

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BOMBAY

No.Acad/Senate/235<sup>th</sup> Action- Item No.A.2.3

Academic Office

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> December 2018

**Sub.: Framing of policy/rule to allow conversion to "External" category for completion of one year Masters' project.**

The Senate in its 235<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018 considered and resolved to approve the proposal to convert to "External" category on joining a job in respect of Master's students, on conditions mentioned in the proposal. The provision is meant for completion of one year Masters' project as required for the degree.

*26/12/18*  
Jt. Registrar (Academic)

Encl : The Copy of Proposal

To

1. The Head of all Academic Units
2. The Convener/Co-convener, PGPC
3. The student representatives (Gsec-AA- PG), C/o. Dean (AP) office
4. The Assistant Registrar (Academic) - PG
6. The Head, ASC
7. Concerned Academic office staff (PG unit) - to update the PG Rule Book
8. The Academic Staff (PG)

To,

(1) file.

(2) To all Faculty - scan & send by email

(3) M.Tech N.B.

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28/12/18



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**To consider framing of policy/rule to allow conversion to "External" category for completion of one year Masters' project.**

The PGAPEC in its 405<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 observed that (rule MR 7.1.2) for Masters' student, requires them to work at a stretch for a minimum period of 6-9 months at the Institute for completing the II stage of project. The students getting a job do not get sufficient time at stretch to do the project at the Institute, but do want to complete the programme. However, the current rule does not allow them to complete the project while on job. The matter was placed before the PGPC in its 213<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

The PGPC considered the matter and felt that there is a need to create a "External (EX)" category for Masters' programme for students who get a job. The students will not be admitted in this category, but have the option of conversion to this (EX) category.

The committee recommended that conversion to "External (EX)" category may be permitted on following :

1. The students who join a job, may apply to convert to 'EX' category.
2. The student must have completed the minimum required course work of the programme to apply for conversion.
3. Student would be required to submit project title, proposed work along with names of guide/co-guide to DPGC. The DPGC will evaluate the proposal and would communicate the recommendation to the PGAPEC.
4. Provision of an External Supervisor will be optional. Student must be in regular contact with the IITB Supervisor for completion of the MTP.
5. Submission of "No Objection Certificate" from the Organization/Institute for completing the MTP at IIT Bombay would be mandatory.
6. The student is required to submit the dissertation like other M.Tech. students and must be present in IITB for all project evaluations.
7. The student must register and pay regular semester fees till completion of their programme.
8. Students will not be eligible for hostel on conversion to External Category.

The above provision will be in addition to the M.R. 7.1 (b) in the rule book of Masters' programme.

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