UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
NEW DELHI-110002, March 2014

NO.F. 1-9/2012 (CPP-II)

In exercise of the powers conferred under clause (f) of sub-section (1) of Section 26 of University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), the University Grants Commission hereby frames the following amendment Regulations, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement:

1.1. These Regulations may be called the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards of Instructions for the Grant of the Masters Degree through Formal Education) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2013.

1.2. They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Gazette of India.

2. The clause 2.1 of the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards of Instructions for the Grant of the Masters Degree through Formal Education) Regulations, 2003 (hereinafter to be called 'The Principal Regulations') shall stand amended and be substituted by the following clause:-

"2.1 ‘No student shall be eligible for admission to a masters degree programme in any of the faculties unless he/she has successfully completed an undergraduate programme of at least three years or earned prescribed number of credits for an undergraduate degree, through the examinations conducted by a university/autonomous institution or possesses such qualifications as recognized by the concerned university as equivalent to an undergraduate degree.”

3. The clause 2.5 of the Principal Regulations shall stand amended and be substituted by the following clause:-

"2.5 ‘depending upon the academic and physical facilities available in the institutions, the University may allow an institution to admit a certain number of students directly to the second year of a master degree programme, if the student has successfully completed the first year of the same programme in another institution.”

4. The clause 4.1 of the Principal Regulations shall stand amended and be substituted by the following clause:-

"4.1 “every university enrolling students for the masters degree programme shall ensure that the number of actual teaching days on which classes such as lectures, tutorials, seminars and practicals are held or conducted, is not less than 180 in an academic year, excluding holidays, vacations, time set apart for completing admissions and time required for conduct of examinations.”

5. The clause 8.1 of the Principal Regulations shall stand amended and be substituted by the following clause:-

"8.1 “no student shall be eligible for the award of the masters degree unless he/she has successfully completed a minimum of two years after the first degree or five years after plus two and earned the minimum number of credits prescribed by the university for the programme.

Provided that a masters degree, where entry qualification is two bachelor’s degree in succession, including one in the relevant discipline or an integrated degree of five years in the relevant discipline after plus two, the duration may be one year.”

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