UNIVERSITY OF MUMBAI



Revised Syllabus for the S.Y.B.A.

Program: B.A.

Course: Public Relations

(Sem III & IV)

(As per Credit Based Semester and Grading System with effect from the academic year 2013–2014)

SYBA (Applied Component)

Title of the Paper: Public Relations

Subject Codes: UAPR3A1 AND UAPR4A1

Semester III

Unit 1: Definition, concept and use of Public Relations

Communication for an individual and a group

Use and importance of Public Relations in business, industry, and in governmental and non-governmental agencies

PR in manufacturing sector

PR in service sector- public and private

Unit 2: Theories of Communication

Various forms of communication, tools of communication, Art of listening, Areas of miscommunication and correctives

Unit 3: Communication in Organization

Internal Communication- In-house magazines, reports etc.

External Communication- Press relations, liaison with Chambers of Commerce, Industry Associations, Government organizations

Unit 4: Crisis management

Definition and nature of Crisis

Crisis communication in times of industrial disasters, image problems,

Consumer pressures, quality issues

A) Internal Assessment – 40%

Sr.No.	Particulars	Marks
1	One class test to be conducted in the given semester	20 Marks
2	One assignment based on curriculum to be assessed by the teacher concerned	10 Marks
3	Active participation in routine class instructional deliveries	05 Marks
4	Overall conduct as a responsible student, manners and articulation and exhibition of leadership qualities in organizing related academic activities	05 Marks

Following methods can be used for the tests and assignment (30 Marks) Survey of the actual PR processes of companies

Case Studies

Reports on PR practices

Publishing a weekly magazine/ wall paper for college,

B) Semester End Examination Pattern for Semester III

Total marks: 60

Question 1: Essay on Unit 1(two out of three): 15 MarksQuestion 2: Essay on Unit 2 (one out of two): 15 MarksQuestion 3: Essay on Unit 3 (one out of two): 15 MarksQuestion 4: Unit 4 –(two out of three): 15 marks

Semester IV

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Behavioral Patterns for improving communication

Understanding laws governing commercial enterprises,

Evaluation and adaptability to corporate culture

Creating tools and conditions to improve communication

Unit 2:

Socio-Cultural factors and communication

Maintaining and building strong organization through communication

Understanding socio-economic issues, political issues and legal/commercial issues

Transactional Analysis and its relevance to PR

Unit 3:

Effective Oral Communication

Effective Public Speaking, debating skills, group interaction

Information gathering, sharing information

Knowledge sharing

Unit 4:

Techniques of Written communication

Publishing/ printing, TV production

Audio-visuals, films for PR

Desk-top publications, Script and report writing

Journalistic writing, advertising and financial communication

A) Internal Assessment – 40%

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Following methods can be used for the tests and assignment (30 Marks)

Survey of the actual PR processes of companies

Case Studies

Reports on PR practices

Desk-top publications, Script and report writing

B) Semester End Examination Pattern for Semester IV (60 Marks)

Question 1: Essay on Unit 1(two out of three) : 15 Marks

Question 2: Essay on Unit 2 (one out of two) : 15 Marks

Question 3: Essay on Unit 3 (one out of two) : 15 Marks

Question 4: Unit 4 –(two out of three) : 15Marks