

ATTENTION STUDENTS !!

INTRODUCTION OF NEW SYLLABUS & PATTERN FOR FOUNDATION PROGRAMME EXAMINATIONS FROM DECEMBER, 2012 SESSION

We are pleased to inform you that the Institute has introduced new syllabus for the Foundation Programme w.e.f. 1st February, 2012.

The salient features of the new syllabus and the changed pattern of conducting the examinations for the same is summarized below :-

1. Effective date for New Syllabus

- (i) The new syllabus of Foundation Programme will be effective from 1st February, 2012.
- (ii) There are four subjects under the new syllabus viz.
 - Business Environment and Entrepreneurship;
 - Business Management, Ethics and Communication;
 - Business Economics;
 - Fundamentals of Accounting and Auditing.

2. New Pattern of Examination

Keeping in view the tech-savvy new generation and with a view to leverage the information technology, the Council of the Institute has decided to conduct Optical Mark Recognition (OMR) based Examination (Objective Type Multiple Choice Questions) for the Foundation Programme under the new syllabus.

3. First Examination

The examination under this new syllabus will be held from December 2012 session of CS examinations.

4. Eligibility for appearing in the Examinations

Students shall be eligible for appearing in Foundation Programme examinations under new syllabus on the basis of self study on completion of a minimum **period of 8 months** from the date of admission (excluding the month of admission and the month of examination). The requirement of coaching completion certificate has been discontinued and no suggested answers will be provided to students of Foundation Programme under new syllabus. The cut-off dates stipulated for submission of examination form and fee will remain the same.

5. Option to students under existing syllabus

- (i) Students who have registered prior to 1st February, 2012 (subject to the validity of their registration) will have option to continue with the existing syllabus till June, 2013 Session.
- (ii) From December, 2013 session, all students will be automatically switched over to the new syllabus.
- (iii) In other words, from December, 2012 to June, 2013 session of examination both syllabi (existing syllabus as well as new syllabus) will run parallel.

6. Switchover to new syllabus

- (i) Students under the existing syllabus may switch over to the new syllabus. They may exercise their option to switch over to the new syllabus while filling up the examination form for December, 2012 OR June, 2013 session and no other formal request is required to be sent to the Institute for the purpose.
- (ii) Students switching over to new syllabus will not have to pay any charges other than the cost of Study Materials under new syllabus, if any, to be purchased by them.
- (iii) Students of existing syllabus are NOT eligible for any paper-wise exemptions on switching over to the new syllabus and they will have to appear in all the papers under the new syllabus irrespective of their performance in previous sessions of examinations or any other qualifications.

7. Other features

- (i) Study material will have two test papers containing multiple questions, the key answers and the specimen OMR Sheet appended at the end of the study material for self study.
- (ii) Students registering for Foundation Programme under new syllabus will be eligible for exemption as per the existing system, e.g., a student securing 60% or above marks will be exempted to appear in the same paper in next attempts(3) under new syllabus.
- (iii) There will be no negative marking under OMR for Foundation Programme under new syllabus.
- (iv) The examination for Foundation Programme under new syllabus will be held in two days, each day having two sessions of two hours.

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