

MAHARASHTRA NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, NAGPUR (CREDIT FRAMEWORK FOR ONLINE LEARNING COURSES THROUGH SWAYAM) REGULATION 2017

1. Preliminary

- a. In these regulations SWAYAM means Study Web Active Learning by Young and Aspiring Minds and it is an Indian Vision of MMOCs (Massive Online Open Courses).
- b. The objective of these courses is to widen the access to higher education at low cost by using technological advances.
- c. There should be seamless coordination between online learning and regular class room learning.
- d. National MOOCs Coordinator (NMC) is a National level agency designated as such by the Government, for the purpose of coordinating the production of the online courses and for overseeing their quality in a designated sector of learning.
- e. Principal Investigator (PI): the PI is a Subject Matter Expert (SME) belonging to a reputed educational institution, identified and entrusted with the task of developing and delivering MOOCs in a given area by the NMC.

2. Quadrants of SWAYAM

The SWAYAM provides for four quadrant approach to e-learning as under:

- a. Quadrant-I is e-Tutorial: that shall contain: Video and Audio Content in an organized form, Animation, Simulations, Virtual Labs.
- b. Quadrant-II is an e-Content: that shall contain: PDF/e-Books/illustration, video demonstrations, documents and Interactive simulations wherever required.
- c. Quadrant-III is Web Resources: that shall contain: Related Links, Open Content on Internet, Case Studies, Anecdotal information, Historical development of the subject, Articles.
- d. Quadrant- IV is Self-Assessment: that shall contain: MCQ, Problems, Quizzes, Assignments and solutions, Discussion forum topics and setting up the FAQs, Clarifications on general misconceptions.

3. MNLU, Nagpur MOOCs Coordinator

- a. The Vice-Chancellor shall nominate a faculty member as MOOCs Coordinator.
- b. The MNLU, Nagpur Coordinator shall coordinate with the designated National Level Agency for registration of MNLU, Nagpur students for different courses available on SWAYAM Platform.
- c. The MNLU, Nagpur Curriculum Development Committee shall identify online learning courses being offered through SWAYAM Platform keeping in view the requirement of MNLU, Nagpur students.
- d. Recommendation of the Curriculum Development Committee for the online courses available at SWAYAM Platform shall be considered and approved by the Academic Council. In this regard, the Academic Council can take into consideration:

- i. Non- availability of suitable teaching staff for running a course at MNLU, Nagpur
OR
 - ii. The facilities for offering the elective papers (courses), sought for by the students are not on offer at MNLU, Nagpur but are available on the SWAYAM Platform.
 - iii. The courses offered on SWAYAM would supplement the teaching-learning process at MNLU, Nagpur.
4. MNLU, Nagpur shall allow only up to 20% courses through SWAYAM of the total courses being offered in a Semester at MNLU, Nagpur, for credit transfer.
 5. The students of MNLU, Nagpur studying in a particular paper (course) in a class will be required for MOOCs for that course paper. MNLU, Nagpur is to ensure necessary physical facilities like labs, computers, library etc. essential for pursuing the course, free and in adequate measure.
 6. **MNLU, Nagpur Course Coordinator:** the Vice-Chancellor shall nominate faculty member(s) as a Course Coordinator for each SWAYAM online course, to guide the students throughout the course and to facilitate / conduct the practical and examination sessions.
 7. **Evaluation and Certificate of MOOCs Courses:** The Evaluation of the students registered with the MOOCs Courses shall be by the Host Institution and Principal Investigator (PI) as per parameters laid down by the UGC (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM) Regulation, 2016.
 8. MNLU, Nagpur shall incorporate the marks/grade obtained by the student as Communicated by the Host Institution through the Principal Investigator (PI), in the marks sheet of the student that would count for final award of the degree/diplomas by MNLU, Nagpur.

Provided that programs in which practical component is involved the MNLU, Nagpur will evaluate the students for that practical and will accordingly incorporate these marks/grades in the overall marks / grade.
 9. The certificates of the students on successful completion of MOOCs Course, signed by the Principal Investigator (PI) and issued through Host Institution will be received at MNLU, Nagpur.
 10. **Credit Mobility:** The MNLU, Nagpur will give equivalent credit weightage to the students for credits earned for online MOOCs Courses through SWAYAM in the credit plan of the program at MNLU, Nagpur.
 11. In case of difficulty in implementation of these regulations, the provisions in UGC (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM) Regulations, 2016 shall prevail.
