

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

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From

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Principal Secretary to Government

To

The Vice-Chancellors (All State Public Universities coming under Higher Education Department)

The Principals (All Government and Non-Government Degree Colleges coming under Higher Education Department)

Sub: Commencement of Physical Classroom teaching in Universities and Colleges for 2020-21 pre-Final Year UG/First Year PG students w.e.f. **10.02.2021**

Ref: This Department Letter No. 73/HE Dated 04.01.2021

Madam/Sir,

In continuation to this department letter under reference, the State Public Universities and Government as well as Non-Government Degree Colleges (coming under H.E. Department) are hereby directed to commence physical classroom teaching for students of 2020-21 pre-Final Year UG (2nd year in case of 3-year UG course and 3rd year in case of 4-year UG course) and First Year PG courses from 10-02-2021 (Wednesday). The following academic calendar is hereby prescribed for these courses.

(For 2020-21 Pre-final Year UG Batch)

UG Academic Calendar

Semester Examination System					Annual Examination System	
Academic Schedule	Academic Session 2020-21		Academic Session 2021-22		Academic Session 2020-21	Academic Session 2021-22
3-Years UG Course	3rd Semester	4th Semester	5th Semester	6th Semester	2nd Year	Final Year
4-Years UG Course	5th Semester	6th Semester	7th Semester	8th Semester		
Conduct of Physical Classes	10.02.2021 to 17.04.2021	03.05.2021 to 31.08.2021	20.09.2021 to 20.01.2022	07.02.2022 to 07.05.2022	10.02.2021 to 14.08.2021	20.09.2021 to 07.05.2022
Examination	19.04.2021 to 30.04.2021	01.09.2021 to 15.09.2021	21.01.2022 to 04.02.2022	15.06.2022 to 30.06.2022	16.08.2021 to 15.09.2021	15.06.2022 to 30.06.2022
Result Publication	31.05.2021	16.10.2021	28.02.2022	15.07.2022	16.10.2021	15.07.2022

(For 2020-21 Year PG Admission Batch)

PG Academic Calendar

Academic Schedule	Academic Session 2020-21		Academic Session 2021-22	
	1st Semester	2nd Semester	3rd Semester	4th Semester
Conduct of Physical Classes	10.02.2021 to 05.06.2021	21.06.2021 to 30.09.2021	18.10.2021 to 31.01.2022	16.02.2022 to 07.05.2022
Examination	07.06.2021 to 19.06.2021	01.10.2021 to 11.10.2021	01.02.2022 to 15.02.2022	15.06.2022 to 30.06.2022
Result Publication	20.07.2021	10.11.2021	15.03.2022	15.07.2022

Guidelines

1. Physical classes shall be held in regular manner to cover all chapters of the syllabus irrespective of coverage of some chapters by on-line mode.
2. Whenever possible, the physical classroom teaching shall be recorded and shared with absentee students.
3. Following Covid-19 Prevention Protocols shall be followed.
 - a. Teachers/Staff/Students residing in active containment zone shall not come to Universities/ Colleges.
 - b. Face Mask/ Face Cover shall be mandatory.
 - c. Frequent Hand Wash/ Hand sanitization shall be ensured.
 - d. Social Distancing, to the extent possible, shall be adopted in classrooms, libraries, laboratories, etc. If need be, crowded classes can be divided into batches and teaching hours in a day can be extended.
 - e. Spitting shall be strictly prohibited.
 - f. Respiratory etiquettes shall be strictly followed. (i.e Covering one's mouth and nose by handkerchief while coughing/sneezing)
 - g. Self-monitoring of health and reporting of illness should be encouraged.
4. Hostels shall be opened from 08-02-2021 for 2020-21 pre-Final Year UG/First Year PG students. All possible Covid-19 prevention protocols shall be followed in hostels.
5. To compensate for the lost days, the Universities and colleges shall remain open for physical classroom teaching, examination and all other allied activities on all days except Sundays, Saraswati Puja, Holi, Utkal Divas, Ratha Jatra, Muharram, Ganesh Puja, Nuakhai, Gandhi Jayanti, Durga Puja (4 days, i.e. Maha Saptami to Vijaya Dashami), Deepabali and Christmas . The Common Holiday List-2021, communicated to all Degree Colleges by this Department, vide Letter No. 42825/HE Dated 23.12.2020, is hereby superseded.

6. State Private Universities (under H.E. Department) may also consider to follow these guidelines to the extent applicable to them.

Yours faithfully,



Principal Secretary to Government

Memo No. 4962/HE dated 02/02/2021

Copy forwarded to Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Hon'ble Chancellor of State Public Universities, Raj Bhavan, Bhubaneswar, Odisha for kind information of Hon'ble Chancellor.



Principal Secretary to Government

Memo No. 4963/HE dated 02/02/2021

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Principal Secretary to Government

Memo No. 4964/HE dated 02/02/2021

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Principal Secretary to Government

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