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विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग University Grants Commission (शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)

(Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

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Subject: Fee Refund Policy 2024-25

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The University Grants Commission receives many representations/complaints from students/parents on the non-refund of fees by the Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) on cancellation/withdrawal of admissions.

2. Students should be allowed a full refund of fees within a specified period to enable them to opt for a course of their choice.

3. The Commission has considered the matter in its 580th meeting held on 15 May 2024, and after considering the relevant factors decided, the following fee refund policy for the academic session 2024-25:

- a. Notwithstanding anything contained in any guidelines/ prospectus/ notification/ schedule, a full refund of fees shall be made by the HEIs on account of all cancellations of admissions/migrations of students up to 30 September 2024 and with a deduction of not more than Rs. 1,000, as a processing fee, up to 31 October 2024.
- b. It shall apply to all higher education institutions, whether established or incorporated by or under a Central Act or a State Act, and every institution recognized by the University Grants Commission under clause (f) of Section 2 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 and to all institutions deemed to be a University declared as such under Section 3 therein and to all higher education institutions affiliated to a University.
- c. These guidelines would also be applicable to organizations, consortiums, committees, associations, etc., constituted for the purpose of conducting counselling or processing admissions and collecting fees on behalf of participating HEIs, and the HEI concerned will be responsible for refund fees.
- d. For any admission schedule extending/commencing beyond/after 31 October 2024, the provisions contained in the UGC Notification issued in October 2018 on Refund of Fees and Non-Retention of Original Certificates shall apply (reproduced below for ready reference);

Category	Percentage of Refund of fees*	Point of time when notice of withdrawal of admission is received in the HEI	
(1)	100%	15 days or more before the formally notified last date of admission	
(2)	90%	Less than 15 days before the formally notified last date of admission	
(3)	80%	15 days or less after the formally notified last date of admission	
(4)	50%	30 days or less, but more than 15 days after formally notified last date of admission	
(5)	00%	More than 30 days after formally notified last date of admission	

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e. This policy will remain in force for subsequent academic sessions until the issuance of a revised policy by the UGC.

4. It may also be noted that the UGC has notified the Redressal of Grievances of Students Regulations, 2023, wherein *"delay in, or denial of, the refund of fees due to a student who withdraws admission within the time mentioned in the prospectus, subject to guidelines, if any, issued by the Commission, from time to time"* has been defined as one of the grievances.

5. The Higher Education Institutions are requested to ensure compliance with the fee refund policy for the academic session 2024-25 and redress any grievance by the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Redressal of Grievances of Students) Regulations, 2023.

6. Any HEI violating the provisions of UGC Fee Refund Policy 2024-25 shall be liable for punitive action as notified in Clause 5 of the UGC Notification on Refund of Fees and Non-Retention of Original Certificates issued in October 2018.

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Dated: 2nd May, 2024

Academic Calendar 2024-25

SI. No.	For Technical Institutions (Not applicable for Standalone/PGCM Institutions)	Schedule for A/Y 2024-25	
1.	Last Date to Granting or Refusing Approval by AICTE	10th June 2024	
2.	Final Date to Grant approval to Technical Institution	30th June 2024	
3.	Last Date for Grant of affiliation by University/ Board	31st July 2024	
4.	Last Date for cancellation of seats for Technical courses with full fee refund	11th September,2024	
5	Last Date up to which First year students can be admitted against vacancies	15th September, 2024	
6.	Last Date for Commencement of classes for First year students of Technical courses	15th September, 2024	
7.	Last Date for Lateral Entry Admission to Second year courses for Newly Admitted students.	15th September, 2024	
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1.	Last Date to Granting or Refusing Approval by AICTE	10th June 2024	
2.	Final Date to Grant approval	30th June 2024	
3.	Last Date for cancellation of seats of PGDM/PGCM with full refund	11th September,2024	
4	Last Date for Admission to courses in PGDM/PGCM	15th September,2024	
5.	Last Date for Commencement of classes for PGDM/PGCM	11th September,2024	
	Institutions with ODL / Online Programme(s)	/ Course(s)	
1.	Last Date for Grant of Approval to Institutions As per UGC Policy Offering ODL/Online Course(s)		
2.	Last Date for Admission to Courses in Open and Distance Learning Mode (First Session)		
3.	Last Date for Admission to Courses in Open and Distance Learning/ Online Learning Mode (Second Session)		

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