

STUDENT INTAKE

Maximum capacity for the course is 30 students.

SCHEME OF PAPERS

Following papers in the table below shall make the comprehensive syllabus of the Diploma:

SEMESTER I		
Course No	Course Title	Credits
I	Understanding Mental health disorders-I	2
II	An introduction to psychodiagnostics (Practical)-I	2
III	An introduction to Counseling approaches-I	2
IV	An introduction to Community Psychology & Psycho-social rehabilitation-I	2
V	Promotion of Health and well-being	2
VI	Internship - I	3
VII	Comprehensive Viva-voce	2
Total Credits		30

SEMESTER II		
Course No	Course Title	Credits
VIII	Understanding Mental health disorders-II	2
IX	An introduction to psychodiagnostics (Practical)-II	2
X	An introduction to Counseling approaches-II	2
XI	An introduction to Community Psychology & Psycho-social rehabilitation-II	2
XII	Promoting Mental health in Schools	2
XIII	Internship II	3
XIV	Comprehensive Viva-voice II	2
Total Credits		30

INTERNSHIP

Internship is compulsory and has to be completed by the candidate in order to be eligible to appear for the semester-end examinations

ADMISSION PROCEDURE

The student will be required to fill in the prescribed admission form online only and pay the admission process fees. An interview will be conducted for all the students. Admission for the diploma will be based on academic performance at graduation, post graduation, work experience and performance in the interview. The selected students will be required to pay the prescribed tuition and other fees within the given due date. Non compliance with the same might lead to cancellation of admission

FEE STRUCTURE

Fees will be as per the university rules & will be displayed on the university website. The fees mentioned may be increased by University as per University rules and same shall be intimated officially to the students who will be required to pay the revised fees

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT

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POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH (PGD-CMH)

INTRODUCTION & OBJECTIVES

The magnitude of the problem of mental illness in India is vast and its impact is very severe on the individual, family and the community. There is a lacunae of trained para-professionals to work at the community level in the field of mental health. The various NGOs implementing Community based programs are also in need of trained mental health support staff. Also, the understanding of mental health issues are relevant for people working in interdisciplinary health-care setups.

The PG Diploma in Community Mental Health aims to meet this need in the society and is relevant for mental health care support workers, Social workers, and people working in NGO's and interdisciplinary healthcare assistants. This PG Diploma gives candidates with no prior experience a comprehensive understanding of the mental health problems, the counseling process and the basic concepts related to the development of mental healthcare in the community.

IT AIMS TO ENABLE THE CANDIDATES IN THE TASKS OF

- Identifying mental health problems and referring cases to appropriate mental health professionals, liaison with mental health professionals for early detection and rehabilitation.
- Providing psychosocial support and basic counselling
- Organizing mental health promotion activities at the community level.

WHAT CAREERS CAN THIS LEAD TO?

It will develop the students in their role within any of the fields of social work, interdisciplinary healthcare, trauma care etc. Once the student has completed the PG Diploma, he/she can also progress on to further academic training in the field of mental health. The Dept. of Psychology, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda has 2 seats reserved for the M.A. in Psychology program for the students who have completed this PG Diploma, in case they qualify the other criteria applicable for Masters Admission.

ELIGIBILITY

A student seeking admission to PG Diploma in Community Mental Health must satisfy the following three conditions:

1. Student must have obtained a Graduate or Master's degree from any discipline from any of the UGC recognized Universities
2. Student must have obtained minimum 40% marks in the aggregate or equivalent grade at Graduate or/and postgraduate level.
3. Student must have English as a compulsory subject at final school certificate stage.

DURATION

Student admitted to the PG diploma will undergo the prescribed course of study for one academic year comprised of two semesters. It is a part time course, classes conducted for 2 hours a day, 5-days a week, evening 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. All holidays and vacation period, notified by the M. S. University will be observed as holidays for the PG Diploma course.

ATTENDANCE

Every student must have minimum 80% attendance during both semesters, failing which they may be debarred from appearing in the semester end examinations.