

**Minutes of meeting for starting M.Sc. (Public Health) at Central University of
Tamil Nadu, Thiruvavur, Tamil Nadu**

15-17 June 2016, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai

Members

1. Dr P.L.Joshi, Ex Director-National AIDS Control Programme & NVBDCP, Delhi
2. Dr Sanjay Mehendale, Director, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
3. Dr V. Raman Kutty, Professor, SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
4. Dr Tarun Bhatnagar, Scientist D, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
5. Dr. P. Manickam, Scientist D, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
6. Dr. Vasna Joshua, Scientist B, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
7. Dr. S.Venkatasubramanian, Technical Officer, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
8. Dr. Jayalakshmi Krishnan, Assistant Professor and Head i/c, Department of Life Sciences, CUTN, Thiruvavur, Tamil Nadu
9. Dr. Mala Ramanathan*, Professor, SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala

*Dr. Mala Ramanathan due to her prior commitment could not attend the meeting; the committee felt that the comments of Dr Mala Ramanathan may be sought by email

The meeting was co-chaired by Dr.P.L. Joshi and Dr Sanjay Mehendale. The group discussed the following agenda regarding the proposal to start M.Sc. (Epidemiology and Public Health) by CUTN:

1. Starting of M.Sc., in Epidemiology and Public Health, at CUTN
2. Students Eligibility
3. Admission procedures
4. Syllabus Course Contents
5. Faculty Eligibility and Recruitment
6. Job opportunities
7. Academic opportunities
8. Time-frame for starting the programme

The following are the conclusions and recommendations of the group:

1: Starting of M.Sc., in Epidemiology and Public Health, at CUTN

- The committee deliberated on the suggested title of M.Sc., in Epidemiology and Public Health and strongly recommended the course title to be changed to M.Sc. in Public Health, as Epidemiology is one of the several tools of public health.
- The committee recommended initiation of this course because of its wider reach and inter-disciplinary nature (in terms of students' eligibility and course contents).
- The committee felt that this would provide a unique position to Central University of Tamil Nadu to offer M.Sc. in Public Health in India.


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2: Students eligibility

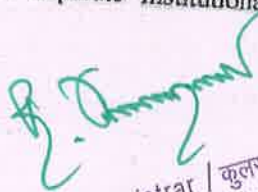
- M.Sc. in Public Health being inter-disciplinary in nature, the Committee recommends to admit students with graduation in any discipline
- such as Arts, Sciences, Humanities, Engineering, Medical Sciences, Agriculture, Allied Health Sciences, AYUSH, Veterinary etc

3: Admission Procedure

- Minimum 60% marks in Graduation should be considered as eligibility for entrance examination
- Entrance exam should have questions in the following subjects such as, Mathematics, English, General Knowledge and logical reasoning
- Students should obtain minimum of 60% in the entrance exam to be shortlisted
- The cut off for the reserve categories may be lowered as per the university rules
- Category wise shortlists may be prepared restricting to a total of 30 students for the interview
- Final selection could be based on 80% weightage from entrance examination marks and 20% from the interview marks, which is similar to existing CUTN model of Master programmes.

4: Syllabus Course Contents

- The course contents were framed and formulated which may be adopted
- The course will be run under the Department of Life Sciences of CUTN
- The current CUTN model of offering of M.Sc. programs can be adopted
- The syllabus could be offered across four semesters, with total 83 credits (Practicals- 21 and Theory-62)-(Annexure).
- The suggested number of credits distributed to each paper was determined based on the intensity of the programme which could be adopted. The number of units per paper should be five.
- In view of the diverse background of the students, it is recommended to have a foundation course in English, Maths, Biology, Logic and Basic Computer Applications. This course has to be offered/completed in the first two weeks of the programme followed by periodic assignments and internal assessment during the first semester
- Computer lab with essential software should be made available to teach units covering data base management/analysis in epidemiology and bio-statistics.
- The research project, spread out over semester II, III and IV, should be considered as one paper with a single course code.
- There should be a separate Institutional Human Ethics Committee for Student research projects.



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5: Faculty Eligibility and Recruitment

The following qualifications are recommended for Professor (01), Associate Professor (02) and Assistant Professors (04). For the post of Assistant Professors. Post-Graduates with UGC/NET qualifications can be considered.

1. Professor 01:
 - a. Essential
 - i. Degree: MD/DNB/PhD/DrPH in Public Health/Epidemiology/Community Health/Community Medicine/Preventive Social Medicine
 - ii. Experience: As per university guidelines
 - b. Desirable qualification: MPH/MSc (Epidemiology/Public Health)/MAE
2. Associate Professor 01:
 - a. Essential
 - i. Degree: PhD in Statistics/Biostatistics
 - ii. Experience: As per university guidelines
 - b. Desirable qualification: Teaching/Research experience in Biostatistics
3. Associate Professor 02:
 - a. Essential:
 - i. Degree: MD/DNB/PhD/DrPH in Public Health/Epidemiology/Community Health/Community Medicine/Preventive Social Medicine
 - ii. Experience: As per university guidelines
 - b. Desirable qualification: MPH/MSc (Epidemiology/Public Health)/MAE
4. Assistant Professor 01:
 - a. Essential:
 - i. Degree: MS/MSc /MPhil/ME/MTech/IMSc (Environmental Sciences), MSc (Epidemiology/Public Health) or MPH (with specialization in Environmental health) with UGC-NET qualified
 - ii. Experience: As per university guidelines
 - b. Desirable : PhD, Teaching/Research experience in Environmental Health
5. Assistant Professor 01:
 - a. Essential:
 - i. Degree: MSc/MA /MPhil (Sociology/Anthropology/Medical Anthropology) with UGC-NET qualified
 - ii. Experience: As per university guidelines
 - b. Desirable : PhD in (Sociology/Anthropology/Medical Anthropology) Teaching/Research experience in above subjects
6. Assistant Professor 03:
 - a. Essential
 - i. Degree: MD/DNB/MPH/MSc (Epid)/MAE UGC-NET (for MSc)
 - ii. Experience: As per university guidelines
 - b. Desirable : PhD/DrPH in Public Health/Epidemiology
7. Assistant Professor 04:
 - a. Essential:
 - i. Degree: MD/DNB/MPH/MSc (Epid)/MAE UGC-NET (for MSc)
 - ii. Experience: As per university guidelines
 - b. Desirable : PhD/DrPH in Public Health/Epidemiology


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6: Job opportunities

After obtaining MSc in Public Health from CUTN, the graduate students may have employment opportunities as Epidemiologists, Public health officers, Community health officers, Research coordinators, Teachers and Surveillance officers etc. in:

- Research Institutions (Private/Public Sector)
- Educational Institutions
- Clinical Research Organizations
- National and International Organizations working in public health

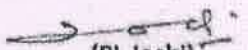
7: Academic opportunities:


The graduates of this course may have opportunity to pursue the following

- PhD in Public Health Related Subjects
- Eligible for UGC- JRF/NET also ICMR/CSIR/DBT-JRF examinations

8: Time-frame for starting the programme

- The Committee understands that the course requires a dedicated team of experienced faculty across disciplines and adequate infrastructure in terms of dedicated classrooms, audio-visual and computer lab with statistical software's, books and journals related to the course syllabus. In view of the above, CUTN should carefully take a decision regarding the time of course initiation
- CUTN may enter into MoU with ICMR and other relevant institutions to draw appropriate faculty, if required



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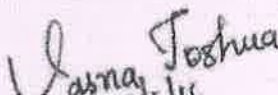

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24.07.2017,
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To

The Controller of Examination,
Central University of Tamil Nadu,
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Kind attention: The Dean (Academics)

Subject: - Submitting Minutes of Meeting for Board of studies (BOS) – Reg.

Dear Madam

With due respect, I would like to bring to your kind notice that, herewith I am submitting the Minutes of Meeting for Board of studies (BOS) of M.Sc., Epidemiology and Public Health along with the revised course curriculum to be implemented in the year of 2017-2018. This is submitted for your necessary action please. Kindly do the needful.

Thanking you

J. Jayalakshmi

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Yours sincerely,

Jay 24/07/17
Dr Jayalakshmi Krishnan.

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Minutes of Meeting of Board of Studies (BoS) for M.Sc. Epidemiology and Public Health, at Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvavur, Tamil Nadu
Held on 5th May 2017

Members

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2. Dr. Tarun Bhatnagar, Scientist D, NIE, Chennai
3. Dr. Manickam P, Scientist D, NIE, Chennai
4. Dr. V Madhurima, Associate Professor and Head, Physics, CUTN
5. Dr. T Mohandass, Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry, CUTN
6. Dr. Sigamani P, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Social Work, CUTN
7. Mrs. Sumalatha, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, CUTN

Dr Jayalakshmi had previous commitment so could not attend the meeting

Special Invitees:

1. Dr. E.M.Shankar, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Life Sciences, CUTN
2. Dr. Thiyaapriya C, Consultant, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, CUTN
3. Dr. Priya M, Consultant, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, CUTN

Agendas

1. Revision of credit hours.
2. Addition of laboratory and field component in all the semesters.
3. Internship duration.
4. Electives
5. Foundation course
6. Minimal alterations in the Epidemiology and Public Health units.


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Recommendations

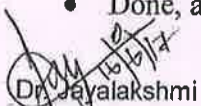
The Board of Studies Members met at the admin block, VC conference hall at CUTN and discussed on the above mentioned agendas.

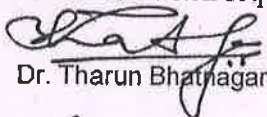
1.Revision of credit hours.

- Done, given as Annexure I. Credit hours should be adjusted with theory and practical with particular ratio.

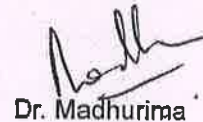
2.Addition of laboratory and field component in all the semesters.

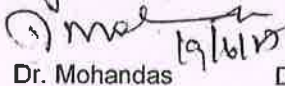
- Done, added where and when required

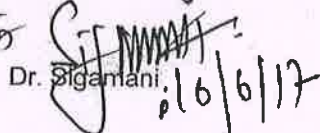

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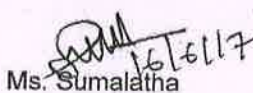

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3. Internship duration.

- The duration is reduced from two months to one month

4. Electives

- Electives has to be separated, it includes 2 Departmental compulsory elective papers and other 2 electives will be optional with other Department electives

5. Foundation course

- Foundation course has to be conducted for 15 days in the topic of Logic, English, Biology, Maths and Basic Computer Application with 2 Credit Points. Method of Teaching is LPT Method

6. Minimal alterations in the Epidemiology and Public Health units.

1. Semester I:

- EPH-S1-01-Unit 2 and 3 combined and named as healthcare delivery models
- EPH-S1-01- Unit 5 Renamed as Introduction to Practice of Public Health.
- iii) Separate the references as essential reading (3 or 4) and additional reading (more), addition of Web Resources
- EPH-S1-02- Critics of Biomedicine has to be removed
- EPH-S1-03- Unit I- Natural history of diseases removed
- EPH-S1-03-Unit 2- Changed as Dynamics of Diseases transmission.
- EPH-S1-03- Unit 3- renamed as Measuring the occurrence of Diseases.
- EPH-S1-03-Unit 4- Named as Epidemiological Study Design. - includes observational and experimental.
- EPH-S1-05-Unit-1- Changed as Epidemiology of Communicable Diseases
- EPH-S1-05- Unit-2 Changed as Epidemiology of Tropical Diseases
- EPH-S1-05- Unit-4 –added investigation of an Epidemic
- Add EPH-S1-06 – New unit changed from semester IV and added in first semester as Public Health Ethics.
- Added EPH-S1-P1-Practicals.
 - Identifying Study Design
 - Calculating Measurement of Disease 1
 - Lab workout with Computers

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2.Semester II

- a) EPH-S2-07- Unit-1- added a new unit as Systematic Errors in Epidemiological Studies
- b) EPH-S2-07- Unit-2- Added a new unit Screening.
- c) EPH-S2-07- Unit3- Added a unit Surveillance.
- d) EPH-S2-07- Unit4- added a unit Infectious Diseases Modeling and Forecasting
- e) EPH-S2-07- Unit5- changed from 4 to 5th unit as Epidemiological Approach to Data Analysis.
- f) EPH-S2-08- Unit1- combined 1st and 2nd unit as Types of Data and Presentation of Data.
- g) EPH-S2-08- Unit2- added Probability and Non Probability Distribution of Data
- h) EPH-S2-08- Unit3- added Descriptive Statistics.
- i) EPH-S2-08- Unit4- added Inferential Statistics.
- j) EPH-S2-08- Unit5- added Sampling & Sample Size
- k) EPH-S2-09- Unit1-added Framing of Research questions and Formulation of hypothesis, Data Analysis and Data Management,
- l) EPH-S2-09- Unit3- added Designing Data Collection Instrument both Qualitative and Quantitative.
- m) EPH-S2-09- Unit4- new unit added as Writing Concept Paper/ Research Protocol.
- n) EPH-S2-09- Unit5- added Principles and Practice of Data Management
- o) EPH-S2-11- One month Internship Programme
 - Advised during their semester Holidays
 - Revise the Learning objectives
- p) EPH-S2-P2- Biostatics Practicals
 - Added Creating Data Entry Forms using EPI-info
 - Randomization

6. Semester III

- a) EPH-S3-12- Unit1-Name changed as Health Policy & Planning
- b) EPH-S3-12- Unit2-named as Helath Policy Review
- c) EPH-S3-12- Unit3-added unit as National Health Programmes in India
- d) EPH-S3-12- Unit4- Public Health Laws –I (Merging I & III unit)
- e) EPH-S3-12- Unit5- named as Public Health Laws-II
- f) EPH-S3-13- Unit1- Removed Disasters Management
- g) EPH-S3-13- Unit2- Removed Road Traffic Accidents

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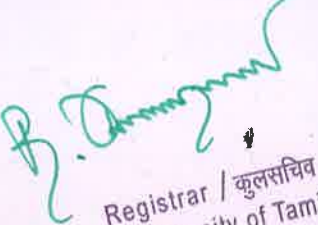
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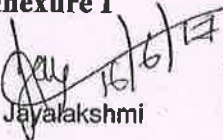
- h) EPH-S3-14- Unit1- Named as Introduction to Vector Borne Diseases
- i) EPH-S3-14- Unit2- named as Transmission Biology
- j) EPH-S3-14- Unit3- added as Control and Vector Management
- k) EPH-S3-14- Unit4- Principles of Medical Entomology.
- l) EPH-S3-14- Unit5- Methods of Medical Entomology.
- m) EPH-S3-15- Unit1- Named as Principles of Health Communication
- n) EPH-S3-15- Unit2- Unit3 changed as Unit 2
- o) EPH-S3-15- Unit3- unit 5 changed as unit 3 Advocacy for Public Health
- p) EPH-S3-15- Unit4-added Oral Scientific Communication
- q) EPH-S3-15- Unit5- added Written Scientific Communication
- r) EPH-S3-16- Unit1-Protocol Writing Up and Protocol Template
 - Changing of Learning Objectives
- s) Added from Semester IV-Global Health Diplomacy-EPH-S3-17 to third semester.


7. Semester IV

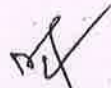
- a) Revision of Chapters by including Results, Discussion and Conclusion



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Annexure I

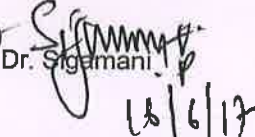

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Annexure I

Programme Structure

Semester (s)	Papers	Course Title	Credits	Teaching Hours/weeks (including 1 hr tutorial)
Semester - I				
Semester- I	EPH-S1-01	Principles and Practice of Public Health	4	4 hours
Semester- I	EPH-S1-02	Determinants of Health	3	3 hours
Semester- I	EPH-S1-03	Foundations of Epidemiology	3	3 hours
Semester- I	EPH-S1-04	Reproductive and Sexual Health	3	3 hours
Semester- I	EPH-S1-05	Epidemiology of Diseases of Public Health Importance	3	3 hours
Semester - I	EPH-S1-P1	Practicals - I	2	3Hours
Semester - I	EPH-S1-P2	Practicals - II	2	3 Hours
Total Credits			20 credits	
Semester II				
Semester- II	EPH-S2-06	Epidemiological Methods	3	3 hours
Semester- II	EPH-S2-07	Biostatistics for Public Health	3	3 hours
Semester- II	EPH-S2-08	Research Methodology for Public Health	3	3 hours
Semester- II	EPH-S2-09	Health System Management	3	3 hours
Semester- II	EPH-S2-10	Internship	4	3 hours
Semester- II	EPH-S2-E1	Health Economics and Health Financing	3	3 hours
Semester- II	EPH-S2-E2	Population Studies	3	3 hours
Semester- II	EPH- S2-P3	Practical - III	2	
Total Credits			24 credits	
Semester - III				
Semester- III	EPH-S3-11	Health Policy, Programmes and Legislation	4	3 hours
Semester- III	EPH-S3-12	Environmental and Occupational Health	3	3 hours
Semester- III	EPH-S3-13	Vector Biology and Management	3	3 hours
Semester- III	EPH-S3-14	Health Communication	3	3 hours
Semester- III	EPH-S3-15	Dissertation Protocol	3	3 hours
Semester- III	EPH-S3-E3	Comparative Health Systems and Policies	3	3 hours
Semester- III	EPH-S3-E4	Hospital Management	3	3 hours
Semester- III	EPH- S3-P4	Practical - IV	2	
Semester- III	EPH-S3-P5	Practical - V	2	
Total Credits			26credits	
Semester IV				
Semester- III	EPH-S4-16	Public Health Ethics	3	3 hours
Semester- III	EPH-S4-17	Global Health Diplomacy	2	2 hours
Semester- III	EPH-S4-18	Dissertation	10	9 hours per Week
Total Credits			15 credits	

Total Credits: 85

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Mon, May 28, 2018 at 1:17 PM

Dear Madam/Sir,

Greetings from the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, Central University of Tamil Nadu!


As a Coordinator of the Dept. of EPH, I am very much happy for the Board of Studies Meeting held on 23/04/18, for your constructive suggestions.

Kindly find attached herewith the Minutes of BoS and related Annexures. I request you to kindly go through the minutes and give your valuable suggestions and email concurrence on or before 31/05/18.

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely,

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Dear Dr Jayalakshmi Krishnan

I'm fine with the Minutes. Regret the delay in mailing the response.

Regards

Rajib

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Dr. Rajib Dasgupta

Professor [Community Health], Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

Fulbright Senior Research Fellow, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health [2010-11]

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Dear Dr Jayalakshmi

The minutes are fine with me. Apologies for the delayed response.

Regards,
Tarun

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Dear Madam

I concur with the minutes of the BoS meeting.

With regards,
P. Manickam

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Dear Madam,

I am agree with the attached minutes

Regards

Dr. Sujit Kumar Behera

Assistant Professor, EPH

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I agree with BOS minutes held on 23rd April 2018 and give my consent

Lekha D Bhat

On Tue 5 Jun, 2018, 6:16 PM Sujit Kumar Behera, <sujitbehra@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Madam,

I am agree with the attached minutes

Regards

Dr. Sujit Kumar Behera

Assistant Professor, EPH

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Dear Madam: Sorry for the delay in replying to your e-mail. I agree with the minutes of the BoS meeting.

Thanking you,

With regards,

T. Mohan Das

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Thanking you,

With regards,
T. Mohan Das

Dr. T. Mohan Das

Professor

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Dear sir/madam,

herewith I am sending the bos minutes along with the annexures for your kind perusal. Kindly check the trailing email from external and internal BoS members email concurrence. Please do the needful..

Thanks and Regards,

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**Minutes of Meeting (MoM) of Board of Studies (BoS) Meeting for the
Department of Epidemiology and Public Health (EPH), at Central University
of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur, Tamil Nadu, held on 23rd April 2018**

Venue: Pro-VC Hall

Time : 9.30 am

Members present:

1. Dr. Jayalakshmi Krishnan, Coordinator, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health (EPH), CUTN – Chair person
2. Dr. Rajib Das Gupta, Professor, Centre of Social Medicine and Community Health, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi – External member
3. Dr. Tarun Bhatnagar, Scientist E, National Institute of Epidemiology (NIE), Chennai – External member
4. Dr. Manickam P, Scientist E, National Institute of Epidemiology (NIE), Chennai – External member
5. Dr. Mohandass T, Professor, Department of Chemistry, CUTN – Internal member
6. Dr. Sigamani P, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Social Work, CUTN – Internal member
7. Dr. Sujit Kumar Behera, Assistant Professor, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health (EPH), CUTN – Internal member

Members absent:

1. Dr. Madhurima V, Professor, Department of Physics, CUTN – Internal member
2. Dr. Sumalatha, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, CUTN – Internal member

Prof. V Madhurima was not able to attend the BoS meeting, since Department of Mathematics is conducting their BoS on the same day in Chennai and this was already committed by herself.

Dr. Sumalatha had previous commitment so she could not attend the meeting.

Special invitee present:

1. Dr. Lekha D Bhat, Assistant Professor and convener, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, CUTN

Special invitee absent:

1. Dr. E. M. Shankar, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Life Sciences, CUTN

Due to some unintended commitments and deadlines, Dr. E. M. Shankar could not present himself for the meeting as an official invitee at 9.30am.

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Agenda:

1. Discussion and approval of the previous BoS meeting minutes
2. Introducing new courses like Ph.D., in EPH
3. Ph.D., syllabus
4. Minor revisions of M.Sc., EPH course syllabus for the year 2018-19
5. Major revisions of M.Sc., EPH course Syllabus for the year 2019-20
6. Laboratory approval in accordance with the MSc EPH syllabus
7. Computer Lab for M.Sc., EPH
8. Foundation Courses in biology, sociology, english and computer application.
9. Field work component crediting
10. Offering MOOCS on foundation of Biology in association with Dept. of Life Sciences and Microbiology
11. Any other matter, with the approval of the Board and the Chair.

Decisions Taken:

The Board of Studies members met at the admin block, VC conference hall at CUTN and discussed on the above mentioned agenda items.

The meeting started with welcome address by Dr. K. Jayalakshmi, who chaired the BoS meeting. She introduced Prof. Rajib Das Gupta, as new BoS member of the department and she explained about the agendas via stating that the curriculum required minor revisions. Followed by, this Dr. Sujit Kumar Behera presented the Ph.D., and M.Sc., curriculum in front of the Board members.

Agenda: 1. Discussion and Approval of the previous meetings minutes held on 05/05/17

- The Board of Studies members fully approved the previous meeting (held on 05/05/17) recommendations and suggestions which are duly incorporated in the previous minutes.
- The BoS noted that in the previous BoS Minutes page No 3, Point No 6.1.1 (EPH-S1-06 is shifted from semester IV and added in the first semester as Public Health Ethics). Because of this paper shifting, from fourth semester to first semester, the course codes of M.Sc., EPH from second semester onwards stands modified. Henceforth, the restructured subject code should be followed in giving the transcripts from 2018-19 batches. (Done, and added as Annexure I)

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- Accordingly EPH-S4-16 stands removed from fourth semester and are added to First Semester as EPH-S1-06. This change needs to be incorporated.
- Henceforth paper numbers of second, third and fourth semester will change one digit higher and this need to be communicated to exam section and COE section for their office records.

Agenda: 2. Introducing new courses like Ph.D., in Epidemiology and Public Health

- The members *agreed in principle*, the need to start a full time Ph.D., programme in the department of Epidemiology and Public Health for further development of the department. The proposed name of the programme is Ph.D., in Epidemiology and Public Health.

Agenda: 3. Ph.D., Course Structure

- Objectives of the programme: Modified as suggested by BoS to highlight interdisciplinary nature of this course. (Done, given as annexure II, page no. 3)
- Thrust Areas of Research: To be modified as
 - Vector biology
 - Gender and Health and Health system
 - Zoonotic diseases (Done, given as annexure II, page no 3)
- Essential education qualifications: As per the CUTN ordinance and UGC - 2016 regulations. Specifications to be added as per UGC - 2014 regulations. (Done, given as annexure II, page no. 3)
- Course work: As it is an interdisciplinary programme first one year course work will consist of papers with total credits 16. This is mandatory for all the candidates and successful completion of this course work will ensure eligibility of the students to work on a research proposal for next six months.
- Course Structure: Paper I – EPH-P1-01, paper to be renamed as “Principles and Practices of Public Health”, 4 credit course, internal 40 marks and end semester 60 marks. Recommended to add more reading from social science perspectives (Done, given as Annexure II, page no 7, 8, 9).

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Paper II – EPH-P1-02, paper to be renamed as “Epidemiology: Principles and Practices”, 4 credit course, internal 40 marks and end semester 60 marks. Unit II, III & IV to be removed (these units can be converted as elective). Unit I & Unit IV to be elaborated (Done, as annexure II, page number 10).

Paper III – EPH-P2-03, paper to be renamed as “Research methodology”, 4 credit course, internal 40 marks and end semester 60 marks. Unit I needs to be consolidated, unit III need to be consolidated, a unit on qualitative methods needs to be added (Done, as annexure II, page number 11, 12, 13).

Paper IV – EPH-P2-04 – Elective Molecular approaches to research in epidemiology (Done, as annexure II, page number 14)

Paper V- EPH-P2-05 – Elective- Methods in Malaria research (Done, as annexure II, page number 15-16)

Paper VI- EPH-P2-06 – Elective- Health Psychology and Counselling (Done, as annexure II page number 17)

Paper VII- EPH-P2-07 – Elective-gender and Health (Done, as annexure II page number 18-19)

Paper VIII- EPH-P2-08 – Elective - Infectious disease epidemiology (Done, as annexure II page number 20)

Paper IX- EPH-P2-09-Elective- Current Concepts in Epidemiological Disease investigation and Forecasting (Added as annexure II page no 21)

Each elective paper to be of 2 credits and each student has to attend 4 credit electives mandatory in his/her 2nd semester depending upon their areas of interest/expertise. Total credit for Ph.D., course work is 16 credits.

Exemption from course work for M.Phil., holders. BoS suggests that it should be on case to case basis. Considering the interdisciplinary nature of the Ph.D., programme and such unilateral exemption for M.Phil., holders can't be justified. DRC of the dept. is authorised to decide whether to exempt the M.Phil., holders

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- depending upon M.Sc., and M.Phil., education backgrounds. (Done, added in annexure II)
- f. Eligibility of the supervisor: As per the CUTN ordinance. (Done, added as annexure II, page No 4)
- g. Admission Procedure: As per the CUTN ordinance. (Done, added as annexure II, page number 3)
- h. Course duration: As per the CUTN ordinance. (Done, added as annexure II, page number 3)
- i. Registration of candidate: First 2 semester course work and then third semester research proposal preparations and proposal need to be approved by DRC, at that time the admission will be provisional in nature.

Agenda: 4. Minor revisions of M.Sc., EPH course syllabus for the year 2018-19

- The committee approved the minor changes introduced in the M.Sc., EPH course curriculum with following conditions.
- No change in paper title, paper orders, no change in unit name and unit number is permitted.
- No shifting of any unit/paper from current place to anywhere is permitted.
- New readings/references were approved (Added as and when required, shown as Annexure III). Minor addition/ deletion from the units were approved (Done as and when required, whole syllabus is added as annexure III)
- The BoS opined that the minor revisions need not come to BoS level for approval; this can be done by department DRC.
- The already existing, paper titled EPH-S1-P2 is named as "laboratory for field epidemiological investigations".
- The material for this paper is shared by NIE (Changes done, added as Annexure III, Page Number 15, EPH-S1-P2).

Prof. Rajib Das Gupta

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Agenda: 5. Major revisions of M.Sc., EPH course Syllabus for the year 2019-20

- The board did not approve the major changes in the M.Sc., EPH course curriculum.
- The Board felt it is too early, as the present syllabus is offered from 2017 onwards which is revised second time in large scale.
- At least three batches need to be pass out in order to do major revisions.
- After taking opinion from other stakeholders (like alumni) this major revision can be initiated at a later stage (if necessary).
- Maximum five titles are enough for practicals.

Agenda: 6. Laboratory approval in accordance with the M.Sc., EPH syllabus

- As per the current syllabus, no physical laboratory infrastructure is required for M.Sc., students and suggested to get the curriculum feedback from the students after three batches are passed out.
- M.Sc., Epidemiology component demands an understanding of the lab, not an in-depth involvement in the lab. Ph.D., supervisors can have their own laboratory.

Agenda: 7. Computer Lab for M.Sc., EPH

- The board fully approved the computer lab facility for M.Sc., students.
- 15 systems with necessary software (MS office, Anti-Virus, SPSS, EPI-Info, STATA) are approved which needs to be procured.

Agenda: 8. Foundation Courses in biology, social sciences, English and computer sciences

- Since M.Sc., students are admitted from different education discipline, foundation courses are considered to be mandatory.
- These course will be non-credited and two weeks long mandatory programmes.
 - i. Foundation course in biology (approved, added as annexure IV, page No 2)
 - ii. Foundation course in social sciences (approved, added as annexure IV page No 1)

Prof. Rajib Das Gupta

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- iii. Foundation course in English [approved, suggested to seek professional help/ Dept. of English help to develop communication (oral & written) skills]
- iv. Foundation course in computer science (approved, basic computer skills of accessing MS office, Excel, Internet etc.,)

Agenda: 9. Field work component crediting

- It was decided by the BoS to add the field visit component to any relevant course (s) compulsorily in each semester and provide 10 marks as internal mark for this academic activity.

Agenda: 10. Offering MOOCS on foundation of Biology in association with Dept. of Life Sciences and Microbiology

- It has been suggested that the department can decide to offer MOOCS programme on foundation of Biology in association with Dept. of Life Sciences and Microbiology.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Chair.



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Prof. Prasant Kumar Panda, Dept. of Economics <prasantkumar@cutn.ac.in>

Tue, Nov 10, 2020 at 9:34

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Dear Sir,

Greetings

Thank you very much for circulating the revised syllabus and minutes of meeting of the BOS. I don't have any issues with this and I convey my approval for the same.

Best regards,

Prasant k Panda

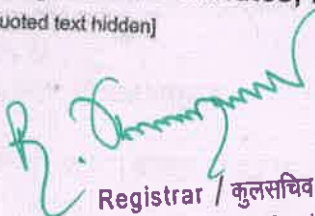
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Mon, Nov 30, 2020 at 4:13 PM

From: Natarajan Gopalan <natagopalan@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 10:42 AM
To: nithya.varadharaj <dr.nithya.gopinath@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: BoS Minutes, revised syllabus, letter from UGC

Dera madam

Thanks for your kind mail for approval of BoS

I will pass on your account details to our establishment for remittance of honorarium shortly pl
regards

Gopalan

From: nithya.varadharaj <dr.nithya.gopinath@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 5:34 PM
To: Dr. N. Gopalan, Professor, Dept. of EPH <gopalan@cutn.ac.in>
Subject: Re: BoS Minutes, revised syllabus, letter from UGC

Dear Sir,
Warm Greetings!

Thanks for your kind wishes and I convey my approval for the revised syllabus.

As per your kind information, Herewith I have sent my account details please.

Name: Nithya V
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Bank : Indian Bank
Karaikudi branch

Kind Regards,

Dr. V. Nithya
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Mon, Nov 30, 2020 at 4:15 P

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With regard to above I hereby accord my approval for the same

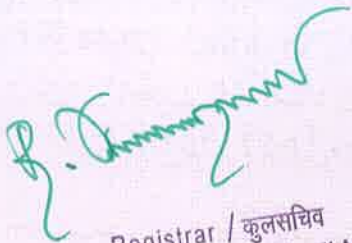
With regards

Dr. Bhaskar Rao,

Associate Professor

Department of community medicine, Government Medical College, Calicut Kerala

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Fwd: EPH revised syllabus,current and Agenda points for BoS November 30, 2020 4:16 PM

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From: "HOD, Dept. of EPH, CUTN" hodeph@cutn.ac.in

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Subject: Fwd: Re: EPH revised syllabus,current and Agenda points for BoS

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From: vasuki venkatesan vvasuki@yahoo.com

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Sent: Wed, 11 Nov 2020 11:57:48 +0530 (IST)

Subject: Re: EPH revised syllabus,current and Agenda points for BoS

Dear Prof. Gopalan,

I am happy to find the revised syllabus in good shape with suggestions incorporated as required. I am sure the revised syllabus for the course would enable the students to get ample exposure to all essential subjects with hands-on practical's. The requirement of UGC has also been taken care of.

I hereby approve the minutes as it covers all points.

I am also thankful and pleased to get associated with this assignment.

With best regards,

Dr. V. Vasuki

Dr. (Mrs). V. Vasuki, M.Phil., Ph.D.

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December 1, 2020 7:15 PM

Re: syllabus

From: "lekhabhatd" <lekhabhatd@gmail.com>

To: "HOD, Dept. of EPH, CUTN" <hodeph@cutn.ac.in>

Dear Sir,

As I did not attend the meeting my consent is not required to complete the process.

I have gone through the minutes and it is fine.

Thanks and Regards

On Tue 1 Dec, 2020, 2:03 PM HOD, Dept. of EPH, CUTN, <hodeph@cutn.ac.in> wrote:

Lekha and Neena

Kindly send a Bos minutes approval by mail pl

regards

Gopalan

From: "neenaphilip87" <neenaphilip87@gmail.com>

To: "HOD, Dept. of EPH, CUTN" <hodeph@cutn.ac.in>

Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2020 12:13:09 PM

Subject: Re: syllabus

Dear Sir,

Attaching the minutes of BoS

Thanks and Regards

Neena

On Mon, Nov 9, 2020 at 1:10 PM HOD, Dept. of EPH, CUTN <hodeph@cutn.ac.in> wrote:

Thanks, Neena

regards

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Sent: Monday, November 16, 2020 11:38:04 AM
Subject: Re: BoS Minutes, revised syllabus, letter from UGC

Dear Sir,

I approve the minutes of the meeting.

Thanking you,

Your Sincerely,

C. Latchoumycandane
Department of Life Sciences

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Dear Madam / Sir

Kindly find attached the minutes of meeting of 29th Oct 2020, revised EPH syllabus and UGC letter for your kind perusal

We have incorporated all point suggested during the meeting and corrected in the revised Syllabus pl

Sorry for the delay in sending the minutes

Your kind approval is required by mail pl

Kind regards

Gopalan


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**Minutes of Board of studies Meeting (BoS) held on 29.10.2020 through online
Dept. of Epidemiology and Public Health (EPH), Central University of Tamil
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Members present:

1. Prof. Natarajan Gopalan, Professor, Dept. of EPH, CUTN (Chairperson & Convener)
2. Dr. Ajeet Jaiswal, Associate Professor, Dept. of EPH, CUTN
3. Dr. Sujit Kumar Behera, Assistant Professor, Dept. of EPH, CUTN
4. Dr. Praveen Balabaskaran Nina, Asst. Prof., Dept. of EPH, CUTN
5. Prof. Prasant Kumar Panda, Professor & Head, Dept. of Economics, CUTN
(Member, outside the school)
6. Dr. Latchoumycandane Calivarathan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Life Sciences,
CUTN (Member inside school).
7. Dr. V. Vasuki, Scientist F, VCRC, Puducherry (External member)
8. Dr. Basker Rao, Associate Professor, Dept. of Community Medicine, Calicut Medical
College (External member)
9. Dr. Nithya, Assistant Professor, Alagappa University, Karaikkudi (External member)

Members absent:

1. Dr. Lekha D Bhat, Assistant Professor, Dept. of EPH, CUTN

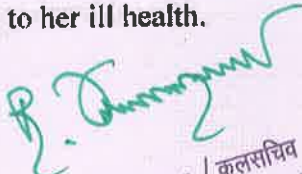
Dr. Lekha D Bhat was not able to attend the BoS meeting, due to her ill health.

Special invitee present:

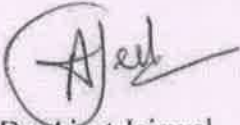
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Agenda:


1. Eligibility criteria for the M.Sc program
2. Revision of M.Sc syllabus for the upcoming 2020-21 batch
3. Approval of MOOCS courses as electives
4. Inclusion of Research and Publication Ethics, a two credit course in the Ph.D
syllabus.


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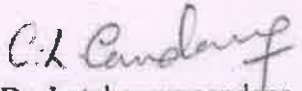

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Discussion and Outcome:

Professor welcomed everyone in the meeting, and after formal introductions, the following agenda were discussed

1. Eligibility criteria for the M.Sc. program

Majority of the board of studies members strongly suggested that the eligibility criteria for the M.Sc. program to be changed. It was suggested that only students from science background should be eligible, as this department is placed in the school of life sciences, and including students from all backgrounds will dilute the value of the course. Accordingly, the student eligibility criteria has been changed from

“Students with graduation in any discipline such as Arts, Sciences, Humanities, Engineering, Medical Sciences, Agriculture, Allied Health Sciences, AYUSH, Veterinary, Commerce and Management are eligible to apply” to “Students with graduation in Biological and Bio-medical sciences are eligible to apply”

Further, Board of studies members have suggested that the students’ selection, joining and reservation totally depend as per the rules and regulations and norms of the University.

2. Revision of M.Sc syllabus for the upcoming 2020-21 batch

The previous syllabus that was framed in 2016 has not undergone any major changes for the past 4 years. Keeping in mind, the requirement of students and the revised guidelines of national educational policy, the syllabus were comprehensively revised. In the new syllabus, several practicals and skill based courses were included for the benefit of the students. The new practical and skill based courses introduced are:

EPH-S1-P1 Basic laboratory techniques in epidemiology and public health research

EPH- S2-P2 Biostatistics Tools for Epidemiology and Public Health (Skill based elective)

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EPH-S3-P6 Laboratory techniques in food safety

EPH-S3-P5 Anthropology of Health

EPH-S3-P7 Geospatial techniques in epidemiology (Skill based elective)

EPH-S3-P8 Techniques in molecular epidemiology

Board of studies members welcomed and accepted the introduction of new practical and skill based courses. As suggested, the title of EPH-S2-P2- was changed from Biostatistics Tools for Epidemiology and Public Health to **Biostatistics using statistical softwares**

The practical courses EPH-S1-P1 (Practicals for epidemiological methods) and EPH-S1-P2 (Laboratory for field epidemiological investigations), EPH-S2-P3 (Practical – III Biostatistics including lab component) and EPH-S3-P4 (Practical – IV Practical on environmental and occupational health) were removed.

Board of studies members accepted the removal of these courses.

Major changes proposed in the theory are:

Health System Management (EPH-S2-10) and Comparative health systems and policies (EPH-S3-E3) were combined into a single 3 credit course Health care systems, and the syllabus was revised and updated (EPH-S2-09).

Research Methodology for Public Health (EPH-S2-09), Public Health Ethics (EPH-S1-06) and Dissertation protocol (EPH-S3-16) was consolidated into a single "Research Methodology" course, and the course content was revised and updated (EPH-S3-12).

Health policy, programmes and legislation (EPH-S3-12) were renamed as Health Policies. Programs, Laws and Evaluation (EPH-S2-10) and the syllabus was revised and updated.


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Reproductive and sexual health (EPH-S1-04) and Determinants of health (EPH-S1-02) were removed, and the relevant topics in these courses were included as part of several courses in the new syllabus

Epidemiological Methods (EPH-S2-07) were renamed as Applied Epidemiology and Public Health (EPH-S2-06), and the units were revised to include new study designs.

Global Health diplomacy (EPH-S4-17), Health communications (EPH-S3-15), and Hospital management (EPH-S3-E4) were removed in the new syllabus as we do not have faculty who have the expertise to teach these courses.

Population Studies (EPH-S2-E2) were renamed as Demography and population studies (EPH-S2-07), and the syllabus was revised and updated.

Epidemiology of Diseases of Public Health Importance (EPH-S1-05) was renamed as Epidemiology of Communicable and Non-Communicable Diseases/Conditions of Public Health Importance (EPH-S2-08), and the course was updated to include more diseases and health conditions. The credits were changed from 3 to 4.

Health Economics and Health Financing (EPH-S2-E1) were renamed as Health Economics and Financing (EPH-S3-E3) and the syllabus was revised and updated

Environmental and Occupational Health (EPH-S3-13) course code was changed to EPH-S1-04 and the syllabus was revised and updated

Biostatistics for Public Health (EPH-S2-08)'s course code was changed to EPH-S1-05, and the syllabus was revised and updated

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Following new courses were included

Public Health Biology (EPH-S1-02)

Nutrition and Health (EPH-S3-E4)

Molecular Epidemiology (EPH-S3-11)

Fundamentals of Human Genetics (EPH-S1-E1)

Immunology (EPH-S3-E5)

Intersectionality in Health and development (EPH-S3-E6)

Health Psychology (EPH-S3-E7)

Health Informatics (EPH-S3-E8)


The board of studies members welcomed and accepted the changes. Suggestions were made to include topics such as biology of, mites, fleas and rodent control, one health, international health regulations, outbreak investigation, field epidemiology, sampling and health behavior in the syllabus. Accordingly, biology of mites, fleas and measures for rodent control were included in the unit one and three of EPH-S2-E2 respectively. One health was added in unit four of EPH-S1-01. International health regulation was added in unit three of EPHS210. Sampling, outbreak investigation and field epidemiology were included in unit one and three of EPH-S2-06 respectively. Health behavior was added as a unit (unit two) as part of EPH-S3-E7. Suggestions were made to include objective and learning outcomes, and also to maintain the uniformity of units for each course. Accordingly, these were added and modified. BOS members suggested adding a minimum of 12 electives in the course based on the CBCS guidelines, which was considered and 12 credits were earmarked as mandatory electives.

BoS members unanimously agreed that the M.Sc. students who are interested in Internship can carry out any type of internship during the course (during vacation period) without interfering the regular courses and four additional credits will be allotted to them.


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3. Approval of MOOCS courses as electives.

The BOS members approved to include and offer the required MOOCS elective as per the decision taken in the faculty council meeting of the department during the starting of each semester. The MOOCS course Health Research Fundamentals (NPTEL course of National Institute of Epidemiology) offered by the department in 2018-19 was also approved.

4. Inclusion of Research and Publication Ethics, a two credit course in the Ph.D syllabus.

As per the instructions of UGC circular - D.O.No.F.1-1/2018 (Journal/care), we have included a two credit course on Research and Publication Ethics (EPH-P2-10) in the second semester of the Ph.D syllabus. The course content prescribed by UGC has been included in the syllabus. The BOS members approved the inclusion of this course.

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