

**SASTRA DEEMED UNIVERSITY  
THANJAVUR – 613 401**

January 27, 2026

**MODIFICATIONS IN ACADEMIC ATTENDANCE & EXAM  
MALPRACTICE RULES**

**ATTN: STUDENTS & STAFF OF ALL CAMPUSES – THANJAVUR, KUMBAKONAM  
& CHENNAI**

The following modifications in Academic Attendance and Exam Malpractice Rules shall come into force from January 28, 2026:

**a) Modifications in Attendance Rules:**

1. A minimum of 75% attendance in each course ( 80% as per existing rule) is required for appearing for the end semester examinations
2. A student who has attendance below 75% but 70% or above in any course(s) will be permitted for end semester examinations by paying condonation fee for each such course as prescribed by the University.
3. A student with attendance below 70% but 65% or above in any course(s) will be permitted to write the semester examinations by paying condonation fee for each such course and caution deposit as prescribed by the University.
4. A student with attendance below 65% but 60% or above in any course(s) will be permitted to write the end semester examinations only after attending special classes in order to make up for the deficiency in attendance and paying condonation fee for each course and caution deposit as prescribed by the University
5. A student with attendance below 60% in any course (s) shall complete an identical or similar course (s) in the forthcoming semester from approved MOOC platforms with due certification. Course(s) and MOOC platform(s) shall be approved by the Controller of Examinations in consultation with the Dean of the respective schools for every such student on a case to case basis. Condonation fee per course and caution deposit shall be paid by such student before proceeding to next semester. This option is at the discretion of the student who can either advance to the next semester by undertaking to complete MOOC or repeat the semester in the next academic year in regular mode thereby losing one year.

**b) Modifications in Rules regarding Malpractice:**

1. If a student has committed malpractice in any CIA examination for any course, he/she shall be awarded zero in all the CIAs and shall be permitted to write the end-semester examination

for all the courses and whatever be the score above the passing minimum in the end-semester exam the student secures, the student will be awarded the least passing grade D. If the student is involved in a malpractice for the second time in the same semester or anytime in future, the student shall not be able to write the end-semester exam in that particular semester for the relevant course. The student has to appear for the end-semester exam as a arrear course with zero CIA.

2. If a student has committed malpractice during end semester examination, the examination for the course(s) in which malpractice has been committed shall be cancelled and student will be given Grade E. The student shall also loose an additional chance for writing the arrear examination for that course (s), should the student take multiple attempts.

3. If a student commits malpractice for the second time in an end-semester examination, all exams written by the student for all the courses during the particular semester examination term shall be cancelled and student will be given Grade E in all courses. The student shall also loose an additional chance for writing the arrear examination should the student takes multiple attempts.

4. Students who have committed malpractice during CIA/End semester examinations shall not be eligible for Campus Placement, distinction/honours or any other form of scholarship.

5. All malpractices shall be enquired by a committee duly appointed by the Controller of Examination giving reasonable opportunity for the student and the student shall be allowed to write CIA or end-semester exam for all courses that follow after the alleged malpractice has been committed. All the above decisions shall become binding in the event the committee finds the student to have indulged in malpractice.

The above amendment to the rules is made with the approval of the Academic Council of SASTRA.



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