

**G.B. PANT UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY
PANTNAGAR, DISTT. U.S. NAGAR (UTTARAKHAND)
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR**

No.R/Exams./II-Sem.2019-20/2310

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OFFICE ORDER


In continuation of the guidelines for instructions and examinations issued by office order no R/Exams/II-Sem. 2019-20, dated May 06, 2020, the following advisories issued by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research shall be complied by all colleges as per approval of the Vice Chancellor.

1. The e-courses for UG programmes in disciplines namely Agriculture, Fishery Science, Dairy Science, Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry, Horticulture, Community Science and Agricultural Engineering, created by ICAR and available at <https://ecourses.icar.gov.in> may be made available to the students.
2. For the benefit of the students the faculty needs to maintain communication with the students and discuss course material with them on a regular basis through WhatsApp groups, other social media tools and emails.
3. The remote 24x7 online access facility extended by ICAR of select journals in agricultural and allied sciences under Consortium for e-Resources in Agriculture (CeRA) may be availed by all researchers, teachers and students. Deans may inform all the users to access the available e-resources under CeRA.
4. In view of the present scenario and future uncertainties, if there is difficulty in making admissions as per the existing policy, the alternative modes of admission process may be adopted, if otherwise legally tenable.
5. Although the University has decided to hold offline examinations, the possibility of online examination ensuring fair opportunity to all students may be explored in case the pen and paper examination will not be possible in view of the prevailing uncertainties. Registrar will take initiative in the matter.
6. The semester-end examination would be conducted after making a comprehensive assessment of residential status of the students, status of COVID-19 pandemic spread in various parts of the country and other factors. If the conditions however remain precarious and not suitable to have semester end examination especially in view of the safety and health of the students, GPA of the students could be composite of 50% marks on the basis of the pattern of internal evaluation (First Test/ Assignment and or Mid-term) and the remaining 50% marks can be awarded on the basis of performance in previous semester only.
7. Dean PGS will take appropriate measures to allow Ph.D and Masters Students to complete their research/experimental work during lockdown period in research stations/research institutes/regional research stations/ KVKs etc strictly following the government rules in vogue during lockdown.
8. A **Grievance Cell** comprising the Registrar, Dean CABM, Dean PGS and Additional Deputy Registrar will be established in Registrar office for handling student

grievances related to examinations and academic activities during COVID-19 pandemic. Necessary steps will be made to attend to the queries/grievances through online mode.

9. The necessary steps may be taken by the Deans to ensure that the students are given exposure to laboratory assignments/ practical experiments through virtual laboratories, sharing of the recorded visuals of laboratory work and digital resources available for the purpose, wherever possible.
10. Director Training and Placement of the university will develop the mechanism of counseling through a dedicated portal on university website to impart timely guidance and counseling to the students.
11. The faculty advisor assigned to each student should maintain regular communication with the students.

The Deans and other functionaries may adopt and implement the above guidelines and those issued earlier by the office of the Registrar in a transparent manner in the best interest of students, University and the entire education system. Further alterations/ additions/ modifications/ amendments to deal with particular situation(s) will be made if the need arises.


(A.P. Sharma) 21/5-2020
Registrar

- Copy to: All Deans for necessary action and circulation to all concerned in college including HODs, Instructors and Advisors
- : Comptroller
 - : Director Administration & Monitoring
 - : Director, Training and Placement
 - : All Counters in Registrar Office
 - : Dy. Registrar/I/C, ICC/Additional Deputy Registrar
 - : I/C, University Website Management Cell for uploading on Univ. website
 - : PS to V.C. for kind information of the Vice-Chancellor