

VIDYAVARDHAKA COLLEGE OF
ENGINEERING

Regulations Governing the Degree of the
Award of “Honours”

Objectives of Award of Honors

- To encourage the advanced levels of study and multidisciplinary learning
- Specialize in a focused area of their interest
- Learn new skills and methodologies pertaining to their area of interest
- Enable personal creativity
- Cultivate a sustaining interest in advanced education and research
- Enhance professional development and to gain recognition at the time of graduation for advanced, distinguished work as an undergraduate

Definition for “Honours”

‘Honours’ means a higher recognition awarded to a well performing UG student on earning the specific extra credits after satisfying the relevant Degree award conditions.

How?

AICTE has introduced a Scheme wherein each student has to earn **18 or more** additional credits through Massive Open Online Courses (**MOOCs**) such as,

- a) SWAYAM
- b) National Programme for Technology Enhanced Learning (**NPTEL**)

Eligibility Criteria for Registration

Every student of the University intending to register for the 'Honours' qualification shall fulfil the following academic requirements:

- a) Registration to 'Honours' qualification shall start from fifth semester onwards
- b) The Registrants shall have obtained a grad \geq D in all the courses in the first attempt only. In the semesters until this stage.
- c) The Registrants shall have obtained a CGPA \geq 8.50 at the end of the fourth semester.
- d) The lateral entry Diploma students shall have completed Additional Mathematics 1st and 2nd during 3rd and 4th semesters in first attempt only.

Registration Procedure

- a) Registration to the University through the Principal of his/her College in the prescribed form along with the prescribed application fees within 15 working days after notification by the University.
- b) There shall be no limit on the intake of students for registration.
- c) All the applicants fulfilling the eligibility shall be free for registration.
- d) The Registrar shall notify the registration, or otherwise, of the student/s within the next 15 working days on the University Notice Boards with copies to the Colleges concerned.
- e) If registered, the students shall pay a one-time non-refundable registration fee as prescribed by the University to confirm the registration.

Additional Coursework

- a) In 3rd & 4th year, students registered for the Honor qualification shall have to take up the additional coursework as notified by the University from NPTEL and other platforms .
- b) Each coursework shall be completed successfully irrespective of the number of attempts.
- c) Students shall be permitted to drop the registered coursework/s and select alternative coursework/s, in case, they cannot appear for proctored examinations.

Additional Coursework

- d) The credit of assessment shall be as per the NPTEL courses shall be determined based on the following table

Table : Assigned credits	
Online course duration	Assigned credits
04 weeks	01
08 weeks	02
12 weeks	03

- e) i) Students shall maintain a grade $\geq D$ in all the courses of fifth to eighth semesters in first attempt only
- ii) Students failing to maintain a grade $\geq D$ in all the courses of fifth to eighth semesters in first attempt only shall discontinue the attempt to earn additional credits

Additional Coursework

- e) iii) Students not having CGPA \geq 8.50 at the end of programme shall not be eligible for the award of Honours even if they have satisfied the additional credits consideration prescribed for Honours degree.
- f) i) The honours degree shall be awarded only if the CGPA at the end of the BE / B.Tech programme is equal to or greater than 8.50