

Gautam Buddha University

Minutes of the 26th Meeting of the Academic Council

The 26th Meeting of the Academic Council was held on 11th October, 2025, at 11:00 am, in the Board Room of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Gautam Buddha University. The following members were present in the meeting:

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| 1. Prof. Rana Pratap Singh
Vice Chancellor
Gautam Buddha University | Chairperson |
| 2. Prof. Dhananjay Singh
Member Secretary
ICSSR, Ministry of Education, New Delhi | Member |
| 3. Prof. Bhartendu K. Singh
Director
PDPM IITDM, Jabalpur, M.P. | Member |
| 4. Prof. Rupesh Chaturvedi
School of Biotechnology, JNU
New Delhi | Member |
| 5. Prof. Manisha Priyam
Deptt. of Education Policy, NIEPA, New Delhi | Member |
| 6. Prof. Rajeev Varshney
Dean Academics, Dean School of Buddhist Studies and Civilization,
Gautam Buddha University | Member |
| 7. Prof. Bandana Pandey
Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences,
Gautam Buddha University | Member |
| 8. Prof. S. Dhanalaxmi
Dean, School of Biotechnology,
Gautam Buddha University | Member |
| 9. Prof. Chander Kumar Singh
Dean, School of Vocational Studies and Applied Sciences,
Gautam Buddha University | Member |
| 10. Dr. Indu Uprety
Dean (I/c) School of Management & Dean (I/c) Planning and Research,
Gautam Buddha University | Member |
| 11. Dr. K.K. Dwivedi
Dean (I/c), School of Law Justice, and Governance,
Gautam Buddha University | Member |
| 12. Dr. Kirti Pal
Dean (I/c), School of Engineering,
Gautam Buddha University | Member |
| 13. Dr. Arpit Bhardwaj
Dean (I/c), School of ICT,
Gautam Buddha University | Member |
| 14. Dr. Vishwas Tripathi
Registrar,
Gautam Buddha University | Secretary |
| 15. Dr. Pradeep Tomar
Chairperson – Admissions,
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| 16. Dr.Gunjan Garg
Chairperson – Examinations,
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| 17. Dr.Manmohan Singh Shishodia
In-Charge Students Affairs,
Gautam Buddha University | Special Invitee |
| 18. Dr. Dinesh Kumar Sharma
University Coordinator – Research,
Gautam Buddha University | Special Invitee |
| 19. Dr.Chintala Venkata Sivasai
Director-International Affairs | Special Invitee |
| 20. Dr.Chandra Shekhar Paswan
In- Charge Assistant Registrar – Academics,
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26th Meeting of the Academic Council GBU
Details of the Decisions taken

- 26.01: To present the minutes and the action taken report on the decisions of the 24th & 25th Academic Council Meetings held on 18th March & 24th April 2025.**

The Academic Council confirmed the minutes of 24th and 25th meetings of the Academic Council held on 18th March & 24th April, 2025 as circulated, and took note of the Action Taken Report.

- 26.02: To apprise the Academic Council about the Proceedings of the Research Degree Committee (RDC) of the Schools of the University**

The Academic Council approved the Proceedings of the Research Degree Committee (RDC) of the University Schools as mentioned below:

S.No.	University School	Scholars(No.) approved
1.	Management	10
2.	Engineering	06
3.	Vocational Studies and Applied Sciences	09
3.	Buddhist Studies and Civilization	13
4.	Law	02

- 26.03: To apprise the Academic Council about the research scholars of the University who have been declared eligible for the award of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy**

The Academic Council took note of it, and approved award of Ph.D. degree to the doctoral research scholars as per 21st Notification No.GBU 17/Exam./06/2024-21 dated 02 July, 2025.

- 26.04: To apprise the Academic Council about the Proceedings of Boards of Studies (BoS) of the Schools of the University**

The Academic Council approved the minutes of the Board of Studies (BoS) of the University Schools as follows:

S.No.	University School	Date	Meeting (No.)
1.	Information and Communication Technology	11/03/25 26/07/25 19/08/25 18/09/25	04
2.	Biotechnology	16/04/25 17/09/25	02
3.	Engineering	09/09/25	01
4.	Vocational Studies and Applied Sciences	04/04/25 26/04/25 06/10/25	03


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5.	Humanities & Social Sciences	06/05/25 26/05/25 28/05/25 29/05/25	04
6.	Law, Justice & Governance	10/07/25	01

26.05: To apprise and seek approval of the Academic Council for external subject experts for evaluation of research work and Selection Committees, etc.

The Academic Council approved the names of the Subject-wise external experts as proposed by the different schools of the University.

26.06: To apprise the Academic Council about the sponsored research projects sanctioned by the Sponsoring agencies to the University

Academic Council gave few suggestions for a vibrant research ecosystem including-

- 1) Organise Conferences, Seminars, and Trainings & Workshops etc on regular basis.
- 2) Focus should be on building resources and approaching all funding agencies for institutional grants generation.
- 3) Training should be imparted to faculty members, on how to prepare research proposal and methodology etc.
- 4) Industry led India centric R&D to bridge the innovation gap and boost Atam nirbharta
- 5) Focus should be on sustainable, socially responsible R&D projects.
- 6) Recruiting of more faculty members from industry research background

26.07: To apprise the Academic Council about MoU's enacted by the University to Promote" Academia-Institution-Industry linkages"

The Academic Council took note of the MoUs enacted by the GBU in diverse functional areas and suggested to promote more Academia-Institute-Industry Linkages. However, more emphasis should be given to enhance industry-Academia interaction for industry driven Research & Development.

26.08: To approve the guidelines related to Re-Evaluation of answer sheets of the students of the University

The Academic Council took note of it, and approved that answer sheets to be shown to students within 3 days of evaluation. Re-evaluation applications to be considered within 15 days of the declaration of the result with fee @ 1000/- per course. Re-evaluated marks will be considered final. Re-evaluation to be conducted by an External Expert with an honorarium of @3000/- per day plus admissible TA/DA.


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26.09: To approve the rules and regulations related to Distribution of Marks for Theory Courses.

The Academic Council took note of it, and approved as proposed by Examination Chairperson.

26.10: To approve the rules and regulations related to Grace Marks for the students of the University

The members of Academic Council took note of it, and approved that the Maximum grace marks increased to 10 from 6 per academic year, applicable to all theory courses without exceeding the minimum passing marks. Grace marks shall be used only for promotion or award of degree and not for grade enhancement or distinction. Such courses will be marked with an asterisk (*) in the mark sheet. The provision shall be applicable to all batches from the academic session-2026 onwards and will be automatically applied by the Examination Section. Students awarded grace marks will not be eligible to appear in the back paper of the said course.

26.11: To seek approval of Academic Council Post-facto approval for an increase/decrease in the number of seats/intake in programmes for Academic Session 2025-26.

The members of Academic Council took note of it, and approved increase and decrease of seats in the few programmes.

26.12: To seek approval of Academic Council for withdrawal of Admission and Re Admission process of any GBU student will only be handled by admission department.

The Academic Council took note of it, and approved that withdrawal and Re-admission process of the student will be done by the admission department only.

26.13: To seek approval of Academic Council for all academic leaves should be approved at School Dean level only

The Academic Council took note of it, and approved that academic leave of the faculty will be approved at the School Dean level only.

26.14: To approve the uniformity in nomenclature for weekend/working Professional programmes.

The Academic Council took note of it, and approved that nomenclature will be Working Professional only and recommended to form a committee to review regarding minimum no. of students and credits system, as per course content etc.

26.15: To seek approval of Academic Council for approval of MOM of Internal MOU committee at Dean Academic level only.

The Academic Council took note of it, and decided that the MOU committee meetings MOM will be approved by the Dean Academics level only.

26.16: To seek approval of the council for review of Salary/Tenure of Faculty's (OCFD)

The Academic Council approved to constitute committee to review salary, tenure, and other service conditions of the OCFD.


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- 26.17: To seek approval of Academic Council for Provisional admission's follow up should be done by Admission Department within stipulated time. (6 Months)**

The Academic Council took note of it, and decided that the admission department will follow up with all provisional admissions and make legal document for undertaking from the student at the time of admission as needed.

- 26.18: To seek approval of Academic Council for continuation of M.Tech power System (working professional) in parallel to M.Tech power system (full time) without any financial burden**

The members of Academic Council suggested to constitute a committee to review all major points of working professional programs and reach out to industry for more admissions in WP programs. The Academic Council felt the need to review the suggestions at University level.

- 26.19: To seek approval of recruitment of regular faculty such as ICT, Applied Physics with specialization in Semiconductor, Forensic Sciences, Ayurveda etc.**

The Academic Council took note of it, and suggested to explore all the departments and approved the same.

- 26.20: To seek revision in the salary of B.Sc (Clinical Psychology) OCFD faculty**

The Academic Council took note of it, and approved as proposed.

- 26.21: To seek approval of the Academic Council for award of B.Sc (Hons) Degree to the students who could not submit NTA score in time, a mandatory requirement for 4 years B Sc. B Ed course under ITEP.**

The Academic Council took note of it, and approved with the condition that such case should not be treated as a precedence for future.

- 26.22: To seek approval of Academic Council for categories of B.Sc (Hons) Biotechnology Program, without any cap on credit**

The Academic Council took note of it, and approved that there will only be 2 categories: B.Sc Biotechnology Honours for 3 years and B.Sc Biotechnology Honours with Research for 4 years.

- 26.23: To seek approval of Academic Council to make the hostel accommodation optional and levy hostel charges only on those students who opt for the hostel**

The Academic Council took note of it, and decided that the Hostel accommodation will be optional and hostel charges will be levied only on those students who opt for the hostel on first cum first served basis.

- 26.24: To approve Minutes of Standing Academic Council Meeting dated 29th July & 08th August 2025**

The recommendations of the meetings of 29th July & 08th August 2025 were approved by the academic council.


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26.25: Any other item(s) with the permission of the Chair

1. The Academic Council discussed the case of a student who has completed final year of B.Tech, and working but couldn't clear the 2nd semester due to covid-19. Award of Degree exceeded N+2 rule prevailing in GBU. He has requested to allow him to appear in second semester papers which he could not clear, so that he can get the degree from the campus. It has been unanimously decided that he can complete the 2nd semester as an exceptional case and to complete the degree requirement. But this case should not be treated as future precedence.
2. One student could not produce his documents due to natural calamity of floods in Punjab, the academic Council recommended that student should get the proof of calamity from the SDM office of his native place and obtain duplicate copies of certificate from board and submit.

26.26: Vote of Thanks

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks proposed to the chair.


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