Shri Vishnu College of Pharmacy (Autonomous), Bhimavaram – 534 202

Minutes of Meeting – Academic Council Meeting

Date: 12-09-2025
Time: 10.30am to 11.30am
Platform: Google Meet
Attendees:

1. Prof. S. Paul Douglas(Andhra University)
2. Dr. A.K.M. Pawar(Andhra University)
3. Prof. K. Basavaiah (Andhra University)
4. Dr.K.S.Nataraj (SVCP)
5. Dr.M.Mohan Varma (SVCP)
6. Dr.A.S.Rao (SVCP)
7. Dr.S.Anil Kumar (SVCP)
8. Dr.N.L.Prasanthi(SVCP)
9. Dr. P. Lavudu
10. Dr. S. Pavan Kumar (SVCP)
11. Dr.M.S.R. Bapiraju (SVCP)

1. Opening and Welcome

The meeting commenced with a welcome note from the Principal, Dr. K.S. Nataraj, Shri Vishnu College of Pharmacy.

2. Agenda Review

The following key agenda items were discussed:

- Academic Calendars – Alignment with Andhra University for B.Pharm, M.Pharm, and Pharm.D programs.
- Add-on Courses – Introduction and certification for skill enhancement in various pharmacy disciplines.
- Exam Branch Reforms – Question paper setting and evaluation, especially for Mathematics subject.
- Internship and Training – Implementation of hospital and industry internships for B.Pharm and Pharm.D programs.
- Examination Patterns – Modifications including Bloom's taxonomy based question patterns and open book exams for Pharm.D.
- Research and Publications – Refresher courses and journal club activities for postgraduate students.

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3. Key Discussions & Decisions

A. Academic Calendars

- The college is aligning its academic calendar with Andhra University while maintaining some internal schedules for smooth conduct of examinations.
- M.Pharm II, III, and IV semesters, as well as B.Pharm and Pharm.D schedules, have been finalized with respective midterm and final exam dates.
- Continuous adjustments maintain academic rigor and coordination with university timelines.

B. Add-on Courses & Skill Development

- Certificate programs introduced for Pharmaceutical Quality Assurance and Pharmaceutical Analysis students (e.g., Regulatory Affairs, Pharmaceutical Management).
- Communication and computer skills courses added at II M.Pharm semester to enhance employability.
- Planned courses in Medical Coding, Pharmacovigilance, AI, Python, and DataCamp online courses for Pharm.D students to improve industry readiness.
- Practice school and internship guidelines for experiential learning discussed with emphasis on clinical services training and CPR.
- Introduction of AR/VR training modules for B.Pharm students to enhance practical exposure.

C. Exam Branch Reforms

- Question paper setting and evaluation for Mathematics to be exclusively handled by faculty teaching Mathematics in pharmacy from 2024-25 onward.
- Simplification of Mathematics syllabus focusing on Arithmetic, Reasoning, and Aptitude suggested for better student understanding.
- Open book examination format introduced for II Pharm.D Therapeutics subject.
- Pre-final examinations for Mathematics have been proposed.

D. Internship and Training Implementation

- Hospital internships have been mandated from 2025-26 for II and III year Pharm.D students (1–2 months).
- Industry or hospital internships for B.Pharm students to be implemented with durations of 30 to 60 days.
- Practice school students to continue under the same guide during various semesters for consistency.

E. Research, Publications, and Curriculum Enhancements

- Refresher courses focusing on research publications planned for M.Pharm students.
- Journal club activities to be held regularly; each student to deliver two seminars on research topics per semester.
- Curriculum updates include the introduction of Arithmetic and Reasoning topics in the 3rd year alongside computer applications.

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4. Action Items

Item	Responsible	Deadline
Finalize and implement internship guidelines	Academic Coordination Committee	Start from Academic Year 2025-26
Roll out add-on courses (Medical Coding, Pharmacovigilance, AI, Python)	Academic Coordinators	Next Semester
Simplify Mathematics syllabus and conduct pre-final exams	Exam Branch	Upcoming Academic Year
Implement AR/VR training modules for B.Pharm	Training Department	Next Academic Cycle
Monitor and ensure adherence to new examination reforms	Exam Branch	Ongoing
Organize refresher courses on research publications	PG Department	Next Semester

Implemented items from previous Academic council meeting held on 29-03-2025

- Initiated ADD ON courses for All programs (i.e., M.Pharm, B.Pharm, Pharm.D)
- Emphasis given on AI and Python courses for B.Pharm and Pharm.D
- Communication skills sessions incorporated for M.Pharm Students
- Instrument handling and training modules initiated for M.Pharm students.
- Chief examiners assigned for external paper vetting

5. Closing Remarks

Prof. Paul Douglas, Dr. A.K.M. Pawar and Prof. K. Basavaiah from Andhra University commended the college's proactive initiatives towards curriculum enhancement and skill development.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to all participants for their valuable contributions.

PRINCIPAL

Dr.K.S.Nataraj, Chairman

Dr.MSR Bapi Raju, Member Secretary

Prof.A.Krishna Manjari Powar, AUCOPS

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