

**LL.M. - 1 YEAR DEGREE PROGRAMME
(CONDUCT AND EVALUATION)
REGULATIONS**



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1. DEFINITIONS:

1. **Academic Council** shall mean the academic council of The Indian Law Institute.
2. **Academic Programme** shall mean a programme of courses and/or any other component leading to one year Master's degree in Law(LL.M.).
3. **Academic Year** is a period of nearly 12 months devoted to completion of requirements specified in the Scheme of Teaching and the related examinations.
4. **Board of Studies (BOS)** shall mean the Board of Studies of The Indian Law Institute.
5. **Centre of Post Graduate Legal Studies(CPGLS)** shall mean CPGLS of The Indian Law institute.
6. **Course** means a component of the academic programme, carrying a distinctive code no.
7. **Director** shall mean Director of The Indian Law Institute.
8. **External examiner** shall mean an examiner who is not in the employment of the Indian Law Institute.
9. **Faculty** shall mean faculty of The Indian Law Institute.
10. **Institute** shall mean The Indian Law Institute.
11. **Registrar** shall mean Registrar of the Indian Law Institute.
12. **Student** shall mean a candidate admitted to the one year LLM programme of the Indian Law Institute.
13. **Trimester System** - A programme wherein each academic year is apportioned into three trimesters. Each trimester will be referred to as a term of twelve/fourteen weeks.

2. ACADEMIC YEAR

- (a) An academic year shall be apportioned into three trimesters.
- (b) The Academic Calendar shall be notified by the Institute each year, before the start of Academic Year.

- (c) Each of the three trimesters shall be of a working duration of about 12 weeks with minimum of 30 contact hrs in each week including class room teaching, library work, seminars and research.

3. ACADEMIC PROGRAMME CONTENT & DURATION

- (a) A Master's degree programme in Law (LL.M.) shall comprise of a number of courses and/or other components as specified in the ILI Teaching & Examination Scheme, one year LLM Degree programme, as are approved by the Academic Council.
- (b) The minimum period required for completion of a programme shall be one year.
- (c) The maximum permissible period for completing a programme for which the prescribed programme duration is n trimesters, shall be $(n + 6)$ trimesters. All the programme requirements shall have to be completed in $(n + 6)$ trimesters.

4. CENTRE OF POST GRADUATE LEGAL STUDIES(CPGLS)

There shall be an CPGLS as prescribed by the UGC in the guidelines for introduction of one year LLM Degree Programme. The Director of the Institute shall be its Chairman. The CGPLS shall coordinate the implementation of the courses for optimum utilisation of resources and timely coverage of the courses (syllabus). The CPGLS shall also assist in preparation of model question papers, if required, prepare guidelines for conduct of examination and suggest names for panels of examiners to the Board of Studies. The CPGLS may also suggests modifications in the syllabus and undertake comprehensive review of syllabi. The CPGLS shall meet as and when required but at least once every trimester. The Chairman shall convene the meetings.

5. COURSE STRUCTURE

One year LL.M. Programme shall have a minimum of 24 credits with the following components :

- (a) Foundation courses shall have three credits each .
- (b) Optional/Specialization Papers(as proposed by CGPLS and approved by the Academic Council) shall have two credits each.

(c) Dissertation shall have three credits.

The detailed scheme shall be as specified in the ILI Teaching & Examination Scheme, one year LLM Degree programme.

6. EXAMINATION FEES

The Registrar shall notify the fees payable by the students for various examinations, after the same is approved by the Director. A student who has not paid the prescribed fees on or before the last date of payment of fee as notified in the academic calendar, shall not ordinarily be eligible to appear in the examination. The Director may at his discretion allow, in certain cases of genuine hardship, an extension in the last date of payment of fees. However, in no case the extension shall be granted beyond the date of commencement of the examination.

7. ATTENDANCE

A student shall be required to have a minimum attendance of 80% or more in the aggregate of all the courses taken together in a trimester. Provided that the Director after considering the recommendation of the committee constituted by the director for the purpose, may condone attendance shortage upto 10% for individual student for reasons to be recorded. However, under no condition, a student who has an aggregate attendance of less than 70% in a trimester shall be allowed to appear in the trimester examination.

Student who has been detained due to shortage of attendance shall not be allowed to be promoted to the next trimester and he/she will be required to take re-admission and repeat all courses of the said trimester with the next batch of students. The Institute Enrolment number of such student shall however remain unchanged and he or she shall be required to complete the programme in a maximum permissible period of **(n+6)** trimesters as mentioned in clause 3(c).

The Registrar has to announce the names of all such students who are not eligible to appear in the trimester examination, at least 5 working days before the start of the

trimester examination. In case any student appears by default, who in fact has been detained by the Institute, his/her result shall be treated as null and void.

8. EXAMINATION AND EVALUATION

- a.** The Institute shall hold examinations for awarding Master's degree in Law (LL.M.) as prescribed in the ILI Teaching & Examination Scheme, one year LLM Degree programme, as approved by the Academic Council.
- b. Conduct of trimester-end examinations**
 - (i) All trimester-end examinations shall be conducted by the Institute.
 - (ii) The schedule of examination shall be notified by the Institute along with Academic Calendar in the first week of every Trimester.
 - (iii) For theory as well as dissertation/thesis/project report/seminar all examiners shall be appointed by the Director out of the panel suggested by the CGPLS and approved by the Board of studies. The Director may appoint examiners out of panel in exceptional circumstances.
 - (iv) After receipt of the question paper(s) from the paper setter, the same shall be moderated by the panel of moderator(s) to be appointed by the Director.
- c.** The evaluation of students in a course shall have two components:
 - (i) Evaluation through a trimester-end examination
 - (ii) Continuous evaluation by the teacher(s) of the course.
 - (iii) The distribution of weightage for various components of evaluation shall be as below:

Theory Courses

(i)	End-term examinations	50%
(ii)	Continuous evaluation by the teacher(s)	50%

Teacher's Continuous Evaluation

Theory course: The Teacher's Continuous Evaluation shall be based on the following:

Item	Apportioned Marks
(i) Attendance	05 marks
(ii) Class Test	10 marks
(iii) Assignment & Presentation	20 marks
(iv) Teaching/Teaching Assistance	10 marks
(v) Seminar	05marks

Total	50 marks

- d. **Double Evaluation:** Each answer book will be evaluated independently by two examiners appointed by the Director under regulation 8(b)(iii). These examiners will award the marks on different award lists without marking on the answer books. The mean of the two shall be taken as marks awarded to the student. If however, there is difference of more than 15% of the marks awarded by two examiners, the answer book may be sent to a third examiner and the marks awarded by him shall be the final marks of the student.

e. **Dissertation**

The examiners shall be appointed by the Director under regulation 8(b)(iii). Out of the total marks, 75% of the weightage shall be assigned for written work and the remaining 25% weightage shall be for presentation and viva-voce. The dissertation shall be evaluated by an internal examiner and an external examiner and the mean of the two marks shall be taken as the marks awarded to the student.

If however, there is the difference of more than 15% of the marks between the marks awarded by the two examiners, the dissertation may be sent to a third examiner and the marks awarded by him shall be the final marks of the student.

9. CRITERIA FOR PASSING COURSES/MARKS AND GRADES

- a. For the purpose of passing each course, a student shall secure minimum of 40% of the marks allotted to each component for evaluation of the course (i.e. end term examinations and continuous evaluation) and the minimum aggregate of 50% in each course. A candidate, who secures less than 50% of marks or the equivalent grade D, in a course, shall be deemed to have failed in that course.
- b. After the evaluation, grades shall be allotted to the students as under:

Percentage of Marks	Grade	Grade Value
×80	O ⁺	8
×75<80	O	7.5
×70<75	A ⁺	7
×65<70	A	6
×60<65	B ⁺	5
×55<60	B	4
×50<55	C	3
<50	D	0

× Greater than equal to

< Less Than

- c) A candidate who has secured the minimum 50% marks or equivalent grade i.e. C in a course will be given 3 credit points for mandatory/dissertation courses and 2 credit points for the optional courses. The candidates getting minimum of 24 credits shall be declared to have passed the LL.M. Programme and shall be eligible for the award of One Year LL.M. Degree.

- d) Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) is arrived at by dividing the sum of the products of Grade Values and the Course Credits in each course by the total number of credits in all the courses.

$$\text{CGPA} = \frac{C_1G_1 + C_2G_2 + \dots + C_NG_N}{C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_N}$$

- e) A student obtaining less than 50% of maximum marks assigned to a course or the equivalent grade i.e. D, and failing in the course shall be allowed to re-appear in a Trimester end examination of the course in a subsequent trimester(s), when the course is offered, subject to maximum permissible period of (n+6) trimesters. Regarding improvement of internal marks along with the trimester end examinations for student who secured less than 50% marks and declared fail in that paper, the student may be allowed to reappear in the internal assessment/evaluation for improvement (for all components except seminar & Attendance) of their internal marks provided he shall apply for improvement within 15 days of commencement of the trimester classes. A student who has to re-appear in a Trimester end examination in terms of above clause shall be examined as per the syllabus which will be in operation during the subsequent trimester(s).
- f) A student may apply, within two weeks from the date of declaration of result, for re-checking of the examination script(s) of a specific course(s) on the payment of prescribed fees to be notified by the Registrar. Re-checking shall mean verifying whether all the questions and their parts have been duly marked as per the question paper and re-totalling of marks. In the event of any discrepancy being found the same shall be rectified through appropriate changes in both the results as well as marks-sheet of the concerned Trimester-end examination.

10. USE OF UNFAIR MEANS

All cases regarding reported plagiarism and use of Unfair Means in the examination shall be placed before a Standing Committee on Unfair Means to be constituted by the Director for decision in individual cases, and for recommending penalties, if any.

11. AWARD OF DEGREE

A student shall be awarded LL.M. Degree if;

- (i) He/She has enrolled himself/herself, as a regular student, undergone the course of studies, completed the dissertation/seminar/assignments as specified in the curriculum within the stipulated time and secured the minimum 50% marks or the grade equivalent to that i.e. C in all the prescribed 9 courses and dissertation with a total of 24 credits and obtained CGPA of 3.00 out of 8.00.
- (ii) There are no dues outstanding in his/her name
- (ii) No disciplinary action is pending against him/her.

12. ACADEMIC HONOUR

- (i) Gold medals instituted for various courses shall be awarded to the deserving students at the convocation.

The Gold medal shall be awarded to the students with the highest CGPA in the course for which the gold medals are instituted provided they have cleared all or the particular course, as the case may be, in one attempt and no disciplinary action has been taken against them.

13. GAPS AND AMBIGUITIES IN THE REGULATION

Notwithstanding anything stated in this Regulation for any unforeseen issues arising, and not covered by this regulation or in the event of differences of interpretation, the Director may take a decision after considering the recommendations of CGPLS. The decision of the Director shall be final.