



# ವಿಶ್ವೇಶ್ವರಯ್ಯ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ

ವಿಟಿಯುಲಧಿನಿಯಮಂ ೯೯೪" ರಲಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿಕರ್ನಾಟಕಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದಸ್ಥಾಪಿತವಾದರಾಜ್ಯವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ

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### CIRCULAR

Sub: Permission to complete Skill Enhancement Courses in Place of Internships II/III of B.E./ B.Tech. 2021 Scheme program

- Ref:
- 1 Joint Board of Studies Proceedings dated 10-02-2023
  - 2 Executive Council Resolution No. 2.2.1 dated: 23-02-2023
  - 3 Dean sir approval vide email dated 09.04.2023

With reference to the above, it is hereby informed that the students admitted to the 2021 Scheme B.E./ B.Tech., programs have to complete the following internships after 1<sup>st</sup> year, 2<sup>nd</sup> year, and 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the program respectively.

1. Intra/Inter-Institutional Internship (03 weeks) (02 credits) (after 1<sup>st</sup> year)
2. Innovation/Entrepreneurship /Societal Internship (04 weeks) (03 Credits) (after 2<sup>nd</sup> year)
3. Research Internship/ Industry Internship (24 weeks) (15 Credits) (after 3<sup>rd</sup> year)

However, there were a few representations from the colleges regarding the nonavailability of Internships, particularly for Innovation/Entrepreneurship /Societal Internships (03 Credits) and Research Internship/ Industry Internships (15 Credits). Hence, the matter was placed before the concerned bodies as mentioned in the aforesaid references, and based on the proceedings of the JBoS and the Executive Council, the following is informed to all the stakeholders:

- The students admitted to B.E./ B.Tech., 2021 Scheme must complete an Intra/Inter-Institutional Internship (02 credits) as per the guidelines mentioned in the annexure (Activities under Internship) of regulations governing the 2021 scheme B.E./B.Tech programs.
- For Innovation/Entrepreneurship /Societal Internship (03 Credits), if industry internships are not available, the mentor /coordinator can encourage the students to take up Societal Internships and guide them properly. If the students are not able to get the internship in the industry/Society, they can take skill enhancement Courses of 03 credits and qualify in the courses before the completion of 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the program. The students who take the skill

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enhancement courses have to take approval from the university at the beginning of the 5<sup>th</sup> semester.

- For Research/Industry Internship (15 Credits): Compared to the strength of the admitted students and the duration of the Research Internship/ Industry Internship getting the internship slot in the industry or research laboratories are difficult. Also, students have to qualify for getting an internship in some of the reputed industries. Such students shall take up the skill enhancement courses in the multidisciplinary domain and complete the courses worth 15 credits before completing the VIII semesters. Such students have to select the courses with the help of the mentor/coordinator and submit the list of the courses to the university at the beginning of the VII semesters for approval. Out of 15 credits, a few courses shall be completed in the 7<sup>th</sup> semester and the remaining courses in the 8<sup>th</sup> semester of their program.
- However, every board of studies shall publish the list of the Skill Enhancement Courses to be completed in place of Internships to facilitate the students.
- The respective mentor/coordinator of colleges shall advise the students properly in this regard for timely registration of courses and satisfying the requirement in an orderly manner.
- The Colleges shall advise and guide and help the students to get the internship, however, for students who are not able to get an internship, the college has to prepare a list of such students who are opting for skill enhancement courses and obtain prior approval for the same from the University.
- The mentor/coordinator before advising students shall have to undergo the Annexure-IV Activities Under Internships @ <https://vtu.ac.in/pdf/regulations2021/anex4.pdf>
- For any clarification, mentors/coordinators may write to [sbhalbhavi@vtu.ac.in](mailto:sbhalbhavi@vtu.ac.in)
- At present only the skill enhancement courses which are available from the NPTEL platform are recommended by the university, however, based on the amendments if any other than the NPTEL platform in this regard are updated to all the stakeholders accordingly.
- The percentage of marks scored in NPTEL skill enhancement courses are considered for the calculation of the grade and grade point as per the regulation governing the award of the degree for B.E./B.Tech., programs of 2021 scheme.

All the Principals of Engineering Colleges under the ambit of the university are hereby informed to bring the content of the circular to the notice of all concerned.

**Sd/-**  
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To:

- 1 The Principals of all Engineering Colleges (Affiliated, Autonomous, Constituent) under the ambit of VTU, Belagavi

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