# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BOARD OF STUDIES IN B.A PROGRAMME IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

The meeting was started at 10. a.m on 6.08.2019 in the Department of International Relations and Politics, Kaveri Building, Central University of Kerala, Kasaragod. The Members of the Board discussed the B.A Programme structure, contents of various core courses and elective/optional courses and approved the existing syllabus with some modifications. The revised syllabus will be effective from 2019 admission onwards. The revised syllabus is appended. The meeting came to an end at 5.00 p.m.

### Members present:

 Dr. P C Prasanna Kumar, Associate Professor & Head, Department of International Relations, Capital Centre. Central University of Kerala.

Prof. (Dr.) K Jayaprasad,
 Dean, School of Global Studies.
 Central University of Kerala.

Prof. (Dr.) R Suresh,
 Department of Political Science, University of Kerala.

Dr. Reinhart Philip,
 Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations,
 Central University of Kerala.

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#### SEMESTER - I

### GIR 3102: FRENCH LANGUAGE PAPER I

### **Course Description**

To introduce the students of B.A.(IR) to French as a language and a tool of communication and knowledge acquisition which is a fundamental requirement for the students of international relations. In fact, the comprehensive knowledge of IR will be rather impaired without the working knowledge of a foreign language, i.e. French or German in the context of SGS/DIR/CUK.

In today's fast changing world, international relations hold the key to diplomatic studies, peace studies, and contemporary socio-politic and socio-economic studies, relations between countries and so on. In such a transnational academic and intellectual framework, it goes beyond saying that a good working knowledge of a foreign language is mandatory.

### **Course Outcomes**

The knowledge of French thus will enable the students of IR to

- Have access to original documents without the recourse of a third language
- Interact freely with the knowledge base of the country/region of study
- Strengthen the area study programme
- Access to a different world view which is essentially different from the Anglo-Saxon world view
- Be sensitive to a non-Anglo-Saxon world order
- Discover the Francophone world
- Be able to discover the rich academic and intellectual heritage of France and the French speaking countries
- Delve especially into Francophone Africa

### **Syllabus**

### **Language Functions and Topic Areas**

- Greetings and exchanging personal information
- Countries and nationalities
- Numbers, Days and months
- Alphabet, Spell names and other words
- Professions
- Telling time
- Talk about Leisure activities and your likes and dislikes
- Describing people
- Ask questions to gather information
- Telephoning
- Giving and asking for directions
- Travelling at the airport, catching a train

- Food and drinks
- Shops and shopping [How to ask for price]
- French meals, understand a menu and order [restaurant bill, taxi fare, hotel bill etc]
- French etiquette
- Making suggestions and polite requests
- Writing an informal not a post card

## **Language Structures**

- Verbs
- Articles
- Adjectives
- Present tense and Present Continuous
- Past tense
- Immediate future
- Prepositions
- Partitive articles to express quantity
- Imperative for order and to advice