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Date:16.10.2015.

**NOTIFICATION**

As recommended by the Board of Studies in Law, Dibrugarh University held on 22.06.2015, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Dibrugarh University is pleased to approve the modified Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Master of Laws (LL.M) Programme 2015 under report to the Post Graduate Board, and Academic Council, Dibrugarh University giving immediate effect from the Academic session 2015-2016.

Issued with due approval.

(B.C. Borah)  
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1. The Vice-Chancellor, Dibrugarh University.
2. The Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Dibrugarh University.
3. The Registrar, Dibrugarh University.
4. The Controller of Examinations, Dibrugarh University, for favour of information and needful.
5. The Deputy Controller of Examinations (A & C), Dibrugarh University, for favour of information and needful.
6. The Director, Centre for Juridical Studies, Dibrugarh University for favour of information, Dibrugarh University.
7. The Colleges/ Institutes affiliated to/ permitted by Dibrugarh University conducting the LL.M. Programme for favour of information and needful.
8. Sri G. Chetia, Programmer, Dibrugarh University, for information and with a request to upload the notification in the D.U. Website.
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(Under powers conferred under Section 34 of the *Dibrugarh University Act, 1965*)

## **PRELIMINARY**

### **1. Short Title and Enforcement:**

- 1.1. This Regulation shall be called Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Master of Laws (LL.M.) Programme, 2015, hereinafter referred as LL.M. Regulations.
- 1.2. This Regulations will come into force from the academic session 2015-2016.

### **2 Definitions:**

- a) College: The term 'College' is used to mean a College/ Institute affiliated to/ permitted by Dibrugarh University for conducting the 2 Years full time LL.M. Programme
- b) Centre: The term 'Centre' is used to mean a Centre of Study in Dibrugarh University set up for conducting the 2 Years full time LL.M. Programme.
- c) Programme: The term 'programme' is used to mean the whole learning experience or combination of courses of the 2 Years full time LL.M. Programme.
- d) Course: Programme is divided into a number of courses. A course may be considered as a paper in conventional education system.
- e) Compulsory course: Compulsory courses are core courses which are essential for students pursuing LL.M
- f) Elective Courses: Elective courses shall be chosen by each candidate to specialize in one or more branches of broad subject area.
- g) Academic Year: An academic year means a period of twelve months consisting of two semesters.
- h) Semester: The word "semester" is used to mean a half-yearly term or term of studies including examinations, vacations and semester breaks.
- i) Semester Duration: A semester normally extends over a period of 16 class weeks. Each week has 30 hours of instruction spread over the week.
- j) In - semester: The word "in-semester" is used to refer to the continuous evaluation within the half-yearly term.

- k) End-semester: The word “end-semester” is used to refer to the terminal processes of examinations and evaluations at the end but within the half-yearly term.

### **3. Admission:**

3.1 **Eligibility for admission:** (1). A candidate to take admission in LL.M. must have 50% marks in aggregate in LL.B.-3 years/B.A.-B.Sc.-B.Com.,BBA.LL.B-5 years integrated course) recognized by University Grants Commission (UGC) and BCI. However, a relaxation of 5% in the eligibility criteria shall be admissible to the bonafide SC/ST/OBC/PWD applicants of the State of Assam only.

3.2 The candidates appearing in final year examination in aforesaid Programmes may also apply but at the time of admission they must produce result of the aforesaid Programme.

3.3 The medium of instruction shall be English only.

### **3.4 Admission Procedure:**

- (a) Newspaper notice inviting applications for admission into the LL.M. Programme shall be issued by the Registrar or by any other person authorized for the purpose or by the Principal / Director of the affiliated College/institution as the case may be, at least four weeks in advance of the date of admission. Each applicant shall have to submit within the prescribed date his/her application with requisite documents as indicated.
- (b) The admission to LL.M. Programme will be made only on merit basis through an Entrance Test to be conducted by the University/Centre/college. The mode of Entrance Test shall be decided/ ascertained by the University from time to time.
- (c) The University will constitute an Admission Committee to prepare for and conduct of Entrance Test and the committee will prepare a merit list of eligible candidates on the basis of the Entrance Test. The list of successful candidates shall be displayed on the notice board/University website.
- (d) The mode of the Entrance Test:
- (i) There will be only one paper for 2-hours for LL.M. entrance test which will comprise of Indian Constitutional Law, Criminal Law, Environmental Law, International Law, Procedural and Evidence Laws, Family Laws, Law of Torts, Business Law, Intellectual Property Laws.
  - (ii) The LL.M. entrance test paper will comprise 100 objective questions for total 200 Marks.
  - (iii) Admission cannot be claimed by any candidate as a matter of right. The admission or re-admission of a candidate shall be entirely at the discretion of the Admission Committee, which may refuse or admit any student without assigning any reason therefore.
  - (iv) On being selected for admission, the student has to appear before admission committee with all original certificates, mark sheets and other requirements on

scheduled date and time failure of which will disqualify him and the next candidate in ranking will be allowed to take admission.

- (v) If any candidate fails to deposit prescribed fee within stipulated time, his/ her admission will be automatically deemed to be cancelled.
- (vi) Statutory Reservation Policy shall be followed in admission in case of the reserved category candidates.

#### **4. Attendance:**

4.1 : A student must have 80% attendance in concerned semesters failing which the student will disqualify to appear in End-Semester Examination.

Provided that in a reasonable case, the Director/Principal of the Centre/College concerned supported with valid documents, may make a maximum of 5% relaxation. The relaxation so made can be compensated by any appropriate measures deemed fit.

4.2: A student who does not put in at least the minimum percentage of attendance required in the I-Semester his/her name may be removed from the University rolls. However, such students can seek fresh admission in the LL.M. course through fresh entrance test.

All such students of II, III and IV Semesters who have not put in the required minimum percentage of attendance or not filled in the examination form in time shall be required to be re-admitted in the concerned semester available in the subsequent year(s), in case they intend to pursue the programme further within the stipulated span for completion of the programme.

4.3 If a student is continuously absent from classes for 15 days without informing the Director/Principal concerned with valid reasons, his/her name shall be struck out from the University roll without any notice.

4.4: There shall be an Attendance Monitoring Committee in the Centre/College under the Chairmanship of the Director/Principal.

4.5: The attendance of a newly admitted candidate shall be counted from the date of his/her admission, or date of beginning of classes whichever is later, while in the case of promoted candidates, attendance shall be counted from the date on which respective class begins.

4.6: At the end of each Semester, every teacher has to submit copy of the status of attendance to the Director/Principal.

#### **5. Programme Structure**

5.1 : The semester-wise course structure of two-years (4-Semesters) LL.M Degree are given below:

## 5.2

Course(s)	Course(s) Code	Nature of course(s)
<b>LL.M. First Semester</b>		
Indian Constitutional Law	LLM 1	Compulsory
<b>Group A: Constitutional Law</b>		
Constitutional Law-I	LLMA 1	Elective
Constitutional Law-II	LLMA 2	Elective
Constitutional Law and Human Rights	LLMA 3	Elective
<b>Group B: Corporate Law</b>		
General Principles of Contract with Specific Relief	LLMB 1	Elective
Specific Contracts with Sale of Goods	LLMB 2	Elective
Laws relating to Securities, Competition, Partnership, Limited Liability Partnership & Societies Registration	LLMB 3	Elective
<b>Group C: Criminal Law</b>		
Substantive Criminal Law-I	LLMC 1	Elective
Substantive Criminal Law-II	LLMC 2	Elective
Socio-Economic Offences	LLMC 3	Elective
<b>LL.M. Second Semester</b>		
Legal Education and Research Methodology	LLM 2	Compulsory
<b>Group A: Constitutional Law</b>		
Administrative Law-I	LLMA 4	Elective
Administrative Law-II	LLMA 5	Elective
Administration of Criminal Justice System	LLMA 6	Elective
<b>Group B: Corporate Law</b>		
Insurance Law	LLMB 4	Elective
Company Law	LLMB 5	Elective
Banking Law including Negotiable Instruments Act	LLMB 6	Elective
<b>Group C: Criminal Law</b>		
Comparative Criminal Procedure	LLMC 4	Elective
Probation of Offenders Act and Juvenile Justice Act	LLMC 5	Elective
Administration of Criminal Justice System	LLMC 6	Elective
<b>LL.M. Third Semester</b>		
Law and Social Transformation in India	LLM 3	Compulsory
<b>Group A: Constitutional Law</b>		
Constitutional Law of America	LLMA 7	Elective
Constitutional Law of U.K.	LLMA 8	Elective
Constitutional Law of Japan	LLMA 9	Elective
<b>Group B: Corporate Law</b>		
Intellectual Property Law-I	LLMB 7	Elective
Intellectual Property Law-II	LLMB 8	Elective
Law of Export Import Regulation	LLMB 9	Elective
<b>Group C: Criminal Law</b>		
Criminology: Comparative Study	LLMC 7	Elective

Penology: Comparative Study	LLMC 8	Elective
Victimology: Comparative Study	LLMC 9	Elective
<b>LL.M. Fourth Semester</b>		
Judicial Process	LLM4.1	Compulsory
Dissertation and viva-voce [The topic for Dissertation will be assigned in the beginning of the III-Semester and the candidates are required to submit dissertation work by the end of the IV-Semester but before 15 days of End-Semester Examination.]	LLM4.2	Compulsory

- 5.2: Out of three specialized groups, a student has to opt only one group upto third semester. He/she will not be allowed to change the group in subsequent semesters. However, the Centre/College shall have the right to decide to offer options of the specialized papers subject to fulfillment of the required conditions of teachers with specialization and necessary infrastructure in consonance with the prescribed norms of the UGC and the University.
- 5.3: Every student has to submit Dissertation work for which the topic will be assigned in the beginning of the Third Semester and the students are required to submit dissertation work by the end of the Fourth Semester but before filling up of examination forms of 4<sup>th</sup> Semester End-Semester Examination.
- 5.4: Students are required to submit three probable titles of dissertation before commencement of the third semester to the Director/Principal and accordingly the Director/Principal will convene a meeting of existing regular teachers and allot them the titles of Dissertation to supervise the students.
- 5.5: The supervisor must have minimum Ph.D. degree in Law.
- 5.6: A supervisor can guide only Ten students in a session.
- 5.7: Before submission of the Dissertation, the students are required to present a pre-submission seminar in presence of the teachers and students of the Centre/College. The date for pre-submission seminar will be fixed by the Director/Principal.

## 6. Examination System:

**6.1 Allotted Marks for Each Course:** (1) Except Dissertation and Viva-Voce, every Course will be evaluated for 100 Marks out of which 25 Marks will be allotted for Continuous Evaluation *i.e.* In-Semester Examination, and 75 Marks for End-Semester Examination.

Semester	Subjects	Nature of subjects	Allotted marks		
			Continuous Evaluation <i>i.e.</i> In-Semester Examination	End-sem. Marks	Total marks
First	Indian Constitutional Law	Compulsory	25	75	100
	Anyone specialized group out of Group-A/B/C comprising three subjects	Elective	25 in each paper	75 in each paper	100x3=300
Number of total Courses in First sem.-Four				Total Marks- 400	
Second	Legal Education and Research Methodology	Compulsory	25	75	100
	Anyone specialized group out of Group-A/B/C comprising three subjects	Elective	25 in each paper	75 in each paper	100x3=300
Number of total Courses in Second sem.-Four				Total Marks- 400	
Third	Law and Social Transformation in India	Compulsory	25	75	100
	Anyone specialized group out of Group-A/B/C comprising three subjects	Elective	25 in each paper	75 in each paper	100x3=300
Number of total Courses in Third sem.-Four				Total Marks- 400	

Fourth	Judicial Process	Compulsory	-	-	100
	Dissertation and viva-voce	Compulsory	-	-	(150 for dissertation and 50 for viva-voce) 200
Number of total Courses in Fourth sem.-Two				Total Marks-300	
Number of total Courses in LL.M. Programme:14				Total Marks in LL.M. course -1500	

**(2)** The Continuous Evaluation *i.e.* In-Semester Examination shall be based on the following:

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| (i) Assignment Evaluation         | 10 Marks |
| a. Scheme of the Assignment Paper | 01 Marks |
| b. Introduction of the Topic      | 02 Marks |
| c. Content/ Analysis              | 03 Marks |
| d. Conclusion                     | 02 Marks |
| e. Footnotes/Bibliography         | 02 Marks |
| (ii) Seminar                      | 10 Marks |
| (iii) Attendance                  | 05 Marks |

**(3)** The distribution of 5 marks for attendance shall be made as under:

% of Attendance	Marks to be awarded
=100%	5 Marks
95%to less than 100%	4 Marks
90%to less than 95%	3 Marks
85%to less than 90%	2 Marks
80%to less than85%	1 Marks

## **6.2 In-semester Examination:**

- (i) In-semester examination will be conducted by concerned Teacher during a semester which will include Assignment and Presentation each for 10 Marks.
- (ii) Students are required to secure minimum 40% marks in the internal assessment. If any student fails to secure 40% marks in the internal assessment, he/she shall not be allowed to sit in the end semester written examination.
- (iii) The Director/Principal shall ensure that all in-semester examination marks are sent to Controller of Examination prior to the commencement of End Semester Examination.

### **6.3: End-semester examination:**

- (i) A candidate shall have to secure at least 50% marks to pass a course.
- (ii) A candidate shall have to pass all the courses individually to pass a semester.
- (iii) The Examinations shall be conducted as per the Dibrugarh University Examination Ordinance amended from time to time.

### **6.4: Dissertation and Viva-Voce:**

- (a) The Dissertation work shall be prepared as per following rule:
  - (i). Font size: 13 in Times New Roman
  - (ii). Spacing between lines: 1.5
- (b) Each Dissertation work must contain following parts in the following order-
  - (i). Cover page
  - (ii). Certificate of the Director/Principal
  - (iii). Certificate of Supervisor
  - (iv). Declaration of the student about originality of the work
  - (v). Acknowledgement
  - (vi). The first chapter must be started with an Introduction and the last chapter must be with Concluding Observation. For further clarification, it is mentioned that as last chapter there must be Concluding Observation and not conclusion.
  - (vii). Bibliography.
  - (viii) In Dissertation, there must be footnotes and not end-notes.
- (c) The Dissertation shall be evaluated by three examiners out of which two examiners shall be from outside Dibrugarh University system. The concerned supervisor shall be third and internal examiner.
- (d) The Director/Principal has to prepare list of external examiners for Dissertation from the name recommended by concerned supervisor and send to Controller of Examinations before commencement of End-semester examination.
- (e) If a student fails to submit his/her Dissertation on the specified date, he/she shall not be allowed to fill up the examination form of 4<sup>th</sup> Semester.
- (f) Before 15 days of 4<sup>th</sup> Semester End-semester examination, student has to submit his Dissertation work in Seven copies for evaluation with supervisor's forwarding letter and self declaration of the student that the work is original and has not been submitted in any university/institution for any degree/diploma etc. After receiving the Dissertation, the Centre/College has to return two copies of Dissertation to the concerned student with signature and seal of Director/Principal and one copy will be kept in office which will be sent to Centre/College Library after declaration of the result.

- (f) The Centre/College has to send Four copies to the Controller of Examination with a Forwarding Certificate.
- (g) The Controller of Examinations has to send immediately Two copies to the concerned external examiner, one copy to concerned supervisor with a request to send the marks of Dissertation within 15 days and one copy will be kept in office which will be sent to the Central Library after declaring the result.
- (h) The marks for Dissertation is 150 and 50 marks for Viva-Voce and the students shall have to secure minimum 50% individually both in Dissertation as well as Viva-Voce to pass the Examination.
- (o) The Viva-Voce Examination shall be conducted by a Board of Five Examiners out of which one shall be an external examiner.

**7. Student Progression:**

7.1 **Promotion rules:** A student will be promoted from one semester to other as per following rules-  
 From 1<sup>st</sup> semester to 2<sup>nd</sup> semester/2<sup>nd</sup> semester to 3<sup>rd</sup> semester/3<sup>rd</sup> semester to 4<sup>th</sup> semester+  
 The students will be provided three consecutive chances to qualify for each End Semester examination.

**8: Declaration of Result and Award of Degree:**

8.1: A candidate shall be declared as passed the LL.M. Degree provided he/ she has passed all the courses of all the semesters separately.

8.2: A candidate qualified for the LL.M. Degree shall be awarded the degree as below:

Class	% of Marks secured
1 <sup>st</sup>	=>65% marks in aggregate
2 <sup>nd</sup>	=>50% - <65% marks in aggregate

8.3: A student should complete LL.M. Programme within four years from the date of admission.

**9: Miscellaneous:**

9.1 **Ranking to the candidates:** Ranking shall be given to only that candidate who has passed all the courses of the programme in one attempt.

**9.2: Break in the course:** Any student taking admission in LL.M. programme shall not be allowed to pursue any other full time programme/course in the University or elsewhere in the entire period of the programme meaning thereby that if a student leaves the programme after passing some of the semesters/ courses and takes up a full-time programme/course elsewhere, then he/she shall not be allowed to continue the programme further in the Centre/College.

**10. General:**

- a) For any matter not covered under these Regulations, the existing University Rules, Ordinance and the University Act, 1965 (as amended) shall be applicable.
- b) Any difficulty which may arise in the course of these operations relating to holding of the examinations shall be removed by the Examination Committee of the University.
  - b) Provisions for the relevant existing Rules and Regulations of the University which are not in conformity with these Regulations shall stand repealed to the extent of their inconsistencies with these Regulations.

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