



## KERALA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

KAU- Education- Modalities for Implementation of Online Courses for Undergraduate Programmes of KAU as per the Sixth Deans Committee Syllabus – Orders Issued

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### DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION

No. KAUEDU/253/2026-EDUB2

Dated. Vellanikkara, 13-03-2026

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Read:- 1) Minutes of the Special Academic Council held on 07/12/2024.  
2) Point number 3.3.4 in the ICAR Sixth Deans' Committee report

### ORDER

The Special Academic Council held on 07/12/2024 has decided to implement the ICAR Sixth Deans' Committee Report for all regular UG programmes as per National Education Policy-2020 in Kerala Agricultural University, from the Academic Year 2024 - 25.

In the ICAR Sixth Deans' Committee report vide paper read 2<sup>nd</sup>, it is provided that the students will have to take a minimum of 10 credits of online courses, comprising one or more courses, as a partial requirement for the UG programme. The online courses can be from any field such as Basic Sciences, Humanities, Psychology, Anthropology, Economics, Engineering, Business Management, Languages including foreign language, Communication skills/ Music, etc. and can be taken from any online portal. The objective is to allow the students to groom their passion or strengthen their knowledge and competency in any field beyond prescribed courses.

Accordingly, in view of the revised syllabus for the disciplines under various

faculties, as approved by the Special Academic Council on 07.12.2024, which duly incorporates the recommendations of the Sixth Deans' Committee, the modalities for the implementation of online courses for undergraduate programmes of Kerala Agricultural University are hereby issued.

1. A UG student is expected to take a minimum of 10 credits which will comprise of two or more courses, as partial requirement for the UG Programme.
2. The courses will be non - gradial
3. The courses can be taken any time during the UG period commencing after their entry into the UG programme
4. Online courses can be from fields such as –Basic sciences, Humanities, Psychology, Anthropology, Economics, Engineering, Business management, Language including foreign languages, Communication skills, Music *etc.*
5. The student can register for the MOOC course in NPTEL, mookit, edX, Coursera, Sawayam, ICAR NAARM or courses from in any other reputed organization/Govt funded organization following the four quadrant approach.
6. In courses which are offered without a credit equivalent a 40 hour load will be considered as equivalent to 3 credits. The following equivalence will be considered for calculating credits

Sl. No.	Learner Activity	Time needed per unit Activity, (Hours)	Minimum number of Activities	Total time Hours
1	Watching Content Videos (of approximately 15-25 minutes duration)	1	16	16
2	Reading Resource material of 16-28 pages and attending quiz/ mid-course assessments	0.75	16	12
3	Assignments	4	2	8
4	Preparing for final exam and participating in exam	4	1	4
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>40</b>

7. There should be a University level coordinator and institution level Facilitator to guide the students throughout the course.

8. The Facilitator will collect the list of courses the students desire to register at four months interval and verify if it will meet the four quadrant standards and forward the list to the University level Coordinator who will vet the list and publish the same. The students will be permitted to register for a course, only from the University approved list.
9. On successful completion of a course, the students are required to produce the certificate from the courses offering institute. Payment if any required for the certificates will be met by the student from his/her personal resources
10. The certificate shall be forwarded to the University along with the semester CRCGC and checklist of courses to facilitate entry of the courses in the transcripts of the students.
11. A student is deemed to have passed a course successfully only if the GP obtained in the courses is 5.0 and above. The grades obtained will not be taken for calculation of OGPA and other rank certificates.

(By Order of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor)

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