

- (b) Quadrant-II is e-Content; which shall contain; self-instructional material (digital Self Learning Material), e-Books, illustrations, case studies, presentations etc, and also contain Web Resources such as further references, Related Links, Open source Content on Internet, Video, Case Studies, books including e-books, research papers and journals, Anecdotal information, Historical development of the subject, Articles, etc.
- (c) Quadrant-III is the Discussion forum for raising of doubts and clarifying the same on real time basis by the Course Coordinator or his team.
- (d) Quadrant-IV is Assessment, which shall contain; Problems and Solutions, which could be in the form of Multiple Choice Questions, Fill in the blanks, Matching Questions, Short Answer Questions, Long Answer Questions, Quizzes, Assignments and solutions, Discussion forum topics and setting up the FAQs, Clarifications on general misconceptions.
- (ii) The courses shall be rich in innovative presentation techniques to ensure that learner attention is retained.
- (iii) It shall be the responsibility of the Course Coordinator to ensure that none of the graphics, animations, images, sound clips, video clips used are plagiarized or cited without formal permissions from owners.
- (iv) A four-credit course shall typically have 20 hours of video content and 20 hours of reading material.
- (v) For Quadrant III for every 250 learners registered for a programme one Mentor can be appointed per course to facilitate the Course Coordinator. The Mentor shall be the subject matter expert adept in handling technology. The Course Coordinators and Mentors shall need to participate actively in the Discussion Forum. Apart from discussion forum other interactive platforms like web conferencing may also be considered.

Table 1: Norms for offering Degree programmes through Open and Distance Learning mode and/or Online mode, based on credit system

S. No.	Level of the Programme	Duration of the programme	Credits
1.	Bachelor's Degree, Bachelor's Degree (Honours)	As per UGC Notification on Specification of Degree, 2014	As per UGC guidelines
2.	Master's Degree	As per UGC Notification on Specification of Degree, 2014	As per UGC guidelines
3.	Post Graduate Diploma	2 years	80

Table 2: Norms for delivery of courses through open and distance mode

S. No.	Credit Value of the course	Size of SLMs Range (in terms of units, to be divided into blocks)	No. of Assignments	Practical Sessions	No. of Counselling Sessions Theory (10 percent of total study Hours)	Study hours of Learner
1.	2 Credits	6-10 units	1	60 hours	6 hours	60 hours
2.	4 credits	14-20 units	2	120 hours	12 hours	120 hours
3.	6 credits	20-28 units	3	180 hours	18 hours	180 hours
4.	8 credits	30-34 units	4	240 hours	24 hours	240 hours