

National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 Adoption at CMRU

CMR University has actively embraced the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The institution has aligned its academic framework with NEP guidelines to promote holistic, multidisciplinary, and skill-oriented education. Key NEP 2020 initiatives at CMRU have een listed below.

- 1. Multidisciplinary Programs: CMR University has introduced flexible curricula that allow students to choose courses across different disciplines, encouraging a well-rounded education.
- 2. Skill Development: Emphasis on vocational education and skill development courses is a priority, integrating practical skills with theoretical knowledge.
- 3. Research and Innovation: CMRU promotes a research-driven environment, encouraging students and faculty to engage in innovative projects.
- 4. Technology Integration: Adoption of digital tools and e-learning platforms to enhance the learning experience.
- 5. Holistic Development: Focus on the overall development of students, including mental health, ethics, and social responsibility.

Establishment of Department of Common Core Curriculum (DCCC)

The Common Core Curriculum (CCC), implemented by the Department of Common Core Curriculum (DCCC) was launched in the academic year 2021-22, at CMRU to comply with the NEP 2020 requirements.CMR University strives to ensure that students are equipped with 21st Century competencies that are required to thrive in the 'University of Life', with the vision of "nurturing creative thinkers to drive positive global change". Towards this end, the Department of Common Core Curriculum (DCCC) aims to prepare all the students who enrol in the various undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in the various Schools of the University, for a future, they do not know, jobs that do not exist today and all of life's challenges that lay before them. The common core modules include many aspects mentioned in the New Education Policy- 2020 regarding introducing skill based modules at higher education level. We have made it mandatory for all students to attend 45 hours of skill enhancement and ability enhancement modules.

In addition to the above, CMRU also recommends the multiple exit options as recommended by the NEP 2020, subject to the approval of the Karnataka State Higher Education Council. CMR University has integrated multiple exit options into its academic structure in line with the NEP 2020 guidelines. Here's how the university has adopted this aspect.

1. Undergraduate Programs:

- Certificate after 1 Year: Students can exit after completing the first year and receive a certificate in their respective field of study.
- Diploma after 2 Years: If students choose to exit after the second year, they are awarded a diploma.
- Bachelor's Degree after 3 Years: Completion of three years leads to a bachelor's degree.
- Bachelor's Degree with Research after 4 Years: Students who complete a four-year program with a research component are awarded a bachelor's degree with honours/research.

2. Credit Transfer and Accumulation:

- Academic Bank of Credits (ABC): CMRU supports the Academic Bank of Credits, allowing students to accumulate and transfer credits across different institutions if they decide to exit and re-enter the education system at a later stage.

3. Flexibility in Learning:

- Interdisciplinary Approach: Students can choose electives across disciplines, providing the flexibility to tailor their education according to their interests and career goals.

4. Support Systems:

- Counseling and Guidance: CMRU offers academic counseling and career guidance to help students make informed decisions regarding their exit options and future academic or career paths.

With these multiple exit options, CMRU ensures that students have the flexibility to pursue their education at their own pace and according to their individual needs and circumstances.