

The amendment to the Clause III(2)(c) of the UGCF 2022 pertaining to the definition of Generic Electives (GE) and explanatory note to the Table-7 of the UGCF 2022 as under:

1. The university implemented the NEP 2020 through UGCF 2022 where Generic Electives were an integral component of the framework. In course of implementation of UGCF 2022, a need was felt to revisit the definition of Generic Electives to contextualise the meaning of Generic Electives in various contexts with special reference to the language pool GEs and issues arising out of their implementation.
2. Accordingly, the amended definition of GE incorporates every possible permutation and combination of choice of GEs in order to facilitate the students to pursue their academic paths as per UGCF 2022.
3. The existing definition of GE reads as under -
“Generic Electives shall be a pool of courses which is meant to provide multidisciplinary or interdisciplinary education to students. GEs shall consist of a pool of courses offered by various disciplines of study (excluding the GEs offered by the parent discipline), in groups of odd and even semesters, from which a student can choose. The GEs specified in the framework would be identified by the concerned Department as GEs to be taught in a programme.

In case a student opts for DSEs beyond his/her discipline specific course(s) of study of study, such DSEs shall be treated as GEs for that student.”

4. The amended definition of GE reads as under –

“Generic Elective (GE): Generic Electives shall be those courses which are meant to provide multidisciplinary or interdisciplinary education to students. GEs shall consist of a pool of courses offered by various disciplines of study (excluding the GEs offered by the parent discipline), in groups of odd and even semesters, from which a student can choose.

For **single core discipline programmes**, GEs shall also be a pathway for developing a minor discipline. To develop minor in a discipline, students shall earn a minimum of 28 credits from the GE pool of that discipline by studying at least three mandatory GE courses identified for the same so as to maintain the academic standards. Those who do not wish to minor in a discipline may pick any course for which he/she fulfils the eligibility criteria and prerequisites, if any.

Any DSC or DSE studied by a student of a discipline other than his/her core discipline(s) shall be treated as a GE for such student.

For departments which does not provide GEs for developing minor in that discipline, seven courses of four credits each have to be chosen from a pool of DSCs and DSEs identified by the concerned Department.

For two core discipline programmes i.e. the B.A. Programmes, the students shall study the following GEs depending upon the type/nature of the core disciplines:

Sl. No.	Type/Nature of the core disciplines	Semester	GE that may be opted	Remarks
1	Both disciplines 1 & 2 are non-language [e.g. B.A. (P) and B.Com (P)]	I	GE(L) – 1 (English-1/ MIL ^A -1/ MIL ^B -1)	First paper of first language from the GE (L) pool
2	One of the two core disciplines is a language	I	GE(L) – 1 English-1/ MIL ^A -1/ MIL ^B -1 [minus the GE(L) of the core]	GE(L)/GE of the core discipline cannot be opted; for e.g. B.A. (P) with English/ Hindi as core discipline cannot opt for GE(L) of English/ Hindi respectively
3	Both disciplines 1 & 2 are languages	All semesters	GE from the open pool can be opted other than GEs of the two core disciplines	GE(L) pool need not be studied.
4	Both disciplines 1 & 2 are non-language	II	GE(L) – 2 (English-1/ MIL ^A -1/ MIL ^B -1)	First paper of the second language from the GE(L) pool
5	One of the two core disciplines is a language	II & IV	GE Open Pool [minus the GEs of the two core disciplines]	GE(L)/GE of the core discipline cannot be opted; for e.g. B.A. (P) with English/ Hindi as core discipline cannot opt for GE(L) of English/ Hindi respectively
6	Both disciplines 1 & 2 are non-language	III	GE(L) – 3 (English-2/ MIL ^A -2/ MIL ^B -2)	Second paper of the first language chosen from the GE (L) pool
	language	III	English-2/ MIL ^A -2/ MIL ^B -2 [minus the GE(L) of the core]	opted; for e.g. B.A. (P) with English/ Hindi as core discipline cannot opt for

				GE(L) of English/ Hindi respectively
8	Both disciplines 1 & 2 are non-language	IV	GE(L) – 4 (English-2/ MIL ^A -2/ MIL ^B -2)	Second paper of the second language chosen from the GE (L) pool

Note:

1. From semester V onwards, all students of B.A. (P) can opt for GEs from the open pool other than that of the core disciplines they are studying.
2. Students of B.A.(P)/ B.Com.(P) with two non-language core disciplines, and have not studied Hindi upto class VIII, shall be allowed to opt for GE from open pool if he/she cannot be provided GE(L) of their mother tongue (e.g. Bengali, Assamese, Manipuri, Odiya, Kannad etc.). However, the concerned Principal of the college shall have to seek permission for the same. Similar provision may be made for students from the South India or North-East who do not have the proficiency to study the GE(L) Hindi prescribed for those who have studied Hindi upto class VIII. Further, those who have not studied Hindi/MIL upto class VIII may also be exempted from studying the second language of GE(L).

A student who desires to make Entrepreneurship as Minor discipline may choose to study seven GEs listed for Entrepreneurship.”

5. The existing Asterix marked three paragraphs appended to the Table-7 of the UGCF 2022 (ref. page no. 27 of UGCF 2022) is reproduced below:

*“*Languages 1, 2, 3 & 4 offered in semesters I, II, III & IV respectively are courses of two different Languages (one of which shall be an Indian Language) to be chosen from a pool of Languages offered as GE. A student shall study two courses of each language.*

DSC-1 to DSC-6 shall be core courses of either Discipline A or B.

If a student wishes to major in Discipline A, then he/she should earn at least 80 credits from DSCs and DSEs of Discipline A. If the sum total of the DSCs and DSEs is less than 80 credits, then the credits earned in the dissertation written on a topic of Discipline A shall also be taken into consideration to complete the requisite 80 credits.”

6. The amended three paragraphs appended to the Table-7 of the UGCF 2022 is as under

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“ For B.A. (P) and B.Com. (P) where the core disciplines are not languages, the GE Languages 1, 2, 3 & 4 offered in semesters I, II, III & IV respectively are courses of two different Languages (one of which shall be an Indian Language) to be chosen from a pool of Languages offered as GE. A student shall study two courses of each language. For other B.A. (P) students, where one or both core disciplines are language(s), please refer to the definition of Generic Elective.*

DSC-1 to DSC-6 shall be core courses of either Discipline A or B.

If a student wishes to Major in Discipline A, then he/she should earn at least 80 credits from DSCs and DSEs of Discipline A. If the sum total of the DSCs and DSEs of Discipline A is less than 80 credits, then the credits earned in the dissertation written on a topic of Discipline A shall also be taken into consideration to complete the requisite 80 credits.”