

UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONAL RESEARCH

COURSE NAME: Bachelor of Multidisciplinary (Hons.) in Operational Research as Minor

(SEMESTER -I)

based on

Undergraduate Curriculum Framework 2022 (UGCF)
(Effective from Academic Year 2022-23)



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Course Title	Nature of the Course	Total Credits	Components			Eligibility Criteria/ Prerequisite	Contents of the course and reference is in
			Lecture	Tutorial	Practical		
Introduction to Operational Research and Linear Programming	DSC-01	4	3	0	1	Class XII Pass with Mathematics as a subject	Annexure-I
Introduction to Operational Research and Linear Programming	GE-01	4	3	0	1	Class XII Pass with Mathematics as a subject	Annexure-II

ANNEXURE-I

DSC-01. Introduction to Operational Research and Linear Programming

Course Objectives:

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Course Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course, students will possess knowledge and skills required to

- Gain an understanding of key concepts of Operational Research and Linear Programming and their role in various organizations.
- Describe the basic concepts of convex analysis and explain the theoretical foundations of various issues related to linear programming modelling.
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Practical/Lab to be performed on a computer using OR/Statistical packages

1. To solve Linear Programming Problem (LPP) using Graphical Method with
 - (i) Unbounded solution.
 - (ii) Infeasible solution.
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2. Solution of LPP with simplex method.
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6. Solution to linear programming problem through revised simplex method.

Teaching Plan:

Week 1-3: Basics of Operational Research: Origin & Development of Operational Research, Definition and Meaning of Operational Research, Different Phases of an Operational Research Study, Scope and Limitations of Operational Research, Mathematical Modelling of Real Life Problems.

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Facilitating the achievement of Course Learning Outcomes

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	<p>Research.</p> <p>(ii) Understand the scope and development of Operational Research</p> <p>(iii) Mathematical modelling of real world problems.</p>	<p>examples will be laid out and discussed with the students encouraging them to discover the relevant concepts.</p>	<p>and presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly Assignments • Student presentation • Mid-Term examination, • Group activities involving students to solve real-world problems using solver • Hold both announced and unannounced quizzes • End-term examination
2.	<p>(i) Formulate real-world problems as linear programming model.</p> <p>(ii) Describe the theoretical workings of the graphical method for linear programming and demonstration by hand and solver.</p> <p>(iii) Explain the theoretical foundations of various topics related to linear programming modelling.</p>	<p>(ii) Give extensive examples during lectures.</p> <p>(iii) Give periodic assignments.</p> <p>(iv) Encourage students to participate in class discussion.</p>	
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