

8.3 UGC Regulations, 1985 regarding the Minimum Standards of instructions for the Grant of the First Degree through Non-formal/Distance Education

University Grants Commission New Delhi-110 002, 25th November 1985

No.F1117/83(CP) In exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (f) of subsection (1) of Section 26 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (No. 3 of 1956), the University Grants Commission makes the following regulations, namely:

1. Short title, application and commencement:-

(1)These regulations may be called the University Grants Commission (the minimum standards of instructions for the grant of the first degree through non formal/distance education in the faculties of Arts, Humanities, Fine Arts, Music, Social Sciences, Commerce and Sciences) Regulations, 1985. (2)They shall apply to every university established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, Provincial Act or of a Section 2 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 and every institution deemed to be University under Section 3 of the said Act. (3)They shall come into force on June 1, 1986.

2. Admission/Students:

(1) No student shall be eligible for admission to the 1st Degree Course through non-formal / distance education unless he has successfully completed 12 years schooling through an examination conducted by a Board/University. In case there is no previous academic record, he shall be eligible for admission if he has passed an entrance test conducted by the University provided that he is **not below the age of 21 years on July 1 of the year of admission.** (2) **No student shall be eligible for the award of the first degree unless he has successfully completed a three year course;** this degree may be called the B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. (General Honours/Special) degree as the case may be. Provided that no student shall be eligible to seek admission to the Master's Course in these faculties, who has not successfully pursued the first Degree Course of three years duration. Provided further that, as a transitory measure where the universities are unable to change over to a three year degree course, they may award a B.A.

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No. F.1 – 8/92 (CPP-II)

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To
The Registrar
All Universities & Institutions deemed to be
Universities.

Subject: Amendment to the UGC (the minimum standards of Instructions for the grant of first degree through non-formal / distance education in the faculties of Arts, Humanities, Fine Arts, Music, Social Arts, Commerce and Sciences) Regulations, 1985.

Sir,

In continuation of this letter No.:F.1-117-83(CP) dated 2nd January, 1986, and in partial modification of the UGC (minimum standards of instructions for grant of first degree through non-formal / distance education in the faculties of Arts, Humanities, Fine Arts, Music, Social Sciences, Commerce and Sciences) Regulations, 1985; please find enclosed a copy of the notification No.F.1-117/83(CPP-II) dated 18-10-95 which amends the earlier UGC notification No.F.1-117/83 (CP) dated 25th November, 1985.

In this connection, I am to inform you that sub-clause (1) of clause (2) of the above mentioned Regulations of 1985 have been amended as under:

Existing clauses

2. Admission / Student

- (1) No student shall be eligible for admission to the 1st degree course through non-formal / distance education unless he has successfully completed 12 years schooling through an examination conducted by a Board / University. In case there is no previous academic record, he shall be eligible for admission if he has passed an entrance test conducted by the University, **provided that he is not below the age of 21 years on July 1 of the year of admission.**

Amended clauses

2. Admission / Student

- (1) No student shall be eligible for admission to the 1st degree course through non-formal distance education unless he has successfully completed 12 years schooling through an examination conducted by a Board / University. In case there is no previous academic record, he shall be eligible for admission if he has passed an entrance test conducted by the University, **provided that he is not below the age of 18 years on July 1 of the year of admission.**

The above amendments have come into force with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,
(R.P. GANGURDE)
Additional Secretary

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- 1) All Educational Secretaries.
- 2) All Directors of Higher Education.
- 3) All State Council of Higher Education / Advisory Boards
- 4) File No.F.1-117/83 (CPP-II)