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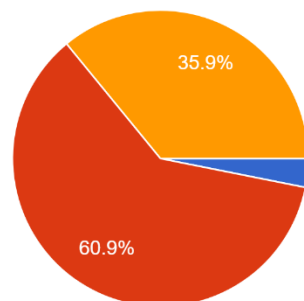
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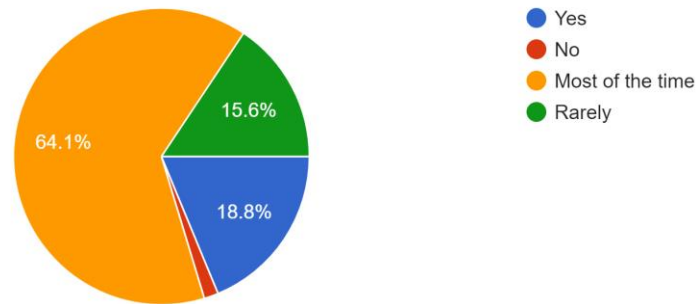
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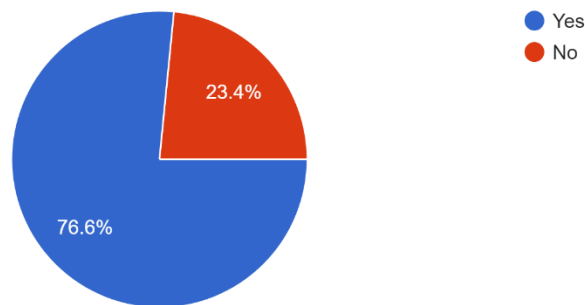
Do you have access to high speed internet for your virtual classes on Google Meet?

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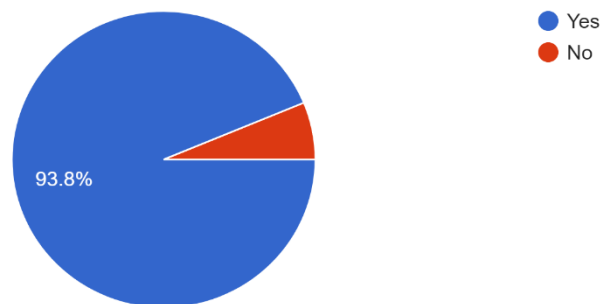
Do you have a functional laptop available to facilitate the process of doing your work during this virtual Semester?

64 responses



Do you have a functional smart phone to use in lieu of the laptop?

64 responses



**What would be helpful from the Institution's side to help you attend your classes in the virtual Semester?**

No online exams

Adequate breaks, especially mealtimes

It would be helpful if

- the duration of the classes can be reduced officially to 40 mins.
- assignments and practicals have become way more content heavy as compared to the previous semester and some teachers are not ready to make adjustments with deadlines and with the amount of work. It would be helpful if these concerns are addressed
- The whole experience of keeping up with so much work and the deadlines is way too much pressure.
- the time table should also not be so packed

Providing a more relaxed, flexible schedule which means lesser number of classes, more clarity about the schedule, more choice given to the students to select their DSE subjects and taking into consideration what other institutions have done to rectify student grievances.

Less number of classes

Reduction in the screen time would be helpful. If a lot of my time is spent in online classes, I find it very difficult to focus on my study post the class. Sometimes I prefer just listening rather than looking at the ppts on my small phone screen.

Rather taking continuous online classes, offline classes should be taken at alternate period

I think if possible then lower down the number of classes. It's affecting my eyes a lot and also this year my eye sight's number increased. Maybe it's because of the screentime or some other reason.

It would be helpful if we were provided with readings and notes prior or after the classes so we can catch up to the topic in case we missed it which happens in my case .

NA

a timetable which is made taking into consideration the appropriate screen time per day and the kind of pressure the students and teachers go through to attend consecutive classes.

Offline classes , posting docs on Google classroom, Gmail.

Lesser classes

Proper breaks should be there that's all

Lesser number of classes because it got extremely hectic in the beginning of the semester.

Proper breaks should be given in between and classes should end a little early.

Provide reading material which is not easily available

Cut short the number of classes and assignments. It's not possible to attend classes 8:40 to 5 and then meet all the given deadlines.

Teacher share material on the goggle classroom but I faced a lot of difficulties in attending online classes due to ntwrk issues

Reducing the length of the classes

It gets a little monotonous and plain when teachers are only delivering lectures or showing written text. Only if they could use certain methods to captivate focus and facilitate better understanding of concepts such as videos, examples, related researches and incidents, it would be great! It's just a suggestion because there's a considerable distance and we're just watching the screen, the focus tends to shift and it becomes hard to grasp the concepts.

Reduced screen time, i.e. reduced number of classes, to the point and crisp practicals without elongated basic concepts and discussions

To provide more reading materials as for some papers they aren't enough.

I think providing reading material and offline classes would be really helpful. There are many students who are facing network issues and they are not able to attend online classes.

The units being covered in video clips, so they can be referred to later. More manageable workload. Despite the present circumstances, some practicals are extremely demanding and time consuming. A considerable amount of students have turbulent personal lives and find it difficult to approach professors, however it should have been a given to reduce the work as compared to previous years, we are short on one whole month.

Attendance should not be taken into account, considering the university has already released a notice saying the grading can be done in terms of one assignment per paper. Again, a lot of students do not have stable home lives and technical issues are quite common and it is not always possible to inform professors. Further, it can be mortifying to have to reach out repeatedly.

Financial aid could help a lot.

9-5 screen time is very exhausting and harmful for everyone, excluding the time the student has to spend on the screen for academic purposes, so screen time reduction would be a great help.

Less number of classes to let us catch up, less assignments so that we can concentrate on our classes more and submit quality work

Reduce load

If we could get recorded lectures, that will be helpful.

Recorded lectures would be very helpful as that way we would be able to access them for later purposes; a google drive for each paper where teachers can keep on adding readings - this will help in compilation later on (especially for OBE model); set up of google calendar before the semester begins and not having to change links for lectures each time (for the classes we still have to change links for)

reduced and structured online classes, since we don't grasp the information the same way as we do in an offline class, maybe it will be better if we are allowed time to read first in parts and then have a discussion in an online class or something like that as listening to lectures through virtual platforms is very taxing and its very difficult to concentrate or keep focus. also instead of having a time table like the ones we followed in offline mode, we must have a time table more suitable for the online mode accommodating our mental health, screen time and information and syllabus relayed appropriately. The screen time not only includes the classes but the assignments and home works given after that, they should be kept in concern and it would be great if we could come up with a system of assessment which does not include much screen time, more group projects for example so that the work load is divided amongst all, we cover the syllabus at the same time our syllabus isn't compromised either.

To ease up on the amount of work given because it is so difficult to work after attending classes till 5 pm. If possible to reduce college timings to at least 2 or 3pm.

I don't have better connectivity institution don't have any role to play in this.

It already has been taken care of which has was the attendance system.

Setting of deadlines for assignments in the beginning of the semester would really help reduce the burden by the end.

To rather than conducting viva give marks on the basis of practical file and minimize number of practicals as till date our practicals are not completed yet and practicals papers are from 1st Dec as the session started so late that now coping up with so much of this syllabus is really panicking and stressful plus also due to network, internet issues it's creating a lot of problem.

No institutional support as such. But maybe before the OBE exams we can have training sessions on how to go about OBE and a general orientation with respect to OBE so that we are equipped to give the exams and we know how to go about OBE. It will be helpful in reducing the stress and anxiety due the ambiguity.

Can't think if any.

1. Online classes are exhausting teachers did not follow the offline schedule as propose and would still tak almost all pracs online. Maybe the number of classes could be ACTUALLY reduced to some extent because even though college would end at 5.05 i had assignmentt/pracs that would require me to be on my laptop even the books were online. I have spent this entire semester on my laptop.  
2. Assignmentt can be given a little early instead of end of semester because that is when we are supposed to study for exams and vivas and this semester we.havs submissions til 26 november then viva from 1 till5 and i get no time to study for exams that are literally based on my understanding of the subjext while i have had no time to understand the subject.  
3.If the ugc guidelines ask for one assignment for each semester so maybe we can get only one assignmentt because to fit in two assignments and threw prac for all subjects in a three month semester was the biggest stressor i faced this year. (Mental health and sleep schedule dont even exist anymore)  
4. Teachers called us out for not maintaining the quality of assignments and pracs but we were barely tough this online mode of submissions and practicals the classes went online from second semwster and it was just assumed that we'd know everything but nobody really taught us those formats so if we can have a class or two on what teachers expect from us in terms of our reports amd assignmentt, flagged contents and citations would be helpful.

NA

Way more comprehensive notes as our access to books is limited to PDFs, which is hard to read through all day. Leads to a lot of headaches and screen time

No help is required as of now .

Video Recordings of Lectures and all kinds of Presentations/Youtube Videos

Preferably share required resources prior the class to keep us in the loop. Otherwise, at times we miss out on the learning.

A more spread out submission date schedule.

Reduction in the number of classes in a day or the duration of each class would make it easier to pay attention and attend all the classes.

Most of needs have been looked after because of our extremely supportive and understanding faculty. However , maybe a little more consideration to cutting down on the syllabus a bit .

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Please do something about analysis of practical data

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Provide us with all the reading material

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To minimise the classes

Since it's a special semester and year, the Institution should consider reducing the burden of assignments and practicals, which as of now, seem either equal or more than the previous semesters. Students should be allowed to take a week's long or so break considering the things that have been going around. Leaves are IMPORTANT.

sufficient breaks between classes and a few off days

It has been very difficult for me attend classes this semester due to frequent migraine and back pain. It would be helpful if the number of classes are reduced and if we can be given at least two days off a week.

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Shorter hours

Timely access to semester material as it's easier to learn through it and due to personal reasons (my family kicked me out of the house as they are all positive and I was tested negative) it's hard to attend classes all material on google classroom , recorded lectures, reading material in advance.

If we can get pre-recorded lectures

**Have you been able to pay the fees? Any concerns with timely payment?**

Yes.

No

I get a scholarship, and the govt is supposed to pay that but that hasn't been disbursed yet,. I haven't recieved my scholarship since last semester.

Yes, no concerns

No concerns

Would be paying soon.

Yes. No concerns as such

Yes and no there is no concern

Not yet paid .

Yes. No concerns.

none

Yup

Paid

No

No

I didn't pay the fee yet

No concerns

Yes, I have paid the fees

Yes

Yes, no concerns with the payment

No concerns

Yes I have been able to pay the fees. No concerns whatsoever.

Yes, paid.

Yes, I have paid.

Yes, I have paid the fees but the procedure was not straightforward and it took time to figure it out.
No I haven't paid the fees yet as things aren't that good financially from past few months.
Yes, i was able to pay the fees, no serious issues were encountered as such.
I will pay it by today
No
No concerns as such.
-
yes i payed my fees with no problems faced.
Yes no issues faced
Not yet but I ll pay it soon
Yes
Yes.
No the site was not opening properly
Yes. No concerns.
Had problem while paying the improvement fee not sure if it's paid also as I couldn't get the mail .
Yes. Nope
No
Paid
Not paid the fee yet but will do it soon. No concerns with timely payment
Payment of fees was carried out at a cyber cafe by me.
Yes. No.
Yes, no concerns.
Yes
Yes
Paid the fees. Instructions were a bit hazy but no such problem with the fees.
Paid
Yes. No
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No issues
Paid the fees. Instructions were a bit hazy but no such problem with the fees.
Yes
Paid.
the fees has been paid.
Iâ€™ve been able to pay the fees.
Yes. No concerns with timely payment.
Yes



I was able to
yes, paid without any issues
Not yet.
<b>Do you have easy access to funds to top up your data packages for the online classes?</b>
Sometimes
Yes
Mostly.
Yes mostly
Yes
Yes.
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes.
Yes
Quite enough
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
I have funds but the connection in my locality is anyway very weak, no matter what connection you use. Upon that my mom also has daily classes around the same time so the wifi gets even more weak.
No
Yes
Most of the time, I do
Yes
Yes, I fill it with my pocket money.
Yes
Yes
Yes
yes
Yes
Yes
Yeah
Yes
No
Yes

No
Yes
Yes
No
Yes.
Yes
Kind of
Yes
Yes
Yes
No. Data packs and wifi costs so much. Plus, even if you get it, there are stormy, cloudy or windy days when the internet does not work at all. In my are, signal is a persistent problem.
Yes.
Yes.
Yes
Yes
Maybe but I'm already paying a lot.
Yes
mostly
Maybe but I'm already paying a lot.
Yes
Maybe but late m already paying a lot.
Yes
To an extent.
yes
Yes
Yes.
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Not very easy , we got new fiber and it's quite expensive for us .
No
<b>Do you require support for addressing your mental health needs? If "Yes", then what kind of support would be helpful?</b>
No
No
I am not sure. But I have been feeling very anxious and lost. I don't know what would help me.
No

No
Yes. Entrances are approaching, and I'm very anxious thinking about them. Managing everything is somehow getting difficult.
No
I don't know but I think I have some mental health needs but I don't require support.
I suffer from GAD and attachment anxiety among other issues and it has been incredibly taxing especially with the news of OBE exams and Viva . If we can be provided with as much clarity as possible on the process as well material and practice questions would be incredibly helpful . In case of mental health , a support group can be formed of people suffering from any form of mental illness / condition which would definitely help .
No.
No
Yes, I tried to tell my self that these are hard times, everything will get normal again, soon.
Social and informational support
No
Yes. Someone to talk to, because tonnes of deadlines, work and commitments at home, sometimes go over the top and I get extremely stressed.
No
No
Yes. Due to so much work, online classes, practicals and upon that my deteriorating family relationships has affected my mental health. I have been having suicidal thoughts since August and tried even a few therapists and called up most of the suicide helplines but nothing works. If it's possible, I really want to get in touch with a pro bono therapist.
No
No
Yes, I think I need some sort of counseling and advisory sessions about how to cope up and deal with certain situations since I lack traits on that front.
No
Yes, we could have more virtual video calls with the class so that we all can just talk and discuss about ways bothering each one of us and just get that reassurance that we're all here for each other
No
Yes and no. Due to difficult life circumstances, as of now external mental health support is not viable. However, having a less demanding volume of work would be immensely helpful.
Currently I'm just facing problem with completing my work as it is difficult to work without proper resources and also the fear of not being able to do work with my full potential makes me tense as it will effect my scores. I'm not sure if the institution can help me with this but a week's extention in submission might help me.
Yes, support groups or conversation with a trusted counsellor or professor
Yes I need support in the form of teachers understanding our needs and our limits, with regard to the work that is being demanded from us.
No
No.

Yes - the mental health of a lot of students has been affected with the excess workload. There have been several students who do not have conducive and healthy home environment - illnesses in the family, people being sick and having to care for them, having unsupportive and suffocating family members, increased housework - keeping up with college and the seemingly excess workload has become very distressing for people who are going through so much in their daily lives. Furthermore, the course work has not been reduced in lieu of the pandemic, in fact in certain cases we have had to do more assignments than we usually would while keeping up with the attendance. The notifications about internal assessment have not been told to us thoroughly beforehand. This led to a lot of panic about what is being counted and what is not.

Further, we have reasons to believe that different colleges have scrapped their second assignment for each paper and compensated those marks with that of attendance. We were not given this option at all. Finally, the practicals have been burdensome as we have to do 2 for each paper. We started our submissions in September and we are still not completed with them (it is now November) This has left us feeling very anxious as a lot of us were unable to take any breaks. We wished for a cut-down on workload and we were unable to get it in any significant way.

yes, i have started getting anxious looking at my screen, there is increase in my feeling of fatigue and tiredness due to the amount of work due within less time, the stress is amounting so much due to more personal life issues which are extraordinary as well right now. i feel like i am lacking in my efforts however i cannot gather enough energy to cope with the demands of work, i am unable to concentrate or focus for any amount of time on anything which ends up making me feel guilty, i also feel stressed as i feel i haven't done enough for exams yet like compiling all the material or preparing it for that matter, i feel its unfair at this point, and that also makes me angry. I am trying my best to cope with everything but i have been doing it for 4 months now and i am very exhausted now, this is not the starting of deteriorating mental health, it has now reached a peak, we have been trying but this method does not seem viable at all, i dont feel like looking forward to the next semester, i am only looking forward for this being over so that i can have space to feel angry, sad, glad or else because the work pressure won't even allow that. i don't know what exactly i need to overcome all this as i know these problems won't go away by wishing them away and at this point they cannot be removed or edited either, i have to do it and i will to the best of my capacities, i only hope the results of this sem however don't add to my analysis of competency because these have been extreme situations and i had to level up for a lot before i could actually start learning and growing.

Some meaningful workshops would be helpful

No

No

No

Please do take some action on our practical exams they are really giving a feeling of worry as we are not prepared for them fully in such a short duration of time

Yes. Our teachers are extremely nice & sweet, really appreciate them. Teachers are always there for support and are always there but considerations in terms of the number of practical reports and assignments will be very helpful as it gets very exhausting and overwhelming at times and we are too occupied with these things and unable to actually study and do other things. It seems as if there is not even enough time to study and prepare for the exams. Maybe there can be more of continuous evaluations. Having a general talk, virtual chat with all the teachers and classmates and only with classmates where we can just talk, discuss general things in terms of education and how we are doing and vent maybe twice a month would be helpful - something like the Izzaar virtual chat that we had would be relieving.

No

Yes.
Yes. Since weâ€™re doing everything online, we have to sit in front of a laptop for the whole day because of classes, assignments and practicals. Having a breakdown everyday and feeling frustrated because of getting no time for ourselves is a norm now. Maybe one-on-one counselling session would help as everyone is not comfortable with addressing grievances in front of other people.
Yes, I feel like online classes are extremely unorganised. Some structure will help remove the stress
No
Yes, a counsellor/professor equipped to answer mental health concerns would be quite beneficial in these testing times as the situation at my home is very uncertain and jarring. Education, more than an interest, has started to feel like an additional burden now.
No
No.
No
No
Yes, reduction in work load to reduce the already climbing stress.
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No
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No
Yes, regular one-to-one sessions of counseling would be helpful to students at nominal rate to free.
lighter work to help manage stress.
I have been experiencing a lot of anxiety which has interfered with my work this semester. The number of assignments and practicals have added on to the stress. Iâ€™ve to push myself a lot to complete any work or even attend a class which is very exhausting. Iâ€™ve considered therapy also but due to the current situation, in-person counselling is not possible and Iâ€™m not very comfortable with tele-counselling. Iâ€™m really trying to deal with this on my own but itâ€™s getting tougher with each passing day and Iâ€™m clueless as to what should I do.
Yes.
Yes. Lesser work load would be beneficial.
Yes, i don't know myself what I required but for two-three weeks I completely shut down. I wasn't working or doing anything, I was just lying down on my bed or staring at the ceiling. I left every socialisation or any kind of work and didn't feel like engaging in anything. Two weeks after that my whole family was tested positive which meant that I was suddenly responsible for cooking, cleaning and doing every household work possible meanwhile my father was critical in Icu for over ten days with being tested positive +typhoid+sudden diabetic development, for me, my classes or the work didn't matter at all for that time being and now, I'm trying to cover up. I don't know what I need to be back on track but I

genuinely am trying to sleep for 18 hours per day to regulate my serotonin as I don't want to take medicines later for it.

This semester was extremely stressful with unmanageable amounts of work and college timing combined with the syllabus. Anything done to reduce workload and screentime would help.

Yes ; We can avoid topics for our practicals which can be very triggering for so many students

Yes.

### **Any other support for optimal online classroom learning?**

No

Slides to be shared for references

everyone is not really able to talk in virtual classes and it's not possible everytime for even those who do, and many a times people are named and forced to talk.  
Apart from that, it would be helpful if the criteria of attendance in internal assessment is scrapped for the virtual semester. It would help everyone alot and lessen the burden and stress.

There are way too many slots for practicals and theory given which takes up our day from 8:40 to 5 pm for 6 days in the week. Simply decreasing the number of classes and making them more efficient would benefit a lot of students with their limited data packages and time availability as well. Attendance should not be given so much importance to. A lot of people aren't comfortable interacting in the class due to personal/mental health reasons and that should not be kept as a criteria for judging anyone's participation or involvement in the class. Teachers can share their PPTs and material that they teach in online classes as a lot of people with unstable internet or other issues, cannot attend classes but would like to be kept informed. This would also help greatly in exams and while preparing answers for all students.

Less number of classes to reduce screen time, preferably recorded lectures, fixed schedule of assignment submission at the beginning of the semester

No

No

No

Kindly provide us offline classes after the course is complete so we have time to makes notes for OBE .  
Thankyou

No.

none

Nope

Lesser work

No

Maybe all the study material at one place, a sort of E library so that we can easily access everything.

No

No
We need a relaxation on our deadlines. The semester has been cut short then why not the syllabus? Even when DU asked just one assignment for every subject, then why we had to submit two? Upon that there are practicals we haven't even started right now, how can we complete all of them in just two weeks?
I want that online lectures were recorded so those who r not able to attend online lectures they had some resources for study purposes
No
No
No
Na
Can we please reduce the number of classes, if possible? Like it would be great if we can get holiday on weekends. I personally feel mentally drained because of written work. If we can get two holidays(saturday and sunday) in a week I think we can devote at least one day as "healing day". That's it. Thank you!
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No
excessive screen time should be reduced, workload can be reduced or made more efficient to regulate screen time and its subsequent effects.
Decreasing the amount of practical work would be really helpful in lessening our load
It's very hectic to attend classes and with so many reports pending we have practical exams starting from December
No
To have more flexible deadlines; less complicated essays/practicals; taking into account that some students are going through really tough times and they should be able to postpone work in case things in their life are unprecedented; providing counselling sessions for each batch as a part of the weekâ€™s schedule to address anything that may be bothering them
i wish that the system of online classroom learning has a structure different from offline learning not only in the context of platforms used but also in the patter we learn, its not like we can't but we have to adjust to methods that work online and not use the ones we used offline. we can have internal assessments based on group discussions, we can have charts made at home which are explained in video calls, we can have you tube videos added for explanations, we have to reduce the length of lectures and increase other methods of offline learning independently to survive online learning culture.
No
No
No
If the pdfs of books and ppts could be made available a little early so that we're able to better prepare ourselves for the classes. Thank you.
No
Nothing that I can think of distinctly but the above few points. Mix spurts of discussions, collaboration, video and audio clips, and practical knowledge with text which the teachers are already doing is very helpful. Really appreciate it. Assignments can maybe more practical just like the practical and application based we will be getting for OBE if we are going to have them in the next semester. Feedbacks on assignments and regular feedback will helps us improve and make things better. If we can have one class or sort of a workshop on Academic Writing that will be highly appreciated. Online classes hasn't been that bad but in terms of all the work its stressful, overwhelming & exhausting. Breaking a long

presentation/lecture into shorter segments or chunks is helpful and easy to understand. PPTs are really helpful. Information communication is nice when it come to building connections keeping in mi d that we have lost half of our college life. Interaction is nice.

Sometimes practicals and homework become very hectic and the hectic also becomes mundane that it becomes difficult to push to work towards something that we know is really important.

Give us the breaks to atleast unwind and stay sane. :')

Also if something can be done about the vivas considering they are internal that would be helpful because we have only been given just a week to study for exams and the pracs wont even give us enough time to even clear our doubts considering they wont even end by the wnd of this semester.

NA

No

No

Google Classroom facilitation be carried out without Attendance. Also, more recreational activities be organized online.

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No.

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I think maybe recording the lectures that take place would be one suggestion I would like to pin at .

I donâ€™t think so

No

Help with practical

I donâ€™t think so

Provide us with all the relevant reading material before the classes so that we can relate better even if we have network issues and a lecture plan so that we know what is being covered on which day.

I donâ€™t think so

Reduce work load

Teachers are requested to be more empathetic, more considerate, should put through less burden of assignments, deadlines, marks and practicals. Needless to say, the fact that we cannot conduct the practicals in person and what not, the department should mandatorily reduce one practical each from each paper as it doesn't make sense to have 8 practicals at such a point in time. Additionally, it'll also be great if teachers didn't wait till the end minute of the semester to tell us about the assignments and do so in the first month. It's requested that they should go easy on students with practical drafts as well.

More frequent feedback forms/sessions. Classes, especially practical classes, should involve some visual medium to make it easier for us to follow instructions.

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No.

Recordings of lectures



Yes, many teachers haven't given us material and ppts for reference which re really helpful. Moreover, I have received an offer from a university in London but all the senior teachers have already exhausted lor and my lor and third year grades are the only conditions required for the admission. The format for apa and working is mostly different for every teacher and thus, format of each practical remains differently. The complaints have mostly been the same because they were addressed only for a brief time and then went back to what it was and didn't make a difference.

i personally don't feel there was a lot of learning this semester. the ways of assessment are very mundane, i would rather have class interactions, presentations, self reflection and such things. it will reduce workload and also make assignments interesting. also we have recieved feedback from teachers that our batch is not efficient in report and assignment writing. i totally agree with it, and would request teachers to please take a few sessions on the same, because we have not got time explicitly to learn this skills. lastly, though i understand our teachers are packed with work, but it would be helpful if we got our work corrected a bit sooner with personal feedbacks so that our learning is more and there is ample time to correct.

Less burden from online practical work

It would be appreciated if OBE was made clearer to us, if practice questions were provided. Mock Viva questions could also be given since we really donâ€™t have time to prepare.