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Introduction

Enthusiasm to learn new things is a symbol of humanity's quest for knowledge and the cause for the phenomenal pace of his evolution. Indeed, it is unthinkable to link innovation and new insights into our lives without continued quest for enhancement of our knowledge.

Learning, a lifelong activity, done through a formal set up like school/colleges/universities or such other environment to gain knowledge, skills and character traits is said to be education. The importance of education is reflected in the Goal 4 (SDG4) of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which was adopted by India in 2015. It seeks to “ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all” by 2030. This Goal is envisaged in the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020).

Fast development in several knowledge domains, particularly in science and technology, has led to the need to enhance one's existing knowledge and competency for the purpose of staying relevant as well as up-to-date in the domain area which will empower for further innovation and expression of creativity.

The NEP 2020 also provides opportunity to the learners of any age/profession discipline to design their academic pathways by studying a variety of papers in different academic institutions. This is specifically enabled by credit mobility through Academic Bank of Credit for the students.

The University of Delhi, which is implementing NEP 2020 with effect from the academic year 2022-23, is taking a novel step towards fulfilling the objectives of this Policy by enabling persons from different walks of life to join the University to enhance their knowledge and understanding in any subject area being taught in this University through **Competence Enhancement Scheme (CES 2025-2026)**. This Scheme shall also provide opportunity to the learners from any age/dicipline/profession and to the students from other universities /institutions to study a handful of papers in this University.

Interested persons may register for one or two papers in a semester, for a maximum of eight credits without enrolling in a programme, and study along with the regular students of a programme of study in the University Departments and the Departments of Colleges of University of Delhi.



Expected Outcomes of the Scheme

The expected outcomes of the Competence Enhancement Scheme are as follows:

- Enhancement of Entrepreneurs' business through implementation of new skill/technology acquired.
- Improvement in the managerial skills of low/middle level management personnel through management courses.
- Fulfilment of dreams to pursue higher studies by those who could not do so earlier due to socio-economic conditions or lack of requisite merit during the relevant time.
- Enhancement of the qualifications/knowledge/skill of Senior Citizens enabling them to continue to play an important role.
- By learning to use latest technology/machine, conventional artisans, craftsmen, or workers shall improve their skills thus upgrading their skills from traditional system to use of modern equipments.
- Learning with young and vibrant students shall build confidence, enthusiasm and instil a sense of purpose.
- Effective utilization of the University resources for the benefit of the people at large.
- Enhance student mobility by allowing students enrolled in other universities/institution to avail the opportunity of studying one to two papers in a semester from the University of Delhi without having to enrol for a programme of study.
- Enable the society at large to cope up with ever evolving needs of business/work space.



Details of Competence Enhancement Scheme

Commencement: The University is offering admission under Competence Enhancement Scheme (CES) for the year 2024-25. The registration link will be operational from Thursday 24th July, 2025.

Eligibility Criteria: Any person who fulfils the minimum eligibility criteria and pre-requisites, if any, specified for an existing course, can register for a paper in that course, subject to the availability of seats. Admission shall be done based on merit. The merit shall be decided on the basis of the candidates' age and the marks percentage obtained in the qualifying degree.

In addition to the minimum eligibility criteria, one must be able to demonstrate genuine interest in and enthusiasm for the courses proposed to study. The candidate must have the time and commitment needed to study the course along with the students studying in regular mode.

Number of seats: The number of seats in a course open for this Scheme shall be a maximum of 10% of the total strength of the class of that course or 6 seats, whichever is less. For instance, if the size of the class of Course 'A' is 60 and that of course 'B' is 22, then the number of seats open for registration for persons under the CES for course 'A' and course 'B' shall be 6 and 2 respectively.

These seats under CES in a course shall be treated as supernumerary. The additional financial support or manpower or infrastructures, if any, shall be provided by the College or the Department of the University for running the Scheme.

Registration to a course: Registration to a course shall be done based on merit. A candidate who is already enrolled in any other University/institution as a regular student or an employed personnel, would be required to submit a No objection Certificate from the parent University/institution or his/her employer, as the case may be, at the time of registration.

Note: The admission under CES will be twice in a year i.e. odd and even semester. The present call for admission under CES 2025-2026 is for the papers offered/taught (as per the existing syllabus) in the odd semester (I, III & V) in the respective Departments of the Colleges.



Validity of Registration to a course: The registration of candidates for the specific paper will be valid for that semester only. A student who fails to pass in/complete a paper shall re-register for it with payment of same amount of fee, if he/she so desires to earn the credits from the course and get the relevant certificate.

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Number of papers offered to a candidate: A candidate shall be permitted to register for a maximum of two papers or eight credits in a semester from the same discipline.

Modalities for teaching and evaluation pattern: Teaching or instructions shall be provided in the same mode and medium as that of regular students and evaluation pattern for these candidates shall be identical to that of regular students.

Fees per course: Rs. 6,000/- (Rupees six thousand) per paper is the fee payable by the candidates for getting enrolled in a course under CES 2025-26

Award of Certificate & Credits: On fulfilling the criteria as laid down in the University norms, candidate who registered for 1-2 papers, after successful completion of the same, the credits earned shall be deposited in his/her account in the Academic Bank of Credits and a certificate shall also be issued after fulfilling attendance criteria and successfully completing the evaluation process as applied to the regular students.

The List of papers offered by the Colleges

Note: Please scan QR Code for downloading the list of papers offered by the Colleges



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Kindly see University of Delhi website (<https://admission.uod.ac.in/>) or ILLL website (<https://illl.du.ac.in/ces.html>) regarding CES 2025-26. Further details and the registration link will be operational Thursday 24th July, 2025.

Registration Link: <https://ces.du.ac.in/index.php/site/login>



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