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#### M. A. (Psychology)

#### **Syllabus**

(Semester & Choice Based Credit System -Autonomy 21 Pattern)

(To be implemented from the Academic Year 2022-2023)

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#### Syllabus for M.A. Part I (Psychology)

#### To Be Implemented From A.Y. 2022-23 (CBCS – Autonomy 21 Pattern)

Semester I			
Course Code	Name of the Course	Credits	
21AMPS111	Cognitive Processes: Understanding	04	
21AMPS112	Statistics and Research Methods	04	
21AMPS113	Psychometrics: The Science Of	04	
	Psychological Assessment		
21AMPS114	Practicum: Psychological Tests	04	
	Semester II		
21AMPS121	Cognitive Processes: Advances and	04	
	Application		
21AMPS122	Advanced Statistics and Research	04	
	Methods		
21AMPS123	Personality	04	
21AMPS124	Practicum: Psychological Experiments	04	



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#### Syllabus (Semester I)

Course/ Paper Title	Cognitive Processes: Understanding
<b>Course Code</b>	21AMPS111
Semester	I
No. of Credits	4

#### **Aims &Objectives of the Course**

Sr.	Objectives
No.	
1.	To acquaint students with the branch of Cognitive Psychology, its theoretical perspectives and latest research findings
2.	To develop insight in the processes underlying behaviour.
3.	To be able to use the cognitive perspective in the field of specialization
4.	To be able to use the inputs for competitive and qualifying examinations.

Sr.	Learning Outcome
No.	
1.	To be able to define explain and discuss nature and scope of Cognitive Psychology along with theories and paradigms.
2.	To understand and describe basic processes in cognition – sensation, attention and perception
3.	To describe and discuss learning theories in detail.
4.	To be able to understand and identify recent trends and applications in Cognitive Psychology.

Unit No.	Unit No. Title with Contents		
I	Introduction to Cognitive Psychology	15	
	1.1 Definition, Nature and Scope of Cognitive Psychology		
	1.2. History of Cognitive Psychology		
	1.3. Methods to study cognitive Psychology-I		
	Observation		
	Introspection		
	Experimental		
	1.4. Methods to study cognitive Psychology-II		
	Quasi-Experimental		
	Neuropsychological		
	1.5. Application:		
	Understanding Cognitive Map		
II	Exploring Cognitive Psychology	15	
	2.1. Definition, Nature and Theories:		
	i. Sensation: Structuralism, Gestalt, Psychophysical approach		
	ii. Perception and Pattern Recognition: Bottom Up theories of		
	Perception, Top down perception theories, Computational		
	theories		
	2.2. Definition, Nature and Theories:		
	i. Attention: Bottleneck theory, Automatic versus controlled		
	processing, Feature integration theory, Stroop Effect, Signal		
	Detection, Vigilance		
	ii. Pattern Recognition: Template matching theory, Prototype		
	models, Distinctive-features models		
	2.3. Definition, Nature and Theories:		
	i. Thinking: Associationism, Gestalt, Information Processing		
	ii. Problem Solving: Problem Space theory, Means-End		
	Hypothesis, Analogy Approach		
	2.4. Application:		
	i. Activities on Cognitive Map, ii. Extra Sensory Perception		

III	Exploring Cognitive Psychology	15
	3.1. Definition, Nature and Theories :	
	i. Learning: Hull's Systematic Behaviour Theory, Lewin's Field	
	Theory of Learning, Tolman's Sign Learning, Gagne's Theory of	
	Learning, Bandura's Social Learning Theory	
	ii. Memory Model: Unitary, Dual, Multimodal	
	3.2. Definition, Nature and Theories: i. Artificial Intelligence, ii.	
	Language	
	3.3. Definition, Nature and Theories: i. Decision Making, ii.	
	Creativity	
	3.4. Application : Memory Improvement Techniques	
IV	Recent Trends in Cognitive Psychology	15
	4.1. Recent Trends in: Sensation, Perception, Attention,	
	Biological Bases of Attention,	
	4.2. Recent Trends in: Creativity, Thinking, Problem Solving	
	4.3. Recent Trends in: Learning, Memory, Pattern Recognition	
	4.4. Recent Trends in: Language, Artificial Intelligence, Decision	
	Making	
	4.5. Application: Develop creative thinking, decision making	
	skills	

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#### Syllabus (Semester I)

Course/ Paper Title	Statistics and Research Methods
Course Code	21AMPS112
Semester	I
No. of Credits	4

#### **Aims &Objectives of the Course**

Sr.	Objectives
No.	
1.	The student develops understanding of how Statistics is used in Psychology
2.	Adopts scientific approach to the subject of research in Psychology and is able to apply appropriate research methods to different research problems

Sr.	Learning Outcome
No.	
1.	To be able to understand, define and explain the research process,
	concepts used, approaches and ethics in research.
2.	To be able to understand and discuss basic concepts of Statistics used in Psychology.
3.	To understand and differentiate between various quantitative research designs.
4.	To be able to use basic inferential statistics with the help of SPSS.

Unit	Title with Contents	No. of
No.		Lectures
I	Introduction to Behaviour Sciences Research	15
	i. Nature and scope of research in the social sciences	
	ii. Problem, variables, hypothesis(types), sampling (types)	
	iii. Approaches to research (qualitative, quantitative and Mixed)	
	iv. Ethics in social science research Movement	
II	Preliminary Statistics For Social Science Research	15
	i. Preparing Data - Employee Probability, Normal Distribution	
	Curve: Characteristics, Applications, Finding Outliers	
	ii. Descriptive statistics (Using SPSS): Measures of central	
	tendency	
	iii. Concepts in Inferential Statistics: Estimation and prediction,	
	Standard error of mean,	
	iv. Confidence interval, Type I and Type II errors; one-tailed and	
	two tailed	
III	Basic Quantitative Research Designs	15
	i. Survey: Cross sectional, successive independent samples,	
	longitudinal	
	ii. Non-experimental approaches: Phenomenology, case study,	
	field study, correlational designs, ex post facto designs, archival	
	research Experimental Designs: Principles (Variance-systematic,	
	error, extraneous), internal and external validity	
	iii. Quasi experimental designs	
IV	Statistics For Between Group Designs	15
	i. Non-parametric tests: Man Whitney U test (Using SPSS), Kruskal	
	Wallis Test	
	ii. Students' T Test (using SPSS)	
	iii. ANOVA (Using SPSS): One way	
	iv. Drawing conclusions: Generalizing from the results, generalizing	
	across subjects, handling a non-significant outcome.	

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Course/ Paper Title	Psychometrics:	The	Science	Of	Psychological
	Assessment				
Course Code	21AMPS113				
Semester	I				
No. of Credits	4				

#### **Aims &Objectives of the Course**

Sr. No.	Objectives
1.	Introduce students to a comprehensive, rigorous and systematic introduction to Psychometrics.
2.	Students are able to apply the knowledge of psychometrics in professional settings.
3.	To help students prepare for post-graduate entrance examinations
4.	To further develop insight in the field of Psychology

Sr.	Learning Outcome
No.	
1.	To be able to define, describe and discuss scientific measurement in Psychology.
2.	Is able to identify the steps in test construction and demonstrate the understanding practically.
3.	Understand Psychometric properties and critically evaluate the various aspects of the properties.
4.	Critically evaluate the biases and challenges in testing and demonstrate the appropriate use of computers and artificial intelligence in testing.

Unit No.	Title with Contents	No. of
		Lectures
I	Perspectives on psychometrics	15
	<ul> <li>1.1. Scientific method, realism, truth and psychology</li> <li>1.2. Scientific measurement in psychometrics and measurement in the natural sciences</li> <li>1.3. Measurement models: Classical test theory, Latent variable model, Representational measurement model</li> <li>1.4. The theory of true scores, the statistical true score, the platonic true score, Psychological vs. Physical true score, the true psychometric: trait or function</li> <li>1.5. Ethical issues in psychological testing</li> </ul>	
II	Process of test construction	15
	2.1. Knowledge-based and person-based questionnaire: Objective	
	and open-ended tests, Norm-referenced and criterion-referenced	
	testing, The correction for guessing in objective knowledge based	
	test	
	2.2 Item analysis: Classical item analysis statistics for	
	knowledge-based tests, Classical item analysis for person-based	
	tests, Item analysis in criterion-referenced testing	
	2.3. Item response theory (IRT)	
	2.4. Relation of IRT and Classical test theory	
	2.5. Item characteristic curve	
III	Standardization of tests	15
	3.1. Reliability: Concept and types of reliability, forms of error;	
	Spearman-Brown correction, cautions in the use of	
	reliability coefficient	
	3.2. Validity: Concepts and types of validity; Political validity;	
	Confusion between validation and validity.	
	3.3. Normalisation: Algebraic normalisation, graphical	
	normalisation	
	3.4. Types of norms	
	3.5. The use of Factor Analysis in test construction	

IV	Bias in testing and computer applications	15
	4.1. Forms of bias	
	4.1.1. Item bias: Identifying item bias	
	4.1.2. Differential item functioning, item offensiveness	
	4.2. Intrinsic test bias: Statistical models of intrinsic test bias	
	4.3. Extrinsic test bias: Extrinsic test bias and ideology; legal	
	aspects of extrinsic test bias; guidelines in case of test bias	
	4.4. Computerization in psychological Testing	
	4.5. Artificial intelligence and psychological testing	

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#### Syllabus (Semester I)

Course/ Paper Title	Practicum
Course Code	21AMPS114
Semester	I
No. of Credits	4

#### **Aims &Objectives of the Course**

Sr.	Objectives
No.	
1.	To understand Psychometrics, types of tests, administer and write
	reports.
2.	To be able to use Psychological Tests effectively

Sr.	Learning Outcome
No.	
1.	To understand the broad and specific categories of tests, theory and application of tests.
2.	To be able to take case history, give instruction, administer, and score as well as interpret test scores.
3.	Generate report and give guidance to test takers.

Unit No.	Title with Contents	No.	of
		Lectu	res
I	General Ability Tests (Any Three)	15	
	1. Standard Progressive Matrices or Cattell's Culture Fair Test of		
	Intelligence		
	2. WAIS-IV (India)		
	3. DAT or EATB		
	4. Passi Creativity test		
II	Special Ability Tests (Any Two)	15	
	1. Multiple Aptitude		
	2. Special Aptitude		
	3. Reasoning Ability Test		
	4. Cognitive Ability Test		
III	Personality Tests (Any Three)	15	
	1. NEO-PI-R, 16 PF, MBTI (Form F)		
	2. Vocational Preference Inventory by J. I Holland		
	3. Bell's Adjustment Inventory		
	4. Thematic Apperception Test (TAT)		
	5. Attitude and Value Scale		
IV	Other Tests (Any Two)	15	
	1. FIRO-B/ BIRO-P		
	2. Assessment of Subjective Wellbeing		
	3. Career and Family Value Scale		
	4. Family Environment Scale		
	5. Self-Concept		
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#### Syllabus (Semester II)

Course/ Paper Title	Cognitive Processes: Advances and Application
Course Code	21AMPS121
Semester	II
No. of Credits	4

#### **Aims &Objectives of the Course**

Sr.	Objectives	
No.		
1.	To understand the advances in Cognitive Psychology and research in the Field.	
2.	To gain insight into how Cognitive Processes influence working of professionals in various areas of Psychology	
3.	To help students prepare for topics related to cognition that is often the focus of critical thinking questions in entrance and qualifying examinations.	

Sr.	Learning Outcome
No.	
1.	To understand and critically discuss higher order concepts in cognition as well as their applications.
2.	To understand and discuss factors influencing thought and language.
3.	To acquaint students with advances in Cognitive Psychology in various fields and enable them to understand and discuss the same.

Unit	Title with Contents	No. of
No.		Lectures
I	Advance in Cognitive Psychology- I	15
	1.1. Definition and Nature: Consciousness	
	1.2. Definition and Nature: Critical Thinking	
	1.3. Definition and Nature: Neuropsychology	
	1.4. Conceptual Understanding: Metacognition	
	1.5. Application: Brain Assessment Tools: CT Scan, MRI, fMRI, PET	
	Scan	
II	Advances in Cognitive Psychology-II	15
	2.1. Thought and Language	
	2.2. Sex Differences and Cognitive Abilities	
	2.3. IQ, EQ and Creative Thinking	
	2.4. Reading, Writing, Speaking and Cognitive Phenomenon	
	2.5. Application: Develop Critical Thinking	
III	Applications of Cognitive Psychology- I	15
	3.1. Application in Clinical Psychology: Brain and Behaviour Problems	
	3.2. Application in Clinical Psychology: Psychotherapies	
	3.3. Application in Education Psychology: (i) Child development (ii)	
	Learning styles	
	3.4. Application in Education Psychology: (i) Forgetting (ii) Moral	
	development	
	3.5. Application: Cognitive Stages of Development and Teaching	
	methods/techniques	
IV	Applications of Cognitive Psychology- II	15
	4.1. Application in Forensic Psychology : (i) Cognitive interview (ii) Lie	
	Detector	
	4.2. Application in Forensic Psychology: (iii) Eyewitness testimony (iv)	
	Face Recognition	
	4.3. Application in Computer Science: Memory Models and Computer	
	Science	
	4.4. Application in Computer Science : Information processing, SDT	
	4.5. Application: Identity Kit	

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#### Syllabus (Semester II)

Course/ Paper Title	Advanced Statistics and Research Methods
Course Code	21AMPS122
Semester	II
No. of Credits	4

#### **Aims &Objectives of the Course**

Sr.	Objectives
No.	
1.	To understand the role of advanced Statistics in research in Psychology.
2.	To help students prepare for post-graduate entrance examinations
3.	To further develop insight in the scientific rigor in the field of
	Psychology

Sr.	Learning Outcome
No.	
1.	To be able to understand and use various group designs - within group, between group and multiple group
2.	To be able to use advanced statistical techniques like two way ANOVA, MANOVA, Regression using SPSS
3.	To be able to able to use at least one qualitative method in research.
4.	Demonstrates ability to formulate a research problem, hypotheses and research design along with writing research report.

Unit No.	Title with Contents	No. of
		Lectures
I	Advanced Quantitative Research Designs	15
	i. Between groups designs: Two group designs, more than	
	two group designs	
	ii. Factorial Designs	
	iii. Within group designs: types	
	iv. Two way and repeated measures ANOVA, (Using SPSS)	
II	Multivariate Statistics	15
	i. ANCOVA (Using SPSS)	
	ii. MANOVA (Using SPSS)	
	iii. Chi square, correlation (Types) (Pearson's r, partial	
	correlation, regression, types (Using SPSS), investigating	
	the effect of mediating and moderating variables	
	iv. Factor Analysis: Exploratory, confirmatory	
III	Qualitative Research	15
	i. Ethnographic research	
	ii. Case study and single subject study research	
	iii. Qualitative data analysis	
	iv. Use of computer technology in qualitative data analysis	
IV	Writing Research Report	15
	i. Purpose and structuring the research report	
	ii. Review of literature	
	iii. Proposal and research report writing (Thesis, journal)	
	iv. References and bibliography	

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#### Syllabus (Semester II)

Course/ Paper Title	Personality
Course Code	21AMPS123
Semester	Ι
No. of Credits	4

#### **Aims & Objectives of the Course**

Sr. No.	Objectives
1.	Introduce students to a comprehensive, rigorous and systematic
	treatment of centrally important theories of personality.
2.	Students are able to apply the knowledge of personality theories in professional settings.
3.	To help students prepare for post-graduate entrance examinations
4.	To further develop insight in the field of Psychology

Sr.	Learning Outcome
No.	
1.	To be able to define, describe personality and its nature.
2.	Is able to identify distinctive features of each of the approaches to personality theory
3.	Critically evaluates the different personality theories on the basis of formal and substantive attributes
4.	Is able to identify distinctive features of each of the approaches to personality theory

Unit	Title with Contents	No. of
No.		Lectures
I	Introduction to Personality	15
	1.1.Definitions and nature of personality	
	1.2.Characteristics of good personality theory and Evaluation of	
	personality theory	
	1.3.Approaches: Person-Situation interaction, Idiographic & Nomothetic	
	1.4 Trait and type approach to personality	
II	Psychoanalytic and Neo-Psychoanalytic Theories of Personality	15
	2.1. Classical Psychoanalysis: Sigmund Freud	
	2.2. Carl Jung	
	2.3. Adler, Horney, Sullivan	
	2.4. Erik Erikson	
	2.5 Defense Mechanisms	
III	Individual and Humanistic Approaches	15
	3.1. Learning Perspectives: Dollard & Miller, Pavlov, Julian	
	Rotter's expectancy Model	
	3.2. Cognitive Perspectives: Kelly's constructive alternativism	
	3.3. Humanistic Perspectives: Abraham Maslow, Carl Rogers	
	3.4. Existential Positions: Viktor Frankl, Rollo May	
IV	Trait Approach and Current Trends	15
	4.1. Trait Approach: History, G. Allport, Raymond Cattell	
	4.2. Hans. J. Eysenck, Five Factor Model – Costa & McCrae	
	4.3. Indian perspective to personality	
	4.4 Applications in various fields (Clinical, Counseling and	
	industrial)	
	4.5 Current Issues I: Cross-cultural research, experimental	
	personality research, Consistency and temporal stability of	
	personality and issues in social desirability.	

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#### Syllabus (Semester II)

Course/ Paper Title	Practicum
Course Code	21AMPS124
Semester	II
No. of Credits	4

#### **Aims & Objectives of the Course**

Sr.	Objectives
No.	
1.	To understand Experimental Psychology and its methods.
2.	To be able to conduct experiments independently.
3.	To be able to use the information in the context of core and general areas of the discipline.

Sr.	Learning Outcome
No.	
1.	To be able to explain and discuss theories and applications of each experiment
2.	To understand, discuss and demonstrate skills in conducting experiments in Psychology.

Unit No.	Title with Contents	No. of
		Lectures
I	<b>Experiments on Learning (Any Three)</b>	15
	1. Problem solving ( Hanoi's Tower, Heart & Bow Puzzle,	
	Wiggly Blocks)	
	2. Method of serial anticipation	
	3. Conditioning: Verbal or hand withdrawal	
	4. Retroactive or proactive interference	
	5. Paired Associate learning	
	6. Bilateral transfer in Mirror Tracing/maze learning	
II	Experiments on Memory (Any Two)	15
	1. Forgetting	
	2. Short term Memory	
	3. Effect of Mnemonic strategy on memory	
	4. The effect of coding on memory	
	5. Immediate memory	
	6. Memory for Associated and Un-associated pairs of words	
	7. Recall and Recognition	
III	<b>Experiments on Motivation And Emotion (Any Three)</b>	15
	Determining aspiration level	
	2. Knowledge of Result (KoR)	
	3. Zeigarnik Effect	
	4. Goal Setting	
	5. Effect of anxiety on performance	
IV	<b>Experiments on Cognitive Process (Any Two)</b>	15
	1. Perceptual Defense	
	2. Concept formation	
	3. Mental imagery	
	4. Rational Learning	
	5. Stroop effect in serial learning	

6. Time perception	
7. Phi-Phenomenon	
8. Measurement of illusion	

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