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IMPORTANT DATES

S/N	Activity	Date
1	Admission Deadline	15th July
2	Start of Semester(s)	1st September
3	Enrolment Deadline	10th September
4	Exams	December and April (August for the May cohort)
5	Submission of Thesis	September - October year 2
6	Semester breaks	Two weeks
7	Vacations	Two weeks
8	How often new student can start the programme during the year	May and September

STRUCTURE OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR

(i) Master's Programme

First Semester:	Coursework 16 credit hours min, 18 credit hours maximum (SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER)
Second Semester:	Coursework: 16 credit hours min. 18 credit hours maximum (JANUARY - APRIL)
Third Semester:	Research only: 8 credit hours maximum 9 (MAY - AUGUST)
Fourth Semester:	Research/Thesis: 8 credit hours maximum 9 (SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER)

(ii) Doctor of Philosophy / PhD Programmes

The Doctor of Philosophy programme shall consist of:

- (a) Course work, examination and thesis OR (b) Course work, examination and dissertation
OR (c) Thesis only.

(a) Course work, examination and thesis

SEMESTER	ACTIVITY	CREDIT HOURS	
		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
FIRST <i>(SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER)</i>	Course Work	12	16
SECOND <i>(JANUARY - APRIL)</i>	Course Work	12	16
THIRD <i>(MAY - AUGUST)</i>	Research	12	16
FOURTH <i>(SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER)</i>	Research	12	16
FIFTH <i>(JANUARY - APRIL)</i>	Research	12	16
SIXTH <i>(MAY - AUGUST)</i>	Research	12	16

(b) Coursework, Examination and Dissertation

SEMESTER	ACTIVITY	CREDIT HOURS	
		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
FIRST <i>(SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER)</i>	Course Work	9	12
SECOND <i>(JANUARY - APRIL)</i>	Course Work	9	12
THIRD <i>(MAY - AUGUST)</i>	Course Work	6	9
FOURTH <i>(SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER)</i>	Course Work	6	9
FIFTH <i>(JANUARY - APRIL)</i>	Comprehensive exam/Research	24	24
SIXTH <i>(MAY - AUGUST)</i>	Research	18	24
SEVENTH <i>(SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER)</i>	Research	12	18
EIGHTH <i>(JANUARY - APRIL)</i>	Research	12	18

(c) Thesis only

SEMESTER	ACTIVITY	CREDIT HOURS	
		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
FIRST <i>(SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER)</i>	Concept paper	6	12
SECOND <i>(JANUARY - APRIL)</i>	Proposal writing & defense	6	12
THIRD <i>(MAY - AUGUST)</i>	Preparation of research & pretesting	12	18
FOURTH <i>(SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER)</i>	Data collection & analysis	18	18
FIFTH <i>(JANUARY - APRIL)</i>	Thesis writing and compilation	18	18
SIXTH <i>(MAY - AUGUST)</i>	Thesis submission and defense	12	12

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