



SYMBIOSIS SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

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| Name of the Institute: Symbiosis School of International Studies | | |
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| Name of the Program: M.A.(International Studies) | | |
| Alumni Feedback for design and review of syllabus | | |
| Academic Year: 2020-2021 | | |
| Course Feedback was collected from alumni through LMS | | |
| No. of Respondents : 10 | | |
| Feedback key point/s: 1. Better courses for research methodology with data analysis at its core. Research Methodology could be taught with regards to Social Science with greater emphasis on International Studies. 2. New modules: Cyber security modules; South East Asia centric courses; More focus on current economy than history of politics of regions; AI and IR; Africa and India. Global Economy in detail with more emphasis on Risk assessment and Global Political Economy -Probably lay greater emphasis on International Economy by adding topics such as Global Strategic Management Export Import Management (Intl Trade) in relations to geopolitical events and linking both to traditional IR theories 3. It would be better if the foreign languages are taught for both years rather than for just two semesters. 4. Holding an in-house conference where students are given a platform to present their paper(s) would be helpful for both students and the institute. | | |
| Summary of Feedback Analysis and Action Taken: | | |
| Sr. No | Particulars / Action Point | Action Taken |
| 1 | Better courses for research methodology with data analysis at its core. Research Methodology could be taught with regards to Social Science with greater emphasis on International Studies. | Reviewed with faculty members. It was agreed that due to diverse nature of the cohort and with most students from a non-maths background, it will not be feasible to make the course data analysis centric. Agreed to continue with current syllabus with more examples from IR. |
| 2 | Recommendation for new modules | Reviewed with faculty members. It was agreed that it will not be possible to incorporate sessions within the curriculum given the programme structure; instead seminars/ workshops in the form of SSIS dialogues would continue to be conducted to include relevant contemporary developments. |



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| 3 | Foreign languages to be taught for two years | Reviewed with faculty members. It was agreed that this was not possible and takes away from the core focus of the programme. |
| 4 | Holding an in-house conference where students are given a platform to present their paper(s) | Reviewed with faculty members. Good recommendation that can be implemented provided adequate number of students sign up. |

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