



Ref: IITDh/Academics/S-Grade/2020-21/01

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Academic Circular No.-1

Subject: Circular & instructions regarding option for S-Grade for Spring Semester 2019-20.

The 9th Senate meeting of IIT Dharwad (in its meeting held on 28.05.2020) approved the introduction of the 'S' grade for Spring semester 2019-20.

The students of IIT Dharwad can opt for the "S" grade in a (theory/lab) course after the instructor awards a letter grade, if the students wish to improve their performance. The 9th Senate further approved that, the students opting for 'S' grade, will then take an exam after the students return to the institute. The marks obtained in this exam would then be added to the evaluations completed on campus (i.e. before the students left for home in the middle of Spring 2019-2020 semester). Grading will be done using the total marks. The new grade obtained will be final. In case the student fails to appear for the re-exam, the original grade will be reinstated. There will be only one opportunity for a re-exam.

In this regard, the following decisions are being taken, taking into account the present situation:

1. The portal will be opened for students on 16th July 2020 to OPT for 'S' grade and shall remain open till 1700 Hrs. on 19th July 2020.
2. A first-year student (2019 batch B.Tech.), who wish to opt for "S" grade in lieu of a letter grade in any course, will stand ineligible for "change in branch".
3. For final year graduating students (2016 batch B.Tech.) who wish to opt for S-grade must note that the date of graduation will be delayed in such a scenario.
4. A schedule for the re-exam will be given in the academic calendar for the next academic year (2020-21) and the re-exam will be held when the Institute can be opened for students again.
5. If the examination cannot be held due to unavoidable reasons, the earlier grade will be reinstated.
6. Any final year student opting for S grade (2016 batch B.Tech.) in any course will not be eligible to be considered for award of any of the medals.

All students are requested to take note of above conditions and thereafter submit their option for "S" grade.

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