



DEPARTMENT OF GENDER STUDIES

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M.A. GENDER STUDIES

Preamble:

Gender inequality has been a matter of serious concern across the globe and within the countries. There is still a long way towards achieving the goals of gender equality and empowerment of women in India. The Gender inequality issue remains to be addressed in a more holistic and realistic manner as opposed to an adhoc and issue based approach. Understanding gender inequality in varied socio-cultural contexts, creating awareness on the gender

concerns with Human Rights perspectives and mainstreaming the same in policy development and planning, legislative measures, state agencies, institutional settings and society are the agreed upon strategies for the overall development of the nation. With a serious commitment towards realising this national goal, the School of Gender Studies endeavours to produce scholars and practitioners in Gender Studies through its Master's Degree programme in Gender Studies (M.A Gender Studies).

Distinctive features of the Course:

- ◁ The course is judiciously balanced with strong theoretical foundations drawn from feministic scholarship, conceptual framework of gender issues and skill based courses with hands-on experience.
- ◁ The students of Gender Studies shall embark on an intellectual odyssey, a journey of two years, during which they will be ingrained with theoretical perspectives in the first semester, exposed to the conceptual issues in the second semester, imbibed with analytical and application orientation in the third semester and capacity building with requisite skills for developing and implementing women development programmes/interventions/ projects in the fourth Semester.
- ◁ Pedagogy of the course is inter-aligned with class-room lectures and appropriate innovative teaching methods. The students will be sensitized on gender issues through group discussions, group projects, role plays and simulation methods and they will be taught the realistic issues through field exposure visits and experiential learning.
- ◁ The course aims to provide the practical and application skills that are required in development practice in the context of women empowerment through series of workshops and training sessions.
- ◁ They will be provided with opportunities to conduct training programmes in gender sensitization and mainstreaming gender issues as well as in the management of women development projects.
- ◁ One month internship with international and national level organizations working in the development sector and state agencies.

Unique Opportunities for the students:

- ◁ **International Youth Exchange Programmes with SAARC/Commonwealth/Asian countries**
- ◁ **World - ship programme**
- ◁ **Participation in the National Level Programmes**
- ◁ **Participation in various Workshops/ Lectures/ Training Programmes**

Infrastructure

- ◁ Air Conditioned Smart Class Rooms
- ◁ Air Conditioned Conference Room, Seminar Hall and Auditorium
- ◁ State of art National Library
- ◁ Computer Lab with Wi-Fi Enabled Campus
- ◁ Separate Hostel for Girls and Boys
- ◁ Yoga/ Gym/ Sports facilities

Career Path

- ◁ Teaching
- ◁ Research
- ◁ Trainers
- ◁ Development practitioners
- ◁ Project associates/ Programme coordinators in multi – lateral and bilateral projects
- ◁ Gender Consultants

RGNIYD Scholarships/ fees for the PG students:

- ◁ NYK Sponsorship: NYK Volunteer with meritorious service for a minimum period of 2 years and recommended by the Director General of NYK, New Delhi shall be awarded scholarship to meet their Tuition and Hostel fees.

- ◁ NSS Scholarships: NSS Volunteers who participated in the NSS activities for 240 hours in 2 years and attended NSS Special Camp for 7 days shall be awarded scholarship amount of Rs 1000/- per month.
- ◁ Merit Scholarship for First & Second Rank holders of the Department: The students who secure 1st and 2nd Rank in each of the M.A Degree Programme shall be awarded Rs 6000/- per semester.
- ◁ ST/SC scholarship as per Govt. norms.
- ◁ Tuition fee exemption for SC/ST students

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