

## FEATURES OF THE PROGRAMME

The MPhil Programme is offered jointly by AUD and the Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS) as a part of the collaboration between the two institutions. It creates a space for questioning silences around gender that steer the workings of caste, class and community in contemporary and historical societies, and in the social sciences.

*Young and dynamic faculty committed to professional rigour and reflective practice.*

Ample opportunity to interact with faculty across Schools at AUD.

*Special lectures, seminars, workshops organised both by CWDS and AUD to strengthen course work.*

## ADMISSIONS 2014

### SEATS

MPhil - 10 and PhD - 6 (including reservations in accordance with the Government of NCT of Delhi norms).

### HOSTEL

AUD has about 40 seats for women in its hostel in Kashmere Gate and about 20 seats for men in Dwarka.

### ELIGIBILITY (Essential)

**MPhil:** MA with at least 55% marks or equivalent grade from a recognised University.

**PhD:** MPhil with at least 55% marks or MA with at least 55% in aggregate along with at least two years relevant 'practical' experience or research engagement and/or publications in a related field. Relaxation of 5% for candidates belonging to SC/ ST/ PD categories.

PhD admissions will be held separately and at a later date.

## SELECTION PROCEDURE

Selected applicants will be called for an entrance test. The test will be based on readings uploaded on the AUD website in advance.

Interviews will be conducted on the basis of performance in the test and the quality of the research proposal.

### ONLINE APPLICATION

26 May – 30 June 2014

### ENTRANCE TEST\*

9 July 2014

### INTERVIEWS

15 July 2014

**APPLICATION FEES:** Rs.600  
(Rs.300 for SC/ST/PD)

\*Consult AUD website for entrance specific information.



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# MPhil/ PhD Women's & Gender Studies 2014-2016

School of  
Human  
Studies

# SHS



**AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY DELHI (AUD)**  
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in collaboration with



**CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT STUDIES**  
25, BHAI VIR SINGH MARG, NEW DELHI – 110 001

## SCHOOL OF HUMAN STUDIES (SHS)

SHS is an explorative, interdisciplinary space for thinking and reflecting on the myriad meanings of being human. Academic programmes housed in the School focus on the promise and potential of the human along with the actual historical exclusions and marginalisations that humans have led to.

SHS has brought together psychologists, social anthropologists, sociologists, philosophers and social work professionals to offer interdisciplinary programmes.

## MPHIL IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

The AUD – Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS) collaboration provides the MPhil Programme with a diversified area of research. As a premier research centre, CWDS will provide students an unparalleled resource of active research projects to affiliate with, and a vibrant community of researchers who can supervise their dissertation/ thesis. This unique collaboration supplements the development approach to gender with the interdisciplinary resources at AUD, in particular literature, film, psychology, sociology, history and expressive cultures.

## TEACHING METHODOLOGY

The pedagogies of teaching and learning employed at Women's and Gender Studies are intended to inculcate a feminist sensibility in our students in ways that balance academic rigour with intellectual freedom.

Students are encouraged to experience the personal as political by bringing into the classroom spaces critical reflection on their own and others' life histories and activism in conjunction with feminist texts and theorisation.

## SYSTEM OF CREDITS

**MPHIL:** This is a 30 credit course, with one year of course work of 18 credits.

**DIRECT PHD:** Selected MPhil students, subject to performance, may proceed to doctoral research after completing 18 credits of courses of the MPhil Programme (without completing an MPhil thesis). Direct admission of doctoral scholars is also possible under the combined MPhil/PhD Programme.

Direct PhD in Women's and Gender Studies entails mandatory course work as allocated to the student. It will include specific courses designed to strengthen the core areas of research of each student and courses on methodology, theory or movements as required. The total number of credits of course work will depend on how many courses are allocated to each student and will vary accordingly.

## DISSERTATION

The MPhil dissertation in the second year of the Programme allows students to do independent research under supervision.

This is an opportunity to not only contribute to knowledge production in the field of Women's and Gender Studies but also to interpret and challenge existing knowledge systems with a gender-sensitive lens.

The research thus conducted is also expected to help students in identifying the potential areas of research and work to be taken up after the completion of their Programme.

*On the 26th January 1950, we are going to enter into a life of contradictions. In politics we will have equality and in social and economic life we will have inequality. In politics we will be recognising the principle of one man one vote and one vote one value. In our social and economic life, we shall by reason of our social and economic structure, continue to deny the principle of one man one value. How long shall we continue to live this life of contradictions? How long shall we continue to deny equality in our social and economic life?*

*Dr BR Ambedkar*

**DURATION** 2 years (4 semesters) Full Time

**NUMBER OF CREDITS** 18 for course work and 12 for dissertation

**FEES\*** Rs.1,250 per credit for course work + Rs.5,000 per semester during Research/ Dissertation + Rs.500 per semester for Student Welfare Fund + Rs.5,000 as refundable Security Deposit  
Partial/ full fee waivers and scholarships available. (\*subject to approval)

**MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION** English

**STIPEND** All MPhil and PhD students are entitled to a stipend.

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