



MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY, KERALA

Abstract

Concessions in the University examinations to Persons with Disabilities- assortment of various orders and circulars - orders issued.

ACADEMIC A 1 SECTION

No. 2374/AC A 1/2021/MGU

Priyadarsini Hills, Dated: 11.05.2021

Read:-1.U.O No. 3543/AC A1/2019/M.G.U Dated.26.07.2019

2.U.O No.2140/ACA1/2021/MGU Dated.22.04.2021

ORDER

The University has issued a number of orders related with concessions to differently abled students, in examinations. Besides these University orders, the provision in the circular dated 29/08/2018, issued by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, consequent to the enactment of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 are also applicable to University examinations as per the U.O cited (1) above.

For the convenience of all concerned, the Vice Chancellor has accorded sanction to issue a comprehensive order as given below incorporating all the concessions to differently abled students in examinations, which are scattered in various University orders, circulars and Central Government Acts.

| UO No | Specified Disability | Concessions | Details of U O already issued |
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| 1 | <p><u>PHYSICAL DISABILITY</u></p> <p>A. Locomotor Disability</p> <p>i) Leprosy cured person, ii) Dwarfism iii) Muscular dystrophy iv) Acid attack victims v) Cerebral palsy(candidates with a permanent nature of disability who are unable to move their hands freely and write with normal speed)</p> | <p>(a) Compensatory time not less than 20 min/hr</p> <p>(b)Service of scribe/reader/ interpreter/ lab assistant.</p> <p>(c) If not availing (a) & (b), Additional time minimum 1 hr / 3 hrs duration</p> <p>(d) Use of computer/converter</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2203/ACA1/2011 dated 02/05/11. • 3543/ACA1/2019 dated 26/07/19. |
| | <p>Certificate to be produced from the Medical Board authorized by Government, specifying the disability. If the candidate seeks the assistance of a scribe/reader/interpreter/lab assistant, a certificate should be produced from the Chief Medical Officer/ Civil Surgeon/ Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution to the effect that the candidate has physical limitation to write, and scribe/reader/interpreter/ lab assistant is essential (in Proforma at Appendix - I of The Guidelines for conducting</p> | | |

written exams for persons with Benchmark disability, issued by The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment)

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| <p>B. Visual Impairment a (A disability of 40% to 80%) i. Blindness ii. Low vision</p> | <p>a) Compensatory time not less than 20 min/hr (b) Service of scribe/reader/interpreter/ lab assistant. (c) If not availing (a) & (b), additional time of minimum 1hr/3hrs duration. (d) Use of computer/Braille converter</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACA1/3/2211/2001dtd12/11/01. • 3543/ACA1/2019 dtd 26/7/19. |
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Certificate needed from the Medical Board authorized by government specifying the disability

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| <p>b.(A disability of 81% to 100%) i. Blindness ii. Low vision</p> | <p>a) Compensatory time not less than 20 min/hr (b) Service of scribe/interpreter/reader/ lab assistant. (c) If not availing (a) & (b), additional time minimum 1 hr/3hrs duration (d)Use of computer/ Braille converter (e) Exemption from the payment of Examination fee for all University Examinations including supplementary and Improvement Examinations (f) Blind students securing I/II/III places in Sports/Cultural/Youth Festival activities conducted by Kerala Federation of the Blind at College/University/Inter University Level-5% Grace Mark</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACA1/3/2211/2001 dtd12/11/01 • 2203/A1/2011/Acad dtd 02/05/2011 • 3543/ACA1/2019 dtd 26/7/19. |
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Certificate needed from the Medical Board authorized by Government, specifying the disability.

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| | <p>a) Compensatory time not less than 20min/hr b) Service of scribe/interpreter/ reader/ lab assistant.</p> | |
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| <p>C Hearing Impairment (i) Deaf and Hard of Hearing</p> <p>D. Speech and Language disability</p> | <p>(c). If not availing (a) & (b), additional time minimum 1 hr/3hrs duration</p> <p>(d) Use of computer/converter</p> <p>(e) Exemption from writing the Second Language (when exempted from writing second language, the University average marks are given for theory part and corresponding marks for internal part).</p> <p>(f). Exemption from appearing for oral examinations. (Their internal grades shall be calculated proportionally to the grade of the theory papers).</p> <p>(g) 25% Grace Marks / 10 Grace Grade Point of maximum marks for all theory exams. (for Deaf and Dumb candidates with disability of 40% or above / Hearing impaired candidates with disability of 70% or above)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2203/ACA1/2011 dtd 2/5/11. • 6622/ACA1/2011 dtd 12/12/11. • 2205/01/ACAVIII/2016dtd16/04/16. • 2206/01/ACAVIII/2016dtd16/04/16. • 2180/01/ACAVIII/2016dtd16/04/16. • 3543/ACA1/2019 dtd 26/7/19. |
| <p>Certificate needed from the Medical Board authorized by Government specifying the disability. If candidate seeks the assistance of a scribe/reader/interpreter/lab assistant , a certificate should be produced from the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution to the effect that the candidate has physical limitation to write, and scribe/reader/interpreter/ lab assistant is essential (in Proforma at Appendix - I of the Guidelines for conducting written exams for persons with Benchmark disability, issued by The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment).</p> | | |
| | <p>(a). Compensatory time not less than 20 min/hr</p> <p>(b). Service of scribe/reader/interpreter/lab assistant.</p> <p>(c). If not availing (a) & (b), additional time minimum 1 hr/</p> | |

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| 2 | <p>INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY</p> <p>(i). specific learning disabilities (like dyslexia, disgraphia, dyscalculia, dyspraxia, developmental aphasia)</p> <p>(ii). autism spectrum disorder</p> <p>(iii) Mental Retardation</p> | <p>3hrs duration.</p> <p>(d) Use of computer/converter.</p> <p>(e) Exemption from writing the Second Language (when exempted from writing second language, the University average marks are given for theory part and corresponding marks for internal part).</p> <p>(f) Content based evaluation.</p> <p>(g) 25% of the maximum marks is awarded as Grace Mark for category (iii)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3278/P&DII/2/2009/Adm dtd 1/7/10. • 3543/ACA1/2019 dtd 26/7/19. |
| <p>Certificate needed from the Medical Board authorized by Government specifying the disability. (The practice of deciding the benefits of this category by the Syndicate Standing Committee will be discontinued hereafter)</p> | | | |
| 3 | <p>MENTAL BEHAVIOUR ("mental illness" means a substantial disorder of thinking, mood, perception, orientation or memory that grossly impairs judgement, behaviour, capacity to recognise reality or ability to meet the ordinary demands of life, but does not include retardation which is a condition of arrested or incomplete development of mind of a person, specially characterised by subnormality of intelligence)</p> | <p>(a) Compensatory time not less than 20 min/hr.</p> <p>(b). Service of scribe/interpreter/reader/lab assistant.</p> <p>(c). If not availing (a) & (b), additional time minimum 1 hr/3hrs duration.</p> <p>(d) Use of computer/converter.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1227/ACA1/2010/Acad dtd 9/3/10. • 2718/ACA1/2010/Acaddtd16/3/13. • 2205/01/ACAVIII/2016 dtd 16/4/16. • 2206/01/ACAVIII/2016dtd16/04/16 • 2180/01/ACAVIII/2016dtd16/04/16. • 4411/ACA1/2010/Acad dtd 9/8/16. • 3543/ACA1/2019/MGU dated 26/07/2019. |
| <p>Certificate from the Medical Board authorized by Government specifying the disability. If the candidate seeks the assistance of a scribe/reader/interpreter/lab assistant, a certificate from the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution to the effect that the candidate has physical limitation to write, and scribe/ reader/interpreter/ lab assistant is essential (in Proforma at Appendix - I of the Guidelines for conducting written exams for persons with Benchmark disability, issued by The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment).</p> | | | |
| 4 | <p>DISABILITY CAUSED DUE TO</p> <p>i. Chronic Neurological condition.</p> <p>ii. Blood Disorder</p> | <p>a) Compensatory time not less than 20 min/hr</p> <p>(b)Service of scribe/interpreter/reader/ lab</p> | |

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| | (Haemophilia, Thalassemia, Sickle cell disease) | assistant. (c) If not availing (a) &(b), additional time minimum 1 hr/ 3hrs duration (d) Use of computer/ Braille converter | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3543/ACA1/2019/MGU dated 26/07/2019. |
| <p>Certificate from the Medical Board authorized by Government specifying the disability.</p> <p>If the candidate seeks the assistance of a scribe/reader/interpreter/lab assistant , a certificate from the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution to the effect that the candidate has physical limitation to write, and scribe/ reader/interpreter/ lab assistant is essential (in Proforma at Appendix - I of the Guidelines for conducting written exams for persons with Benchmark disability, issued by The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment).</p> | | | |

Note 1: The educational qualifications of the scribe shall be less than those of the candidate.

*Note 2: The eligible candidates may apply for grace mark **within two years** after the completion of Course.The request for grace marks received after the time limit may not be entertained.*

Note 3: Grace mark will not be awarded to a candidate if he/she secures less than 5% of the maximum mark for the theory paper.

Note 4: UO NO.1205/ACA8/26.02.2021 regarding distribution of grace marks is applicable for differently abled candidates also.They should submit the grace mark claim through written applications.

The U.O read as (2) has been cancelled.

Orders are issued accordingly

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