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“Policy for Honors and Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas”

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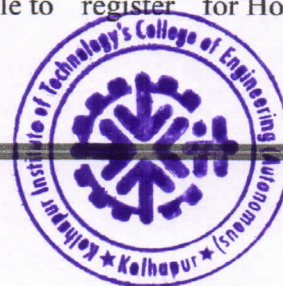
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Standard Norms and Requirements:

1. Kolhapur Institute of Technology's College of Engineering (Autonomous), Kolhapur has implemented new undergraduate scheme from academic year 2023-24. Institute has also initiated new postgraduate scheme from academic year 2024-25. These undergraduate and postgraduate schemes have been prepared incorporating the provisions of the National Education Policy (NEP), 2020.
2. Under the new undergraduate scheme, the students have an opportunity to learn significantly, and thus specialize to some extent, in an area of their choice.
3. This is being offered through Honors (in parent department) or Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas (in any department including parent department).
4. Provision of Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas adds value to the core degree as well as it can also open opportunities in the field of Minor Specialization.
5. Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas may be allowed where any student from any department can take the minimum additional credits in the range of 18-20 and get a Minor degree.
6. Honors courses are either advanced level courses in parent department or courses designed to give more exposure of a specific area out of the different areas of the parent department.
7. Honors courses help to get deeper knowledge in a certain specialized area to better prepare a student for higher studies or to take a job in that area.
8. Honors degree shall be allowed as specialization from the same Department.
9. The minimum additional credits for such courses shall be in the range of 18-20 (including credit transferred from the SWAYAM platform) and the same shall be mentioned in the degree, as specialization in that particular area. For example, doing extra credits for Robotics in Mechanical Engineering shall earn B.Tech. (Hons.) Mechanical Engineering with specialization in Robotics.
10. Honors/ Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas will cumulatively require additional 18 to 20 credits in the specified area in addition to the credits essential for obtaining the undergraduate degree in Major Discipline (i.e. 160-176 credits including mandatory Multi-Disciplinary Minor).

Eligibility Criteria for Honors Programme:

1. Students from same department are eligible to apply.
2. Student completing first year of undergraduate degree without any backlog/ student admitted after Diploma in second year third semester is eligible to register for Honors Programme.
3. Only Students having no credit arrears at the end of the second semester (after declaration of makeup examination result) are eligible to register for Honors Programme.



4. Proportion of the number of students for Honors Programme shall be decided as per the admission status at first year undergraduate degree level and second year undergraduate degree lateral entry level.
5. The Assessment and Evaluation shall be done through End Semester Examination of 100 Marks for each course under Honors Programme.
6. For Honors degree, a student needs to earn additional 18-20 credits in addition to the credits essential for obtaining the undergraduate degree in Major Discipline (i.e. 160-176 credits including mandatory Multi-Disciplinary Minor).
7. Students failing to clear Honors courses in the End Semester Examination will be discontinued and he/ she will not be eligible to get Honors degree.
8. There will be No Makeup Examination conducted for the students failing in the End Semester Examination in any of the courses of Honors programme.
9. To get Honors degree, a student should not have received any 'F' grade (after the Makeup Examination) in any of the courses (theory/ lab) throughout the undergraduate programme. After registering for the Honors Programme if a student fails in any course, then he/she will not be eligible to get Honors degree.
10. Students enrolling for Honors Programme are not eligible to register for any other additional credit program. e.g. Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas. However, it is optional for students to take Honours/ Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas.
11. Registration fees for Honors Programme will be Rs. 2000 per credit course per semester.
12. Student once enrolled for any Honors Programme is not permitted to change the track. However, a student can withdraw at any semester. The fee will not be refunded when withdrawn from the Honors Programme.
13. The fee for Honors Programme is to be paid in addition to the regular College fees.
14. There will not be any fee concession/ relaxation for any category student.
15. The Honours Programme can be opted only during regular engineering studies.
16. The student shall complete the Honours Programme in stipulated five semesters (i.e. third semester to seventh semester) only.

Eligibility Criteria for Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas:

1. Students from any department are eligible to apply for Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas.
2. Since registration is on a first come first serve basis, interested students are informed to register the same once registration opens.
3. Intake will be a minimum of 30 and a maximum of 150 students per Minor Programme.
4. Student completing first year of undergraduate degree without any backlog/ student admitted after Diploma in second year third semester is eligible to register for Minor Programme.
5. Only Students having no credit arrears at the end of the second semester (after declaration of makeup examination result) are eligible to register for Minor Programme.
6. The Assessment and Evaluation shall be done through End Semester Examination of 100 Marks for each course under Minor Programme.




7. For Minor degree, a student needs to earn additional 18-20 credits in addition to the credits essential for obtaining the undergraduate degree in Major Discipline (i.e. 160-176 credits including mandatory Multi-Disciplinary Minor).
8. Students failing to clear Minor courses in the End Semester Examination will be discontinued and he/ she will not be eligible to get Minor degree.
9. There will be No Makeup Examination conducted for the students failing in the End Semester Examination in any of the courses of Minor programme.
10. To get Minor degree, a student should not have received any 'F' grade (after the Makeup Examination) in any of the courses (theory/ lab) throughout the undergraduate programme. After registering for the Minor Programme if a student fails in any course, then he/she will not be eligible to get Minor degree.
11. Students enrolling for Minor Programme are not eligible to register for any other additional credit program. e.g. Honors Programme. However, it is optional for students to take Honours/ Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas.
12. Registration fees for Minor Programme will be Rs. 2000 per credit course per semester.
13. Student once enrolled for any Minor Programme is not permitted to change the track. However, a student can withdraw at any semester. The fee will not be refunded when withdrawn from the Minor Programme.
14. The fee for Minor Programme is to be paid in addition to the regular College fees.
15. There will not be any fee concession/ relaxation for any category student.
16. The Minor Programme can be opted only during regular engineering studies.
17. The student shall complete the Minor Programme in stipulated five semesters (i.e. third semester to seventh semester) only.


Award of Honor / Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas:

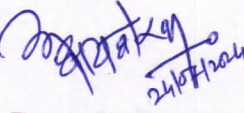
1. Proposal to Shivaji University, Kolhapur to be forwarded for approval to Award Honors/ Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas.
2. Honors/ Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas will be awarded after completion of basic degree.
3. Separate grade card for Honors/ Minor Specialization in Emerging Areas will be issued to the student after successfully completing the opted Honors/ Minor courses.

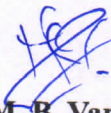
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