

SHIV NADAR UNIVERSITY

Minutes of the 26th meeting of the Academic Council (AC) held on 7th April 2018 in the Conference Room No. D-232.

The following Members and special invitees were present:

1	Dr. Rupamanjari Ghosh	Vice Chancellor- Chairperson
2	Dr. Ajay Dandekar	Director - School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SoHSS)
3	Dr. Shubhro Sen	Director-School of Extended Education and Professional Development (SoEEDP) and School of Management and Entrepreneurship (SoME)
4	Dr. C.V. Tomy	Director, School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
5	Dr. J.P. Gupta	Director, School of Engineering, and Dean of Graduate Studies, & Distinguished Professor, Chemical Engineering (SoE)
6	Dr. Girish Agrawal	Associate Director (Strategy and Planning), School of Engineering (SoE); Professor & Head, Department of Civil Engineering (SoE).
7	Dr. Dinkar Prasad	Associate Director (Academics), School of Engineering (SoE); Professor & Head, Department of Electrical Engineering, School of Engineering (SoE)
8	Dr. Amber Habib	Dean of Undergraduate Studies, Professor and Head, Department of Mathematics, School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
9	Dr. Tulika Chandra	Dean of Students' Welfare, Associate Professor, Department of English, School of Humanities & Social Sciences (SoHSS)
10	Dr. Sankar Dhar	Professor & Head, Department of Physics, School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
11	Dr. Deepak Sehgal	Professor & Head, Department of Life Sciences, School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
12	Prof. Sumantra Sengupta	Professor & Head, Department of Art and Performing Art, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, (SHSS)
13	Dr. Jaya Menon	Professor & Head, Department of History, School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SoHSS)
14	Dr. Sambudha Sen	Professor & Head, Department of English, School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SoHSS)
15	Dr. Santanu Mitra	Associate Professor & Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering, School of Engineering (SoE)
16	Mr. Sudhir Naudiyal	Registrar - Non- Member Secretary

Special Invitees		
17	Dr. Jyoti K. Sharma	Prof. & Head, Center for Environmental Science and Engineering , School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
18	Dr. N. Sukumar	Director, Centre for Informatics, Professor & UG Advisor, Department of Chemistry, School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
Special Invitees - Graduate Advisors		
19	Dr. Vishwanath S R	Professor, School of Management and Entrepreneurship (SoME)
20	Mr. Atul Bhalla	Associate Professor, Department of Art, and Performing Arts, School of Humanities and Social Sciences(SoHSS)
21	Dr. Pradeep Jeganathan	Professor, Department of Sociology, School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SoHSS)
22	Dr. Sneh Lata	Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
23	Dr. Susanta Sinha Roy	Associate Professor, Department of Physics, School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
Special Invitees - Undergraduate Advisors		
24	Dr. Gautama Polanki	Assistant Professor, Department of English, School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SoHSS)
25	Dr. Ramesh Gupta	Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, School of Engineering (SoE)
26	Dr. Devika Bordia	Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SoHSS)
27	Dr. Madhur Deo Upadhyay	Assistant Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering, School of Engineering (SoE)
28	Prof. Pradeep Mehra	Professor, School of Management and Entrepreneurship (SoME)
29	Dr. Samarendra Pratap Singh	Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
30	Dr. V.M. Rajesh	Assistant Professor, Department of Chemical Engineering, School of School of Engineering (SoE)
Special Invitees - Academic /Administrative Heads		
31	Dr. Karthik Krishnan	Assistant Dean, Research and Graduate Studies
32	Mr. Nishant Mishra	Assistant Dean (Student's Welfare), Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, School of Engineering (SoE)
33	Mr. Rajeev Kumar Singh	Assistant Dean (UG Studies), Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering (SoE)
34	Dr. Sudeepto Bhattacharya	Controller of Examinations, & Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics, School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
35	Mr. Bhaskar Mishra	Head, Administration
36	Mr. Anil Kumar Nair	Head, Admissions

Item No.1 Welcome address by Dr. Rupamanjari Ghosh, Vice-Chancellor & Chairperson, Academic Council

- Dr. Rupamanjari Ghosh, Chairperson, Academic Council welcomed all the members and invitees to the 26th Academic Council meeting. At the outset, Chairperson apprised the Council that SNU was shortlisted by the MHRD for presentation before an Empowered Expert committee constituted for selection of 'Institution of Eminence' (IOE) on 05th April 2018. The Vice-Chancellor spearheaded the SNU presentation. The Chairperson shared glimpses of the presentation. The Chairperson also informed that the list of Institutions to be conferred with IoE is likely to be declared shortly.

Before taking up the agenda items, the Chairperson presented a brief account of activities and the important personalities who visited the University during the period from the last meeting of the AC till date.

- **Prof. Barbara Romanowicz**, a renowned Seismologist from the Institute de Physique du Globe de Paris (IPGP) and from Department of Earth and Planetary Science, University of California Berkeley visited Shiv Nadar University on 19th February 2018 for a talk on "**Seismic Imaging of the Earth's Deep Interior**". This talk was hosted with support from and under the umbrella of **Indo-French Center for the Promotion of Advanced Research (CEFIPRA)** as part of their annual lecture series.
- **Padma Bhushan Ambassador Shyam Saran**, former Foreign Secretary, visited SNU on 15th March 2018 and delivered a relevant talk on "The Emerging World Order: Preferences and Possibilities. Amb. Saran was awarded the *Padma Bhushan*, for his contributions to the civil service. He is also the author of the book *How India Sees the World*.
- **NIRF Ranking 2017-18** was announced on 03rd April 2018. SNU has ranked 48 in the 'University' category (last year 60 rank) and 72 in the 'Overall' category (last year 96 rank). SNU is the youngest institution in the 'top 50' universities and figured in the top 100 overall list consecutively in 2017 and 2018.

The Chairperson then directed the Registrar to take up the agenda items and the meeting was called to order.

Item No.2 Confirmation of the minutes of the 25th meeting of the Academic Council held on 3rd February 2018

The Registrar informed that the minutes of the 25th Academic Council meeting held on 3rd February 2018 were circulated to the members on 27th February 2018, and since no comments were received so far, he requested the Chairperson to approve the minutes. The minutes were then approved by the AC. The minutes as approved by the AC are enclosed at **Annexure-1**.

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Item No.3 To report matters arising out of the minutes of the 25th AC meeting held on 3rd February 2018 and action taken thereof on matters which needed action:

25.4 To report the grade analysis of the University results for Monsoon Semester - 2017

The Registrar reported that in the 25th AC meeting it was suggested under Item No. 4, to send a list of students whose SGPA= \leq 5, to the Directors of the Schools, after the publication of the semester results. The Chairperson suggested to the Dean UG that this is to be implemented at the earliest and some mechanism should be devised for the purpose.

25.6 To discuss and approve alignment of the credit requirements in the UG programs conducted under SoNS, SoHSS and SoME

The Registrar reported that vide his email dated 9th March 2018, the Dean, UGS was informed regarding the resolution of the 25th AC meeting, under item No.6, on the constitution of a working committee for implementation of the revised credits. Dean UGS informed the AC that the requirements have been modified and will be published in the UG prospectus.

25.7 To discuss and approve offering Major in 'International Relations and Governance Studies' in the Department of International Relations and Governance Studies (IRGS), in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SoHSS)

The 'viability assessment proforma' submitted by the IRGS on starting new Major from Monsoon 2018 semester was taken on record. The same is attached as Annexure-2.

25.8 To discuss constitution of School-wise Board of Studies (BoS)

The Registrar informed that the composition of the BoS has been received from the School of Engineering (SoE) so far. The Chairperson advised all the Directors to send the composition of BoS to the Registrar for records, and also expand the BoS for SoE as appropriate.

Item No.4 To report a tentative list of graduands (UG, PG, and Ph.D.) for the 4th Convocation scheduled to be held on 19th May 2018

The Registrar presented before the Academic Council a tentative list of graduands (UG, PG and Ph.D.) for the 4th Convocation scheduled to be held on 19th May 2018. The final list of the graduands will be reported to the Council in the next meeting after the Convocation. The tentative list is attached as Annexure -3.

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Item No.5 To report Summer Break, UG Registration and Orientation programme schedule for Monsoon 2018

Dean UGS informed the Council that the UG Registration date has been fixed for 12th July 2018. Dean UGS apprised that UG registration and orientation programme for Monsoon 2018 semester will be between 12th -14th July 2018. A mix of activities is planned between 16th-21st July 2018. The regular classes for them will start from 23rd July 2018. A detailed registration and orientation programme schedule is attached at Annexure-4.

Item No.6 To report important collaborative MOUs/agreement signed by SNU

The Registrar reported a list of important collaborative MOUs/agreements signed during the last one year with National & International bodies/Institutions. The Chairperson informed that henceforth all MOU's/ agreements executed by the University for academic cooperation shall be reported to the AC and a copy of the same should be forwarded to the Registrar for records by all concerned. A list of MOUs/agreement is attached at Annexure- 5.

Item No.7 To consider and approve introduction of new courses in MFA programme, in the Department of Art and Performing Arts, SoHSS

The proposal received from the Department of Art and Performing Arts, SoHSS, for introducing following courses in MFA programme from the next academic year was discussed:

1. ART 613 - Painting and Drawing (Core)
2. ART 646 - Film and the Photographic Image (Core)
3. ART 662 - Performance-Resistance (Core)
4. ART 699/ ART 799 - Reading Art (Texts and Comprehension) (Core)

The AC approved the proposed courses after a detailed discussion in the meeting. The course details are attached as Annexure-6.

Item No.8 To report Mid-term and End-term feedback on UG courses

The Registrar requested to Dean UGS to apprise the Council about the process of collecting feedback from students. Dean UGS briefed the Council that students' feedback is being collected in the mid-term and at the end of the semester, however, very few students submit the online feedback hence, the objective of the same is not fully achieved and the responses received from the registered students remain very less. Mr. Rajeev Kumar, Asst. Dean, UGS suggested making it compulsory before releasing the results of end-semester. Prof. C.V Tomy opined that such restrictions would not serve our purpose. He suggested that manual mode of collecting feedback from students in classes at the end of class will fetch the desired result in place of doing it online. The Chairperson requested the members to give feedback on this to Dean UGS so that further improvement can be done in this regard.

Item No.9 To consider and approve the proposal received from the Department of Chemical Engineering, SoE, regarding changes in the existing UG Chemical Engineering Curriculum

Please refer to the Item No. 10 below for the Academic Council's observation.

Item No.10 To consider and approve the proposal received from the Department of Mechanical Engineering, SoE, regarding curriculum changes proposed for 2018 batch

The proposals received from Chemical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering (SoE) were briefly discussed in the meeting. However, the Chairperson was of the view that keeping in view the AICTE's recently notified revised 'Model Curriculum' for Engineering streams, it was felt that any piecemeal manner revision in the curriculum structure may not be in fitness of things, hence the Director, SoE was requested to have an internal BoS level discussion with all engineering department heads for aligning the engineering curriculum for all streams together in consonance with the 'Model Curriculum' framed by the AICTE. Any change in curriculum needed wider consultations & due diligence.

Item No.11 To report the Ph.D. Scholars details

The Registrar reported that since last Academic Council, the following Research Scholars have completed the Ph.D. requirements:

S.No.	Name of Scholar	Department	Title of Thesis	Research Advisor(s)	Date of Defense
1	Richard s Joe S	Department of Electrical Engineering, SoE	Large Signal Field Analysis Of Linear Beam Traveling Wave Tube Amplifier For Anisotropically Conducting Tape Helix Slow Wave Structure Supported By Dielectric Rods	Dr. G. Naveen Babu	04.02.2018
2	Poonam Dangi	Department of Life Sciences, SoNS	Role of lipid signaling in microneme exocytosis facilitating Plasmodium invasion into host RBC	Dr. Shailja Singh	20.02.2018
3	Vijeta Sharma	Department of Life Sciences, SoNS	Identification and Evaluation of Bioactive Small Molecules as Antimalarials via Phenotypic Based And Target-Based Drug Discovery	Dr. Shailja Singh and Dr. Subhabrata Sen (Co-Supervisor)	27.2.2018

The Registrar further informed that as of now, there are 15 Research Scholars who will formally receive their degree in the 4th Convocation of the University. The above was taken on record.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.


Dr. Rupamanjari Ghosh
Chairperson