



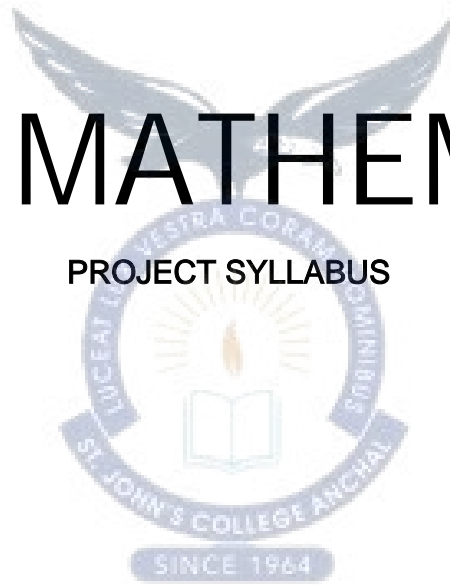
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Semester V

Project preparation - From selecting the topic to presenting the final report

Instructional hours per week: 1

To complete the undergraduate programme, the students should undertake a project and prepare and submit a project report on a topic of their choice in the subject mathematics or allied subjects. The work on the project should start in the beginning of the 5th semester itself, and should end towards the middle of the 6th semester. This course (without any examination in the 5th semester, with a project report submission and project viva in the 6th semester) is introduced for making the students understand various concepts behind undertaking such a project and preparing the final report. Towards the end of this course the students should be able to choose and prepare topics in their own and they should understand the layout of a project report.

To quickly get into the business, the first chapter of text [1] may be completely discussed. Apart from that, for detailed information, the other chapters in this book may be used in association with the other references given below. The main topics to discuss in this course are the following:

Quick overview : The structure of Dissertation, creating a plan for the Dissertation, planning the results section, planning the introduction, planning and writing the abstract, composing the title, figures, tables, and appendices, references, making good presentations, handling resources like notebooks, library, computers etc., preparing an interim report.

Topics in detail : Planning and Writing the Introduction, Planning and Writing the Results, Figures and Tables, Planning and Writing the Discussion, Planning and Writing the References, Deciding On a Title and Planning and Writing the Other Bits, Proofreading, Printing, Binding and Submission, oral examinations, preparing for viva, Taking the Dissertation to the Viva

Layout : Fonts and Line Spacing, Margins, Headers, and Footers, Alignment of Text, Titles and Headings, Separating Sections and Chapters

Texts

Text 1 – Daniel Holtom, Elizabeth Fisher. *Enjoy Writing Your Science Thesis or Dissertation – A step by step guide to planning and writing dissertations and theses for undergraduate and graduate science students*, Imperial College Press

References

Ref. 1 – Kathleen McMillan, Jonathan Weyers. *How to write Dissertations & Project Reports*, Pearson Education Limited

Ref. 2 – Peg Boyle Single. *Demystifying dissertation writing : a streamlined process from choice of topic to final text*, Stylus Publishing, Virginia