

**MADHYA PRADESH BHOJ (OPEN) UNIVERSITY
BHOPAL**

ORDINANCE NO. 90

MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M.)

1.1 The duration of the course of instruction for the **Master of Laws (LL.M.)** Examination shall be two academic years. The course design, course content, counseling, programme structure would be decided by the University on recommendation of the Board of Studies concern from time to time. The delivery of the courses will consist of course support material, assignments, contact classes, library consultation. A minimum of 60% of attendance in contact classes, submission of at least one assignment per course will be necessary condition for the eligibility of a candidate to appear in Term End Examination.

1.2 The examination shall be held in two Parts, viz, **Previous** at the end of the course of **First Year** and **Final** at the end of the course of **Second Year**, on the Timetable fixed by the University during the academic year.

2. The last date(s) by which the admission/examination forms and fees must reach the Regional Director shall be on prescribed admission form of the University.

3. The candidates seeking admission to the LL.M. Degree course must have passed LL.B. 3 years or B.A.LL.B. 5 years course examination of this University or (other equivalent examination) of any recognized University.

4. A person who has passed the LL.M. (Previous) Examination of the M.P. Bhoj (Open) University, shall be eligible to join the LL.M.(Final) Class. This is, however, subject to Clause 7 below.

5. The examination in Previous/Final shall be open to a student who:-

- (a) has passed the requisite examination as laid down in Clauses 3 or 4 as the case may be, and
- (b) has his name submitted to the Regional Director of the University he has most recently attended and produces the following certificates signed by him:-
 - (i) of having remained on the rolls of the University for the academic year preceding the examination;
 - (ii) of having attended not less than 66% of the Contact classes in each of the subjects as also in Seminars, if any (to be counted upto the last day when the classes break up for the preparatory holidays, viz, 7 days before the commencement of the examination).

Explanation:

For the purpose of counting of the last date when the classes shall break up for the preparatory holidays, first day of the commencement of examination of any part will apply to examinations of all Parts and classes for all Parts will have the preparatory holidays from the same date i.e., 7 working days before the date on which the First Examination of any part commences.

6.1 A student who has completed the prescribed course of instruction in the University for Previous/Final Examination but does not appear in it, for good reasons. e.g., serious illness serious calamity like death of father or mother etc., or, having appeared fails, may be allowed on the recommendations of the Regional Director, two chances within the period of five years of his admission to the course to appear/re-appear in the examination/paper(s) as the case may be, as an ex-student, without attending a fresh course of instruction within the period of five years of his admission of the course. This is, however, subject to Clause 6.2 below. While appearing in the examination a candidate shall be exempted from re-appearing in the paper(s) in which he has obtained at least 50% marks.

6.2 A candidate for the LL.M. Examination must pass the whole examination (Previous as well as Final) within Five Years of his admission to the LL.M. Course, failing which he will be deemed to be unfit for the Post-graduate Studies in Law and shall not be further admitted to this University for such a course.

7. A candidate shall be allowed to proceed from LL.M. (Previous) to L.L.M.(Final) Class if he has got exemption in at least two papers. Subject to the number of chances as provided in Clause 6 above, such a candidate shall be allowed to appear in the remaining paper(s) of L.L.M. (Previous) along with the L.L.M.(Final) Examination. Provided that if such a candidate fails to pass the L.L.M. (Previous) Examination, his result for L.L.M. (Final) Examination shall be declared provisionally.

8. A candidate shall submit his examination admission application on the prescribed form with the required certificates duly countersigned by the Coordinator/Regional Director.

9.1 A candidate shall be required to write a dissertation on a topic from the groups offered by him in L.L.M. Part-I or in L.L.M. Part-II Examination. The topic of Dissertation of a candidate will be approved by the Director (A&E). The candidate shall submit to the Director (A&E) an application for the approval of the topic for the Dissertation immediately after admission in L.L.M. Part-II. The Supervisor shall be approved by the Director (A&E) keeping in view the topic of the Dissertation.

9.2 A candidate promoted to L.L.M. Part-II shall be eligible to submit the Dissertation upto 31st May of the Academic Session of L.L.M. Part-II. However, after expiry of above date, the extension in date shall be permissible with penalty as laid down in General Rules for Examinations.

9.3 Every candidate shall be required to submit one copy of the Dissertation along with a brief abstract of the same giving an account of his research and its findings which will not exceed 300 words for consideration of the examiner. The Dissertation shall be examined by one External Examiner only. The last date for the receipt of the Dissertation in the office of the Regional Director/Study Centre shall be decided by the University.

If a candidate fails to submit the Dissertation even during the extended period, he shall be considered to have absented in the Dissertation paper and his result shall be declared accordingly.

9.4 There shall not be any re-evaluation of the Dissertation submitted nor a candidate shall be permitted to submit another Dissertation. However, if a candidate obtains less than qualifying marks in the Dissertation submitted by him, he may be required to revise the Dissertation on the same topic within three months. The marks obtained by him in Dissertation shall be taken into account in declaring his result.

10. The minimum number of marks required to pass the examination i.e. previous as well as final, shall be 40% in each Written Paper/Dissertation and 50% of aggregate of grand total.

11. The result of candidates who have passed both parts shall be classified into divisions as under on the basis of the aggregate marks obtained in Part-I and Part-II Examinations taken together and the division obtained by the candidate will be started in his Degree:-

- (a) Those who obtain **60% or more marks** : **First Division**
- (b) Those who obtain **50% or more but less than 60% marks** : **Second Division**
- (c) Candidates who pass both Parts at the first attempt and with minimum duration of the course after obtaining **75% or more marks** of the total aggregate shall be declared to have passed with **“Distinction”**.

12. Not with standing the integrated nature of this course which is spread over more than one academic year, the Ordinance in force at the time a student joins the Course shall hold good only for the examination held during or at the end of the academic year and nothing in this Ordinance shall be deemed to debar the University from amending the Ordinance, and the amended Ordinance, if any, shall apply to all students whether old or new.