

GUJARAT UNIVERSITY
Ordinances and Regulation relating to Master of Arts
(CBCS) In force of June-2010

O M.A-1: Eligibility

- (1) Candidates for the degree of Master of Arts for admission in First Semester of the Program must have passed the Degree of Bachelor of Arts of Gujarat University or an examination of other recognized Universities deemed equivalent with it (excluding degrees obtained through Distance Mode/External Mode/any other non-regular mode). The candidate should have scored at least 45% marks (40% for SC/ST category) in the Final Year of the degree course in External Examination or with equivalent grade in the Final Year (Total of last two semester of semester system) shall be eligible for admission.
- (2) A candidate who has passed any examination of M.A. from any other University shall be eligible for admission only to the First Semester of the M.A. program of Gujarat University as a fresh student, however, in such a situation the grades and credits obtained out side Gujarat University will not be considered for award of M.A. Degree.
- (3) A candidate who has obtained M.A. degree of Gujarat University in one area of specialization will not be eligible to appear in the M.A. degree examinations with another specialization as a regular student.
- (4) The registration of the candidate in the M.A. program shall be for a period of five years from the date of registration. The Vice-Chancellor may extend the period by one more year on behalf of the Executive Council .
- (5) In case the student is not able to clear the program till the expiry of the registration and wishes to continue with the program, he/she shall re-register in the program as a fresh student, as per Provision-(1).
- (6) A candidate once registered as a Regular candidate in the program shall not be allowed to switch over to the external program in the same academic year.
- (7) In case a candidate drops out of the program voluntarily for any reason whatsoever and opts to join any other program by obtaining a Transfer and/or Migration Certificate, the registration of the candidate in the M.A. program would be automatically cancelled.

O M.A-2 : Conditions for eligibility to appear in End-Semester External Examination:

A candidate shall be eligible to appear in the End-Semester External Examination provided, he/she fulfills the following requirement.

1. Attendance:

A candidate should have attended at-least 75% of the total number of working days in each semester.

2. Medical Ground Ordinance :

Relaxation in the requirement for semester attendance will be allowed on account of bonafide illness, maternity or any other medical reason deemed sufficient by the Executive Council. This relaxation will be given only two times in the whole program. The candidate shall be eligible to appear in the End-Semester Examination for the Semester in which this relaxation is granted to the candidate.

3 Internal Test/Other class participation :

The candidate should have scored the minimum required marks in the internal assessment comprising of internal test, attendance and other forms of continuous assessment.

O M.A-3: Eligibility for award of Degree:

To become eligible for award of the M.A. Degree, a candidate shall be required to pass four examinations as under:

M.A. Semester-I Examination, M.A. Semesters II, III and IV examinations in respective Optional Specialization Areas before expiry of the Registration period.

R.M.A.1- Course Structure:

- (1) The M.A. program is full time two years Post Graduate program. The medium of instruction shall be English for all subjects other than languages.
However, the Post Graduate Centers can opt for Gujarati or Hindi as the medium of instruction with the prior permission of the University. The medium of examination can be English, Gujarati or Hindi. The option on this aspect shall be exercised by the student.
- (2) The program consists of Four Semesters-Semesters I and II in the First Year of the Program and Semesters III and IV in the Second Year Program.
- (3) The total program consists of minimum 96 credits, equally divided into 24 credits per semester.

- (4) There would be different elective areas of specialization as per syllabus of respective subjects.

A candidate can opt for any one of the elective groups at the time of admission. Change of elective specialization will not be allowed in the duration of the program.

- (5) The program consists of the following types of courses:
- (i) Core Courses : Common for all elective specialization groups
 - (ii) Elective Courses: Separate for all elective specialization groups
 - (iii) Project : Applicable for all elective specialization groups, but Project Report to be prepared by individual students.
 - (iv) Seminar Courses (Type of core courses).

R. M.A 2-- Clearing and carrying forward the Semesters:

Rules for carrying the semesters are given below.

1. A candidate must have atleast 75% overall attendance in the program and should have satisfactory performance in class participation of each course and must have appeared in internal written test to be eligible for grant of term.
2. In case a candidate obtains F in any one course/all courses in the first semester, he/she shall be allowed to continue to proceed to the second semester provided he/she has kept his/her term of the first semester successfully.
3. The candidate shall be allowed to proceed to the third semester only after clearing all the courses of the first semester.
4. In case a candidate obtains F in any one course/all courses in the second semester, he/she shall be allowed to continue to proceed to the third semester provided he/she has kept his/her term of the second semester successfully.
5. The candidate shall be allowed to proceed to the fourth semester only after clearing all the courses of the second semester.
6. In case a candidate obtains F in any one course/all courses in the third semester, he/she shall be allowed to continue to proceed to the fourth semester provided he/she has kept his/her term of the third semester successfully.
7. The candidate shall become eligible for the award of the degree after successful clearance of all the courses of semesters I, II, III & IV by the fourth semester examination of the second year of the program or till expiry of registration.

Whenever a candidate fails in a course due to failure of obtaining minimum marks in the internal component of the examination, the marks obtained in attendance

and class participation shall be carried forward for the consideration of the repeat examination. The student has to appear in the internal test only to complete the requirement of the internal assessment.

R. M.A 3- Assessment and Evaluations:

- (1) Each course will be assessed on basis of 100 marks. The marks would be divided between internal and external assessment.
- (2) There shall be one external examination of each course in every semester consisting of 70% (70 marks) weightage in theory and practical courses. For Projects, Seminar, Viva etc., the external examination shall carry 50% weight.
- (3) (a) Each Theory course shall have internal assessment of 30% weightage based on the following
 - Internal written test - 15% (15 marks)
 - Attendance - 05% (5 marks)
 - Class participation in assignment- Presentations/quizzes etc. - 10% (10 marks)
- (b) For each practical course the assessment shall be as follows:
 - (i) Internal practical test - 25 marks (25%)
 - (ii) End semester practical Uni. Exam - 50 marks (50%)
 - (iii) End semester practical Viva –voce University examination- 25 marks (25%)
(Viva Voce Examination shall be conducted by external and internal examiners of the respective subjects)
- (c) **Assessment of the project reports/**
Field work reports/ workshop
 - Internal assessment - 50 marks (50%)
 - External assessment - 25 marks for report (25%)
(To be conducted at department / centers) - 25, marks viva – voce (25%)
- (d) **Seminars**
 - Internal assessment -50 marks (50%)
 - External viva- voce -50 marks (50%)
- (e) **Dissertation**
 - (i) Internal assessment -50 marks (50%)
 - (ii) University end semester assessment
 - By external examiner and guide - 25 marks for written work (25%)
(Average of two) -25 marks for viva voce (25%)

- (4) Every student will be required to pass in the external examination and internal assessment separately, in each course.
- (5) The minimum passing standard will be 36% for the external and internal component of each course, i. e. 25 marks out of 70 (external – 36% of 70 marks) and 11 marks out of 30 (internal – 36% of 30 marks).
- (6) Whenever a candidate fails in a course due to failure of obtaining minimum marks or could not appear for the test on medical grounds in the internal component of the examination, a re- assessment shall be done in the same semester. A failure in the re- assessment of any course shall debar the student from writing the end semester University Examination for the relevant semester.
- (7) If a candidate fails to clear the internal assessment of a course in any semester even after remedial assessment the candidate shall be allowed to clear the internal assessment of the course in the subsequent academic years by payment of fee of internal assessment only. Thereafter, when the Candidate clears the internal assessment, he/she will be allowed to appear in the end term University examination after payment of all examination dues. For such candidates the current prevailing syllabus of each course shall be applicable.
- (8) The grades for each course would be decided on the basis of the percentage marks obtained in the end-semester university examination only as per following table:

% Marks		Grade	Grade Point	
From	To		From	To
75	+	O	8.0	10.0
70	74	A+	7.0	7.99
65	69	A	6.0	6.99
60	64	A-	5.0	5.99
55	59	B+	4.0	4.99
50	54	B	3.0	3.99
48	49	B-	2.5	2.99
45	47	C+	2.0	2.49
40	44	C	1.0	1.99
36	39	C-	0.5	0.99
0	35	F	0	0

The credit grade points are to be calculated on the following basis:

Grade point obtained x credits for the course = credit grade points. The grade points would be calculated upto Two decimal places only. The calculation is given in examples below:

Example - I

Marks obtained	=	68 / 100
% Marks	=	68 %
Grade	=	A
Grade Point	=	$6.0 + 3 (0.99/4) = 6.0 + 0.74 = 6.74$
Course Credits	=	4
Credits Grade Point	=	$6.74 \times 4 = 26.96$

Example - II

Marks obtained	=	46 / 70
% Marks	=	65.71 %
Grade	=	A
Grade Point	=	$6.0 + .71 (0.99/4) = 6.0 + 0.18 = 6.18$
Course Credits	=	4
Credits Grade Point	=	$6.18 \times 4 = 24.72$

9. The semester grade point average (SGPA) will be calculated as an weighted average of all the grade point of the semester courses. That is Semester grade point average (SGPA) = (sum of grade points of all six courses of the semester) / 24 (total credit of the semester) as per example given below :

Semester - I

Course No.	Credit Grade Point	Credit
401	26.96	4
402	24.72	4
403	18.57	4
404	21.22	4
405	20.19	4
406	15.36	4
Total	127.02	24

SEMESTER GRADE POINT AVERAGE (SGPA) = 127.02 / 24 = 5.92

SGPA Sem. I = 5.92

SGPA Sem. II = 5.63

SGPA Sem. III = 6.01

SGPA Sem. IV = 5.50

Total = 23.06

Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) = 23.06 / 4 = 5.76

10. The cumulative grade point average will be calculated as the average of the SGPA of all the four semesters, as shown above.

11. For the award of the class CGPA shall be calculated on the basis of :

- i.) End Semester University Examination Marks
 - ii.) Total Marks obtained (End Semester University Examination Marks + Marks for internal assessment) for each course.
- a) The final Class shall be awarded on the basis of lowest CGPA of (i) & (ii) above.

Marks		Grade	Grade Point		Class for CGPA
From	To		From	To	
75	+	O	8.0	10.0	Dist
70	74	A+	7.0	7.99	
65	69	A	6.0	6.99	First
60	64	A-	5.0	5.99	
55	59	B+	4.0	4.99	Second
50	54	B	3.0	3.99	
48	49	B-	2.5	2.99	
45	47	C+	2.0	2.49	Pass
40	44	C	1.0	1.99	
36	39	C-	0.5	0.99	
0	35	F	0	0	Fail

R. M.A 4 – Syllabi Revision

Syllabi of every course should be preferably changed after every two years. For example a syllabus changed in 2010 must be revised in 2012.

1. Revised Syllabi of each semester should be implemented in sequential way.
2. In courses where units/topics relate to governmental provisions, regulations or laws, changes to accommodate the latest developments are automatic under information to the Registrar and Vice-Chancellor.
3. All formalities for revisions in the syllabi should be completed before the end of the 2nd/4th semester for implementation in the next academic year.
4. During every revision, upto twenty percent of the entire syllabi of each course can be changed to ensure that students who have studied the old syllabi can also appear for examinations in the revised syllabi.
5. In case the syllabus of any course is carried forward without any change, it shall be included in the revised syllabi.
6. New / Additional areas and courses of elective optional can be introduced on the basis of recommendations of the board of studies.

R. M.A 5 - Format of Question paper for 4 Units

Q.1 From Unit-I	A OR A	7 marks
	B OR B	7 marks
Q.2 From Unit-II	A OR A	7 marks
	B OR B	7 marks
Q.3 From Unit-III	A OR A	7 marks
	B OR B	7 marks
Q.4 From Unit-IV	A OR A	7 marks
	B OR B	7 marks

Q.5	Answer in one or two lines 14 marks		
	(i) From Unit-I	From Unit-IV	(x)
(ii)	(xi)		
From Unit-II	(iii)	From Any Unit	(xii)
	(iv)		(xiii)
	(v)		(xiv)
From Unit-III	(vi)		
	(vii)		
	(viii)		
	(ix)		

R. M.A 6- Format of Question paper for 5Units

Q.1 From Unit-I	(A) OR (A)	7 marks
	(B) Write in brief any two out of three (i) (ii) (iii)	4 marks
	(C) Answer in one or two lines only (i) (ii) (iii)	3 marks
Unit-II,III,IV & V	Unit-I pattern to be followed .	