

ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-2023

Minutes of the Academic Council held at SJ5, Fatima College on May 25, 2022 at 2.30 p.m.

Members Present :

Chairperson of the Academic Council

1. Dr. Sr. G. Celine Sahaya Mary
Principal, Fatima College

Dr. G. Celine Sahaya Mary

Chairpersons of the Board of Studies

2. Dr. Mrs. J. Saral Evangelin
3. Dr. Mrs. Shobana Nelasco
4. Dr. Mrs. M. Meenakumari
5. Dr. Mrs. A. Roselin Mary
6. Dr. Mrs. K. Latha
7. Dr. Mrs. E. Supriya
8. Mrs. Saapia Rani. A
9. Dr. Mrs. A. Paulin Mary
10. Dr. Mrs. A. Sheela Vimala Rani
11. Dr. Mrs. B. Medona
12. Dr. Mrs. A. Tamil Selir
13. Dr. Mrs. B. Sahayarani Fernando
14. Dr. Mrs. S. Saira Banu
15. Mrs. S. Selvarani
16. Mrs. V. Mageshwari
17. Dr. Mrs. P. Shyamala
18. Mrs. S. Mary Helan Felista
19. Dr. C. Sujatha
- Dr. M. Manoprabha

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SENIOR TEACHERS

20. Dr. S. Vidya
21. Dr. Mrs. S. J. Kala
22. Dr. Mrs. N. Malathi

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S. J. Kala
N. Malathi

UNIVERSITY NOMINEES

23. Dr. I. Dharmaraj
On Lien as Controller of Examinations (i/c)
Professor & Head, Chairperson
School of Performing Arts
Madurai Kamaraj University
Madurai - 625021

24. Dr. G. Kumaresan
Professor & Head, Chairperson
Department of Genetics
School of Biological Sciences
Madurai Kamaraj University
Madurai - 625021

G. Kumaresan

25. Dr. M. Jayalakshmi
Assistant Professor & Head (i/c)
Department of Immunology
School of Biological Sciences
Madurai Kamaraj University
Madurai - 625021

M. Jayalakshmi

EXTERNAL EXPERTS

26. Mr. Raja Rajeswaran
Auditor
167, 1st Floor
Opp. to Christian Mission Hospital
Madurai - 625001

Raja Rajeswaran

27. Mr. A. Velmuruganaraj
Head - Personnel
TVS Srichakra Tyres Ltd.
Perumalpatti Road, Velloorpatti
Melur Taluk
Madurai - 625122

ABSENT

28. Padmashri. Dr. R. Vasudevan
Dean ECA and Professor
Department of Chemistry
Thiagarajar College of Engineering
Madurai - 625015

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ABSENT

29. Sr. A. Amala
Advocate
St. Joseph's Convent,
Madurai 625009

ABSENT

SPECIAL INVITEES

30. Dr. Sr. M. Francisca Flora
Secretary, Fatima College, Madurai

Dr. Francisca Flora

31. Dr. Sr. A. Josephin Nirmala
Controller of Examinations

Dr. Josephin Nirmala

32. Mrs. Nizila Rajagan
Controller of Examinations

Nizila

33. Dr. Sr. Bindu Antony
Vice Principal - I; Shift - I

Bindu

34. Dr. G. Germaine Mary
Vice Principal - II; Shift - I

Germaine Mary

35. Dr. Sr. G. Jenita Rani
Vice Principal - I; Shift - II

Jenita Rani

36. Dr. S. L. Kumari
Vice Principal - II; Shift - II

S. L. Kumari

37. Dr. Mrs. Vasantha Esther Rani
Dean of Research, Shift - I

Vasantha Rani

38. Dr. M. Azasammal
Dean of Research, Shift - II

M. Azasammal

39. Dr. S. Raja
Director of Professional Programmes,
MBA

S. Raja

Fatima College

40. Dr. Mrs. E. Helena

41. Mrs. P. Sumedha

Sumedha

Academic Accomplishments and Ongoing Process

Curriculum encompassing teaching, learning resources, student activities and support system is the foundation for the holistic education offered at Fatima. The curriculum is revised and revamped periodically based on the topical demands.

Academic Reforms

Regular, relevant and innovative academic reforms are carried out every year. This year too is no exception.

- Academic Audit is a regular feature of the college
- Remedial Coaching and communicative English are the distinctive characteristics
- Credit carrying self-learning courses have been introduced for the I, II & III UG and I & II PG students

Academic Progress

- Outcome Based Education under Choice Based Credit System has been successfully implemented for the third year in 2021-22
- Summer internships and projects have been mandated for all G and UG programmes respectively.
- External Viva for projects has been made compulsory for all UG Programmes.

Plans for the Academic Year 2022-2023

Quality Initiatives

- Upgrade all PG Departments as Research Centres
- Establish Women's Studies Centre with financial assistance from UGC (Proposal Sent)
- Establish a centre for ICT based teaching and e-learning resources

- Enhance inclusive education to rope in national and international students
- Increase the number of business start-ups.
- Encourage Departments to offer consultancy services to Industries

Teaching Learning

- Encourage faculty to take up additional courses and training programmes

Research

- Encourage individuals or departments applying for patent rights
- Guideship to be obtained by all Ph.D holders

Extension

- To increase employability in the adopted villages by establishing a tie-up with local corporate Industries
- To set up core-stakeholders' committees in the target villages to ensure effective follow-up of services extended to them
- To initiate organic farming in selected villages using the manure produced in college

Green Practices

- To replace all tubelights with LEDs
- To install more Solar Panels
- Production of Organic manure on campus to be increased

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

The Academic Council Meeting began with a prayer by Dr. Sr. Bindu Antony, Vice-Principal, Shift - I, in SJ5 on May 25, 2022 at 2.30 p.m. The Chairperson of the Academic Council and the Principal, Dr. Sr. G. Celine Sahaya Mary welcomed the gathering, introduced the new members of the Academic Council and highlighted on the significant academic ventures of the college.

Dr. Sr. G. Celine Sahaya Mary invited Dr. S. J. Kala, Dean of Academic Affairs (Arts) to present the resolutions of the Curriculum Development Cell meetings to be approved in the Council. She presented its minutes and resolutions as follows:

The meeting of the Curriculum Development Cell (CDC) was held in Jubilee Hall at 10.30 a.m on February 15, 2022:

Dr. Sr. G. Celine Sahaya Mary, the chairperson of the Curriculum Development Cell initiated discussions on the revamping of the syllabus as proposed by the Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education (TANSCHÉ) in line with their communication - letter no. - RC. No. 2250/2021 A, dtd. : 29.01.2022. She also underscored the Note in the Preamble of the State Integrated Board of Studies as, it is stated that it is not a compulsion on the part of any educational institution in the State to follow State Integrated Board of Studies. However, if the subjects are to be equivalent, Section 'A' must be covered in the 75% of the syllabus of the subjects concerned.

Besides, Dr. Sr. G. Celine Sahaya Mary, the Principal ensured if the syllabus of each UG & PG programme complied with the Sec. - A - Mandatory Core Areas prescribed by the State Integrated Board of Studies.

After enough discussions on the revamping of the Syllabus and its compliance with the TANSCHÉ model, the Curriculum Development Cell stressed that the curriculum at Fatima College had gone into zero-based revamping in 2019-2020 while adopting Outcome-Based Education (OBE). Hence, it

was resolved that the syllabus of the different UG & PG programmes for the Academic Year 2021-2022 along with the respective minutes of the Board of Studies (April 2021) and the Academic Council (May 2021) in which they were passed and approved respectively would be sent to TANSCH and the same were sent.

Following it, the chairpersons of the different Boards of Studies presented the Action Taken Report and the minutes of the Board of Studies held from March 14 to 23, 2022 and May 13, 2022 in the order followed on campus.

At the end of all the presentations by the chairpersons of the different Boards of Studies, the University Nominees and the External Experts placed on record the following commendations and recommendations:

Commendations and Recommendations:

- Dr. M. Jayalakshmi, (University Nominee), Assistant Professor, Dept. of Immunology, School of Biological Sciences, Madurai Kamaraj University, stated that she deemed it an honour to serve as a member of the Academic Council of this prestigious College. She appreciated each of the Board of Studies for bringing in changes in a minimum of 5 to a maximum of 11 courses with 5 to 10% (min.) of revision in each of the course in the interest and welfare of the students. She also reiterated the fact that Falima College, an Autonomous institution affiliated to Madurai Kamaraj University was doing its best in the field of Higher Education.
- The systematic and meticulous organisation of the Academic Council Meeting and the highest grade ^{A++} secured in NAAC Assessment Cycle-IV were applauded by the University Nominee, Dr. Kumarasan, Professor & Head, Department of Genetics, School of Biological Sciences, Madurai Kamaraj University.
- Mr. Raja Rajeswaran, Auditor, External Member, appreciated all the efforts taken in making the college known

far and wide for its discipline. He proposed the following:

- That the students' communication skills be sharpened as it is the need of the hour at all levels.
- That increased and conscious efforts be taken to inculcate values among the students other than the courses offered.

• In response to his suggestions, Dr. Sr. G. Celine Sahaya Mary said that Remedial and Special classes are conducted to improve upon their communication skills. She also thanked Dr. M. Jeyalakshmi and Dr. G. Kumaresan for their appreciation and commendations. Further, she presented the following suggestions mailed by Sr. Amala, Advocate who due to unavoidable circumstances could not attend the meeting:

- That the undergraduate students of Journalism and Mass Communication to be offered more hands-on training so that they undertake the noble task of creating a healthy society through media that has seeped into all sectors.
 - That the PG students of social work engage in research or field activities related to certain current/burning issues, making a tangible impact on the society especially among the weaker section.
- Dr. Sr. A. Josephin Nirmala, the Controller of Examination expressed her difficulty over accommodating long course titles in the Grade sheet and requested certain amount of flexibility with regard to Course Codes.
- As a response, the Chairperson of the Academic Council, Dr. Sr. G. Celine Sahaya Mary requested the Controller to resolve the mentioned issues in CDC, before it is brought to the Academic Council.

The meeting came to an end with the Vote of Thanks proposed by Dr. N. Malathi, Dean of Academic Affairs (Science).