

Item No. 7	Forthcoming conferences / seminars / workshops at NISER: Preparation thereto
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Following are some of the forthcoming important academic activities of NISER:

1. IUSS-2012, India- UK Scientific Seminar is organized during March 7-9, 2012.

As the Academic Council meeting was held on 19.3.12 and by this time the IUSS-2012 seminar completed successfully the Council noted the matter for record.

Additional Items

Item No. 8	To approve new and restructuring of Courses.
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Based on the feedback from faculty members, and subsequent recommendations from UGCI meeting held on 15.3.12 following schools proposed new courses and restructuring of a few courses.

1. School of Humanities and Social Sciences
2. School of Chemical Sciences
3. School of Mathematical Sciences

The Chairpersons of School of Chemical Sciences and Mathematical Sciences and Dr. Pranay K Swain of School of Humanities and Social Sciences presented the details of the new courses and courses proposed for restructuring and modifications before the Council. The details are as follows:

School of Humanities and Social Sciences:

The following table shows the course structure of SHSS and the courses at (*) are the new courses.

CORE COURSES			
Course Title	Code	Year/Semester	Credits
Technical Communication- I	H 109	1/1	2
Introduction to Psychology	H125	1/1	2
Technical Communication- II	H110	1/2	2
Introduction to Sociology	H133	1/2	2
Introduction to Economics 	H 201*	2/3	2
Philosophy of Science	H234	2/4	2
ELECTIVE COURSES			
Sociology of Science and Technology 	H235		2
Science Communication and Citizen 	H237*		2
Applied Behavioural Science	H226*		2
Perspectives on Indian Society 	H236*		2
Life and Community in Urban World 	H238*		2
Organizational Behaviour 	H227*		2

STRUCTURE

SEM- I	H 109	+	H 125
SEM - II	H 110	+	H 133
SEM – III	H 201	+	H 235/H236
			H237/238
			Energy Course
SEM IV	H 234	+	H 226/H227
			Geology Course

The Academic Council approved the above new courses.

School of Chemical Sciences:

The proposals for modification/restructuring in the following courses were approved by the Academic Council: