

# THE UNIVERSITY OF BURDWAN



## **DRAFT OUTLINE OF THE SEMESTER WISE COURSE STRUCTURES OF B.A. /B.Sc. / B.Com. UNDER THE CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM (CBCS)**

Under the CBCS there are broadly **two** course structures- i) **Honours** Course and ii) **Regular/ General** Course. The main components of the courses are as follows:

1. **Core Course** : A course, that should compulsorily be studied by a candidate as a core requirement, is termed as a core course.

2. **Elective Course** : Generally a course, which can be chosen from a pool of courses and which may be very specific or specialized or advanced or supportive to the discipline/ subject of study or which provides an extended scope or which enables an exposure to some other discipline/ subject/ domain or nurtures the candidate's proficiency/ skill, is called an Elective Course.

2.1 **Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) Course** : A course, which may be offered by the main discipline/ subject of study, is referred to as Discipline Specific Elective.

2.2 **Generic Elective (GE) Course** : An elective course, chosen generally from an unrelated discipline/ subject of study with an intention to seek an exposure, is called a Generic Course.

**N.B.-** A **Core Course**, offered in a discipline/ subject, may be treated as an elective by other discipline/ subject and vice-versa and such electives may also be referred to as **Generic Elective**.

2.3 **Dissertation/ Project** : An elective course, designed to acquire special/ advanced knowledge, is termed as dissertation/ project. This is considered as a special course involving application of knowledge in solving/ analyzing / exploring a real life situation/ difficult problem. A dissertation/ project work will be of 6 credits. A dissertation/ project work may be given in lieu of a Discipline Specific Elective.

3. **Ability Enhancement Courses (AEC)** : The Ability Enhancement (AE) Courses may be of two kinds- Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses (AECC) and Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC).

**3.1 AECC :** These are the courses based on the contents that lead to knowledge enhancement and consist of Environmental Studies & English/ MIL Communication. These are mandatory for all disciplines.

**3.2 SEC :** SEC are value- based and/ or skill- based and are aimed at providing hand-on-training, competency, skill etc. It will be minimum 2 for Honours Courses and 4 for General Courses. These may be chosen from a pool of courses designed to provide value- based and/ or skill- based knowledge would contain both theory and lab./ hands-on-training/ field work. The main purpose of these courses is to provide the students life-skill in hands-on-mode so as to increase their employability.

**## Practical/ Tutorial :** One each with every Core, Discipline Specific and Generic Elective Paper.

**# Course Structure ( Honours & General)**

Course Components	B.Sc.		B.A.		B.Com.	
	Honours	General	Honours	General	Honours	General
<b>Core Course (CC)</b>	14	12	14	12	14	12
<b>Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) Course</b>	4	6	4	4	4	4
<b>Generic Elective ( GE) Course</b>	4	----	4	2	4	2
<b>Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course ( AECC )</b>	2	2	2	2	2	2
<b>Skill Enhancement Course ( SEC )</b>	2	4	2	4	2	4

**Details of Courses of B.A./ B.Sc./ B.Com.( Honours ) under CBCS**

<u>Course</u>	<u>Credit</u>	
	<u>Theory + Practical</u>	<u>Theory + Tutorial</u>
1 <u>Core Course</u> ( 14 papers)	14x4 = 56	14x5 = 70
Core Course ( Practical / Tutorial)* ( 14 papers)	14x2 = 28	14x1 = 14
2. <u>Elective Courses</u> (8 papers)		
A. DSE	4x4 = 16	4x5 = 20

(4 papers)		
DSE ( Practical / Tutorial)*	4x2 = 8	4x1 = 4
(4 papers)		
B. GE ( Interdisciplinary)	4x4 = 16	4x5 = 20
(4 papers)		
GE ( Practical / Tutorial)*	4x2 = 8	4x1 = 4
(4 papers)		

# **Optional Dissertation/ Project Work in place of one DSE paper (6 credits) in 6<sup>th</sup> semester.**

3. <u>Ability Enhancement Courses</u>		
A. AECC	2x2 = 4	2x2 = 4
(2 papers of 2 credits each)		
ENVS, English Communication / MIL		
B. SEC	2x2 = 4	2x2 = 4
(2 papers of 2 credits each)	-----	-----
<b>Total Credit:</b>	140	140

An Under-graduate Honours Degree in a discipline may be awarded if a student completes 14 core papers in that discipline, 4 papers each from a list of DSE and GE respectively, 2 papers in AECC and minimum 2 papers in SEC.

*\* Wherever there is a practical, there will be no tutorial and vice-versa.*

### Details of Courses of B.A./ B.Sc./ B.Com.( General ) under CBCS

<u>Course</u>	<u>Credit</u>	
	<u>Theory + Practical</u>	<u>Theory + Tutorial</u>
1. <u>Core Course</u>		
( 12 papers)	12x4 = 48	12x5 = 60
4 core papers each in 3 disciplines of choice		
Core Course ( Practical / Tutorial)*	12x2 = 24	12x1 = 12
( 12 papers)		
2. <u>Elective Courses</u>		
(6 papers)		
A. DSE	6x4 = 24	4x5 = 20
(6 papers for B.Sc./ 4 papers for B.A. and B.Com.)		
DSE ( Practical / Tutorial)*	6x2 = 12	4x1 = 4
(6 papers for B.Sc./ 4 papers for B.A. and B.Com.)		
B. GE ( Interdisciplinary)	-----	2x5 = 10
(2 papers for B.A. and B.Com.)		
GE ( Practical / Tutorial)*	-----	2x1 = 2
(2 papers for B.A. and B.Com.)		

# **Optional Dissertation/ Project Work in place of one DSE paper (6 credits) in 6<sup>th</sup> semester.**

3. Ability Enhancement Courses

A. AECC (2 papers of 2 credits each) ENVS, English Communication/ MIL	2x2 = 4	2x2 = 4
B. SEC (4 papers of 2 credits each)	4x2 = 8 -----	4x2 = 8 -----
<b>Total Credit:</b>	120	120

An Under-graduate General Degree in Science may be awarded if a student completes 4 core papers each in three disciplines of choice, 2 papers each from a list of DSEs based on the three disciplines of choice selected above, 2 papers in AECC and minimum 4 papers in SEC as per the provisions envisaged in these regulations.

An Under-graduate General Degree in Humanities/ Social Sciences/ Commerce may be awarded if a student completes 4 core papers each in two disciplines of choice along with 2 core papers each in two Languages from English, Bengali and Hindi respectively, 2 papers each from a list of DSEs based on the two disciplines of choice selected above and 2 papers from the list of GEs, 2 papers in AECC and minimum 4 papers in SEC as per the provisions envisaged in these regulations.

**\* *Wherever there is a practical, there will be no tutorial and vice-versa.***

The evaluation of the candidates shall be based on continuous assessment. The structure of evaluation shall be as follows:

- i) Each semester- assessment shall be divided into three (3) discrete components, viz. C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>3</sub>. The students will be informed about the modalities of continuous assessment activities well in advance. The first component (C<sub>1</sub>) of assessment shall be of **10%** of the total marks of each course of a semester and will be based on class attendance, class test or assignment or seminar. During the first two months of each semester, 1/3 of the syllabus will be completed. The continuous assessment and C<sub>1</sub> will be consolidated during the 8<sup>th</sup> week of the concerned semester. The second component (C<sub>2</sub>) of assessment shall be of **10%** of the total marks of each course of a semester and will be based on class attendance, class test or assignment or seminar. During the second two months of each semester, 2/3 of the syllabus will be completed. The continuous assessment and C<sub>2</sub> will be consolidated during the 16<sup>th</sup> week of the concerned semester. Appearance in C<sub>1</sub> & C<sub>2</sub> is mandatory.
- ii) During the 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> weeks of a semester, a Semester- end Examination shall be conducted for each course and the proportion of C<sub>3</sub> will be **80%** of the total marks each course of the semester.

- iii) The result of each course in a semester shall be based on the values of C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>2</sub> & C<sub>3</sub> and shall be awarded in form of grade point.
- iv) Wherever there is no practical, performance on the tutorial portion of each course shall be assessed by the university along with the assessment of the component C<sub>3</sub> during the Semester- end Examination.

**Mechanism of computation of work-load per week:**

- i) 1 Credit = 1 Theoretical class of 1- hour duration
- ii) 1 Credit = 1 Tutorial class of 1- hour duration
- iii) 1 Credit = 1 Practical class of 2- hour duration

**SEMESTER WISE DISTRIBUTION OF COURSES AND CREDITS**

**B.A./ B.Sc./ B.Com. Honours**

Courses/ (Credits)	Sem I	Sem II	Sem III	Sem IV	Sem V	Sem VI	Total No. of Courses	Total Credit
CC (6)	2	2	3	3	2	2	14	84
DSE (6)					2	2	04	24
GE (6)	1	1	1	1			04	24
AECC (2)	1	1					02	04
SEC (2)			1	1			02	04
Total No. of Courses per Sem.	4	4	5	5	4	4	26	-----
Total Credit per Semester	20	20	26	26	24	24	-----	140



