

# INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY GANDHINAGAR

## **NORMS FOR PASS/FAIL OPTION AND SUBSTITUTION OF COURSES**

(As approved by Senate in its 15th meeting held on 03 January 2014 and  
in its 66<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 16 October 2023)

It is felt important to encourage students to explore courses in areas in which they have little background and promote additional learning among the students through courses beyond minimum graduation requirements. It will be useful to have provisions against decline in overall performance indices of the students. In view of this, the Senate approved the following provisions in the curriculum of all programmes.

### **A. PASS/FAIL OPTION IN COURSES**

1. A student can submit request to convert his/her earlier registered course(s) with passing grade(s) to Pass/Fail option. Each student will have this option available for a maximum of two courses for conversion during the entire programme. The course tagged with this option will be dropped from CPI calculation.
2. BTech students can use this option any time after completing two years into the programme. The students in other programmes can use this option any time after their first semester into the programme.

### **B. REPEATING/SUBSTITUTING COURSES**

1. A student can repeat a compulsory course or a particular elective course to improve his/her understanding of the subject as well as his/her CPI, irrespective of his/her performance in the earlier attempt. Better of the two grades will be counted towards CPI calculation and only the best grade obtained will be shown on the Academic Transcript.
2. Courses, which are counted towards graduation requirements, with fail grades will not be shown on the Academic Transcript, if a passing grade is obtained by a student later by repeating the course, i.e. only the final grade which is used for calculation of the CPI will be mentioned in the Academic Transcript.
3. A student can substitute one elective course by another elective course to improve his/her CPI, irrespective of his/her performance in the earlier course. Given the provision of Proficiency Transcript, substitution need not be declared by the student *a-priori* and the student may select courses to appear in Proficiency and Academic transcripts at any point of time and definitely before claiming the completion of graduation requirements.
4. The grades of all attempts for courses which are repeated or substituted will however be shown in the semester grade report and will be used in the calculation of the corresponding SPIs.

The scheme will be effective for all the students admitted in 2013 batch and afterwards. However, the provisions on repeating/substituting courses may be allowed to students that were admitted prior to 2013 batch students on case to case basis by Dean (Academic Affairs).