



## REPORT OF ACADEMIC AUDIT 2017-18

(21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018)

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The Academic audit of all regular departments along with self financing courses functioning in various departments of Utkal University was conducted during 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018 with the help of the following team members.

1. Prof. Soumendra Mohan Patnaik, Vice-Chancellor, Utkal University (Chairman)
2. Prof. Kishor K. Basa, Director, IQAC, Utkal University (Member)
3. Prof. (Mrs.) P.K. Mahapatra, Deputy Coordinator, IQAC, Utkal University (Member)

The Committee visited different Departments and interacted with the Heads and Coordinators, all faculty members, research scholars and students as per the following schedule.

Academic Audit Programme of the Utkal University (21.03.2018 & 22.03.2018)

Sl. No.	Name of the Department	Date	Time of visit to the Department
21.03.2018			
1.	Anthropology		10.30am – 10.55am
2.	Statistics		11.00am – 11.25am
3.	Zoology		11.30am – 11.55am
4.	Biotechnology		12 noon - 12.25pm
5.	Botany		12.30pm – 12.55pm
6.	Chemistry		01pm – 01.25pm
7.	Physics		01.30pm – 01.55pm
Lunch Break			
8.	Philosophy		03.00pm – 03.25pm
9.	A&A Economics		03.30pm – 03.55pm
10.	English		04 pm – 04.25pm
11.	Odia		04.30pm – 04.55pm
12.	Library & Information Science		05 pm – 05.25pm
13.	Law		05.30pm – 05.55pm
14.	Geography		06 pm – 06.25pm
22.03.2018			
15.	Sociology		10.30am – 10.55am
16.	PMIR		11.00am – 11.25am
17.	History		11.30am – 11.55am

18.	Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology		12 noon - 12.25pm
19.	Political Science		12.30pm – 12.55pm
20.	Sanskrit		01pm – 01.25pm
21.	Public Administration		01.30pm – 01.55pm
Lunch Break			
22.	Psychology		03.00pm – 03.25pm
23.	Geology		03.30pm – 03.55pm
24.	Business Administration		04 pm – 04.25pm
25.	Commerce		04.30pm – 04.55pm
26.	Mathematics		05 pm – 05.25pm
27.	Computer Science & Application		05.30pm – 05.55pm
28.	University Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences		06 pm – 06.25pm

The Head of each Department presented the profile of the Department covering various aspects of academic, teaching, research and other co-curricular activities. Coordinators of self financing courses presented the profile of their programme. The Chairman and Members of the Committee interacted with faculty members, students and research scholars to evaluate the progress of the Departments and self financing programmes to get feedback as to how to enhance the quality of academic and extra-curricular activities in the campus. The salient features are given below.

Action taken: As per the suggestions of academic audit held from 16.3.2016 to 21.3. 2016 some of the action taken are: provision of ramp was made in departments wherever required; Alumni activities were recorded by departments; installation of CCTV; Renovation of museums; Provision for blended learning and revision of syllabus taking into accounts the inputs received from feedback of students, suggestions from faculty and Alumni.

In general, some of the good practices include

- Organization of student seminars on regular basis by most Departments
- Good seminar libraries
- Student managed library (in addition to seminar library) in some Departments
- Comprehensive vision and mission statement displayed
- Good museums as teaching-aid in various Departments like Anthropology, Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology, Geology and Zoology
- Departments with Special Assistance Programme of UGC
- Rock Garden in Geology Department and herbarium in Botany Department

The Committee also took note that Department of Physics has been selected by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India as a Centre of Excellence.



The suggestions made during the visit are presented below:

- The need for recruitment of teachers is felt in almost every Department.
- Although a number of Departments and/or Societies associated with Departments are publishing journals, suggestions were made to enhance quality.
- In general, space crunch was felt because of the need for increasing lab space, ladies' common room and implementation of CBCS facilitating more options for students.
- Updating of alumni record and organization of alumni meet on regular basis was suggested.
- Mentoring of students and career counselling are to be strengthened.
- Consolidation of the list of placement is to be maintained.
- Departments like PMIR, Business Administration, Commerce, Computer Science and Chemistry are taking steps to have industry-academia interaction. This process has to be further strengthened.
- Steps taken for facilities for differently-abled people should be extended further.
- More interaction with parents and alumni should be held.
- In fieldwork and experiential study, students should be encouraged to undertake more projects with application value and of social concern.
- Students doing extension work should be encouraged and appreciated.
- Facilities for games and sports should be maintained, consolidated and improved.
- Departments have taken steps in sensitizing students regarding ragging as well as gender and social discrimination. In order to inculcate a spirit of inclusiveness among the students, such programmes should be organized at inter departmental level.
- Departments with Special Assistance Programme of UGC were instructed to prepare for Review by UGC as and when required

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