ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Name of the Course:

(a) Faculty Council (Sc)

i) M.Sc in Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology, Mathematics (MA/MSc), Geography (MA/MSc), Statistics, Env.Science, Biotechnology, Microbiology, Physiology and Computer Science & Applications.

Eligibility: (For both Indian national and foreign students)

a) M.A./M.Sc. (Under Faculty Council (Sc):

MINIMUM MARKS FOR ADMISSION TO THE UNRESERVED SEATS IN ALL M.A./M.Sc/ M.COM COURSE OF STUDIES UNDER FACULTY COUNCILS OF SCIENCE & ARTS IS 50% AT THE HONOURS LEVEL (REGULAR COURSE AND NO CANDIDATE HAVING OBTAINED GRADUATION/ POST GRADUATE DEGREE FROM AN OPEN UNIVERSITY OR THROUGH DISTANCE EDUCATION MODE IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION TO THE REGULAR M.A./ M.Sc/ M.Com/ M.Phil Course of Studies. (As per EC resolution vide item no. 26 (Any Other matter) on 30.03.2015.)

<u>Env. Sc.</u> Science graduates (10+2+3) having 50% marks Honours in Env. Sc. / Microbiology / Botany/ Chemistry/ Zoology/ Physics/ Geography/ Geology/ Physiology/ Biochemistry and B.Sc.(Agri.) Hons. (10+2+4).

Biotechnology: Science graduates(10+2+3) and Engineering graduates (10+2+4) in Biotechnology with at least 55% marks and Science graduates (10+2+3) having Honours with at least 55% marks in (i) Chemistry with any branch of Bio-Science as combination subject or Biology at H.S. level or (ii) Any branch of Bio-Science with Chemistry as combination subject or (iii) Agricultural Science.

<u>Computer Science & Applications</u>: Candidates who have obtained 50% marks in B.Sc (H) in Computer Science or BCA (H) or BE / BTech in Computer Science & Engineering (CSE) / Computer Science & Technology (CST) / Information Technology (IT).

Other Subjects: For admission to other subjects, graduates having 50& marks in Honours/Spl. Honours in the relevant subjects for each of the three years of the degree new course are only eligible to apply. For admission to Statistics, Honours graduates with 50% marks in Mathematics with Statistics as pass subject may also apply. For admission to Chemistry, candidates must have Mathematics at the degree level. One extra seat will be allotted to each of the DSA-assisted departments i.e., Physics, Chemistry & CAS Department-Botany to be filled-up by the students domicile of other states.

Selection Criteria

For MA/ MSc

60% of the total seats for all departments are reserved for pass-outs from colleges under the University of Burdwan and admission to these seats will be considered on the basis of the performance in the relevant honours papers. Remaining 40% seats will be filled up through Open Admission Test. The test will be held on the basis of MCQ with negative marking. Candidates from

other Universities within and outside West Bengal will have to appear in the said admission test. Candidates from the colleges under the University of Burdwan can also appear in the said admission test to vie for a better option regarding choice of centre of study. For Biotechnology and Environmental Sciences, 100% of the seats would be filled up through Open Admission Test.

In the category of 60% seats, if more than one candidate is found to have secured same marks in honours examination, then their performance in Higher Secondary or equivalent examination will be considered to make a preference of one over the other. Likewise, if the performances at plus-two stage are found to be same, then performance at secondary level will be considered for final decision. If, at all these stages, performances of more than one student are found to be same, then final decision regarding selection of candidate will be referred to Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, BU. Under 40% seats, if more than one student is found to have secured same marks in Open Admission Test, then their academic performance at honours level will be considered for final selection. If honours level performance is found to be same for more than one student in this category, then the principle adopted in 60% category in such situation will be followed here also.