



## Students' Senate (2022-23) Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur



To consider a proposal to [allow the students to opt for Dual Degree (DD) Program (Category A, B and C) and Double Major (DM) Program at the end of their 8th semester]

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It is apprised that as per existing rules students may apply for pursuing DD in Category A after their 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> semesters, DD in Category B and C after their 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> semesters and DM after their 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> semesters. After the 7<sup>th</sup> semester, students dropping both programs leads to vacancies being created. It would also benefit bright and motivated students who are enthusiastic about pursuing higher studies (since DD and DM open up a variety of opportunities), research or a field of study other than their current major, but may not have considered the option timely or students who were rejected due to being found ineligible (due to non-OE backlogs or  $CPI < 6$  for DD,  $CPI < 7$  for DM) during an earlier application.

Moreover, the DD program was offered at the end of the 8<sup>th</sup> semester for the students of Y16 and Y17 batch, owing to pandemic relaxations, helping a lot of them. This can be made a general practice to allow students to explore their or other departments at multiple stages during their undergraduate program.

The proposal is to consider conversion to Dual Degree (Category A, B and C) or persuasion of a Double Major at the end of their 8<sup>th</sup> semester also, if the student can complete their program in the stipulated time of 10 semesters.

- The application shall include a proposed semester plan to complete the dual degree/double major within the normal stipulated time, i.e., 10 semesters.
  - In case of DD Category A, it should be approved and forwarded by the DUGC of the parent department.
  - In case of DD Category B and C, it should be approved and forwarded by the DUGCs of both the parent department (UG) and the department for which conversion to dual degree is requested (PG).
  - In case of DM, it should be approved and forwarded by the DUGCs of both the parent department and the department in which the second major is sought.
- The final decision for approval of the request shall be taken by the SUGC.



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- The onus of completing the dual degree/double major program on time, shall completely lay on the student and hence, should appropriately choose the courses based on course templates of both departments.