DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES • RULES AT A GLANCE

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▣ ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS — Section 5

Register every semester for all offered courses, including optional choices, where applicable.

- Each course has a code, title, credits and defined Theory, Practical and Progressive Assessment.
- Credit rule: 1 theory/tutorial hour per week = 1 credit; 2 practical hours per week = 1 credit.
- Credits are earned only after passing all applicable components of the course.

COURSE SUCCESS = PASS EVERY COMPONENT
Theory + Practical + Progressive Assessment

✓ PROGRESSIVE ASSESSMENT — Section 5.1–5.2

40% Minimum PA score

in Theory and Practical separately, plus attendance, to sit the end-sem exam.

THEORY PA • 40 Marks	PRACTICAL PA • 60 Marks
20 • Avg. of Best 2 of 3 tests	30 • Conduct of Expt.
15 • Assignment / fieldwork	20 • Practical records
05 • Overall performance	10 • Attendance

Below 40%; Not Eligible to appear in the exam
Theory PA: Minimum marks required: 16
Practical PA: Minimum marks required: 24

Where curriculum has no PA marks: assess out of 40 for eligibility; the assessment is not shown in the marks statement.

◉ ATTENDANCE — Section 6

75% Minimum in each course

Lectures • Tutorials • Practicals combined

- Calculated from classes held in each individual course.
- Monthly status is reported and irregular students are notified with an intimation to the Parents/Guardian

Below 75%: Not Eligible to appear in the Exam

60–74% • POSSIBLE CONDONATION

- ***Protracted illness / genuine exceptional reason***
- ***Medical certificate within 10 days of treatment***

▤ EXAMINATIONS — Section 7.1–7.10

- One End-Term examination at the end of each semester.
  - Odd Semester (Nov-Dec)
  - Even Semester (May-June)

MARKING SCHEME

Theory Exam: 60 ; Practial Exam: 40

Theory: 2½ hours • Practical: 3 hours • Engineering Graphics theory: 3 hours

- ***Pass Criteria: 40% in each component individually.***

Theory: Minimum marks required: 24
Practical: Minimum marks required: 16

- Theory paper: 9 questions × 10; attempt any 6 = 60.
- Practical end-term: Test 30 + Viva 10.

↗ MOBILITY & PROMOTION — Section 8 + 2026

CONTINUING REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECTION 8

- Meet attendance and PA in every course; otherwise, it will be declared as Not Eligible (NE)
- NE student: Take re-admisison in the next year and complete PA and attendance criteria
- Maximum 10 courses per exam (regular + backlog)
- Complete the diploma within 6 years.

FROM AY 2026–27 NOTIFICATION • 26.06.2026

Promotion to III Year / V Semester: A student must not have more than 2 backlog theory papers in the first year (Semesters I and II combined).

ONE-TIME RELAXATION NOTICE • 08.07.2026

For July–Dec 2026 only, a student with no Semester I theory backlog may move to Semester V.

FROM JAN–JUNE 2027: THE 26.06.2026 RULE ALONE APPLIES

◇ EXAMINATION INTEGRITY — Section 11.1–11.5

- Follow all examination rules; unfair means may lead to expulsion and binding disciplinary action.

Malpractice includes:

- ***Unauthorized material, mobiiles or programmable calculators***
- Copying, signalling, exchanging or inserting answer sheets
- Identity marks, appeals, tearing/wasting stationery
- Threats, disruption, evidence destruction or non-cooperation
- Impersonation, taking answer books, damaging records/property

Penalty depends on the nature and severity of the offence.

POSSIBLE PENALTIES

- ***Cancellation of all papers of the semester***
- ***Cancellation of the paper (backlog)***
- ***Debarment***

THE CORE PATH: REGISTER → LEARN → ATTEND → QUALIFY → PROGRESS → GRADUATE WITH INTEGRITY

Visual summary of Sections 5, 5.1, 5.2, 6, 7.1–7.10, 8.1–8.12 and 11.1–11.5. For exact wording, exceptions and administrative procedure, consult the official APSCTE handbook.