

MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY

(Abstract)

Granting of special concessions during University examinations to candidates with multiple handicaps – Extending concession for any particular handicap for which the maximum benefits are provided – Approved - Orders issued.

ACADEMIC A1 SECTION

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ORDER

Candidates who are differently abled either physically, visually, mentally or are deaf and dumb are being granted special concessions for the University examinations based on the nature of the disability and the needs of the students concerned and University Orders have been issued in respect of each category as detailed below.

Category	Concessions/benefits	Conditions	U.O.
1. Physically challenged candidates with a permanent nature of disability who are unable to move their hands freely and write with normal speed	Extra time of 15 minutes per hour for all the University examinations of the entire course	Application to be accompanied by a medical certificate issued from a specialist concerned with photograph of the candidate showing the actual handicap which should be attested by the Medical Officer	U.O. No. Ac A1(2)/348/98 dated 19.04.1999.
2. Partially blind candidate having visual standards from 20% to 50% (i.e., a disability of 50% to 80%)	Extra time of 30 minutes to answer each paper of 3 hours duration with proportionate reduction for papers of shorter duration	Certificate in original from a specialist concerned regarding visual standards/ visual disability.	U.O. No. Ac A1/3/2211/2001 dated 12.11.2001.
3. Blind candidates having visual standards from 1% to 19% (i.e., a disability of 81% to 100%)	i. Extra time of 45 minutes to answer each paper of 3 hours duration with proportionate reduction for papers of shorter duration. ii. Benefit of a Scribe to write the examination. iii. Exemption from the payment of examination fee for all University examinations including supplementary and improvement examinations.		

4. Mentally challenged candidates having a disability of 40% or more	i. Extra time of half an hour ii. Services of an interpreter iii. Grace marks @ 20% of the marks scored by the candidate in the written examination in addition to the total marks scored by the candidate.	certificate from a competent medical board specifying the disability	U.O. No. 1227/A1/2010/Ac dated 09.03 '10.
5. Deaf and dumb candidates having a disability of 40% or above	i. Exemption from writing the second language examination	certificate from a competent medical board specifying the disability	U.O. No. Ac A1/1/2661/2003 dated 31.12.2003.
	ii. 25% grace marks/10 grace grade points (as applicable)		UO No. 5244/03/10/AcA VIII dated 25.06.2010

Apart from the above mentioned categories of disabilities the case of extending concessions to candidates with multiple handicaps had not come up for consideration and hence no special benefits had been granted to such candidates. Of late, candidates suffering from multiple handicaps also have submitted requests seeking eligible concessions during University examinations. Since the medical certificate issued in respect of such candidates states the total percentage of disability none of the benefits granted for the individual handicaps can be made applicable in respect of such candidates.

Considering the above, the Syndicate resolved vide paper read above, to direct candidates with multiple handicaps to submit the medical certificate specifically in respect of any particular handicap for which the maximum benefits can be claimed and also resolved to extend such concessions to the students accordingly.

Orders are issued accordingly.

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