

MAHARSHI DAYANAND UNIVERSITY ROHTAK

Copy of extract of Reso. No. 10(46) of Executive Council meeting held on 29.09.2025

(46) Consideration of the recommendations of the Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies made vide Reso. No 3 and 4 of its Emergent meeting held on 01.09.2025 regarding Four (04) Credit Course on 'Community Engagement & Service' and "Fostering Social Responsibility Through Community Engagement" respectively (Annexure A/135 pages 865-867, already circulated).

The Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies vide Reso. No. 03 has considered and approved the syllabus of four (04) credit course on 'Community Engagement & Service' and recommended the Scheme of Examinations to the Academic Council.

The Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies vide Reso. No. 04 considered and approved the proposal regarding- A non-credit course on "Fostering Social Responsibility through Community Engagement": This course will be offered through University Outreach Program App and the students who complete 180 hrs. be awarded a certificate. This course is mandatory to register for all UG/ PG students. The students enrolled for the course on "Fostering Social Responsibility through Community Engagement" with the approval of concerned Head of Department/ Director shall register themselves in the University Outreach App during their first semester and must complete 180 hrs. of community engagement activities over the duration of their program. Upon completion of 180 hrs., they will be awarded auto-generated certificates through the University Outreach App. Further, the completion of course will be incorporated in the Detailed Marks Card (DMC) of the student. The said proposal has been recommended to the Academic Council.

The Academic Council vide Reso. No. 77 in its meeting held on 02.09.2025 considered the above and passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FACULTY OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES BE APPROVED AND THE SAME BE MADE OPTIONAL FOR THE YEAR 2025-26 FOR THE STUDENTS OF UG AND PG OF UNIVERSITY TEACHING DEPARTMENTS. HOWEVER, IT BE MADE MANDATORY FOR ALL STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY AND ITS AFFILIATED COLLEGES FROM THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR. THIS COURSE WILL BE A 4-CREDIT COURSE.

The Executive Council considered the above; and

RESOLVED THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL BE APPROVED AS UNDER:

RESOLVED THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FACULTY OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES BE APPROVED. FURTHER, THE COURSE PROPOSED BY THE FACULTY OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES VIDE RESO. NO.4 BE MADE OPTIONAL FOR THE YEAR 2025-26 FOR THE STUDENTS OF UG AND PG OF UNIVERSITY TEACHING DEPARTMENTS. HOWEVER, IT BE MADE MANDATORY FOR ALL STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY AND ITS AFFILIATED COLLEGES FROM THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR. THIS COURSE WILL BE A 4-CREDIT COURSE.

FURTHER, THE WORD 'INTERNSHIP' APPEARING AT ANNEXURE PAGE 866 UNDER RESO. NO.3 BE READ AS 'INTERNSHIP/SUMMER TRAINING'

THE HOUSE ALSO APPRECIATED THE WORK DONE BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR IN THIS REGARD.

[ACTION BY A.R. (ACAD.)]

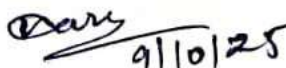
(ACADEMIC BRANCH)

Endst. No. ACS-III/2025/ 33294-573

Dated 09-10-25

Copy of the pre-page and above alongwith relevant documents is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:

1. Dean, Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies, M. D. University, Rohtak.
2. The Director, Outreach Program, M. D. University, Rohtak.
3. All HoDs/Directors, UTDs/Institutes, M.D. University, Rohtak.
4. The Director, MDU CPAS, Gurugram.
5. Controller of Examinations, M. D. University, Rohtak.
6. All the Principals/Directors of affiliated Colleges/Institutes, M. D. University, Rohtak.
7. Director, University Computer Centre, M. D. University, Rohtak for uploading the same on the University Website.
8. OSD/Deputy Registrar/Assistant Registrar (Conduct/Secrecy/ /R&S/Result-I/II/III/IV), M.D. University, Rohtak.


9/10/25
Superintendent (Academic)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FACULTY OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES
HELD ON 01.09.2025 AT 9:30 AM IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM ADJACENT TO THE
REGISTRAR OFFICE, M.D. UNIVERSITY, ROHTAK.

Members Present:

1.	Prof. Rajeev Kumar, Dean, Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies, M. D. University, Rohtak	Chairman
2	Prof. Surendra Kumar, Director Centre for Maharshi Dayanand & Vedic Studies, M.D. University, Rohtak	
3	Prof. Sunita Saini, Director, Centre for Yogic Studies M. D. University, Rohtak	
4.	Prof. Harish Dureja, Director, Centre for IPR Studies, M.D. University, Rohtak	Online Mode.
5.	Prof. Sonia Director, Centre for Innovation, Incubation & Entrepreneurship M.D. University, Rohtak	
6.	Dr. Neel Kamal, Head, Dept. of Forensic Science, M. D. University, Rohtak	
7.	Prof. Anjali Malik, Director, Centre for Women's Studies, M.D. University, Rohtak	
8.	Dr. Pratima Devi Ranga, Director, Centre for Disability Studies, M.D. University, Rohtak	
9.	Dr. Sapna Sharma, Associate Professor, Department of Forensic Science, M.D. University, Rohtak	
10.	Prof. Ishwar Bhardwaj, Department of Yoga, Deva Sanskriti University, Haridwar	Online mode
11.	Prof. Anju Dhiman, Director, University Outreach Programme	Special Invitee

At the outset, the Dean welcomed all the members and outside experts who attended the meeting in physical mode as well as online mode to the meeting of faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies.

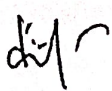
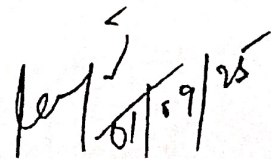
Thereafter, the agenda was taken up for the discussion.

1. Confirmed the minutes of the previous meeting of the Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies held on 13.05.2025 (Annexure-1, Page 1 to 2, already circulated).

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE FACULTY OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES HELD ON 13.05.2025 BE CONFIRMED.

2. Noted the follow up action of the previous meeting of the Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies held on 13.05.2025 (Annexure-II, Page-3, already circulated).

THE FACULTY NOTED THE FOLLOW UP ACTION.

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3. Consideration of the following recommendations of the Adhoc Board of Studies in University Outreach Programme (UOP) made vide Reso. No. (b) in its meeting held on 07.07.2025 (Annexure-III, Pages 4 to 14, already circulated):

A four (04) credit course on 'Community Engagement & Service' (syllabus annexed at 'Y'): The student may opt 'Community Engagement & Service' course as an alternative to Internship in UG/ PG program. The modalities for the same are as under:

- (I) The 'Community Engagement and Service' course will be offered as per the proposed syllabi and the students will be assessed through formative assessment, with marks distribution as follows:
 - a. Portfolio (including class assignments and field visit reports) - 30% of total marks
 - b. Individual/Group Field Project - 40% of total marks
 - c. Presentation of Field Project - 30% of total marks
- (II) The submitted work/assignments/projects under the 4-credit 'Community Engagement & Service' course will be individually evaluated by the Faculty Advisor/Supervisor and an External Mentor (subject expert). The average score of the supervisor and mentor will be considered as the final score, post-presentation (online/offline mode) of the student's work.
- (III) The final awards will be submitted to the Controller of Examinations by the concerned supervisor through HOD/Director/Principal. The earned credits will be deposited in the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) for the purpose of redemption in lieu of Internship.

RESOLVED THAT THE SYLLABUS OF THE ABOVE FOUR (04) CREDIT COURSE ON 'COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SERVICE' BE APPROVED AND THE SCHEME OF EXAMINATIONS OF THIS COURSE BE RECOMMENDED TO THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL.

4. Consideration of the following recommendations of the Adhoc Board of Studies in University Outreach Programme (UOP) made vide Reso. No. (a) in its meeting held on 07.07.2025 (Annexure-III, Pages 4 to 14, already circulated):

A non-credit course on "Fostering Social Responsibility through Community Engagement": This course will be offered through University Outreach Program App and the students who complete 180 hrs. be awarded a certificate. This course is mandatory to register for all UG/ PG students. The students enrolled for the course on "Fostering Social Responsibility through Community Engagement" with the approval of concerned Head of Department/ Director shall register themselves in the University Outreach App during their first semester and must complete 180 hrs. of community engagement activities over the duration of their program. Upon completion of 180 hrs., they will be awarded auto-generated certificates through the University Outreach App. Further, the completion of course will be incorporated in the Detailed Marks Card (DMC) of the student.

RESOLVED THAT THE FACULTY PROPOSED AS ABOVE BE APPROVED AND RECOMMENDED TO THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

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Dean, Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies
01/09/2025

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Name of the Centre : University Outreach Programme
 Name of the Course : Community Engagement & Service
 Semester : First

Annexure

Course Code	Course Credits - 04 (01 credit for Theory, 01 credit for Field Work and 02 credits for Field Project)	Max. Marks - 100
Learning Objectives: 1) To develop an appreciation of local culture, lifestyle and wisdom amongst students. 2) To learn about the status of various community development programmes. 3) To understand the causes of distress and poverty faced by vulnerable households and explore solutions for the same. 4) To apply classroom knowledge of courses to field realities and thereby improve the quality of learning.		
Learning Outcomes: 1) Gain an understanding of local community life, culture and ethos and social realities 2) Develop a sense of empathy and bonds of mutuality with the local community 3) Appreciate significant contributions of local communities to Indian society and economy 4) Learn to value the local knowledge and wisdom of the community 5) Identify opportunities for contributing to community's socio-economic improvements		
Module - I (08 Hrs. - 3 Class Discussion + 4 Field Visits + 1 Presentation) Appreciation of Rural Society :- Local Community Lifestyle, Local Society, Caste and Gender Relations, Local Values with Respect to Community, Nature and Resources, Elaboration of "Soul of India Lies in Villages" (Gandhi), Rural Infrastructure.		
Module - II (08 Hrs. - 3 Class Discussion + 4 Field Visits + 1 Presentation) Understanding Rural and Local Economy and Livelihood :- Community, Farming, Land Ownership, Water Management, Animal Husbandry, Non-Farm Livelihoods and Artisans, Local Entrepreneurs, Local Markets, Migrant Labour.		
Module - III (08 Hrs. - 3 Class Discussion + 4 Field Visits + 1 Presentation) Local Institutions :- Traditional Local and Community Organisations, Self-Help Groups, Panchayati Raj Institutions (Gram Sabha, Gram Panchayat, Standing Committees), Nagarpalikas and Municipalities, Local Civil Society, Local Administration.		
Module - IV (08 Hrs. - 3 Class Discussion + 4 Field Visits + 1 Presentation) Local and National Development Programmes :- History of Local Development and Current National Programmes in India: Sarya Shiksha Abhiyan, Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao, Ayushman Bharat, Swachh Bharat, PM Awas Yojana, Skill India, Gram Panchayat Decentralised Planning, National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act 2005 (MGNREGA), SHRAM, Jal Jeevan Mission, Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI), Atma Nirbhar Bharat, etc.		
Reference: 'Guidelines for Fostering Social Responsibility & Community Engagement in Higher Education Institutions in India 2.0' duly issued by the University Grants Commission.		

* (i) any topic appropriate to their local/regional community context.