

ACADEMIC REGULATIONS

Choice Based Credit System (CBCS)

B.Tech. FOUR YEAR DEGREE COURSE (Applicable for the batches admitted from 2020-21)



SWARNANDHRA COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY Seetharampuram, Narsapur – 534 280, W.G.Dt. Andhra Pradesh

(AUTONOMOUS)

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1. INTRODUCTION

Swarnandhra College of Engineering & Technology (**Subsequently referred to as SCET**) will be followed the norms of Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Kakinada and Govt. of Andhra Pradesh.

All Academic Programme rules and regulations are approved by the Academic Council, which is the highest Academic body of the Institute. It is applicable for all Bachelor of Technology (B. Tech) degree programme from academic year 2020-21.

2. ADMISSIONS

2.1 Regular Admission

(Join in first year B. Tech Programme)

Admissions in the Institution are classified into **CATEGORY – A**, through convener, EAMCET and **CATEGORY - B** filled by the college management.

2.2 Lateral Entry Admission

(Join in the Second year/third semester of B. Tech Programme)

Eligibility: Diploma in Engineering / B.Sc Degree with Mathematics as one course. Based on the rank secured by the candidate at Engineering Common Entrance Test (ECET) conducted by APSCHE, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

2.3 Advance standing Admission

(Transfer from other Colleges/ Re-admission due to dis-continuation)

These may arise in the following cases:

- a) When a student seeks transfer from other colleges to SCET and desirous to pursue the study at SCET in an eligible branch of study.
- b) When students of SCET get transferred from one regulation to another regulation.

In all such cases, approval is mandatory from the statutory bodies

3. UNDER GRADUATE (UG) PROGRAMMES OFFERED

The College is offering the following programmes:

- ➤ Computer Science and Engineering (CSE)
- > Electronics and communication Engineering (ECE)
- ➤ Electrical and Electronics Engineering (EEE)
- ➤ Information Technology (IT)
- ➤ Mechanical Engineering (ME)
- ➤ Civil Engineering (CE)
- ➤ Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning (AI&ML)
- ➤ Robotics (ROBO)

3.1 Structure of the Programme:

i) Preamble:

It is emphasized in UGC Guidelines on Choice Based Credit System (CBCS), that the important measures taken to enhance academic standards and quality in higher education include innovation

and improvements in curriculum, teaching-learning process, examination and evaluation systems, besides governance and other matters. It is adopted grading system in place of conventional system of marks and percentages.

CBCS provides flexibility in designing curriculum and assigning credits based on the course content and hours of teaching. The students can register any course of their choice, learn at their own pace, undergo additional courses and acquire more than the required credits, and adopt an interdisciplinary approach through open electives.

Key words CBCS, such as Course, credit, credit point, CGPA, SGPA, Grade Point, Letter Grades as given in the UGC guidelines are used the same definitions.

Each Programme consists of:

- ➤ Foundation courses in Basic Sciences, Engineering Sciences, Humanities and social science including management courses.
- ➤ Professional core Courses to impart broad knowledge.
- ➤ Professional Elective Courses from the discipline or interdisciplinary areas / industry related opted by the student based on their interest in specialization.
- > Open Elective Courses from the interdisciplinary areas opted by the students based on their interest in specialization.
- Mandatory Courses, Internship, Seminar, Project work.
- > Skill Oriented Courses to upskilling the graduates on the skills relevant to the need and demands of the industry.

Each Programme designed to have 35-40 theory courses, 20-25 laboratory courses and 05 Skill Oriented Courses. The categories of courses are indicated in the following table.

A three-week induction program is mandatory for all first year UG students and shall be conducted as per AICTE/UGC/APSCHE guidelines.

TABLE-1 CATEGORY OF COURSES

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S.No	Category	Code			
1	Humanities and social science including Management courses	HSMC			
2	Basic Science courses	BSC			
3	Engineering courses science	ESC			
4	Professional core Courses	PCC			
5	Open Elective Courses	OEC			
6	Professional Elective Courses	PEC			
7	Internship, seminar, project work	PROJ			
8	Skill Oriented Courses	SC			
9	Laboratory Courses	LC			
10	Mandatory courses	MC			

Note: All components prescribed in the curriculum will be conducted and evaluated.

MOOCS: A student shall be permitted to pursue up to a maximum of two elective courses under MOOCs during the Programme. Each of the courses must be of minimum 12 weeks in duration. Attendance will not be monitored for MOOC courses. Student has to pursue and acquire a certificate for a MOOC course only from the organizations/agencies approved by the BoS in order to earn the 3 credits. The Head of the department shall notify the list of such courses at the beginning of the semester.

ii) **Contact hours:** Depending on the complexity and volume of the course, the number of contact hours per week will be determined.

iii) Credits:

TABLE-2 CREDITS BASED ON CONTACT HOURS

Course type No. of Contact Hours		No. of Credits
Theory	1	1
Practical	2	1

TABLE-3 CREDITS FOR DIFFERENT COURSES

Course type	Lecture method			Credits
Course type	L	T	P	C
	2	1	0	3
Theory/Elective	3	0	0	3
•	2	0	2	3
	2	0	0	2
	0	0	2	1
Laboratory	0	0	3	1.5
	0	0	4	2
Skill Oriented Courses	1	0	2	2

3.2 Curriculum for each Programme:

- All Four year B. Tech Programme of study is formulated based on the guidelines mentioned in 3.1 and recommended by the concerned Board of Studies (BoS) and approved by the Academic Council (AC).
- The same curriculum will be applicable for lateral entry students from 3 rd semester onwards.
- For advance standing admission, the equivalent curriculum will be prepared by BoS and approved by AC.

4 DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME:

The duration of the B. Tech. Programme is four academic years consisting of eight semesters. Students, who fail to fulfill all the academic requirements for the award of the degree within the prescribed duration as per article 4.1, will forfeit their admission in B. Tech.

4.1 Maximum duration of study.

Maximum duration permitted for completion of the B. Tech. Programme of study will be:

Regular Admission: Eight academic years in sequence from the year of admission for a student admitted into first year of any Programme.

Lateral Entry Admission: Six academic years in sequence from the year of admission for a student admitted into second year of any Programme.

Advanced standing Admission: The maximum time for completion of Programme of study, will be twice the period in terms of academic years in sequence, with prescribed curriculum.

TABLE- 4 MAXIMUM DURATION OF STUDY

Admitted year of study	Maximum duration	
First year	8 Academic years in sequence	
Second year (Lateral entry)	6 Academic years in sequence	
Advanced standing	Twice the period in terms of academic years in sequence	

4.2 Cancellation of Admission:

In case candidate fails the above conditions for the award of degree, admission stands cancelled.

5 <u>MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION</u>:

The medium of instruction and examinations are in English.

6 MINIMUM INSTRUCTION DAYS: Each semester will consist of 22 weeks duration with minimum of 110 working days which includes instruction days, internal tests and End examinations.

7 TRANSITORY REGULATIONS (Admitted under advance standing):

The following regulations will be followed the operandi. At the time of such admission, based on the Programme pursued (case by case)

- ➤ Discontinued or detained candidates are eligible for re-admission in subsequent years in the same semester.
- ➤ The re-admitted candidate will be governed by the rules & regulations under which the candidate has been admitted.

In case of transferred students from other colleges, credits shall be transferred to SCET as per the academic regulations and course structure of SCET.

8 <u>DISTRIBUTION AND WEIGHTAGE OF MARKS</u>:

Each semester consists of 4/5/6 theory courses and 4/3/2 Laboratory courses. However, in the 8th semester there will be only project work / internship in industry.

(a). Theory Courses:

- Each course consists of five units.
- All courses will be evaluated with a maximum of 100 marks.
- Marks distribution will be 30 marks for internal evaluation and 70 marks for the end semester examination.
- The internal evaluation of 30 marks consists of Two Mids for 20 marks and Five class tests for 10 marks.
- Mid Examination: Each mid examination will be conducted for 20 marks with the duration of 75 Minutes. Internal test paper consists of three questions (8M+8M+4M) from two and half units and all are to be answered.
- Weighted average of two Mids performance will be considered, weightage of 80% for the best Mid marks and 20% for the second.
- Class tests for 10 marks calculation: There will be one class test conducted in each unit. Average of **Best three** will be considered.
- The **end semester** examination will be conducted for 70 marks which covers full syllabus. In end examination pattern, **Part A** consists of five short questions from all units

- (Brainstorming/Thought provoking/Case study) for 10 marks. **Part B** has **5 questions** with internal choice from each unit and valued for 60 marks.
- Internal Marks will be considered for three academic years only if the candidates will not completed the concern course because of less than 12 internal marks. Thereafter the candidate writes external examination for 70 which will be converted to 100 but the candidate must get minimum 40 %.

(b). **Practical Courses:**

- All courses will be evaluated with a maximum of 100 marks.
- Marks distribution will be 30 marks for internal evaluation and 70 marks for the end semester examination.
- End practical examination will be conducted by the internal and external examiner appointed by COE.
- Internal evaluation will be a continuous assessment during the semester for 30 marks with 15 marks for day-to-day work, including record valuation and 15 marks for internal test.
- (c). **Design or Engineering Drawing Marks Distribution:** For the courses of design or drawing such as Engineering Graphics, etc., the distribution will be 30 marks for internal evaluation with 10 marks for day-to-day work, and 20 marks from two internal test (80% of first best + 20% of second best). End examination will be conducted for 70 marks.
- (d) <u>Summer Internship:</u> It can be carried out with a minimum of Six weeks and maximum Eight weeks duration at end of 4th semester and 6th semester. The internship can be done by the students at local industries, Govt. Organizations, construction agencies, Industries, Hydel and thermal power projects and also in software MNCs. It will be evaluated internally by an internal evaluation committee comprising of Head of the Department and two faculty of the department. A student will be required to submit a summer internship report to the concerned department and appear for an oral presentation before the departmental committee. The report and the oral presentation shall carry 40% and 60% weightage respectively. A minimum of 50% of maximum marks shall be obtained to earn the corresponding credits
- (e) <u>Full Internship and Project Work:</u> The 8th Semester Project Work with full internship will be evaluated for 200 Marks. The project work is evaluated for internal assessment of 60 and external Examination for 140. At the end of the semester the candidate shall submit an internship completion certificate and a project report. A student shall also be permitted to submit project report on the work carried out during the internship. Completion of internships is mandatory, if any student fails to complete internship, he/she will not be eligible for the award of degree. In such cases, the student shall repeat and complete the internship.
 - i) Internal Assessment: Internal Assessment will be monitored by Project Review Committee consists of Head of the Department, Supervisor and Senior faculty member on the basis of two seminars and the internal marks will be awarded by Project Supervisor with recommendation of PRC.
 - **ii**) **External Examination**: External Examination will be conducted by Project external examination committee consists of Head of the Department, Supervisor and External examiner appointed by CoE, through presentation / viva voce by the student.

TABLE- 5 MARKS ALLOCATION

	Marks Allocation				
Course type		Internal	End		
Course type	Internal	Class Test/	Semester	Total	
	test	test Day to day work	Semester		
Theory course	20	10	70	100	
Laboratory course	15	15	70	100	
Design or Drawing course	20	10	70	100	
Skill Oriented Courses	15	15	70	100	
Summer Internship	50		-	50	
Project Work	60		140	200	

(f) Mandatory Courses:

These courses are compulsory with zero credits. Only internal examination will be conducted and student has to secure minimum 40% of the marks in the evaluation for passing the course. The minimum attendance requirement is 75 %.

(g) **Open Electives:** Students are to choose Open Elective – I during 5th Semester, Open Elective–II during 6th Semester and Open Elective – III and IV during 7th Semester from the list of Open Electives given in the Course Structure. However, students cannot opt for an Open Elective Subject offered by their own (parent) Department, if it is already listed under any category of the courses offered by the parent Department in any Semester.

(h) Skill Oriented Courses:

- i) A pool of interdisciplinary and job-oriented mandatory skill courses which are relevant to the industry are integrated into the curriculum of concerned branch of engineering.
- ii) For these courses, one theory and two practical hours may be allotted as approved by the concerned BOS.
- iii) The student shall be given an option to choose either the skill courses being offered by the college or to choose a certificate course being offered by industries/Professional bodies/APSSDC or any other accredited bodies as approved by the concerned BoS.
- iv) Every year the concerned BoS review the skill oriented courses based on industrial demand which are offered by the eligible external agencies and college.
- v) Marks distribution will be 30 marks for internal evaluation and 70 marks for the end semester examination. End examination will be conducted by the internal and external examiner appointed by COE. Internal evaluation will be a continuous assessment during the semester for 30 marks with 15 marks for day-to-day work, including record valuation and 15 marks for internal test.
- vi) If a student chooses a Certificate Course offered by industries/Professional bodies/APSSDC or any other accredited bodies, in lieu of the skill advanced course offered by the Department, the credits shall be awarded depends on the Course Completion Certificate.

- vii) College academic committee evaluates the grades/marks given for a course by external agencies and convert to the equivalent marks/grades.
- viii) There are five (05) skill-oriented courses shall be offered during III to VII semesters.
- ix) Out of the five skill courses two shall be skill-oriented courses from the same domain and shall be completed in second year. Of the remaining 3 skill courses, one shall be necessarily be a soft skill course and the remaining 2 shall be skill-advanced courses either from the same domain or Job oriented skill courses, which can be of inter disciplinary nature.

9. ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

- (i) A student will be eligible to appear for end semester examinations, if he/she acquired a minimum of 75% of attendance in aggregate of all the courses.
- (ii) Condonation of shortage of attendance in aggregate up to 10% on medical grounds (Above 65% and below 75%) in any semester may be granted by the College Academic Committee.
- (iii) Shortage of Attendance below 65% in aggregate shall not be condoned.
- (iv) Students with less than 65% of attendance in any semester are not eligible to take up their end examination of that particular semester and their registration for previous semesters examinations shall be allowed.
- (v) Attendance may also be condoned for those who participate in Inter Collegiate/university sports, co- and extracurricular activities provided their attendance is in the minimum prescribed range for the purpose (>65%) and recommended by the concerned authority. He/ She shall pay the prescribed Condonation fee.
- (vi) Prescribed Condonation fee shall be payable by the student to appear for the end examination.
- (vii) A Student will not be promoted to the next semester unless he/she satisfies the attendance requirement of the present semester as applicable. They may seek re-admission for that semester as and when offered consecutively.
- (viii) A student will be condoned only four times for regular student and three times for lateral entry students during entire course of study.
- (ix) For induction programme attendance shall be maintained as per AICTE norms.

TABLE-7 ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT

Attendance Percentage	Condonation fee	Appear End Exams	
Above 75 %	Nil	Eligible	
65 % -75%	Yes (on medical grounds)	Eligible	
Below 65 %	Nil	Not Eligible (Seek re-admission to that semester when offere	

10. MINIMUM ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS:

The following academic requirements have to be satisfied in addition to the attendance requirements mentioned in **S.No.9.**

(i) A student will be deemed to have satisfied the minimum academic requirements and earned the credits allotted to each theory or practical or design or drawing subject or

project if he/she secures not less than a minimum of 35% of marks exclusively in the end semester examinations in each of the courses, for which the candidate had appeared. However, the candidate should have secured a minimum of 40% marks in both external and internal components put together to declare eligible for pass..

- (ii) A student will be promoted from first semester to second semester, second semester to third and third to fourth semester, if he/she satisfies the minimum attendance requirement.
- (iii) A student will be promoted from 4th to 5th Semester (2nd year to 3rd year), if he/she fulfills the academic requirements of 40% of the credits up to either 3rd or 4th Semester from all the examinations (Regular and supplementary) whether or not the candidate takes the examinations.
- (iv) A student will be promoted from 6th to 7th Semester (3rd year to 4th year), only if he/she fulfills the academic requirements of 40% of the credits up to either 5th or 6th Semester from, all the examinations (regular and supply) whether or not the candidate takes the examinations.
- (v) When a student is detained for lack of credits/shortage of attendance, he may be readmitted into the same semester/year in which he has been detained. However, the academic regulations under which he was first admitted shall continue to be applicable to him.

Promotion		Promotion Criteria	
From	To	Fromotion Criteria	
1 ST Semester	2 nd Semester		
2 nd Semester	3 rd Semester	Minimum Attendance requirement	
3 rd Semester	4 th Semester		
4 th Semester	5 th Semester	Minimum Attendance requirement & 40% of credits up to either 3 rd or 4 th semester from all exams	
5 th Semester	6 th Semester	Minimum Attendance requirement	
6 th Semester	7 th Semester	Minimum Attendance requirement & 40% of credits up to either 5 th or 6 th semester from all exams	
7 th Semester	8 th Semester	Minimum Attendance requirement	

TABLE-8 PROMOTION IN TO NEXT HIGHER CLASS

11 GAP YEAR CONCEPT

Student Entrepreneur in Residence shall be introduced and outstanding students who wish to pursue entrepreneurship are allowed to take a break of one year study, after the 4th Semester with the due recommendations of the GAP committee and approved by the principal. This may be extended to two years at the most which period is not counted for the maximum time for graduation.

12 AWARD OF B.TECH DEGREE:

A student shall be eligible for award of the B.Tech. Degree if he/she fulfills all the following conditions:

(i) Pursue the programme of study for a stipulated period of four years and not more than eight years.

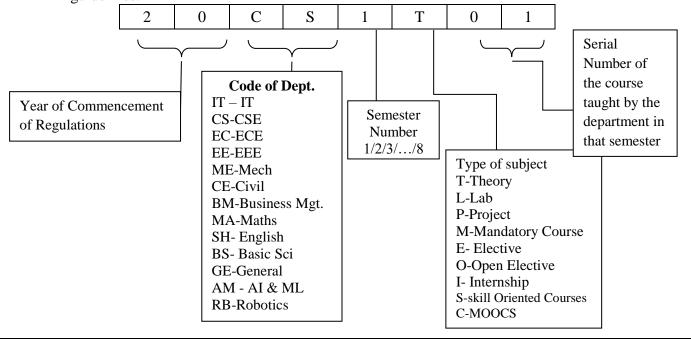
- (ii) Register for 160 credits and secure the same.
- (iii) Registered and successfully completed all the components prescribed in the programme of study in which he/she is admitted.
- (iv) All mandatory courses must be completed with satisfactory.
- (vi) Obtained CGPA greater than or equal to 5.0 (minimum requirements for pass).
- (vii) A student shall be eligible for the award of B.Tech degree with Honors or Minor if he/she earns 20 credits in addition to the 160 credits. A student shall be permitted to register either for Honors or for Minor and not for both simultaneously.
- (viii) All students shall register for NCC/NSS activities and will be required to participate in an activity specified by NSS officer during first two years. Grade shall be awarded as Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory in the mark sheet on the basis of participation, attendance, performance and behavior. If a student gets an unsatisfactory Grade, he/she shall repeat the above activity in the subsequent years, in order to complete the degree requirements.
- (ix) Courses like Environmental Sciences, Universal Human Values, Ethics, Indian Constitution, Essence of Indian Traditional Knowledge etc., shall be included in the curriculum as non-credit mandatory courses. Environmental Sciences is to be offered compulsorily as mandatory course for all branches. A student has to secure 40% of the marks allotted in the internal evaluation for passing the course. No marks or letter grade shall be allotted for all mandatory non-credit courses.

13 AWARD OF B. TECH. (HONOR)/B. TECH. (MINOR):

B. Tech. with Honors or a B. Tech. with a Minor will be awarded if the student earns 20 additional credits are acquired as per the regulations/guidelines. Registering for Honors/Minor is optional. (Refer Sl.No 23 & 24)

14 COURSE CODE & COURSE NUMBERING SCHEME:

The subject codes will be given by the department teaching the subject. Each subject code contains 8 characters. The 8 characters for each subject will be filled as per the following guidelines.



15 **GRADING SYSTEM:**

15.1 Award of Grade:

- (i) Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA):
 - a) The Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) will be calculated according to the formula

SGPA (Si)=
$$\frac{\sum c_i G_i}{\sum c_i}$$

Where C_i = number of credits for the subject i

 G_i = grade points obtained by the student in the subject.

b) To arrive at Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA), the formula is used considering the student's performance in all the courses taken in all the semesters completed up to the particular point of time.

$$CGPA = \frac{\sum c_i S_i}{\sum c_i}$$

where 'Si' is the SGPA of the ith semester and Ci is the total number of credits in that semester

- c) Both SGPA and CGPA shall be rounded off to 2 decimal points and reported in the transcripts.
- d) Grade Point: It is a numerical weight allotted to each letter grade on a 10-point scale.
- e) Letter Grade: It is an index of the performance of students in a said course. Grades are denoted by letters A+, A, B, C, D, E and F.
- f) Equivalent Percentage = $(CGPA 0.75) \times 10$
- (ii) After a student satisfy the requirements prescribed for the award of B.Tech Programme he/she shall be placed in one of the following four grades. The award of the degree is based on CGPA on a grade point scale of 10 and given in Table 9.

Table -9

CGPA	Award of Division	
≥ 7.75	First Class with Distinction	
≥ 1.13	(Without any supplementary appearance)	
\geq 6.75 < 7.75	First Class	
≥ 5.75 < 6.75	Second Class	
≥ 5.00 < 5.75	Pass Class	

15.2 Award of Grade in Each Semester:

(i) Based on the student performance during a given semester, a final letter grade will be awarded at the end of the semester for each subject. The letter grades and the corresponding grade points are as given in the Table 10.

Table -10

Percentage of Marks Scored	Letter Grade	Level	Grade Points
>=90	A+	Outstanding	10
80 - 89	A	Excellent	9
70-79	В	Very Good	8
60-69	С	Good	7
50-59	D	Fair	6
40-49	Е	Satisfactory	5
<40	F	Fail	0
	Ab	Absent	0

- (ii) A student earns a minimum of 5 grade points in a subject is declared to have successfully completed the subject, and is deemed to have earned the credits assigned to that subject. However, it should be noted that a pass in any subject/Internship/project/ shall be governed by the rules mentioned in **S.No. 12**.
- (iii) Grade Sheet: A grade sheet (memorandum) will be issued to each student indicating his/her performance in all courses taken in that semester and also indicating the grades.
- (iv)Transcripts: After successful completion of the programme of study, a Transcript containing performance of all academic years will be issued as a final record. Duplicate transcripts will also be issued up to any point of study to the student on request and by paying stipulated fee in force.
- (v) Candidates shall be permitted to apply for revaluation within the stipulated period with payment of prescribed fee.
- (vi) The Academic Council has to approve and recommend to the JNTUK, Kakinada for the award of a degree to any student.

16. ACADEMIC REGULATIONS FOR B.TECH (LATERAL ENTRY SCHEME):

- i. The students have to acquire 121 credits from 3rd Semester to 8th Semester of Program (regular) for the award of the degree.
- ii. Students, who fail to fulfill the requirement for the award of the degree in 6 consecutive academic years from the year of admission, shall forfeit their seat.
- iii. The same attendance regulations are to be adopted as per the rules mentioned in item No.9.
- iv. **Rules for Promotion in to Next Higher Class:** (6th Semester to 7th Semester): A student shall be promoted from 6th Semester to 7th Semester only if he/she fulfills the academic requirements of 40% credits up to either 5th or 6th Semester.

17. SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS:

In addition to the Regular Final Examinations held at the end of each semester, a Supplementary Examination will be conducted. A student can appear for any number courses of supplementary examinations till he/she clears the courses. However the maximum stipulated period of programme cannot be relaxed under any circumstance.

18. ADVANCED SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS:

Candidate who fails the courses in 7th and 8th Semester can appear for Advanced Supplementary Examinations.

19. ACADEMIC REGULATIONS FOR B.TECH (LATERAL ENTRY SCHEME):

- i. The students have to acquire 121 credits from 3rd Semester to 8th Semester of B. Tech Programme for the award of the degree.
- ii. All mandatory courses must be completed with satisfactory for award of degree.
- iii. Obtained CGPA greater than or equal to 4.5 (minimum requirements for pass).
- iv. The same attendance regulations are to be adopted as per the rules mentioned in item No.09.
- v. **Rules for Promotion from 6th Semester to 7th Semester**: A student shall be promoted from 6th Semester to 7th Semester only if he/she fulfills the academic requirements of 40% credits up to 6th Semester.
- vi. Students, who fail to fulfill the requirement for the award of the degree in six consecutive academic years from the year of admission, shall forfeit their seat.

20. CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE:

Students admitted in SCET are to be followed the conduct and discipline of the college and which will be updated from time to time.

21. MALPRACTICES:

If any malpractices held in internal assessment tests or Semester-End Examinations, Principal constitute a Malpractice Enquiry Committee to enquire the case. The principal shall take necessary action based on the recommendations of the committee as per stipulated norms.

22. WITHHOLDING OF RESULTS

If the student has not paid the dues, if any, to the institution or if any case of indiscipline is pending against him, the result of the student will be withheld. His degree will be withheld in such cases.

23. HONORS PROGRAMME:

- a) Students of a Department/Discipline are eligible to opt for Honors Programme offered by the same Department/Discipline.
- b) A student shall be permitted to register for Honors program at the beginning of 4th semester provided that the student must have acquired a minimum of 7.75 CGPA upto the end of 2nd semester without any backlogs. In case of the declaration of the 3rd semester results after the commencement of the 4th semester and if a student fails to score the required minimum of 8 CGPA, his/her registration for Honors Programme stands cancelled and he/she shall continue with the regular Programme.
- c) Students can select the additional and advanced courses from their respective branch in which they are pursuing the degree and get an honors degree in the same. e.g. If a Mechanical Engineering student completes the selected advanced courses from same branch under this scheme, he/she will be awarded B.Tech. (Honors) in Mechanical Engineering.
- d) In addition to fulfilling all the requisites of a Regular B.Tech Programme, a student shall earn 20 additional credits to be eligible for the award of B. Tech (Honors) degree. This is in addition to the credits essential for obtaining the Under Graduate Degree in Major Discipline (i.e. 160 credits).

- e) Of the 20 additional Credits to be acquired, 16 credits shall be earned by undergoing specified courses listed as pools, with four courses, each carrying 4 credits. The remaining 4 credits must be acquired through two MOOCs, which shall be domain specific, each with 2 credits and with a minimum duration of 8/12 weeks as recommended by the Board of studies.
- f) It is the responsibility of the student to acquire/complete prerequisite before taking the respective course. The courses offered in each pool shall be domain specific courses and advanced courses.
- g) The concerned BoS shall decide on the minimum enrolments for offering Honors program by the department. If minimum enrolments criteria are not met then the students shall be permitted to register for the equivalent MOOC courses as approved by the concerned Head of the department in consultation with BoS.
- h) Each pool can have theory as well as laboratory courses. If a course comes with a lab component, that component has to be cleared separately. The concerned BoS shall explore the possibility of introducing virtual labs for such courses with lab component.
- i) If a student drops or is terminated from the Honors program, the additional credits so far earned cannot be converted into free or core electives; they will remain extra. These additional courses will find mention in the transcript (but not in the degree certificate). In such cases, the student may choose between the actual grade or a "pass (P)" grade and also choose to omit the mention of the course as for the following: All the courses done under the dropped Honors will be shown in the transcript. None of the courses done under the dropped Honors will be shown in the transcript.
- j) In case a student fails to meet the CGPA requirement for Degree with Honors at any point after registration, he/she will be dropped from the list of students eligible for Degree with Honors and they will receive regular B.Tech degree only. However, such students will receive a separate grade sheet mentioning the additional courses completed by them.
- k) Honors must be completed simultaneously with a major degree program. A student cannot earn Honors after he/she has already earned bachelor's degree.

24. MINOR PROGRAMME:

- a) i) Students who are desirous of pursuing their special interest areas other than the chosen discipline of Engineering may opt for additional courses in minor specialization groups offered by a department other than their parent department. For example, If Mechanical Engineering student selects subjects from Civil Engineering under this scheme; he/she will get Major degree of Mechanical Engineering with minor degree of Civil Engineering
 - ii) Student can also opt for Industry relevant tracks of any branch to obtain the Minor Degree, for example, a B.Tech Mechanical student can opt for the industry relevant tracks like Data Mining track, IOT track, Machine learning track etc.
- b) The BOS concerned shall identify as many tracks as possible in the areas of emerging technologies and industrial relevance / demand. For example, the minor tracks can be the fundamental courses in CSE, ECE, EEE, CE, ME etc or industry tracks such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), Machine Learning (ML), Data Science (DS), Robotics, Electric vehicles, VLSI etc.

- c) The concerned BoS shall decide on the minimum enrolments for offering Minor program by the department. If a minimum enrolments criterion is not met, then the students may be permitted to register for the equivalent MOOC courses as approved by the concerned Head of the department in consultation with BoS.
- d) A student shall be permitted to register for Minors program at the beginning of 4th semester subject to a maximum of two additional courses per semester, provided that the student must have acquired 7.75 CGPA (Cumulative Grade Point Average) upto the end of 2nd semester without any history of backlogs. It is expected that the 3rd semester results may be announced after the commencement of the 4th semester. If a student fails to acquire 7.75 CGPA upto 3rd semester or failed in any of the courses, his registration for Minors program shall stand cancelled. An CGPA of 7.75 has to be maintained in the subsequent semesters without any backlog in order to keep the Minors registration active.
- e) A student shall earn additional 20 credits in the specified area to be eligible for the award of B. Tech degree with Minor. This is in addition to the credits essential for obtaining the Under Graduate Degree in Major Discipline (i.e. 160 credits).
- f) Out of the 20 Credits, 16 credits shall be earned by undergoing specified courses listed by the concerned BoS along with prerequisites. It is the responsibility of the student to acquire/complete prerequisite before taking the respective course. If a course comes with a lab component, that component has to be cleared separately. A student shall be permitted to choose only those courses that he/she has not studied in any form during the Programme.
- g) In addition to the 16 credits, students must pursue at least 2 courses through MOOCs. The courses must be of minimum 8 weeks in duration. Attendance will not be monitored for MOOC courses. Student has to acquire a certificate from the agencies approved by the BOS with grading or marks or pass/fail in order to earn 4 credits. If the MOOC course is a pass/fail course without any grades, the grade to be assigned as decided by the university/academic council.
- h) Student can opt for the Industry relevant minor specialization as approved by the concerned departmental BoS. Student can opt the courses from Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC) or can opt the courses from an external agency recommended and approved by concerned BOS and should produce course completion certificate. The Board of studies of the concerned discipline of Engineering shall review such courses being offered by eligible external agencies and prepare a fresh list every year incorporating latest skills based on industrial demand.
- i) College Academic committee evaluates the grades/marks given by external agencies to a student which are approved by concerned BoS. Upon completion of courses the departmental committee should convert the obtained grades/marks to the maximum marks assigned to that course. The controller of examinations can take a decision on such conversions and may give appropriate grades.
- j) If a student drops (or terminated) from the Minor program, they cannot convert the earned credits into free or core electives; they will remain extra. These additional courses will find mention in the transcript (but not in the degree certificate). In such cases, the student may choose between the actual grade or a "pass (P)" grade and also choose to omit the mention of the course as for the following: All the courses done under the dropped Minors will be shown in the transcript. None of the courses done under the dropped Minor will be shown in the transcript.
- k) In case a student fails to meet the CGPA requirement for B.Tech degree with Minor at any point after registration, he/she will be dropped from the list of students eligible for degree with Minors

- and they will receive B. Tech degree only. However, such students will receive a separate grade sheet mentioning the additional courses completed by them.
- 1) Minor must be completed simultaneously with a major degree program. A student cannot earn the Minor after he/she has already earned bachelor's degree.

25. GENERAL:

- a) Wherever the words "he", "him", "his", occur in the regulations, they include "she", "her", "hers".
- b) The academic regulation should be read as a whole for the purpose of any interpretation.
- c) In case of any doubt or ambiguity in the interpretation of the above rules, the decision of the Principal is final and which is to be ratified by the Chairman of the Governing Body.
- d) The college may change or amend the academic regulations or syllabi at any time and the changes or amendments made shall be applicable to all the students with effect from the dates notified by the college.