# P.B. SIDDHARTHA COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE

# **DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**

#### **Course Structure and Syllabi under CBCS**

Sl No.	Semester	Course Code	Name Of The Subject	Teaching Hours	Credits
1	I Semester	23ENSDL101	BUSINESS WRITING	2	2

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#### **BUSINESS WRITING**

Semester-I No. of Hours per Week: 2 No. of Credits: 2 Max. Marks: 50 External: 35 M Internal: 15M

**<u>OBJECTIVE</u>**: The main objective of this course is not only to facilitate the learners to understand the fundamentals of business writing which include emails, memos, reports and letters with a focus on business contexts and environments but also ensuring clarity in writing for digital platforms like websites, social media and online communication.

#### **COURSE OUTCOMES:**

At the end of the course, the learners will be able to:

**CO 1**. Understand the fundamentals of business writing, including style, tone and language. **PO1** 

CO 2. Apply principles of effective communication in business letters and interoffice correspondence. PO2

CO 3. Understand and craft persuasive, well-organized business proposals and formal reports. PO3



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# BUSINESS WRITING SYLLABUS FOR B.A COURSE UNDER CBCS

**SEMESTER-I (2023-24)** 

Course Code: 23 ENGSDT01 Title: Business Writing Credits: 2 Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 50

**Unit 1:** Introduction to Business Writing: Importance and purpose of effective business writing; Characteristics of good business writing; Common challenges and misconceptions. Writing Clear and Concise Emails: Appropriate email etiquette in the professional environment, organizing email content and using effective subject lines, Understanding tone and formality in email communication.

**Unit 2:** Memos and Interoffice Communication: Formatting and structure of memos, writing memos for various purposes like updates, announcements, and requests. Ensuring clarity and coherence in interoffice communication. Business Letters and Formal Correspondence: Structure and components of a business letter, writing persuasive and professional business letters, responding to inquiries and complaints effectively.

**Unit 3:** Business Proposals and Reports: Crafting business proposals for projects and initiatives, Formal report writing - format, sections, and organization, analyzing data and presenting findings in reports. Writing for Digital Platforms: Business writing for websites, social media, and online communication, Leveraging technology for efficient and impactful business writing

# Activities:

1. Writing Assignments: Regular business writing tasks covering different document types.

2. Business Proposal Project: Crafting a comprehensive business proposal for a hypothetical scenario.

3. Reports and Presentations: Preparing formal reports and presenting findings to the class.

4. Quizzes and Tests: Assessing understanding of business writing principles and grammar.

5. Class Participation: Active engagement in discussions, peer reviews, and activities.

# **Text Books:**

- 1. Business Writing Basics by Jane Watson (Author) Publisher: Self Counsel Press Inc; 2nd edition (1 August 2002) ISBN-10: 1551803860 ISBN-13: 978-1551803869
- Successful Business Writing How to Write Business Letters, Emails, Reports, Minutes and for Social Media - Improve Your English Writing and Grammar: of Exercises and Free Downloadable Workbook by Heather Baker Publisher: Universe of Learning Ltd; Illustrated edition (1 March 2012) ISBN-10 : 1849370745 ISBN-13 : 978-1849370745
- 3. Business Correspondence and Report Writing, 6th Edition by R C Sharma, Krishna Mohan, Virendra Singh Nirban. Publisher: McGraw Hill Education (India) Private Limited. ISBN-10: 9390113008 ISBN-13: 978-9390113002

# **Reference Books:**

- 1. "The Essential Business Handbook: The Nuts & Bolts of Getting Up and Running Fast" by John Storey and Amelia Storey (Indian Edition)
- 2. "The AMA Handbook of Business Writing: The Ultimate Guide to Style, Grammar, Punctuation, Usage, Construction, and Formatting" by Kevin Wilson and Jennifer Wauson

#### MODEL PAPER

#### **COURSE TITLE: BUSINESS WRITING**

# Course Code: 23ENSDL101

Max. Marks: 35

Max. Time: 120 Mins

# Section-A

#### Answer any Three out of Five questions. Each question carries 5 Marks (3x5=15)

- 1. What are the characteristics of good business writing?
- 2. State the importance of tone and formality in email-communication.
- 3. Write a brief note on structure and components of a business letter.
- 4. How to use technology for efficient and impactful business writing?
- 5. What are the tips to write for websites?

### Section-B

(2x 10=20 Marks)

#### Answer any Two out of Four questions. Each question carries 10 Marks

- 6. What is the appropriate email etiquette to be executed in a professional environment?
- 7. What is the difference between the tone and style of the letter and a memo?
- 8. What elements must appear in the structure of every report and why?