

Central University of Tamil Nadu

Department of Applied Psychology

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY

The Department of Applied Psychology aims to solve human problems by the application of psychological principles. In the changing global scenario, the human problems have acquired new dimensions with the changing nature of the challenges that the world faces today. Application of psychological principles to solve human problems has acquired new dimension with the changing nature of the challenges that the world faces today. In view of this, the scientific discipline of applied psychology has emerged as a natural process of evolution in the dissemination of knowledge base. It has gathered spectacular momentum in recent years. In this context a post-graduate course in applied psychology has been a need of the time. The MSc Applied Psychology course has been designed to impart knowledge in the foundation of psychology along with three specializations, namely, clinical psychology, counselling psychology and Industrial and organizational psychology to train students to equip them apply the knowledge in the respective domains of specialization. Hence, the course includes theoretical papers, practicum, field visits and dissertation.

VISION

To become a recognized and trusted education centre for Applied Psychology and related fields where students shall be trained to become reflexive actors in the society

MISSION

Create a challenging, flexible and rewarding learning environment for the staff and students.

Improve professional practice through the promotion of freedom of inquiry, critical reflection, academic excellence and research.

Prepare students to understand and intervene in human development across contexts and cultures

Develop sensitivity and reflexivity among students to understand and work with people of all kind in the society.

Maintain high standards of professionalism and ethics and contribute to the community with a sense of integrity, equity and social justice.

I. Academic Programme

A) Current Academic Programme

Programme: M.Sc Applied Psychology- we.f 2017 (2 years)

Annual Student intake – 20 seats

Specialization

- Clinical Psychology
- Counselling Psychology
- Industrial and Organizational Psychology

B) Admission Procedure

The candidates planning to join M.Sc Applied Psychology Programme have to write the Central Universities Common Entrance Test (CUCET). The National level admission test is usually held in the month of May before the academic year starts. The Test would be held at various centres in different states in India in addition to Tiruvarur, Trichy, Chennai, Madurai & Coimbatore. The notification of the Programme and application details gets published in CUTN website as well as in the print media during the month of March.

Minimum Admission Standards

The following standards and requirements must be met for admission to the M.Sc Applied Psychology Programme:

- Any Bachelor's degree from a recognized university with at least 55% marks for general category, 50% marks OBC (Non-creamy Layer) and 45% marks for SC/ST/PWD candidates at Graduate level.

C)M.Sc Applied Psychology - Course Structure(w.e.f. 2017)

Course Code	Course Title	Course	Credit	CIA			
				CI A	ES E	Viv a Voc e	Tot al
SEMESTER - I							
AP 101	Applied Cognitive Psychology	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 102	Applied Social Psychology	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 103	Research Methods - Quantitative	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 104	Psychometrics	Core	4	40	60		100
AP 105	Life Span Development	Core	4	40	60	-	100

AP 106	Practicum	Core	6	60	90	-	150
Total Credit			26				650
SEMESTER - II							
AP 201	Health Psychology	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 202	Neuropsychology	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 203	Positive Psychology	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 204	Statistics in Behavioural Sciences	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 205	Research Methods – Qualitative	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 206	Practicum	Core	6	60	90	-	150
Total Credit			26				650
SEMESTER - III							
AP301	Community Psychology		4	40	60		100

AP302	Personality, Self and Personal Growth		4	40	60		100
AP 303 A	Psychopathology	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 303 B	Paradigms of Counselling						
AP 303C	Organizational Behaviour						
AP 304 A	Psychodiagnostics	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 304 B	Counselling Processes						
AP 304 C	Human Resource Management						
AP 305	Practicum	Core	6	60	90		100
AP 306	Internship		6	60	90		150
Total Credit			28				650
AP 401 A	Psychotherapy	Core	4	40	60	-	100

AP 401 B	Counselling Interventions						
AP 401C	Organizational Development and Change						
AP 402 A	Rehabilitation Psychology	Core	4	40	60	-	100
AP 402 B	Counselling in Social setting						
AP 402C	Current Trends in Industrial and Organizational Psychology						
AP 403	Internship based on specialization	Core	6	60	90		150
AP 404	Practicum	Core	6	60	90		150
AP 405	Dissertation	Core	6	60	90		150
	Total Credit		26				650

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CIA – Continuous Internal Assessment

ESE – End Semester Examination

DSE - Discipline Specific Elective

SPECIALIZATIONS:

A = Clinical Psychology

B = Counselling Psychology

C = Industrial and Organizational Psychology

ELECTIVE PAPERS:

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	CIA	ESE	Total marks
AP501E	Psychology for Effective Living	3	40	60	100
AP 502E	Positive Psychology	3	40	60	100
AP 503 E	Youth Psychology	3	40	60	100
AP 504E	Gender Psychology	3	40	60	100

Career Opportunities:

The services of applied psychologists are required in many fields. Some of them are

- Manager - Learning & Development
- Neuropsychologist
- Clinical Psychologist
- Developmental Psychologist/Life style specialist
- Forensic Psychologist
- Clinical Neurologist
- Psychometrician
- School psychologist/ School Counsellor
- Psychology Consultant
- Organizational Psychologist
- Business Consultant
- Program Coordinator
- Military Psychologist
- Family Courts and Juvenile Courts

Applied Psychologists can also go for Self Employment, start a clinic, organisation, NGO and so on. Additionally, the course will also give good base for higher degree programs in respective

subjects e.g. M.Phil. and Ph.D. in relevant centers. They can go for research centers and academic institutions; pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies and legal centers. Other career areas are management consultancies; law and accountancy firms; retail companies, Defence Institute, DRDO.

Thrust areas of the Department

Psychotherapy and Psychiatric Disorders

Community health

Stress Management.

Forensic Psychology.

Rehabilitation Psychology.

Industry related problems and Human Resource Management

Organizational Behavior

Educational Psychology related to Curriculum and Teaching - Learning Process

Counselling in various fields

Environmental Psychology

Cognitive Psychology.

Research Methodology including both quantitative and qualitative research.

Test Construction, etc.

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