

**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW  
KAKATIYA UNIVERSITY, WARANGAL, TELANGANA  
LL.M TWO (2) YEARS COURSE  
RULES AND REGULATIONS  
WITH EFFECT FROM 2024-2025**

**Note: All the Rules and Regulations are equally applicable to Regular, SFC and Evening Courses offered by University College of Law, K.U and Private Affiliated Colleges of K.U.**

Applicable from the academic year 2024-2025 onwards for LL.M. 2 Year Degree Course. All the Rules and Regulations, hereinafter, specified shall be read as a whole for the purpose of interpretation. The LL.M. 2 Year Degree Course is offered through semester system.

**I. ADMISSION**

1. A candidate for admission to LL.M. Two Year Degree Course has to qualify at the P.G. Law Common Entrance Examination (PGLAWCET) for that academic year and/or as provided by the State Government/State Council for Higher Education. The candidates will be admitted strictly in accordance with the merit secured at the entrance examination, keeping in view the Rules in force in respect of statutory reservation of seats under various categories of candidates.

2. Eligibility for admission: Every candidate seeking admission in the Master of Law Course (L.L.M. Degree Course) must have passed the LL.B. Degree after completing three years of the LL.B. course or the Five-Year course of this University or University established by an Act of Parliament or by a State Legislature or an equivalent national institution recognized as a Deemed University or Foreign University recognized as equivalent to the status of an Indian University by an authority competent to declare equivalence, may apply.

3. Minimum marks in qualifying examination for admission: The minimum percentage of marks shall be not below the 45% total marks or as notified by the Convener, PGLAWCET from time to time, shall be obtained in the qualifying examination for the purpose of applying for and getting admitted into Two Years LL.M. Course.

Provided that such a minimum qualifying marks shall not automatically entitle a person to get admission into an institution but only shall entitle the person concerned to fulfill other institutional criteria notified by the institution concerned or by the government concerned from time to time to apply for admission.

**Readmission:**

1. A candidate admitted to the LL.M. Course shall forfeit his seat, his admission shall stand cancelled and he shall not be eligible for readmission if:

He does not put in at least 75% of attendance in Semester-I

OR

He does not secure promotion to Semester III within a maximum period of Three years starting from the year of admission to Semester I.

OR

He fails to fulfill all the requirements for the award of the degree as specified, within four academic years from the time of admission.

2. The number of candidates to be admitted in the LL.M. course shall be as per the recommendations of Kakatiya University and the UGC norms.

3. The course of the study prescribed for the degree of LL.M. of Kakatiya University shall be full time course and the classes of LL.M. course shall be in day/evening time.

4. No employee shall be admitted to the LL.M. course in day unless the candidate submits a letter of permission from the Head of the Institution that the candidate has taken leave for the entire period of the course. The practicing advocates have to submit the permission or No Objection Certificate from the State Bar Council. Violation of this rule shall entail cancellation of admission in the courses.

**Double Admission:** No candidate shall put in attendance for or appear at two examinations of different disciplines simultaneously. Violation of this rule shall entail cancellation of admission.

## **II. DURATION OF THE COURSE**

1. The Duration of the course of study for the degree of Master of Laws (LL.M.) shall be two (2) years. Each academic year is divided into two semesters. The two semesters in the first academic year are referred to as Semester I and Semester II, the two semesters in the second academic year are referred to as Semester III and Semester IV. Each semester shall comprise of 15 weeks of instruction.

## **III. AWARD OF DEGREE**

The LL.M. degree in the Faculty of Law will be conferred on a candidate who has pursued a regular course of study for two academic years as prescribed in the scheme of instructions and has passed all the examinations as prescribed in the scheme of examinations.

- (i) A regular course of study for eligibility to appear at the LL.M. Examination of a semester shall mean putting in attendance of not less than 75% aggregate in lectures, in subjects listed in the scheme of instruction. Provided that, in special cases and for sufficient cause shown, the Vice-Chancellor, on the recommendation of the Principal may condone the deficiency not exceeding 10% in attendance on medical grounds when the application submitted is supported by a certificate from an authorised Medical Officer, and approved by the Principal. In case of condonation in attendance on medical grounds is sought, the applicant shall pay the prescribed fee.

- (ii) Attendance at N.C.C./NSS camps or Inter-Collegiate or Inter-University or Inter- State or National or International Matches or Debates, Moot Courts, Youth Festivals or Educational Excursions if they form part of the curriculum, or such other Inter- University, Inter-College activities, as approved by the University will not be counted as absence. However, the aggregate of such absence should not exceed four weeks in a semester.
- (iii) In any semester of the course, if a candidate fails to secure minimum percentage of attendance, he/she shall not be eligible to appear in the examination in that semester, and he/she shall have to enroll himself/herself to undergo afresh a regular course of study of the corresponding semester in a subsequent academic session, in order to become eligible to appear for the examination.
- (iv) Attendance shall be reckoned from the date of commencement of instruction as per the almanac communicated by the College/University.
- (v) The candidates who are eligible for promotion from LL.M.II to III semester shall renew their admission by submitting LL.M. renewal application form along with the prescribed fee within the prescribed time.

#### **IV. SCHEME OF INSTRUCTION AND EXAMINATION**

- 1. Instruction in various subjects shall be provided by the college as per the scheme of instruction and syllabi prescribed. The programme of instruction, examinations and vacations shall be notified by the Principal of the College/University.
- 2. The medium of instruction and examination shall be English.
- 3. The minimum marks required to pass the examination shall be as follows:
  - i) Minimum pass marks in individual papers - 45%
  - ii) Minimum pass marks in thesis - 50%
  - iii) Minimum pass marks in aggregate at the end of the course - 50%
- 4. At the end of each semester, University Examinations shall be held as prescribed in the scheme of examination. There shall be no Supplementary examinations.
- 5. A candidate duly admitted in to the LL.M course has to complete the course with in Four (4) academic years from the date of admission in the first year, failing which such a candidate may seek fresh admission through the entrance exam.
- 6. A student who at the LL.M. IV semester examination has not passed in thesis but passed in papers may be permitted to resubmit the thesis on the same subject. A candidate may change the topic of the thesis, subject to the prior approval of the Departmental Committee.

## **V. RULES OF PROMOTION**

Rules of Promotion are as under:

S.No.	Semester	Condition to be fulfilled for promotion
1.	From I to II	Should have undergone a regular course of study of Semester-I and, registered and appeared at least one examination of Semester -I.
2.	From II to III	Should have undergone a regular course of study in each of Semester-I and Semester-II and, registered and appeared at least one examination of Semester –II and should have passed in at least Three (3) papers of I and II semester put together .
3.	From III to IV	Should have undergone a regular course of study in each of Semester I, II, and III and, registered and appeared at least one examination of Semester -III.

## **VI. AWARD OF DIVISION**

Candidates who have passed all the examinations of the LL.M. Degree Course shall be awarded Divisions in accordance with the total aggregate marks secured by them in all the Semester Examinations taken together.

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| 1. First Division with Distinction | : 70% and above.                  |
| 2. First Division                  | : 60% and above but less than 70% |
| 3. Second Division                 | : 50% and above but less than 60% |

Candidates who have not passed the examination in the first attempt along with the batch in which they were admitted are not eligible for getting Rank Certificates/Gold Medals/Prizes.

## **VII. IMPROVEMENT OF DIVISION**

### **1. Paper-wise Improvement**

- a) When a candidate has passed in one or more papers/subjects in the first attempt in the regular\* examination(s) conducted by the University for his/her batch, paper-wise improvement is permissible only in those papers.
- b) A candidate is permitted to appear for paper-wise improvement only once for a semester examination.
- c) A candidate who wishes to improve his/her performance may be permitted to do so if he/she appears in the immediate next examination conducted by the University.

**NOTE:** \* Regular examination means an examination conducted at the end of the semester for which the candidates were admitted and had undergone instruction.

- d) A candidate appearing for paper-wise improvement is permitted to have the better of the two awards for the purpose of award of division.

### **2. Improvement in Aggregate:** Improvement in aggregate is permitted only after the candidate exhausted the chances of paper-wise improvement as per the following conditions:

- a) Aggregate improvement is limited to a period of two years after passing the final semester examination.
- b) For the purpose of securing aggregate, a candidate may appear for one or more of the papers of any semester. Further the candidate has to appear for improvement examination as per the scheme of examination and syllabus in vogue at the time of taking his/her examination.
- c) When a candidate appears for improvement in any semester/semesters, he/she may be permitted to have the better of the two aggregates i.e., the original or improvement.
- d) The candidate is allowed for improvement in aggregate by appearing not more than two times for any semester.

**NOTE:** Candidates who appear for Improvement of performances under category (a), (b), (c) and (d) above are not eligible for the award of Distinction/Prizes/Medals/Merit Certificates etc.

## **VIII. GENERAL RULES OF EXAMINATIONS**

1. Application for permission to appear at every examination shall be made by the candidate on the prescribed form, accompanied by three passport size full face photographs (not profile) along with the necessary certificates, and the prescribed fee. The application should be submitted to the concerned Principal on or before the date fixed for this purpose. The Principal after verifying the eligibility of the candidate, forward the application to the Examination Branch.
2. When a candidate's application is found in order, the Controller of Examinations shall send the attested Hall Ticket with photograph of the candidate affixed to it to the Principal of the College

who will issue Hall Ticket to the candidate only if he is satisfied with all the conditions to be complied with by the candidate regarding the eligibility criteria. The Hall ticket thus issued to the candidate shall have to be produced by the candidate before he/she can be admitted to the premises where the examination is held.

3. A candidate after having been declared successful in all semester examinations of the course, shall be given a certificate setting forth the year of examination, the subjects in which he/she was examined and the Division secured.
4. No candidate shall be allowed to pursue more than one degree course simultaneously.

## **IX. TRANSITORY PROVISIONS**

Whenever a course or scheme of instruction changed in a particular year, two more examinations immediately following thereafter shall be conducted according to the old syllabus/regulations. Candidates not appearing at the examinations or failing in them shall take the examination subsequently according to the changed syllabus/regulations.

**Note:** When there are no comprehensive changes in the syllabus, University reserves right to instruct the students to take examinations according to such new syllabus.

### **LL.M (Regular/SFC)**

#### **Branch – I: CORPORATE AND SECURITIES LAWS (Day Course offered by University College of Law, K.U.)**

### **SUBJECTS FOR STUDY**

There shall be three papers in each semester and two papers common to all Branches in I and II semesters. In III semester Research Methodology paper shall be common to all Specializations.

#### **I Semester**

1. Legal Theory and Jurisprudence – I
2. Law and Social Transformation -I
3. General Principles of Contract

#### **I Semester**

1. Legal Theory and Jurisprudence – II
2. Law and Social Transformation – II
3. Special Contracts

#### **III Semester**

1. Corporate Management
2. Law of Banking and Negotiable Instruments
3. Research Methodology

#### **IV Semester**

1. Law of Corporate Finance and Securities Regulation
2. Law of Insurance
3. Consumer Protection Laws
4. Dissertation

#### **LL.M (Regular/SFC)**

#### **Branch – II: CRIMINAL LAW**

**(Day Course offered by University College of Law, K.U.)**

#### **SUBJECTS FOR STUDY**

There shall be three papers in each semester and two papers common to all Branches in I and II semesters. In III semester Research Methodology paper shall be common to all Specializations.

#### **I Semester**

1. Legal Theory and Jurisprudence – I
2. Law and Social Transformation – I
3. General Principles of Criminal Law

#### **II Semester**

1. Legal Theory and Jurisprudence – II
2. Law and Social Transformation – II
3. Principles of Criminal Law and Indian Penal Code

#### **III Semester**

1. Criminology and Penology
2. Law Relating to Socio – Economic Offences
3. Research Methodology

#### **IV Semester**

1. Juvenile Justice System
2. Women and Criminal Law
3. Privileged Class Deviance
4. Dissertation

**LL.M (Regular/SFC)**  
**Branch – III: LABOUR LAW**  
**(Day Course offered by University College of Law, K.U.)**

**SUBJECTS FOR STUDY**

There shall be three papers in each semester and two papers common to all Branches in I and II semesters. In III semester Research Methodology paper shall be common to all Specializations.

**I Semester**

1. Legal Theory and Jurisprudence – I
2. Law and Social Transformation – I
3. Comparative Trade Union Laws

**II Semester**

1. Legal Theory and Jurisprudence – II
2. Law and Social Transformation – II
3. Labour Management Relations

**III Semester**

1. Industrial Disputes and Settlements
2. Social Security and Labour Welfare - I
3. Research Methodology

**IV Semester**

1. Social Security and Labour Welfare - II
2. International Labour Organisation and Labour Jurisprudence
3. Unorganised Labour and Agriculture Labour
4. Dissertation

**LL.M (Evening- SFC)**  
**Branch – IV: HUMAN RIGHTS LAW**  
**(Evening Course offered by University College of Law, K.U.)**

**SUBJECTS FOR STUDY**

There shall be three papers in each semester and two papers common to all Branches in I and II semesters. In III semester Research Methodology paper shall be common to all Specializations.

**I Semester**

1. Legal Theory and Jurisprudence – I
2. Law and Social Transformation – I
3. Human Rights Jurisprudence



## **II Semester**

1. Legal Theory and Jurisprudence – II
2. Law and Social Transformation – II
3. International Human Rights Law

## **III Semester**

1. Protection and Enforcement of Human Rights in India
2. Disadvantaged Groups and Human Rights
3. Research Methodology

## **IV Semester**

1. Human Rights and Criminal Justice System in India
2. International Humanitarian Law and Refugee Law
3. Environment and Human Rights
4. Dissertation

## **LL.M (Regular)** **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS** **(Offered by Private Affiliated Colleges)**

### **SUBJECTS FOR STUDY**

There shall be three papers in each semester and two papers common to all Branches in I and II semesters. In III semester Research Methodology paper shall be common to all Specializations.

### **Intellectual Property Laws**

#### **I Semester**

1. Legal Theory and Jurisprudence – I
2. Law and Social Transformation – I
3. Introduction to Intellectual Property Laws

#### **II Semester**

1. Legal Theory and Jurisprudence – II
2. Law and Social Transformation – II
3. International Legal Regime Relating to Intellectual Property Rights

#### **III Semester**

1. Law Relating to Copy Right and Neighboring Rights
2. Law Relating to Patents in India
3. Research Methodology

#### **IV Semester**

1. Law Relating to Trade Marks
2. Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications
3. Intellectual Property Rights and Emerging Trends
4. Dissertation

**Note: Every theory paper of all branches, except Dissertation, shall carry 100 marks, out of which 80 marks shall be for external written examination (end semester examination conducted by the University) and 20 marks for internal assessment.**

**The criterion for internal assessment is:**

1. There shall be two internal assessment examinations in each paper of each semester and best of two internal examination marks will be taken into consideration.
2. Internal assessment examination should be descriptive i) one essay question for 10 marks ii) two short questions each for 5 marks. Duration of the examination will be 1 (one) hour.
3. Concern teacher should set the paper and evaluate.
4. The student who secures 45% marks in aggregate put together in University examination and internal assessment in each paper will be treated as pass in that paper.
5. For those students who are absent at both the internal examinations, no further chance will be given. His/her paper will be valued for 80 marks for the University examination only, and the students shall secure 45 marks out of 80 marks allocated for each paper.
6. The final internal assessment marks award lists of all subjects of each semester should be submitted to the Chairperson, Board of Studies and a moderation committee consisting of Chairperson, Board of Studies, Head of the department and senior faculty will, if necessary, moderate the marks allotted to the students by the concerned teacher.

**Allotment and Nature of Topics of Dissertation**

1. **Students shall submit their three (3) research topics, along with two to three pages synopsis, in order of preference to the Principal of the college in the first week of the beginning of the III semester.** Principal shall, in consultation with the Departmental Committee, allot the topic and guide to the students by the II week of the III semester.
2. The topic shall relate to student's specialization and a specific area of enquiry. (b) The topic would be so delimited that the student is required to go beyond the standard text-books and to consult the reference material or conduct field study for preparing his/her Dissertation. As far possible the contents of the Dissertation shall be the following, depending upon the nature of the topic assigned: (i) Collection of relevant material-Judicial, Legislative, Juristic, comparative and international and/or otherwise. (ii) Critical analysis and appreciation of this material. (iii) Proper citation of necessary reference consulted and relied upon. (iv) Empirical data when the Dissertation is non-doctrinal (field visit).
3. **There will be component of conducting Research Design Seminar, Progress Seminar and Pre-Submission Seminar for every candidate in respect of the topic allotted to him.** Such Three seminars are to be conducted on the weekends during the IV semester, and the teaching workload for conducting such seminars during the LL.M - IV semester will be two teaching periods per week. The seminars to be conducted as condition precedents i.e first Research Design seminar,

once it is satisfactorily conducted, then followed by the progress seminar to appraise the progress of writing the thesis, and finally, the pre-submission seminar along with a plagiarism check report (with less than 20% Similarity). When the Supervisor, the Head & Principal sign on the dissertation, the same can be submitted to the University followed by the conduct of Viva-Voice as per the existing procedure. One University Examiner appointed by the Controller of Examinations in consultation with the Chairman, BoS in Law will attend the presentation of seminars and assess the work done by the students. Such University Examiner should certify that the work done by the student is satisfactory and fit for final submission and then only dissertations are allowed for final submission for evaluation and Viva-Voce examination.

4. The students shall prepare three typed copies of Dissertation and submit to the Principal of the college. No candidate shall be allowed to publish the Dissertation, submitted to the University without prior written sanction of the University.
5. The Dissertation shall run into minimum of 150 pages.
6. **Students shall have to submit their Dissertation/Thesis on or before the last working day of the IV Semester. Dissertation submitted afterward will not be evaluated for/during that academic year and they have to submit the thesis along with the next batch. A Record shall be maintained by the students in which the summary of study and the progress made by them shall be entered once in every 15 days and it is to be signed by the guide in approval of the same and the thesis shall correspond with the such notes/record.**
7. Dissertation shall Carry 150 marks. Dissertation shall be evaluated for the written research work, by a Committee consisting Internal Teacher (concern guide of the University College of Law, K.U) and External Examiner (Subject expert from other University) (external examiner shall be appointed by the University in consultation with Chair Person, BoS in Law) for 130 marks and average will be taken. Student shall get minimum 50% marks in his written research work. 20 marks shall be for the presentation of Dissertation topic and Viva – Voce examination. The same Committee shall conduct the Viva – Voce Examination and average will be taken. The proceedings of the Viva – Voce shall be recorded.
8. Dissertation work of students of private affiliated law colleges shall be guided by the concerned subject teacher, appointed on regular basis, of the said colleges. However, the Dissertation shall be evaluated by a Committee consisting University Teacher (Internal Examiner) and External Examiner (Subject expert from other University) and both shall be appointed by the University in consultation with Chairperson, BoS in Law. The same Committee shall conduct Viva – Voce examination and average will be taken. The proceedings of the Viva – Voce shall be recorded.
9. **Note: Attendance of the students for viva-voce shall be compulsory and shall get 50% of marks in the Viva-Voce examination.**