



Office of the Academic Affairs
Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati

NOTICE

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SUB: CHOICE FOR OPTING MINOR DISCIPLINES FOR ELIGIBLE BTECH FIRST YEAR STUDENTS FROM 2023 BATCH

The students who are completing the first year of BTech programme and are interested in pursuing MINOR discipline are hereby requested to submit their choices for minor disciplines by submitting their preferences by login to the Academic ERP portal [<https://academic.iitg.ac.in/ssso/>] from 12th April to 18th April 2024.

Please note that after successful submission of the preferences, the student should download the PDF of **Request for Minor Discipline** and get the recommendation from the Faculty Advisor (FA) and the Head of the Academic Division (HoD). The signed hard copy should reach the Academic Affairs section by 22nd April 2024. Without the recommendation of the FA and HoD on the signed hard copy, the preferences filled online will not be considered.

The Student are requested to carefully submit their choices because once submitted they cannot alter their preferences. However, based on the advice of the FA/HoD, if any changes are to be made in the preferences, FA/HoD can delete the preferences on the ERP portal so that the student can re-submit the preferences.

The rules concerning Minor discipline are given below:

1. Students may be allotted a Minor in a discipline other than the discipline that he/she is going to register in the third semester (after branch change, if any). Students completing a minor will have the minor mentioned in the degree certificate and in the final grade card.
2. The minor courses will spread over the third to seventh semesters of a BTech programme with one course per semester.
3. Numbering of minor courses will be similar as regular courses but will be appended with "M".
4. Only those students who have completed all the credits required in the first two semesters of their studies with a CPI of 6.5 or above, will be eligible for a minor discipline after the end of second semester.
5. Maximum number of seats in a Minor discipline shall be 50(fifty) only. However, a Minor discipline will not be available if the number of applicants in that discipline is less than five.
6. Students may enlist their choices of a minor discipline in order of preference, to which they wish to join. It will not be permissible to alter the choices after the application has been submitted.
7. Selection to minor disciplines shall be made strictly in order of merit of the applicants. For this purpose, the CPI obtained at the end of the second semester shall be considered.
8. Joining the minor disciplines carried out in accordance with the above rules will be effective from the third semester of the applicants concerned. No change of minor discipline shall be permitted after this.
9. A student with only minor courses remaining as backlogs and completed all other requirements for the B.Tech discipline will be deemed to have completed the B. Tech. programme and he/she will be awarded a B.Tech degree without a minor.
10. After allotment, if a student does not register for Minor course for any of the concerned semesters, his/her name shall be dropped from the Minor programme automatically.

11. Additional rules on MINOR programme, in regard to withdrawal etc., **Annexure-A** enclosed herewith may please be seen.
12. It is to note that the Department of Design proposed for the discontinuation of the Minor Programme *Product Design* w.e.f. Monsoon Semester (July-November) 2024 (temporarily). The approval in this regard is awaited. In case, the programme is discontinued, the choice given for *Product Design* will be removed.
13. It is also to note that there are restrictions for opting the Minor discipline for students of specific branches as given below. However, anticipating branch change, all disciplines are provided for giving the choices. After the allocation of branch change, if any, the ineligible choices will be removed.

SI No	BTech Branch	Restricted Minor Discipline
1	Mathematics and Computing	Computer Science and Engineering
2	Electronics and Electrical Engineering	Electronics and Communication Engineering

The students are requested to give their preference for Minor Discipline, by keeping in mind the above mentioned points (especially, point numbers 12 and 13).



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Annexure – A

Additional Rules on MINOR programme (Applicable from 2014-batch of BTech students onwards)

A.1		Rules relating to withdrawal from MINOR programme
	A.1.1	If a student submits application for dropping the MINOR discipline within the scheduled time of any semester, all grades awarded to him/her in previous semesters for Minor discipline related courses SHALL BE REMOVED from his/her grade statement.
	A.1.2	Students who drop out from MINOR discipline having earned any `F` grade SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE for award of Institute medal.
	A.1.3	Students who drop out from MINOR discipline without having earned any `F` grade will remain ELIGIBLE for award of Institute medal.
A.2		Presentation of performance in MINOR programme in Pass Certificate
	A.2.1	<p>Presentation of performance in MINOR programme in Pass Certificate shall be as follows:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bachelor of Technology in xxxxxxxxxx with Minor in yyyyyyyyyy</p> <p>where, xxxxxxxxxx shall reflect the BTech/BDes discipline, and yyyyyyyyyy shall reflect MINOR discipline.</p>
A.3		Presentation of performance in MINOR programme in Grade Card
	A.3.1	<p>For students who SUCCESSFULLY complete MINOR discipline: There will be a SINGLE Grade Card with the final SPI/CPI representing all courses (<i>excluding</i> MINOR discipline courses).</p> <p>For these students, at the bottom of the Grade Card, the Course Codes, Course Titles, Course Credits, and Grades, for respective MINOR discipline courses will only be shown, with a caption,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Summary of Additional Learning MINOR in yyyyyyyyyy</p> <p>where, yyyyyyyyyy shall reflect MINOR discipline.</p> <p>Also, for these students, on the back side of their pre-printed high security Grade Card format of the Institute, an additional insertion shall be made as:</p> <p>MINOR discipline courses : These courses are over and above the syllabi and credit structures prescribed for B.Tech./B.Des. programme of the Institute. Students can additionally opt for a Minor in a discipline other than the discipline he/she is registered in. Course codes for minor courses are similar as regular courses but are appended with "M". <u>Students who complete all MINOR discipline courses will have the minor mentioned in the degree Certificate and final Grade Card.</u></p>

	A.3.2	<p>For students who FAIL in MINOR discipline courses OR opt out from MINOR discipline, there will be TWO Grade Cards as per details below:</p> <p>(i) The main Grade Card will be with the final SPI/CPI representing all courses (<i>excluding</i> MINOR discipline courses), without any mentioning about the student's MINOR discipline courses at the bottom of the Grade Card;</p> <p>For this type of a Grade Card, nothing will be inserted or added on the back-side of the pre-printed high security format.</p> <p>(ii) There will be a separate Grade Card prepared for this type of a student, presenting the MINOR courses with whatever grades he/she secured, with a caption,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Summary of Additional Learning</p> <p>For this type of a Grade Card also, nothing will be inserted or added on the back-side of the pre-printed high security format.</p>
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