JAWAHARLAL NEHRU TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY HYDERABAD INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, HYDERABAD (AUTONOMOUS)

ACADEMIC REGULATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF FULL TIME M.Sc DEGREE

(WITH EFFECT FROM THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2012-2013)

The M.Sc Degree of Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Hyderabad shall be conferred on candidates who are admitted to the respective programs and fulfil all the requirements for the award of the Degree.

1.0 ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSIONS:

Admission to the above program shall be made subject to the eligibility, qualifications and specialization prescribed by the University from time to time.

Admission shall be made on the basis of the merit rank obtained by the qualifying candidate at an Entrance Test conducted by JNTUH on the basis of any other order of merit approved by the University, subject to reservations as prescribed by the Government from time to time.

2.0 AWARD OF M. Sc. DEGREE:

- A student shall be declared eligible for the award of the M.Sc degree, if he/she pursues a course of study and completes it successfully for not less than two academic years and not more than four academic years.
- 2.2 A student, who fails to fulfill all the academic requirements for the award of the degree within four academic years from the year of his/her admission, shall forfeit his seat in M.Sc course.
- 2.3 The minimum instruction for each semester is 90 clear instruction days.
- 2.4 Each subject is assigned certain number of credits as specified below.

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Theory Subjects	4 Periods / Week		3 Credits
Practical	4 Periods / Week		2 Credits
Seminar			2 Credits
Comprehensive Viva – Voce			2 Credits
Project work			40 Credits

- 2.5 A candidate shall be deemed to have secured the credits assigned to a subject if he / she has put atleast 65% of attendance; and secured the minimum academic requirement in the subject.
- 2.6 In order to qualify for the award of the Post-Graduate Degree, the candidate shall earn all the prescribed credits, as per the course structure.

3.0 COURSE OF STUDY:

A. The following specializations are offered at present for the M. Sc course of study.

- 1. Biotechnology
- 2. Microbiology
- 3. Organic Chemistry
- 4. Analytical Chemistry
- 5. Environmental Science and Technology
- 6. Environmental Biotechnology
- 7. Satellite Metrology & Weather Informatics
- 8. Nano Science and Technology
- 9. Water and Environmental Technology and any other course as approved by the authorities of the University from time to time.

3.0 B. Departments offering M.Sc Programmes with specializations are mentioned below:

CENTRE FOR BIOTECHNOLOGY	Biotechnology
	Microbiology
CENTRE FOR CHEMICAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	Organic Chemistry
	Analytical Chemistry
CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENT SCIENCE	Environmental Science and Technology
	Environmental Biotechnology
CENTRE FOR EARTH AND ATMOSPHERE AND	Satellite Metrology & Weather Informatics
WEATHER MODIFICATION TECHNOLOGIES	
CENTRE FOR NANOSCIENCE TECHNOLOGY	Nano Science and Technology
CENTRE FOR WATER RESOURCES	Water and Environmental Technology

4.0 ATTENDANCE:

The programmes are offered on a unit basis with each subject being considered a unit.

- 4.1 A candidate shall be deemed to have eligibility to write end semester examinations in a subject if he has put in at least 75% of attendance in that subject.
- 4.2 Shortage of attendance up to 10% in any subject (i.e. 65% and above and below 75%) may be condoned by the College Academic Committee on genuine and valid reasons on representation by the candidate with supporting evidence.
- 4.3 A candidate shall get minimum required attendance at least in three (3) theory subjects in the present semester to get promoted to the next semester. In order to qualify for the award of the M.Sc. Degree, the candidate shall complete all the academic requirements of the subjects, as per the course structure.
- 4.4 Shortage of attendance below 65% shall **in no case be condoned**.\
- 4.5 A stipulated fee shall be payable towards condonation of shortage of attendance.

5 EVALUATION:

The performance of the candidate in each semester shall be evaluated subjectwise, with a maximum of 100 marks for theory and 100 marks for practicals, on the basis of Internal Evaluation and End Semester Examination.

- 5.1 For the theory subjects 60 marks shall be awarded based on the performance in the End Semester Examination, 40 marks shall be awarded based on the Internal Evaluation. The internal evaluation shall be made based on the better of the marks secured in the two Mid Term-Examinations conducted one in the middle of the Semester and the other immediately after the completion of the instructions. Each mid term examination shall be conducted for duration of 120 minutes with 4 questions to be answered out of 6 questions.
- For practical subjects, 60 marks shall be awarded based on the performance in the End Semester Examinations, 40 marks shall be awarded based on the day-to-day performance as Internal Marks.
- 5.3 There shall be two seminar presentations during 1st year II semester and 2nd year I Semester. For seminar, a student under the supervision of a faculty member, shall collect the literature on a topic and critically review the literature and submit it to the Department in a report form and shall make an oral presentation before the Departmental Committee. The Departmental Committee consists of Head of the Department, supervisor and two other senior faculty members of the department. For each Seminar there will be only internal evaluation of 50 marks. A candidate has to secure a minimum of 50% to be declared successful.
- There shall be a Comprehensive Viva-Voce in 2nd year II Semester. The Comprehensive Viva-Voce will be conducted by a Committee consisting of Head of the Department and two Senior Faculty members of the Department. The Comprehensive Viva-Voce is aimed to assess the students' understanding in various subjects he/she studies during the M.Sc course of study. The Comprehensive Viva-Voce is valued for 100 marks by the Committee. There are no internal marks for the Comprehensive viva-Voce
- 5.5 A candidate shall be deemed to have secured the minimum academic requirement in a subject if he/she secures a minimum of 40% of marks in the End Examination and a minimum aggregate of 50% of the total marks in the End Semester Examination and Internal Evaluation taken together.
- In case the candidate does not secure the minimum academic requirement in any subject (as specified in 5.4) he/she has to reappear for the End Examination in that subject. A candidate shall be given one chance to reregister for each subject provided the internal marks secured by a candidate are less than 50% and he/she has failed in the end examination. In such case candidate must re-register for the subject(s) and secure required minimum attendance. Attendance in the re-registered subject(s) has to be calculated separately to become eligible to write the end examination in the re-registered subject(s). The attendance of re-registered

- subject(s) shall be calculated separately to decide upon the eligibility for writing the end examination in those subject(s). In the event of taking another chance, the internal marks and end examination marks obtained in the previous attempt are nullified.
- 5.7 In case the candidate secures less than the required attendance in any subject(s), he/she shall not be permitted to appear for the End Examination in that subject(s). He/She shall re-register the subject when next offered.
- Laboratory examination for M.Sc courses must be conducted with two Examiners, one of them being Laboratory Class Teacher and second examiner shall be other Laboratory Teacher.

6.0 EVALUATION OF DISSERTATION WORK:

Every candidate shall be required to submit thesis or dissertation after taking up a topic approved by the Project Review Committee.

- 6.1 A Project Review Committee (PRC) shall be constituted with Director as chair person Heads of all the Departments which are offering the M.Sc programmes and two other senior faculty members.
- 6.2 Registration of Project Work: A candidate is permitted to register for the project work after satisfying the attendance requirement of all the subjects (theory and practical subjects).
- 6.3 After satisfying 6.2, a candidate has to submit, in consultation with his /her project supervisor, the title, objective and plan of action of his project work to the Departmental Committee for its approval. Only after obtaining the approval of Departmental Committee the student can initiate the Project work.
- 6.4 If a candidate wishes to change his supervisor or topic of the project he/she can do so with the approval of the Departmental Committee. However, the Departmental Committee shall examine whether the change of topic/supervisor leads to a major change of his/her initial plans of project proposal. If so, his/her date of registration for the project work starts from the date of change of Supervisor or topic as the case may be.
- 6.5 A candidate shall submit status report (in a bound-form) in two stages at least with a gap of 3 months between them.
- 6.6 The work on the project shall be initiated in the beginning of the second year and the duration of the project is for two semesters. A candidate is permitted to submit Project Thesis only after successful completion of theory and practical course with the approval of PRC not earlier than 40 weeks from the date of registration of the project work. For the approval of PRC the candidate shall submit the draft copy of the thesis to the Director (through Head of the Department) and shall make an oral presentation before the PRC.
- 6.7 Three copies of the Project Thesis certified by the supervisor shall be submitted to the Institute.

- 6.8 The thesis shall be adjudicated by one examiner selected by the Director. For this, Head of the Department shall submit a panel of 5 examiners, who are eminent in that field with the help of the concerned guide.
- 6.9 If the report of the examiner is not favourable, the candidate shall revise and resubmit the Thesis, in the time frame as described by PRC. If the report of the examiner is unfavorable again, the thesis shall be summarily rejected.
- 6.10 If the report of the examiner is favourable, viva-voce examination shall be conducted by a board consisting of the supervisor, Head of the Department and the examiner who adjudicated the Thesis. The Board shall jointly report candidates work as:
 - A. Excellent
 - B. Good
 - C. Satisfactory
 - D. Unsatisfactory

Head of the Department shall coordinate and make arrangements for the conduct of viva-voce examination.

If the report of the viva-voce is unsatisfactory, the candidate will retake the viva-voce examination after three months. If he fails to get a satisfactory report at the second viva-voce examination, he will not be eligible for the award of the degree.

7 AWARD OF DEGREE AND CLASS:

After a student has satisfied the requirements prescribed for the completion of the programmes and is eligible for the award of M. Sc. Degree he shall be placed in one of the following four classes:

Class Awarded	% of marks to be secured
First Class with Distinction	70% and above
First Class	Below 70% but not less than 60%
Second Class	Below 60% but not less than 50%
Pass Class	Below 50% but not less than 40%

(The marks in internal evaluation and end examination shall be shown separately in the marks memorandum)

8 WITH-HOLDING OF RESULTS:

If the candidate has not paid any dues to the university or if any case of in-discipline is pending against him, the result of the candidate will be withheld and he will not be allowed into the next higher semester. The issue of the degree is liable to be withheld in such cases.

9 TRANSITORY REGULATIONS:

Candidate who have discontinued or have been detained for want of attendance or who have failed after having undergone the course are eligible for admission to the same or equivalent subjects as and when subjects are offered, subject to 5.5 and 2.0

10 GENERAL:

- 10.1 The academic regulations should be read as a whole for purpose of any interpretation.
- In case of any doubt or ambiguity in the interpretation of the above rules, the decision of the Vice-Chancellor is final.
- 10.3 The University may change or amend the academic regulations and syllabus at any time and the changes and amendments made shall be applicable to all the students with effect from the date notified by the University.
- Wherever the word he, him or his occur, it will also include she, her and hers.
- There shall be no transfers within the constituent colleges of Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University.

MALPRACTICES RULES

DISCIPLINARY ACTION FOR IMPROPER CONDUCT IN EXAMINATIONS

	Nature of Malpractices/Improper conduct	Punishment
	If the candidate:	
1. (a)	Possesses or keeps accessible in examination hall, any paper, note book, programmable calculators, Cell phones, pager, palm computers or any other form of material concerned with or related to the subject of the examination (theory or practical) in which he is appearing but has not made use of (material shall include any marks on the body of the candidate which can be used	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject only.

	as an aid in the subject of the examination)	
(b)	Gives assistance or guidance or receives it from any other candidate orally or by any other body language methods or communicates through cell phones with any candidate or persons in or outside the exam hall in respect of any matter.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject only of all the candidates involved. In case of an outsider, he will be handed over to the police and a case is registered against him.
2.	Has copied in the examination hall from any paper, book, programmable calculators, palm computers or any other form of material relevant to the subject of the examination (theory or practical) in which the candidate is appearing.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject and all other subjects the candidate has already appeared including practical examinations and project work and shall not be permitted to appear for the remaining examinations of the subjects of that Semester/year.
		The Hall Ticket of the candidate is to be cancelled and sent to the University.
3.	Impersonates any other candidate in connection with the examination.	The candidate who has impersonated shall be expelled from examination hall. The candidate is also debarred and forfeits the seat. The performance of the original candidate who has been impersonated, shall be cancelled in all the subjects of the examination (including practicals and project work) already appeared and shall not be allowed to appear for examinations of the remaining subjects of that semester/year. The candidate is also debarred for two consecutive semesters from class work and all University examinations. The continuation of the course by the candidate is subject to the academic regulations in connection with forfeiture of seat. If the imposter is an outsider, he will be handed over

		to the police and a case is registered against him.
4.	Smuggles in the Answer book or additional sheet or takes out or arranges to send out the question paper during the examination or answer book or additional sheet, during or after the examination.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of performance in that subject and all the other subjects the candidate has already appeared including practical examinations and project work and shall not be permitted for the remaining examinations of the subjects of that semester/year. The candidate is also debarred for two consecutive semesters from class-work and all University examinations. The continuation of the course by the candidate is subject to the academic regulations in connection with forfeiture of seat.
5.	Uses objectionable, abusive or offensive language in the answer paper or in letters to the examiners or writes to the examiner requesting him to award pass marks.	Cancellation of the performance in that subject.
6.	Refuses to obey the orders of the Chief Superintendent/Assistant — Superintendent / any officer on duty or misbehaves or creates disturbance of any kind in and around the examination hall or organizes a walk out or instigates others to walk out, or threatens the officer-in charge or any person on duty in or outside the examination hall of any injury to his person or to any of his relations whether by words, either spoken or written or by signs or by visible representation, assaults the officer-in-charge, or any person on duty in or outside the examination hall or any of his relations, or indulges in any other	shall be expelled from examination halls and cancellation of their performance in that subject and all

	act of misconduct or mischief which result in damage to or destruction of property in the examination hall or any part of the College campus or engages in any other act which in the opinion of the officer on duty amounts to use of unfair means or misconduct or has the tendency to disrupt the orderly conduct of the examination.	
7.	Leaves the exam hall taking away answer script or intentionally tears of the script or any part thereof inside or outside the examination hall.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of performance in that subject and all the other subjects the candidate has already appeared including practical examinations and project-work and shall not be permitted for the remaining examinations of the subjects of that semester/year. The candidate is also debarred for two consecutive semesters from class-work and all University examinations. The continuation of the course by the candidate is subject to the academic regulations in connection with forfeiture of seat.
8.	Possess any lethal weapon or firearm in the examination hall.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject and all other subjects the candidate has already appeared including practical examinations and project-work and shall not be permitted for the remaining examinations of the subjects of that semester/year. The candidate is also debarred and forfeits the seat.
9.	If student of the college, who is not a candidate for the particular examination or any person not connected with the college indulges in any malpractice or	Student of the colleges expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject and all other subjects the candidate has

	improper conduct mentioned in clause 6 to 8.	already appeared including practical examinations and project-work and shall not be permitted for the remaining examinations of the subjects of that semester/year. The candidate is also debarred and forfeits the seat.
		Person(s) who do not belong to the College will be handed over to police and, a police case will be registered against them.
10.	Comes in a drunken condition to the examination hall.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject and all other subjects the candidate has already appeared including practical examinations and project-work and shall not be permitted for the remaining examinations of the subjects of that semester/year.
11.	Copying detected on the basis of internal evidence, such as, during valuation or during special scrutiny.	Cancellation of the performance in that subject and all other subjects the candidate has appeared including practical examinations and project work of that semester/year examinations.
12.	If any malpractice is detected which is not covered in the above clauses 1 to 11 shall be reported to the University for further action to award suitable punishment.	