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Dear BoS members,

Greetings!

Thank you all for your presence and active participation in the Board of Studies meeting. Based on the discussions and suggestions we have prepared the minutes of the meeting attached herewith for approval.

To save time, you could send us a one-line approval (unless you have some suggestions or edits to propose) by email, which we will attach to the document. We will then immediately proceed for the Academic Council approval.

As discussed in the meeting, attached herewith the Vision document for reference, also find below is the link for syllabus, and samples of students' works.

[PART 2](#) - Student work, Syllabus and Course Structure

We have already shared BSSA Newsletters Vol 1 and Vol 2 in an earlier email.

Thanking you,

Kind Regards,

Lyaxmy Foss,
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Attachments: BSSA NMIMS BoS Minutes with CoA 2022 - 11 DEC 23 edDO.pdf; M. Arch - BoS+CoA Revised Program Proposal - V01.pdf

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Dear Members on the Board of Studies - Architecture (B. Arch and M. Arch) programmes, at the Balwant Sheth School of Architecture, at NMIMS University, SVKM,

After our meeting on 11th December 2023, we internally reviewed the suggestion to reduce the credits and also compared with the Council of Architecture **Minimum Standards of Architectural Education Guidelines for Post-Graduate Programmes 2022**

The said guidelines propose a credits structure thus:

Semesters I, II, and III – 18 to 21 credits

Semester IV – 18-22 credits

Total credits over 4 semesters – 72 to 85 credits

At BSSA the existing structure followed a total of 100 credits (as stipulated and approved by CoA and NMIMS) which were re-organized in the revised programme as:

Semesters I and II – 26 credits

Semester III – 25 credits

Semester IV – 24 credits

Total over four semesters – 100 credits

The BoS members also discussed in their meeting a possible reduction of credits and to evaluate the suggested credit structure after two years if not immediately; however, in light of the guidelines we will

restructure the credits as per the CoA norms and BoS suggestions and have made certain minor changes - seminars to be choice-based, redistribution of credits, redistribution of subject content over semesters, renaming some courses so they can accommodate wider topics in the subject-area, etc. to accommodate the reduction in credits, keeping all subjects intact, and the structure of the course intact as well - all details included in minutes and final proposal for revised M. Arch. programme, are attached.

We have added this note to the BoS Minutes - attached here for your perusal.

We have also attached the final revised M. Arch. syllabus proposal with all changes highlighted in Yellow for your perusal.

We are not re-attaching all the other documents, which remain same and unchanged as presented/discussed/approved in the meeting and minutes to avoid confusion.

A line of reply from you will help us confirm your approval as BoS members of the final minutes and this change added here - as it is in alignment with what was discussed already at the meeting.

Thank you very much for your kind attention, involvement, and patience...

Kind regards,

Kaiwan Mehta

Kaiwan Mehta (PhD)

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