeches
- 5. Book / Film Reviews
- 6. Vocabulary and Language Games
- 7. Picture Composition
- 8. Tweets

	First Semester	
	Internal Evaluation of 40 Marks	
Sr. No.	Particulars	Marks

1	ONE class test / online examination to be conducted in the given semester	15 Marks
2	One assignment based on curriculum (to be assessed by the teacher	10 Marks
	Concerned	
3	Self-Learning Evaluation	10 Marks
4	Active participation in routine class instructional deliveries	05 Marks

Projec	t & Assignments for Internal Evaluation
	• Case Studies
	• Blogs
	• Presentation
	Any other innovative methods
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Evaluation	First Semester End Examination of 60 Marks	<b>Duration: 2 Hours</b>
Pattern:		

Question 1	MCQS on Grammar: Unit – I	15 Marks
Question 2	Comprehension of an unseen passage (Unit 2)	15 Marks
Question 3	<ul><li>a) Letters (1 out of 2) (Unit 3)</li><li>b) Data Interpretation (Unit-4)</li></ul>	08 Marks 07 Marks
<b>Question 4</b>	Essay (250-350 words) (1 out of 2) (Unit 5)	15 Marks

Theory	UH:UACSE- 201	Semester Two: Communication Skills in English – Paper-II	
		Credits: 03	(Total Lectures: 45)

Unit –I	Basic Language Skills: Vocabulary building:	09
	Antonyms, Synonyms	Lectures

	Suffixes, Prefixes, Root words	
	Homophones, homonyms	
	• Collocation	
	Changing the Class of Words	
Unit - II	Editing and Summarization:	09
		Lectures
	a) Editing:	
	Heading/ Headlines/ Title/Use of Capital Letters	
	Punctuation: full stop, comma, colon, semi-colon,	
	dash, ellipsis, exclamation and question marks	
	• Spelling	
	Substitution of words	
	<ul> <li>Use of link words and other cohesive devices</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Removing repetitive or redundant elements</li> </ul>	
	b) Summarization:	
	The following skills to be acquired:	
	Discern the main/central idea of the passage	
	Identify the supporting ideas	
	Eliminate irrelevant or extraneous information	
	Integrate the relevant ideas in a precise and coherent manner	
Unit- III	Writing Skills: e mails:	09
	• Inquiry	lectures
	• Invitation	
	• Thank you	
	Request for permission	
	• Sponsorship	
Unit- IV	Report Writing:	09
	• Eye-witness Report	Lectures
	Activity Report	
	Newspaper Report	
Unit- V	Creative Writing:	09
	This unit attempts to cover those aspects of writing that go	Lectures
	beyond the boundaries of technical or professional forms of	

writing and encourage the learner to explore the artistic and imaginative elements of writing.

• Story writing
• Dialogue writing
• Blogging: fashion, travel, food, culture, personal blogs

### 20% Self-Learning Segment

Topics
<ul> <li>Fitness blogs, Social blogs, Music blogs, Sports Blogs, Developing a Story, Diary writing – Unit- V</li> <li>Welcome Email, Special offer emails- Unit- III</li> </ul>
<u>Links</u> :
<ul> <li>https://nptel.ac.in/courses/109/107/109107172/ - Unit- III</li> <li>https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/nou20_hs09/preview - Unit- I</li> <li>https://www.skillshare.com/classes/Blogging-Basics         FREE/1323227808?via=browse-rating-blogging-layout-grid Unit- IV</li> <li>https://www.skillshare.com/classes/Blogging-Masterclass-Build-A-Successful-Blog-In-2020-And-Beyond/804781354?via=browse-rating-blogging-layout-grid - Unit- IV</li> </ul>

Suggested Topics for Tutorials: (Semester - II)
1. Group Discussions
2. Mock Interviews
3. Fundamentals of Grammar
4. Debates / Speeches
5. Book / Film Reviews
6. Vocabulary and Language Games
7. Picture Composition

Second Semester	
Internal Evaluation of 40 Marks	

8. Tweets

Sr. No.	Particulars	Marks
1	ONE class test / online examination to be conducted in the given semester	15 Marks
2	One assignment based on curriculum (to be assessed by the teacher  Concerned	10 Marks
3	Self-Learning Evaluation	10 Marks
4	Active participation in routine class instructional deliveries	05 Marks

### **Project & Assignments for Internal Evaluation**

- Case Studies
- Presentations
- Blogs
- Any other innovative methods

<b>Evaluation Pattern:</b>	Second Semester End Examination of 60 Marks	<b>Duration: 2 Hours</b>
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Question 1	MCQS on Vocabulary (Unit 1)	15 Marks
Question 2	a) Editing: one passage of 100-200 words to be given.	07 Marks
	b) Summary: one passage of 250-300 words to be given	08 Marks
Question 3	Emails (1 out of 2) (Unit 3)	07 Marks
	Report Writing (1 out of 2) (Unit-4)	08 Marks
<b>Question 4</b>	Creative Writing: (1 out of 2) (200-250 words) (Unit 5)	15 Marks

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### **Section D**

### **Bachelor of Arts**

### Syllabus for F.Y.B.A

Program: B.A.

# Course: Communication Skills in English (Core Paper)

### Part 1 - Preamble

Information, Dialogue, and Discourse: All three are needed in a civilized society. While, to an extent, the art of communication is natural to all human beings, in today's world of complexities, it has also acquired some elements of science. It is hoped that after studying this course, students will perceive a difference in their personal and professional interactions and learn application of effective communication skills in different domains.

Communication Skills syllabus is an attempt to enhance language proficiency by providing adequate exposure to listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. It takes an integrated approach to the appropriate use of language in different situations and for different purposes.

An attempt has been made to introduce topics that emphasize the development of language skills and encourage effective communication of thoughts, ideas and expressions. The syllabus would contribute to the intellectual, personal, and vocational development of the students in an orderly manner. The course seeks to help students excel in the efficient and effective use of communication skills across different situations. Overall, the course will make the learners employable with enhanced soft skills.

These topics will be explored through debates, group discussions, speeches; comparison, and contrast, students will learn accurate use of language for effective oral and written communication. Students will learn to create texts that are coherent, cohesive, balanced, convincing, and interesting.

The course is divided into two semesters: Semester - I will primarily focus on remedial grammar, reading skills, writing skills in the form of Correspondence and Essays, and Interpretation of data. Semester II introduces students to advanced writing skills. The students through this course will navigate the digital information landscape and gain critical skills of email writing, editing, summarizing, report writing, and creative writing. The concepts discussed throughout the year can be applied to learn other subjects as well.

The curriculum tries to encourage students toward self-learning. Some of the topics have been identified for them to learn through the various online resources launched by the University Grants Commission (UGC) along with the Ministry of Education. The same topics will be used

for discussions in the classroom. They will be assessed using short assignments based on those materials.

We hope that the course content will help students navigate their career in the right direction and set them on the path towards success in professional life.

#### 6. Course Objectives: The main objectives of the course are:

- To enhance language proficiency by providing adequate exposure to reading and writing skills
- To orient the learners towards various communication tasks
- To increase the range of lexical resource through a variety of exercises

### 7. Process adopted for Curriculum Designing:

A syllabus framing committee, with representatives of various stakeholders was constituted. Multiple online meetings were held. The draft copy of the syllabus was sent to the committee members through e-mail. After discussion and deliberations with the members, in meetings and via mail, the syllabus was finalised. Input of subject experts, particularly of literature industry was taken into account.

#### 8. Salient features and how the syllabus has been made more relevant:

Communication Skills in English course at the entry level Graduation Programme includes theoretical and tutorial components. The course has four units and 20% self-learning component. Internal (formative assessment) and external (summative assessment) examination is in the ratio of 40:60.

Effective Communication skills in English is a powerful tool in the current employment environment. Students would learn to articulate their thoughts in a clear and concise manner that will allow their ideas to be better understood by the receivers. The course will help to improve their writing skill by enabling them to select and use appropriate formats for the audience, use the correct medium and adjust their writing style accordingly.

The syllabus is made for interactive learning using tutorials and learner centred methods such as worksheets and role play. Upon completing this course the learners will be able to communicate effectively in various styles and registers.

The course would give the students the option to develop skills in areas which have direct relevance to employability such as teacher/educator, content writer and editor.

#### 9. Learning Outcomes:

On successful completion of the course learners are expected -

• To imbibe English grammar and Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing skills to meet the challenges of the world.

• To be able to process complex information with clarity and conciseness.

### 10. Input from stakeholders:

The experts from the industry & academia suggested topics which could be deleted, added or modified in the proposed syllabus. According to these suggestions, the topics for the syllabus, tutorial activities, self-learning & internal assessments were finalized. Suggestions to provide online self-learning links and to include review writing were incorporated.

### Part 2 - The Scheme of Teaching and Examination

### Semester – I

Sr. No.	Choice Based Credit System	Subjects		Subject Code	Remarks
1	BA- English	FYBA- Communication Skills in English –Paper- I and Paper - II	Theory	UH: UACSE-101 UH: UACSE-201	

### First year Semester-I Internal and External Assessment Details

Sr.	Subject	Subject Title		ctures I ecture o				Credits		<b>Evaluation Scheme</b>				Total	
No.	Code	,	Units	S.L.*	L	T	P		SLE	TA	CT	Proj.	SEE	PE	Marks
1	UH: UACSE -101	Communication Skills in English – Paper I	5	20 %	3	1	0	3	10	05	15	10	60	0	100
2	UH: UACSE- 201	Communication Skills in English – Paper II	5	20%	3	1	0	3	10	05	15	10	60	0	100
				Total C	red	its		06				Total	Mark	s	200

<sup>\*</sup>One to two lectures to be taken for CONTINUOUS self -learning evaluation

L: Lecture, T: Tutorials, P: Practical, Ct-Core Theory, CP-Core Practical, CT-Class Test, TA-Teacher Assessment, SLE: Self Learning Evaluation, Proj: Project/Assignment, PE: Practical Evaluation, SEE: Semester end examination

- Lecture Duration 50 Minutes
- One Credit = 15 Classroom Teaching hours

### **Part 3: Detailed Scheme Theory**

### **FYBA**

Communication Skills in English – Paper-I
I Year - Semester – I - Units – Topics – Teaching Lectures

Curriculum Topics along with Self-Learning topics - to be covered, through self-learning mode along with the respective Unit. Evaluation of self-learning topics to be undertaken before the concluding lecture instructions of the respective UNIT.

Theory	UH:UACSE-101	Semester One: Communication Skills in English – Paper-I				
		Credits: 03	(Total Lectures: 45)			

Unit –I	Basic Language Skills: Grammar	09
	h) Articles, prepositions, conjunctions	Lectures
	i) Transformation of Sentences (Simple, Compound,	
	Complex)	
	j) Tenses	
	k) Subject-Verb agreement	
	l) Question Tags	
	m) Direct and Indirect Speech	
	n) Voice	
Unit – II	Reading Skills: Comprehension (unseen passage)	09
		Lectures
	The following skills to be acquired:	
	<ul> <li>Reading with fluency and speed</li> </ul>	
	Skimming and scanning	
	<ul> <li>Identifying relevant information</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Isolating fact from opinion</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Understanding concepts and arguments</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Identifying distinctive features of language</li> </ul>	
	(Passage should be of 250-350 words of Level I. The passage may	
	be taken from literary/scientific/technical writing as well as from	
	the fields of journalism, management and commerce.)	
Unit- III	Writing Skills (Formal Correspondence): Letters	09
	(2 oznaz correspondence). Betters	lectures
	e) Job Application Letter (without Resume)	icciaics

	g) Request for Recommendation Letter h) Request for information under Right to Information Act (RTI)	
Unit: IV	Interpretation of Technical Data:	09
	Students should be taught to read and interpret maps, pie	Lectures
	charts, tables, line and bar graphs and flow charts and express	
	the same in paragraph format.	
Unit: V	Writing Skills: Essay:	09
	e. Expository	Lectures
	f. Persuasive	
	g. Analytical	
	h. Reflective/Descriptive	

20% Self-Learning Segment

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Topics
• RTI Letters, Request Letters, Reading Comprehension Passages etc. – Unit- III
Links:
<ul> <li>https://nptel.ac.in/courses/109/107/109107172/-</li> <li>Unit-IV</li> </ul>
• <a href="https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/nou20_hs09/preview">https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/nou20_hs09/preview</a> - Unit- II

### **Suggested Topics for Tutorials: (Semester – I)**

- 9. Group Discussions
- 10. Mock Interviews
- 11. Fundamentals of Grammar
- 12. Debates / Speeches
- 13. Book / Film Reviews
- 14. Vocabulary and Language Games
- 15. Picture Composition
- 16. Tweets

	First Semester	
	Internal Evaluation of 40 Marks	
Sr. No.	Particulars	Marks

1	ONE class test / online examination to be conducted in the given semester	15 Marks
2	One assignment based on curriculum (to be assessed by the teacher	10 Marks
	Concerned	
3	Self-Learning Evaluation	10 Marks
4	Active participation in routine class instructional deliveries	05 Marks

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Evaluation	First Semester End Examination of 60 Marks	<b>Duration: 2 Hours</b>
Pattern:		

Question 1	MCQS on Grammar: Unit – I	15 Marks
Question 2	Comprehension of an unseen passage (Unit 2)	15 Marks
Question 3	c) Letters (1 out of 2) (Unit 3) d) Data Interpretation (Unit-4)	08 Marks 07 Marks
Question 4	Essay (250-350 words) (1 out of 2) (Unit 5)	15 Marks

Theory	UH:UACSE- 201	Semester Two: Communication Skills in English – Paper-II	
		Credits: 03	(Total Lectures: 45)

Unit –I	Basic Language Skills: Vocabulary building:	09
	• Antonyms, Synonyms	Lectures

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	• Suffixes, Prefixes, Root words	
	Homophones, homonyms	
	• Collocation	
	Changing the Class of Words	
Unit - II	Editing and Summarization:	09
		Lectures
	c) Editing:	
	Heading/ Headlines/ Title/Use of Capital Letters	
	<ul> <li>Punctuation: full stop, comma, colon, semi-colon,</li> </ul>	
	dash, ellipsis, exclamation and question marks	
	• Spelling	
	Substitution of words	
	Use of link words and other cohesive devices	
	Removing repetitive or redundant elements	
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	d) Summarization:	
	The following skills to be acquired:	
	Discern the main/central idea of the passage	
	Identify the supporting ideas	
	Eliminate irrelevant or extraneous information	
	Integrate the relevant ideas in a precise and coherent manner	
Unit- III	Writing Skills: e mails:	09
	• Inquiry	lectures
	• Invitation	
	• Thank you	
	• Request for permission	
	• Sponsorship	
Unit- IV	Report Writing:	09
	Eye-witness Report	Lectures
	Activity Report	
	Newspaper Report	
Unit- V	Creative Writing:	09
	This unit attempts to cover those aspects of writing that go	Lectures
	beyond the boundaries of technical or professional forms of	
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writing and encourage the learner to explore the artistic and imaginative elements of writing.

• Story writing
• Dialogue writing
• Blogging: fashion, travel, food, culture, personal blogs

### 20% Self-Learning Segment

Topics
<ul> <li>Fitness blogs, Social blogs, Music blogs, Sports Blogs, Developing a Story, Diary writing – Unit- V</li> <li>Welcome Email, Special offer emails- Unit- III</li> </ul>
<u>Links</u> :
<ul> <li>https://nptel.ac.in/courses/109/107/109107172/ - Unit- III</li> <li>https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/nou20 hs09/preview - Unit- I</li> <li>https://www.skillshare.com/classes/Blogging-Basics         FREE/1323227808?via=browse-rating-blogging-layout-grid Unit- IV</li> <li>https://www.skillshare.com/classes/Blogging-Masterclass-Build-A-Successful-Blog-In-2020-And-Beyond/804781354?via=browse-rating-blogging-layout-grid - Unit- IV</li> </ul>

Suggested Topics for Tutorials: (Semester - II)
Group Discussions
Mock Interviews
Fundamentals of Grammar
Debates / Speeches
Book / Film Reviews
Vocabulary and Language Games
Picture Composition
Tweets

Second Semester	
Internal Evaluation of 40 Marks	

Sr. No.	Particulars	Marks
1	ONE class test / online examination to be conducted in the given semester	15 Marks
2	One assignment based on curriculum (to be assessed by the teacher  Concerned	10 Marks
3	Self-Learning Evaluation	10 Marks
4	Active participation in routine class instructional deliveries	05 Marks

### **Project & Assignments for Internal Evaluation**

- Case Studies
- Presentations
- Blogs
- Any other innovative methods

	<b>Evaluation Pattern:</b>	Second Semester End Examination of 60 Marks	<b>Duration: 2 Hours</b>
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Question 1	MCQS on Vocabulary (Unit 1)	15 Marks
<b>Question 2</b>	c) Editing: one passage of 100-200 words to be given.	07 Marks
	d) Summary: one passage of 250-300 words to be given	08 Marks
<b>Question 3</b>	Emails (1 out of 2) (Unit 3)	07 Marks
	Report Writing (1 out of 2) (Unit-4)	08 Marks
<b>Question 4</b>	Creative Writing: (1 out of 2) (200-250 words) (Unit 5)	15 Marks

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