DCC Meeting Minutes

Date:13-03-2024   **Time: 12:00 PM to 01:00 PM**   **Venue: CSED Seminar Hall**

Agenda Items:
1. Ratification of the minutes of the DCC meeting held on 01/02/2024
2. Action Taken Action Pending Report of the last DCC meeting
3. Activity credit for B Tech CS 2023 Admission
4. Proposal for Considering Publications in Reputed Conferences Towards Requirement for PhD
5. Proposal to add "sponsored category" in MTech in Artificial Intelligence and Data Analytics (AI-DA) programme for working professionals based on a request from Dean (Acad)

The DCC meeting started at CSED Seminar Hall at 12:00 PM. The Chairperson welcomed all members to the meeting.

Agenda Item 1:   Ratification of the minutes of the DCC meeting held on 01/02/2024

The DCC ratified the confirmation of the minutes of the DCC meeting held on 01/02/2024.

Agenda Item 2: Action Taken Action Pending Report of the last DCC meeting

Action Taken: Communicated the DCC decision regarding the Operational guidelines for the start-ups by faculty/staff/students of NITC to The Chairperson, Innovation Cell, NITC.

Action pending :NIL

Agenda Item 3: Activity credit for B Tech CS 2023 Admission

Dr Saleena N proposed a policy for the activity points distribution for the extracurricular activities taken up by the students of BTech CS from 2023 admission onwards. The breakdown is as follows:

- Internship - 2 points per day (maximum 10 points for one internship)
- Projects - FA may award 5-10 points based on the work done. Students are expected to present/demonstrate the work.
- Training - 2 points per day (maximum 10 points per training)
- Other activities - 2-10 points - FA can decide based on the activity

The student has to produce a certificate from the organization validating their participation in the activity.

The proposed policy was approved by the DCC.

Agenda Item 4: Proposal for Considering Publications in Reputed Conferences Towards Requirement for PhD in CSED

Dr Nirmal Kumar Boran presented a proposal (Annexure I) prepared by a special departmental committee (Dr Vineeth Paleri, Dr Joe Cheri Ross, Dr Nirmal Kumar Boran, and Dr Venkatarami Reddy Chintapalli) on considering publications in a reputed conference towards requirement for PhD in CSED by keeping view of the fact that conferences are major venues for publications in the discipline of Computer Science and Engineering. This proposal is based on the discussion between Prof. Prasad Krishna, Director, NIT Calicut and the faculty members of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering during his visit to the Department on August 21, 2023. The final draft of the proposal was prepared by considering the inputs and suggestions from the members of DCC over a mail thread.

It proposes that the publications in reputed conferences be considered towards the publication requirement for PhD specified in the PhD rules and regulations 2022 in the following way:

Proposal 1: A paper accepted in a conference with "A*" or "A" CORE ranking may be considered equivalent to the journal requirement specified in R20(iv)a.

I.e. R20(iv)a: "One paper accepted in a journal present in the list of Q1 journals of Web of Science core collection in the respective subject area based on the research work carried out."
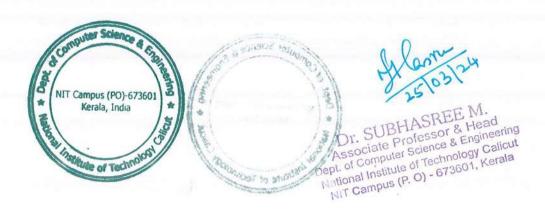
Proposal 2: A paper accepted in a conference with minimum "B" CORE ranking may be considered equivalent to one journal requirement specified in R20(iv)b.

I.e. R20(iv)b: "Two papers accepted in a journal covered by Web of Science core collection based on the research work carried out."

DCC recommended the proposal. It also urged the institute to recognize the significance of conferences in the domain of computer science and consider the proposal as a distinctive aspect of CSED.

Agenda Item 5: Proposal to add "sponsored category" in MTech in Artificial Intelligence and Data Analytics (AI-DA) programme for working professionals based on a request from Dean (Acad)

Dr Abdul Nazeer K A presented the request(Annexure II) from the Dean(Acad) to reserve a few seats of M.Tech Artificial Intelligence and Data Analytics (AI - DA) (based on a request from a scientific assistant of Indian Naval Academy, Ezhimala) for working professionals in the sponsored category starting with the upcoming advertisement of M.Tech programme. Currently, the M.Tech AI-DA programme is offered under self sponsored category only (Annexure III). It was brought to the notice of DCC that the M.Tech programme in Electrical Vehicle Engineering offered by EED has two categories of admission: sponsored and self sponsored.

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In that regard, a revised proposal for the "Eligibility for Admissions to M.Tech. Programme in Computer Science and Engineering (Artificial Intelligence & Data Analytics)" (Annexure II) which includes "sponsored" category of admission along with the existing "self-sponsored" category was presented.
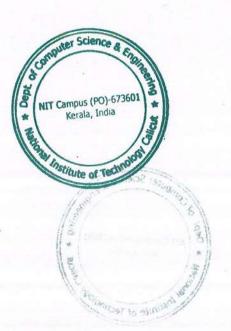
The proposed eligibility criteria for admission under "sponsored" category is:

Candidates for admission to M. Tech. (CSE-AIDA) degree programme under the Sponsored Category must possess a working experience of minimum 2 years in the relevant field and should have passed bachelor's degree of four years duration in any branch of Engineering/Technology/Science OR Master's degree of two/three years duration in any stream of Science / Mathematics / Statistics / Computer Science / Computer Applications, from a recognized university/institute, with minimum 60% marks or CGPA of 6. Selection of candidates will be based on a test and interview conducted by the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, NIT Calicut.

All the theory and laboratory courses will be offered on-campus in the offline mode such that the selected candidates will have to be present at the institute campus for a minimum duration of two semesters.

After a detailed discussion, DCC resolved to recommend the proposal. Additionally, it was recommended to allocate 5 seats (out of a total of 25) for the sponsored category. However, in case any of these seats remain unfilled, they may be reallocated to the "self-sponsored" category.

The meeting ended at 01:00 PM on 13-03-2024.

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Annexure I

Proposal for Considering Publications in Reputed Conferences Towards Requirement for PhD:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/15bAREnZdVWuCXDhVf-ji8x1o_wEWhzkj/view?usp=sharing

Annexure II

Request from Dean(Acad) :
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1B1dG81qZswZwZj_kFfkKRky4grX6BcFJRaMqSiULFiA/edit

Annexure III

M.Tech AI & DA Notification 2023:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NxtnbaT4iA10EOnUONzvL4aIm6Hm1BHS/view

Annexure IV

M.Tech EVE Notification 2023:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MyxjczVxvZidHCzJISTsqBB_n33s3Zti/view?usp=sharing

Annexure V

M.Tech (CSE-AIDA)-Proposed Eligibility:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ii78ZzLaB77P8JWrvszfZLTrLZkyu7S4750bCeAJp2A/edit

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