

Women's and Gender Studies MPhil/PhD.

programme is conducted jointly by Ambedkar University, Delhi and Centre for Women's Development Studies (Delhi) as part of collaboration between the two institutions. The programme will assimilate analytical understandings of the significance of gender (relations) and foster study of conduits and configurations of power, causes, contexts and consequences of women's subordination.

The M.Phil/Ph.D Programme also 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.

Teaching Methodology:

The pedagogies of teaching and learning employed at Women's and Gender Studies research programmes, 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.

At Ambedkar University Delhi, the programme is offered by the School of Human Studies, 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. This unique collaboration with Centre for Women's Development Studies supplements the development approach to gender with the interdisciplinary resources at AUD, in particular literature, film, psychology, sociology, history and expressive cultures.

Research Opportunity:

The M.Phil dissertation in the second year or the Ph.D thesis 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.

The Course Structure for 2018-19:

The AUD-CWDS collaborative MPhil/PhD programme in Women and Gender Studies was launched in 2012-13 and has completed five years of this successful collaboration. In the light of this experience as well as the newly proposed AUD Research Guidelines 2017 for the MPhil/PhD programme, some revisions in the existing course structure have been proposed. These revisions will provide the necessary grounding for MPhil students who must complete both the course work and the thesis within the two year period stipulated by the new guidelines. It also caters to PhD students from outside AUD who may not have the requisite background in the field of women and gender studies, and who can avail of these courses being offered in the first year of the proposed 5 year period available for completing the PhD.

Duration: 2 years

Total Credits: 32

Medium of Instruction: English

FEES: Rs. 1570 per credit for Course Work or Rs. 5950 per semester during Research/ Dissertation + Rs. 500 per semester for Student Welfare Fund + Rs. 5,000 as refundable Security Deposit.

SC/ST and Differently abled research scholars will be fully exempt from paying tuition fee. For others, partial/ full fee waivers are available based on income status.

Nature of Programme: Interdisciplinary

Number of Seats: 10 (MPhil); 10 (Ph.D.)

Eligibility: Masters with 55% in the Social Sciences, Natural Sciences or in professional degrees like engineering, law and medicine or equivalent grade and a relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC(non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled .

Reservation of Seats: In accordance with Government of NCT Delhi rules and the reservation roster will be followed for the Research programmes admission.

Semester 2	Semester 1	S.No.
Name of the course and credits assigned	Name of the course and credits assigned	
Guided Study (2 Credits) compulsory	Feminist Theories (4 credits)- core compulsory	1.
Elective (4 credits) Open elective	Research Methods with Exemplary Works (4 credits) – core compulsory	2.
	*Core Elective (2 credits)	3.
Semester 3 and 4 – Dissertation/Thesis – 16 credits		

AUD gives a stipend to all M. Phil. research scholars and partial and full fee waivers are also available for certain categories. Please refer to AUD website for further details.

For filling online application form follow the instructions carefully that is given with the online application form at AUD website. Incomplete forms will be rejected.

For information about the M. Phil./Ph. D. programme in Women's and Gender Studies, contact Dr. Rachna Chaudhary

(rachna@aud.ac.in) and/or Dr. Seema Kazi (seemakazi1@gmail.com).

It is crucial that the applicants provide complete contact information that includes an email address and phone number. Applicants are expected to visit AUD website (aud.ac.in) from time to time to remain informed about admissions activities and deadlines.

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