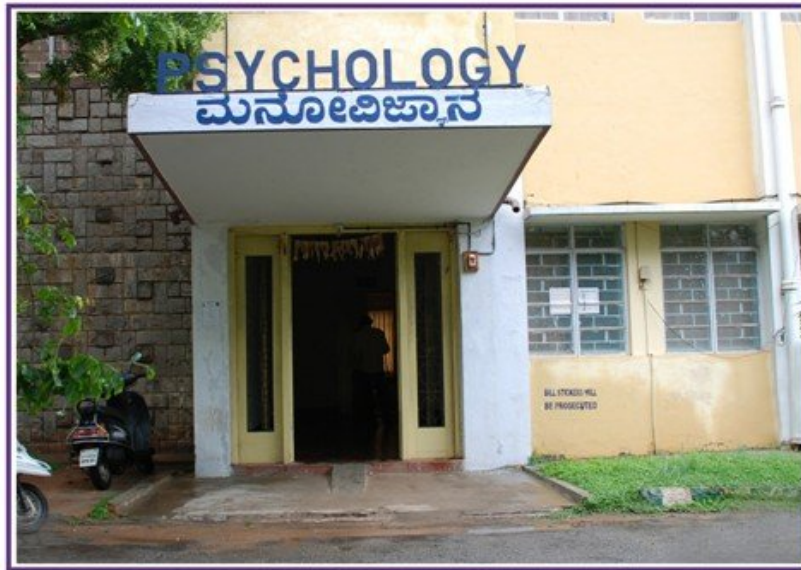


DEPARTMENT OF STUDIES IN PSYCHOLOGY



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BACKGROUND

The department of Psychology at the University of Mysore has the distinction of being the second oldest Department in the country. Dr. M.V.Gopalaswamy, after obtaining his Ph.D. in London under Dr. Charles Spearman, established this Department in 1924. Dr. B. Kuppaswamy, a renowned social psychologist, and Prof. B. Krishnan, known for his work in the field of Indian Psychology, led the department for a long time to its present glory. The Department was offering M.A. Degree in Psychology till the year 1998. Since most of the syllabi have now been revised in line with the tenets of science with a greater emphasis on practicum, the degree offered since 1998 is M.Sc. in Psychology.



FACULTY

There are Eight Faculty* members who are specialized in different areas.

- BASAVARAJAPPA** : Clinical Psychology (Projective techniques & Stress).
JYOTI S. MADGAONKAR : Human Resource Management, Organizational Behavior.
S. K. KIRAN KUMAR : Clinical Psychology, Indian Psychology, Positive Psychology.
MEWA SINGH : Animal Behavior, Conservation & Ecology.
PRAKASH P. : Reading and Dyslexia, Language and Brain, Cognition.
SAMPATH KUMAR A. : Organizational Behavior and Counseling Psychology.
SHRIMATHI N. L. : Industrial Psychology, Organizational Behavior, Women Psychology.
G. VENKATESH KUMAR : Counseling Psychology, Health Psychology, Organizational Behavior.

* The profiles could be seen at www.uni-mysore.ac.in

PROGRAMS

The department offers M.Sc., M.Phil. in Learning Disability, and Ph.D. courses.

M.Sc. : Is a four-semester course. The students in the first two semesters are required to study common basic courses. In the third and fourth semesters, the students are given option to specialize in one of the following:

- * Animal Behavior
- * Clinical Psychology
- * Organizational Psychology

In addition, the students have a choice-based paper in the third semester. There will be around 60 students in M.Sc. program out of which around 20% are foreign nationals.

ANIMAL BEHAVIOR PROGRAM

The Department offers a very unique specialization course for Master's degree students in Animal Behavior. This is the only Department in the country which offers such a course. The course contents include modern sociobiological theories, evolution of cognition and behavior, and field methods for animal behavior and wildlife studies. The practicum includes laboratory work involving rats and invertebrates as well as field work on birds and mammals. A full Semester is devoted to a research dissertation and a hands-on project work. The staff has carried out research in this field that is recognized the

world over. The past students are placed in excellent research institutions and laboratories in India and abroad.

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAM

Clinical psychology specialization involves teaching and practical exposure to clinical and counseling work. It is oriented to develop psychodiagnostic and counseling and therapeutic skills. The students who opt for this field of study learn about theories of psychopathology, psychotherapeutic techniques, and counseling psychology from psychodynamic, cognitive-behavioral, humanistic-existential and holistic perspectives. They practice administration, scoring, and interpretation of diagnostic psychological tests such as WAIS, MMPI, Rorschach Inkblot Test, TAT, etc in the laboratory. They learn interviewing and case history taking in psychiatric setting under the supervision of clinical psychologists and psychiatrists. They acquire basic skills of counseling and apply it in different settings for intervention with different clientele such as psychiatric patients, patients in general hospital set up, cancer patients, HIV/AIDS patients, mental retarded children, persons having marital and family problems, career problems and so on under the supervision of experts in these settings. The teaching and training module followed has so far attracted students from all parts of the country and even abroad and its success is vindicated from the employability and successful performance of those who have passed out.



ORGANIZATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAM



We are offering a specialization in Organizational Behavior and Human Resource Management. We have been facilitating people and organizations stretch their boundaries and explore new ways of connecting with others. We have been part of the journey of individuals and teams, in their quest for excellence and discovering new meaning. It has not been an easy journey for either of us - but at the end of the day we have been satisfied that we tried our best. Some of the results have been stunning and others painful. We have retained our beliefs that persisting is the way ahead -despite the pain. Our abilities are further enhanced by our industry experience and hands-on approach. For over a decade, OB &HR students have

worked with leaders of major companies in automotive, pharmaceutical, technical services, information technology, engineering, consumer goods and with NGOs who have as their goal the betterment of the less-privileged parts of our society. We have also worked with the Education sector from time to time - some of our interventions are now being used in various major companies. We have been able to help them build their internal capacity and thereby create valuable growth agendas for their people.

M.PHIL. IN LEARNING DISABILITY

The department offers a Two Semester Full-Time M.Phil. Course in Learning Disability under the University Grants Commission Innovative Programmes for Teaching & Research in Interdisciplinary and Emerging Areas. This is a unique

course in the whole nation. The students are trained both in theory and practice. The course follows a multi and interdisciplinary approach with state of the art input in theory and also providing ample hands-on experience in assessment and remedial teaching. The research component of the course is also very strong as the students need to submit a dissertation at the end of the second semester. The course attracts the students from all over the country. The passed out students are equipped to take up higher research or to practice in assessment and remedial setups.



Ph.D.

The department offers Ph.D. in various fields of psychology. There are around 50 persons enrolled for the program of which about 30% are generally foreign nationals.



For more details see- www.uni-mysore.ac.in