

FEATURES OF THE PROGRAMME

The Programme equips students with the ability to address the challenges of development and public policy.

It is structured around a learning of development theory, an understanding of growth and development, and broad debates on the structures of political and economic arrangements epitomised by states, markets and society.

It encourages theoretical knowledge as well as field based learning.

Innovative teaching/ learning pedagogy is followed.

Interaction with faculty & students across different Schools at AUD is encouraged.

ADMISSIONS 2014

SEATS

42 (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)

BA with at least 45% marks (or equivalent grade) from a recognised University in any discipline (relaxation of 5% for candidates belonging to ST/ SC/ PD categories).

Candidates appearing for the final year examination of a degree can also apply.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

Selection will be based on an entrance test comprising multiple choice questions and essays (short or long) on general awareness of developmental issues, quantitative ability, analytical reasoning, and comprehension and a Personal Interview to assess the candidate's aptitude and orientation towards development studies.

Each candidate will go through both stages, and selection of candidates will be based on the combined score obtained by them.

ONLINE APPLICATION

1 May – 16 June 2014

ON CAMPUS APPLICATION

26 May – 16 June 2014

ENTRANCE TEST

3 July 2014

INTERVIEWS

9 – 10 July 2014

APPLICATION FEES: Rs.400
(Rs.200 for SC/ST/PD)

Consult the AUD website for entrance specific information.



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MA DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

2014-2016

School of
Development
Studies

SDS



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SCHOOL OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES (SDS)

The two-year MA Programme in SDS equips students with the ability to address the challenges of development and public policy as they affect developing societies. This inter-disciplinary Programme is based on the foundations provided by the disciplines of Sociology, Political Science and Economics.

It is taught and guided by faculty from a whole range of disciplines and specialisations in the social sciences. It introduces students to the rich theoretical foundations of the debates on development and will be based on experiences from across developing countries, especially India.

A strong grounding in research methodology along with emphasis on field-based learning enables students to research concrete problems faced by developing countries. The curriculum combines innovative classroom learning with seminars, group work, projects, and a compulsory internship and dissertation. More than 30 percent of the learning is structured outside the formal classroom process.

In order to continuously provide the best in the discipline, the course committee will institutionalise mechanisms for collecting feedback on the curriculum from experts in this field as well as from potential employers.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Total Number of Courses: 16

Core (Compulsory) Courses: 8 (Total Credits 32)

Optional/Elective Courses: 8 (4 of 4 credits each and 3 of 2 credits each, Total credits 22)

Internship: 2 (Total Credits 2)

Dissertation (including dissertation workshop course): (Total Credits 8)

Teaching will be done through class lectures, workshops, seminars and field projects. The programme emphasises research and analytical skills, oral and written communication, and exposure to development practice. A strong component on research methodology will comprise courses in basic research skills, quantitative and qualitative techniques, social science research and participatory rural appraisal.

Each 16-week, 4-credit course is structured around a range of topics (or modules) that will be taught in 4 hours each week. 2-credit courses are taught in modules of 2 hours each week for 12 weeks, or for 4 hours per week for 6 weeks. Study modules are a combination of lectures, student presentations and class discussions. Students are expected to read up 50-100 pages for each module. Guest faculty are frequently invited to teach to supplement the knowledge and expertise available within the School and provide exposure to the world of practice. Faculty of SDS will be actively involved in mentoring

and guiding students for internships, supervision of dissertations and dealing with problems that students face during course work. The teaching schedule will include specified hours for student-teacher interaction outside of classroom hours including tutorials. Weaknesses in writing ability and communication among first-year students will be dealt with by giving opportunities for re-submission of assignments/papers (subject to course deadlines). In addition, several field trips will be organised that involve close interaction with and teaching of students in a non-classroom environment.

DURATION 2 years (4 semesters) Full Time

NUMBER OF CREDITS 64

FEES* Rs.1,250 per credit + Rs.500 per semester for Student Welfare Fund + Rs. 5,000 refundable caution deposit.

Partial/ full fee waivers and scholarships available. (*Subject to approval)

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION English

CAREER OPTIONS

After successful completion of the MA in Development Studies programme, it is expected that graduates will be equipped to work in development organisations, government agencies, corporations and financial institutions, non-government organisations, consultancy firms, civil society initiatives, media, and academia.

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