



MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The 3rd Academic Council Meeting of Pimpri Chinchwad University, Pune held on Friday, 27th December 2024 at 11:00 am in the Board Room at Pimpri Chinchwad University. The minutes of the meeting are appended below.

Members Present

The following members were present.

Sr. No.	Designated Member	Designation	Attendance	Mode
1.	Dr. Manimala Puri (Vice-Chancellor (I/c)	Chairperson	Present	Offline
2.	Dr. Sudeep D. Thepade - Pro-Vice Chancellor	Member	Present	Offline
3.	Dr. V N Patil –Professor & Head, SY,TY B.Tech,M.Tech, School of Engineering &Technology	Member [Ex-officio]	Present	Offline
4.	Dr. Ramdas Biradar – Professor & Head, FY B.Tech, School of Engineering &Technology	Member [Ex-officio]	Present	Offline
5.	Dr. Ajay Sharma – Professor & Head, School of Management	Member [Ex-officio]	Present	Offline
6.	Dr.Amit Patil-Professor, In charge - MBA Agri, & Pharma School of Management	Member [Ex-officio]	Present	Offline
7.	Dr. Rajesh Patil – Principal (I/c), School of Pharmacy	Member [Ex-officio]	Present	Offline
8.	Ms.Ruchu Kuthiala- Head, School of Sciences	Member [Ex-officio]	Present	Offline
9.	Dr.Kamlesh Meshram- Head, School of Computer Applications	Member [Ex-officio]	Present	Offline
10.	Mr.Nachiket Baviskar- In charge, Pune Design School	Member [Ex-officio]	Present	Offline
11.	Mr.Abhishek Chaudhari – In charge, Pune School of Media & Communication	Member [Ex-officio]	Present	Offline
12.	Dr.Archana Rathore- Professor, School of Liberal Arts	Member	Present	Offline

13.	Dr.Anju Bala, Associate Prof., SOE & T	Member	Present	Offline
14.	Dr.Arun Mohan Sherry	Member-Educationist	Present	Absent
15.	Dr.D.K.Agrawal	Member-Educationist	Absent	Absent
16.	Dr.Prashant Bartakke	Member-Educationist	Absent	Offline
17.	Dr.Neha Sharma	Member-Educationist	Present	Absent
18.	Dr.Safal Batra	Member-Educationist	Absent	Online
19.	Dr.Neerja Pandey	Member-Educationist	Present	Absent
20.	Dr.Sagar Tikar	Member-Industry Expert	Absent	Absent
21.	Dr.Mukul Sutaone	Special Invitee	Present	Offline
22.	Mrs.Shalaka Sarode, Assistant Registrar	Member Secretary	Present	Offline

The meeting of the members was called upon to discuss and transact the following business:

To grant leave of absence, if any:

Dr.D.K.Agrawal, Dr.Arun Mohan Sherry, Dr.Neha Sharma, Dr.Neerja Pandey and Dr. Sagar Tikar had requested for Leave of absence and they were granted a Leave of absence.

Item No. 01: Welcome note by Vice-Chancellor (I/c)

Dr. Manimala Puri, Vice Chancellor (I/c) welcomed all the members and experts from academics and industry present for the meeting. In her brief talk she informed members about academic activities, progress, events conducted at the University during first year of the establishment of the University.

The members have taken a note of the same.

Item No. 02: To consider and approve the minutes of the 2nd Academic council meeting held on 11.05.2024 and to take note of the action taken Report.

Discussion: Dr. Sudeep D. Thepade, Pro-Vice-Chancellor informed the members that the MoM of the previous AC-02 was circulated by the Registrar office and requested the members to give their consent & confirmation to the MoM.

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same and passed the following resolution unanimously:

(Resolution No.: AC/2024/03/02): "RESOLVED THAT the members approved the Minutes of Meeting of Academic Council (AC- 02 as annexed in **Annexure_A**

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT a certified copy of this resolution may be furnished to the concerned person(s) and/or authorities for giving effect to this resolution, under the hands of the Vice Chancellor (I/c)."

Item No. 03: To take a review on Admission Status of 2024-25.

Discussion: Dr. Sudeep D. Thepade Sir briefed Intake and program wise admitted student's details of AY 2024-25, also mentioned the rise of admission count from last year to this year.

Dr. Mukul Sutaone Sir, our special invitee asked to provide the comparative status of admission for AY 2023-24 & 2024-25, considered entrance tests and accordingly Merit list of the Admitted students.

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same as annexed in Annexure_B

Item No. 04: To consider and approve the modified Course Structures of the programs with inclusion of MOOCs courses as approved by the respective BoS and a subject on 'AI' in all UG programs.

Discussion: Dr.Sudeep D. Thepade briefed about the modified course structures of the programs, elaborated the additional inclusion of MOOCs courses in each SEMESTER to improve self-learning ability of the students by adding credits in CGPA, with clear 'R & R' and by taking regular reviews with LOG Book.

These course structures were approved by the respective BoS and recommended to Academic Council for approval.

Sr.No.	Program Name	Earlier Course Structure & Syllabus	Modified Course Structure & Syllabus
1.	S.Y.B.Tech CSE	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
2.	SY B.Tech CSE (AI & ML)	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
3.	SY B.Tech CSE (AI & DS)	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
4.	B.Tech CSE Direct Second Year	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
5.	M.Tech	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
6.	BCA	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
7.	MCA	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
8.	B.Sc Computer Science (Cyber Security)	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
9.	BBA	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
10.	MBA General	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
11.	MBA International Business	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
12.	MBA Agribusiness	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
13.	MBA Pharma	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
14.	B.Des	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
15.	M.Des	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
16.	B.Sc Clinical Psychology	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
17.	B. Sc. Nutrition & Dietetics	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
18.	B.Sc. Animation, VFX, Multimedia Sciences	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
19.	BBA (Advertising event & PR /Digital Film Making)	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
20.	B.Pharm	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
21.	D. Pharm	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
22.	BA LLB	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
23.	LLB	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1
24.	LLM	Pattern 2024-25	Pattern 24-25 V1

Dr.Sudeep D. Thepade sir added that PCU has initiated certification courses through Coursera, REDHAT, NPTEL, EduSkills, Google, Edex and IIT spoken Tutorials to fit all disciplinary requirements and to increase the employability of the Students by this value additional courses, around 2 to 4 credits of these MOOCs to weightage has been added. Also quetion based assignment taken time to time.

Dr.Sutaone sir suggested that MOOC courses should be in augmented learning mode. There should be a core teacher physically for CORE subject with latest technology. Also advised to make compulsorily at least 2 NPTEL courses per student, it will make a habit to learner without a teacher.

The members have acknowledged the modified course structures with inclusion of MOOC courses.

For internal monitoring purpose, LOG books were initiated to keep all track of each student

The Members after due deliberations took note of the same and passed the following resolution unanimously:

(Resolution No.: AC/2024/03/4): “RESOLVED THAT the Academic Council hereby approves course structure policy as annexed in **Annexure_C**

Item No. 05: To approve new school for BCA, MCA and B.Sc. Computer Science (cyber security) programmes named as 'School of Computer Applications' and renamed School of Media & Communication as 'Pune School of Media and Communication'

Discussion: Dr.Sudeep Thepade recommended the changes in School name for BCA, MCA programmes from the School of Engineering and Technology to School of Computer Applications this would be operationally & administratively easy to handle academics. The earlier BCA, MCA BoS were conducted separately under School of Engineering & Technology and now it will continue with the School of Computer Applications.

Another, B.Sc Computer Science (Cyber Security) programme has also transfer under the School of Applications which was run under School of Sciences with B.Sc (Clinical Psychology) and B.Sc (Nutrition & Dietetics) programs. It is difficult to manage different manpower in one school.

The Members after due deliberations took note of the same and passed the following resolution unanimously:

(Resolution No.: AC/2024/03/5) : "RESOLVED THAT the Academic Council approves the introduction of new School from the Academic Year 2024-25 with existing programmes be and is hereby recommended to Board of Management for consideration.

Item No. 06: To approve new Programs to be commenced from AY 2025-26.

Discussion: Dr.Sudeep Thepade informed the members that looking at the NITI AAYOG's recent report on electronics powering India's participation in Global value chain and the mission which Government of India has launched as India's semiconductor mission, we look forward to start B.Tech Computer Science and Engineering course with specialization in Semiconductor Technology i.e '**B.Tech Computer Science (Semiconductor Technology)**' which have anticipated that the design part of the semiconductor would be covered in curriculum along with basic computer science courses. Also recent visits had in South Korea and visits of South Korean University officials to PCU for further corrodation with respect of technology, we wish to seek approval from academic council and their views on this for few divisions based on the response of the students.

One more proposal wish to put forth that is '**MBA (Business Analytics and Artificial Intelligence)**' because all business houses are now getting data driven and they are adapting the data as prime valuable source or important asset in business. So in all aspect of growth of business, the strategies are getting formed around analysis of available multimodal data.

There was a another proposal from Tata Motors as they approached us to start '**Diploma In Mechatronics Engineering**'. This could be a **(2) two year course** for the students who have completed ITI with 12 and **(3) three years course** for the students who have completed 12 std. This would be exclusively for work force of Tata Motors for their upskilling who are working at Tata Motor.

Dr.Thepade assure that in coming academic council meeting will be coming up with detailing of curriculum because all these courses would be floated from July 2025 onwards.

After due discussions and deliberations members suggested the following resolution unanimously:

Dr.Prashant Bartakke suggested that Semiconductor Technology requires many transistors, equipment's and advised to invite experts from Industry to deal with simulations and new semiconductor design technology. And program name could be B.Tech in Semiconductor Design Technology instead of mentioning Computer Science.

So, in AY 2025-26 on students response for B.Tech Computer Science (Semiconductor Technology)' will explore more for B.Tech in Semiconductor Design Technology.

Dr.Sutaone suggested for new programme, MBA (Business Analytics and Artificial Intelligence) that, Informatics is a bigger domain than Analytics so programme name could be MBA (Business Informatics and Artificial Intelligence)

(Resolution No.: AC/2024/03/6) : "RESOLVED THAT the Academic Council approves the introduction of new programmes from the Academic Year 2025-26 be and is hereby approved and recommended to Board of Management for consideration.

Item No. 07: To consider the charges of Transfer Certificate, Migration certificate, Duplicate Identity Card, Duplicate Transfer & Migration Certificate.

Discussion: Dr.Sudeep Thepade recommended to consider some minimal charges for Transfer certificate, Migration certificate, Duplicate Transfer / Migration Certificate and Duplicate Identity Cards compared with what other universities are charging.

The Members after due deliberations took note of the same and passed the following resolution unanimously:

(Resolution No.: AC/2024/03/7) : "RESOLVED THAT the following chagres are hereby approved and recommended to Board of Management for consideration.

Transfer Certificate	INR.500/- [Five Hundred only]
Migration Certificate	INR.700/- [Seven Hundred only]
Duplicate Transfer / Migration Certificate	INR.1000/- [One Thousand only]
Duplicate Identity Card	INR.500/- [Five Hundred only]

Item No. 08: To take update on 2nd BoE Meeting held on 9th May 2024,

a. To consider the Examination fees for Academic Year 2024-25 and recommend the same to Board of Management.

Dr.Sudeep D.Thepade presented the examination fee, duplicate documents charges like Hall ticket, Grade Card, Degree / Diploma Certificate and other fees like Convocation fee, Transcript fee and Academic Documents verification charges and same is annexed in **Annexure_D**

b. Result of TERM END Examination of AY 2023-24.

Dr. Sudeep D.Thepade informed that the examination department had conducted the TERM END Examination for Academic Year 2023-24 and briefed the members on result analysis and all results are correlate with quality of the program and same is annexed in **Annexure_E**.

Also briefed that Exam. dept. had conducted special examination for failure cases as an additional attempt as per following pattern of examination,

Odd Semester Examinations → Odd Semester Re- Examinations → Even Semester Examinations → Even Semester Re- Examinations → Summer Term Examinations

c. Result Analysis Nov-Dec. 2024

Dr. Sudeep D.Thepade informed that the examination department had conducted the ODD SEM Examination for Academic Year 2024-25 and briefed the members on result analysis and same is annexed in **Annexure_F**.

The Members after due deliberations took note of the same and passed the following resolution unanimously:

(Resolution No.: AC/2024/03/8) : "RESOLVED THAT the examinaiton fees, TERM END exam 2023-24 and Result anaylsis for Nov-Dec 2024 mentioned in **Annexure_D, Annexure_E** and **Annexure_F** respectively be and is hereby approved.

Item No. 09: To discuss Students feedback of respective Schools for ODD SEM AY 2024-25.

Discussion: Dr.Sudeep D. Thepade briefed academic council members about average student feedback. The feedback was collected twice first after four weeks of academic delivery and second after conclusion of academics. This feedback used for improvement of perspective faculty member. All Head of Schools had discussed and passed it to each faculty members.

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same as annexed in **Annexure_G**

Item No. 10: Reporting Items

i. MoU's

Dr.Sudeep D. Thepade briefed about the MoU done since January 2024 to till date with Indo Compass LLP, Data Flair Web services Pvt.Ltd., Jahangir Hospital, Yuvana wellness cohesive care LLP, IAPEN India Association, NSE Academy, Anifilms College of Arts and Design, Atpat Production, Global Technology Network (GTN), Cytolife Agritech Pvt.Ltd., Mumbai, Eduskills, Beauty & Wellness Sector Skill Council (B&WSSC), National Cooperative Union of India (NCUI).

Schools HoD's like Management, Schools of Sciences, Media and Communication was enlightened the purposes of the MoUs with renowned Industries.

Dr.Prashant Bartakke suggested to keep time to time evaluation mechanism for all MoU's. Also conveyed that to plan activities in each month and initiate accordingly.

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

ii. UGC 2(f) visit

Dr.Sudeep D. Thepade informed that the UGC 2(f) visit held on 5th & 6th September 2024 and follow up of the same has initiated.

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

iii. BCI Approval

Dr.Sudeep D. Thepade informed that the Bar Council of India approval was done in last academic council for 60 LLB and 60 BA LLB and received interim approval from BCI to start Academics from 2024-25.

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

iv. Appointed teaching staff & Teaching staff requirement for AY 2025-26.

Dr.Sudeep D. Thepade informed the count of appointed teaching staff and seek approval from the academic council members to have 142 additional recruitment considering 1:20 OR 1:25 faculty student ratio based on those courses and as per statutory requirements.

The Members after due deliberations took note of the same and passed the following resolution unanimously:

(Resolution No.: AC/2024/03/10(iv)) : “RESOLVED THAT mentioned requirement of Teaching staff as annexed in **Annexure_H** be and is hereby approved.

v. Awards received – Eduskills, Times.

Dr.Sudeep D.Thepade highlighted very happily with honourable academic council members that the few awards received by the University,

- **Emerging University, Center of Excellence of the Year 2024 Award conferred by Eduskills**
- **PCU Ranked 10th in India in Eduskills Virtual Internships 2024 University Rankings**
- **The Times of India has recognised PCU as ‘Emerging University in Research and Innovation’ in Times Education Icons 2024.**
- **PCU received IIRF Education Impact Award-2025 for ‘Promising Private University for Innovation and Academic Impact’.**

The Academic Council Members has appreciated the contribution and praise for seeing greater achievements in the future and took a note of the same.

vi. Enrollment Number of PCU Students

Dr.Sudeep D. Thepade informed the formation of enrolment number for the students who have admitted for first academic year in the University.

The Members after due deliberations took note of the same and passed the following resolution unanimously:

(Resolution No.: AC/2024/03/10(iv)) : “RESOLVED THAT mentioned enrollment number as annexed in **Annexure_I** be and is hereby approved.

vii. AICTE –Extension of Approval for AY 2025-26.

Dr.Sudeep D.Thepade highlighted that the process for Extension of Approval for AICTE approved programmes i.e for BBA, BCA, MBA and MCA has been initiated for Academic year 2025-26.

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

viii. PCU Events

Dr.Sudeep D. Thepade informed that the PCU is full with student development activities and events. Few of the events got conducted but very few we have listed here,

- A. **PCU IDEATHON 2K24** -“Code Beyond Limits – Transforming Ideas into Reality.” Participated total 30+ Teams consisting of 150+ Participants
- B. **Pune Design School** has organized Terracotta Workshop 21-Aug-2024
- C. **School of Sciences** has conducted PCU Neutrisoul 2024 as on 24th Oct.2024

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

ix. Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Rules & Regulations

Dr.Sudeep D.Thepade briefed about **Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Rules & Regulations**, the objective of this policy is to provide a framework for facilitating the effective & efficient inter university transfer of the students with lateral entry admissions as well as transfer of credits from other Universities of India and abroad. Applicable programs and eligibility are mentioned in RPL, R & R which is on more than 80% credits we can directly admit the student here. If number of credits which are 70% same, one of MOOCs which would be recommended by this RPL committee and they will have to complete those 10% credits after joining the university team for two and a half months to formalized the process.

And all the time head admissions will be the secretary of this committee, they would be calling this meeting with the help of the committee members who are Professors at University and Student section. And if a professor do not happen to be from the discipline for which the decision is done or decision is to be taken from the head of school of that respective discipline would be in this RPL committee. And the moment we receive application from any student in a fortnight we will be able to revert back to that student where the admission could be considered or could not be considered.

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

(Resolution No.: AC/2024/03/10(iv)) : “RESOLVED THAT academic council members have noted the system as annexed in **Annexure_J** be and is hereby approved.

x. Industrial Visits

Dr.Sudeep D.Thepade informed the initiative taken from Head of the Schools for Industrial visits as mentioned below,

- i. **School of Pharmacy** has conducted an Industrial Visit for Second Year B. Pharm Students at EMCURE PHARMACEUTICALS LIMITED Hinjawadi, Pune.
- ii. **School of Pharmacy** was organized an industrial visit to Nulife Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd. (Bhosari-MIDC-Pune)for the first-year Bachelor of Pharmacy (B.Pharm) on 19th Dec.24.
- iii. **School of Law** students got the privilege of attending the Nagpur Legislative Assembly Winter Session on 19th Dec.24.
- iv. **School of Management** was organized International Study Tour at Dubai for MBA International (Batch 2023- 25) students dtd.21-24 October 2024
- v. **Pune School of Media & Communication** had an incredible opportunity to visit the renowned SM Rolling FX Studio

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

xi. Sports Achievements by PCU Students

Dr.Sudeep D.Thepade informed the initiative taken from PCU's students in different types of Games with won prizes details as mentioned below,

- 1st Prize Winners TABLE TENNIS- DOUBLES at ATHARVARANBHOOMI INDIAN INST OF MANAGEMENT
- 03 Gold Medals : ATHLETICS-RUNNING-Balewadi Stadium-21st November 2024 by Kaustubh Yogesh Bhosale- FY B.Tech
- RUNNER UP 2nd PRIZE- BADMINTON at PCCOE NATIONAL SPORTS DAY
- RUNNER UP -BASKETBALL at VISHWANATH SPORTS MEET MIT-ADT PUNE

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same and appreciated the whole system of PCU.

xii. Placement Activities

Dr.Sudeep D. Thepade elaborated the placements activities have started for PG students and 08 MBA students have placed out of 79 and 06 MCA students out of 69 are in pipeline to be placed.

Placement activities are initiated with the help of regular training program on aptitude, career catalyst program etc. for all UG and PG programmes.

Even School of Computer Applications came up with a career catalyst program, a sort of finishing school before starting a placement season. Initially before beginning of placement season, willingness from students would be obtained.

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

xiii. SAP certifications

Dr.Sudeep D.Thepade informed that SAP certifications were promised to MBA International students. The training programmes got conducted and most of the students took clear the certifications.

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

xiv. Certifications

Dr.Sudeep D.Thepade briefed on one of the important aspect in various digital platforms like Red Hat Academy, NPTEL, Eduskills, Google and Edex for management school, IIT spoken tutorials and Coursera.

All schools and students are having a number of certifications. These were not formalized as credit transfer. Now, coming semester onwards, the credit is formalized. But still around 4720 certifications, also 91 students could complete and faculty members could get completed that becomes additional learning and certificate.

Training Programs	Year / School	Total Certifications
10.1 REDHAT	2024	166
10.2 NPTEL	2023	109
	2024	90
10.3 Eduskills	All	589
10.4 Google, Edex	SOM	351
10.5 IIT spoken Tutorials	2023	784
	2024	633
10.6 Coursera	SCA	235
	SOE&T	1136
	SOM	193
	SoS	21
	SoL	294
	SoP	95
	PSoM&C	24
Total		4720

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

xv. Academic Audit

Dr.Sudeep D.Thepade briefed that every semester academic audits are getting conducted and notify through inter Schools. Yet three sections are getting audited from the curriculum design, to the content delivery and number of hours which are obtained.

Also said, for sake of checking our own progress this idea in every semester in order to be conducted internally. And at the end of academic year, the audit will be conducted with external auditor. So, one cycle of last academic year has got over successfully by maintaing Academic Audit Grade Sheet as annexed in **Annexure_K**

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same and appreciated the initiative taken from starting phase of the University.

Item No. 11: Request for Change in Intake as Intake=0

Dr.Sudeep D.Thepade informed that by assuring that everything is going in place, we have attempted for few of the courses in last academic year but due to infrastructure and get very few interests for the following Programmes we wish that this year the intake for these courses could be zero. When so ever the infrastructure would be available, we would be settling up with the existing courses.

Then in future, we will again approach to academic council for getting these courses floated because in admissions for all these courses were zero in academic year 24-25.

1. B.Sc. Clinical Microbiology,
2. B.Voc, M.Voc
3. BA (integrated with civil services exam)

The Members after due deliberations took a note of the same.

Item No. 12: Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

1. Honorable Academic Council members have took all the agenda points and suggested following points to initiate and appreciated all the efforts taken in starting phase of the University.

Action Plan :

- a. To have MOOCs review, LOG books for each program to ensure handholding of students during self-learning.
 - b. In some way students to be made aware about the 'Sustainable Development Goals' (SDGs)
2. This is for information of all Academic Council members that two of Academic Council members have to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor (I/c) and Pro Vice Chancellor from existing PCU faculty member for the period of three years from the date of Nomination preferably there should be different from the Heads of the Schools and Dr.Archana Rathore and Dr.Anu Bala were appointed for the same nomination.

VOTE OF THANKS:

There being no other business to be transacted, the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



(Dr. Sudeep D. Thepade)
Pro Vice-Chancellor



(Dr. Manimala Puri)
Chairperson

Date: January 2, 2025.

Place: Pune