

CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

The University of Madras has introduced Choice Based Credit System in Under Graduate / Post Graduate courses from the Academic year 2008 – 2009. According to this system, the students are given various course options in which he/she can choose from. These are offered as Non-major electives and credits are allotted at the end of the semester (November/April) after the conduct of the University examinations.

Advanced Tamil / Basic Tamil is introduced for systematic learning of Tamil. Soft Skills is also introduced to increase the level of students' communication skills and confidence. Participation in Sports, NSS and other extension services is compulsory and credits are allotted. The semester system with credits has evolved as the most popular and functional pattern of education across the globe.

Credit is the weightage given to what a teacher teaches and what a student learns. It is normally related to the number of hours a teacher teaches a particular subject. It is also related to the number of hours a student spends learning a subject or carrying out an activity.

Credit is a universally accepted or internationally recognized yardstick of assessment enabling students to move from one educational institution to another, either within or outside the country.

CBCS Pattern :

Pattern of question paper for UG course for students admitted from the academic year 2008-09.

Question Paper Pattern :

Section – A : (30 Words)

10 out of 12 - 10 x 2 Marks = 20 Marks

Section – B : (30 Words)

5 out of 7 - 5 x 5 Marks = 25 Marks

Section – C : (30 Words)

3 out of 5 - 3 x 10 Marks = 30 Marks

Total = 75 Marks

Distribution of Marks for University Semester Theory Exam :

External Assessment : 75 Marks

Internal Assessment : 25 Marks

Attendance : 5 Marks

Assignment : 5 Marks

Seminar : 5 Marks

Test : 10 Marks

Distribution of Marks for Practical Exam :

External Assessment: 60 Marks

Internal Assessment : 40 Marks

Attendance : 5 Marks

Record : 5 Marks

Test : 30 Marks

Distribution of Marks for Project :

External : 80 Marks

Viva Voce : 20 Marks

Project Report : 60 Marks

Internal Marks : 20 Marks

Presentations : 20 Marks

Attendance Grading Scheme :

Below 60% - Nil

60 – 75% - 3

76 – 90% - 4

91 – 100% - 5

Question Paper Pattern for PG Courses

Section A : 10 x 1 = 10 Marks

Section B : 5 x 5 = 25 Marks

Section C : 4 x 10 = 40 Marks