

M.Phil. Programme in African Studies

The Department provides for a research course leading to the M.Phil. Degree in African Studies of the University of Delhi. Subject to the over-all control of the Academic Council, the M.Phil. Degree Programme is administered by M.Phil. Committee consisting of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors of the Department, The Head of Department is the Chairman of the M.Phil. Committee, which is authorized to:

1. invite and scrutinize applications and make admission to the M.Phil. Course;
2. design courses and lay down syllabi for the same;
3. organize Lectures, Seminars and supervision of the dissertation work etc;
4. make arrangements for the conduct of oral/written examinations, evaluation of performance in day-to-day work, including tests, seminars, viva-voce etc.; and
5. recommend persons for appointment as internal/external examiners.

The M.Phil. Programme in African Studies is a research-oriented, inter-disciplinary programme. It is open to students from various Social Science disciplines. This programme shall be governed by the M.Phil. Committee of the Department of African Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi, in accordance with the stipulations formulated by the M.Phil. Committee from time to time.

(a) Eligibility for Admission

The minimum qualification for admission to the M.Phil. Programme in African Studies shall be as follows:

The candidate should have good academic record with first or high second class Master's Degree (at least 55% Marks) or an equivalent Degree of a foreign University in subject concerned, or an allied subject approved by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the Head of the Department. Provisional admission to the examination will be provided to students whose M.A. final results have not been declared. This admission will be finalized only after they have shown original mark sheets confirming their eligibility.

(Note: Second Class would mean at least 50% marks in the subject or equivalent grade)

Relaxation of 5% marks will be given to the candidates belonging to the categories of SC/ST/OBC/CW and disabled for admission to the M.Phil. programme. Of the number of students admitted in M.Phil. programme as indicated in Ordinance VI, 15% of the seats would be reserved for SC; 7.5% for ST and 27% for OBC students. In addition 3% and 5% reservation (Supernumerary) would also be available to candidates with disabilities and from CW category.

(b) Admission Procedure

1. All the eligible candidates are requested to sit for entrance test as per the dates announced by the Department.
2. All candidates are required to appear for the interview.
3. Final Admission for M.Phil. programme will be based on the performance in the Entrance test and the Interview. The M.Phil. Admission mark scheme is given below.

M.Phil. Admission Test Scheme

Written test : 75 marks

Interview : 25 marks

Candidates will be selected in accordance with the University guidelines regarding the number of students who can be admitted and the percentage of various categories of students in the total. The number of candidates admitted may vary from year to year subject to a) their

performance in the test and interview, and b) the number of faculty members available to guide them.

Structure of M.Phil. Programme

The eighteen months of the M.Phil. Programme in African Studies is divided into two parts. Part I consists of two Semesters each with 7 papers, while Part II will be for dissertation writing. Part I accounts for 700 marks, while Part II accounts for 300 marks.

PART - I

SEMESTER - I

		Maximum Marks
AS 101 (A)	Research Methodology	50
AS 102 (A)	African Politics	50
AS 103 (A)	African History	50
AS 104 (A)	African Sociology	50
AS 105 (A)	African Economics	50
AS 106 (A)	African Geography	50
AS 107 (A)	Swahili Language	50

SEMESTER – II

AS 101 (B)	Research Methodology	50
AS 102 (B)	African Politics	50
AS 103 (B)	African History	50
AS 104 (B)	African Sociology	50
AS 105 (B)	African Economics	50
AS 106 (B)	African Geography	50
AS 107 (B)	Swahili Language	50

PART - II

Dissertation	300
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Students will have to secure 50% marks in each course and 50% in the dissertation in order to qualify for the award of the M.Phil. degree. Students who fail to secure 50% marks in a particular course can repeat it. **(No student shall be allowed to appear in any paper of the examination more than twice)**. Students who fail to clear all the courses within the span period will not be eligible for the award of the M.Phil. degree.

Scheme of Examination for the M.Phil. Programme is as follows:

Part – I

Semester - I

Subject	Written	Internal Assessment	Viva Voce	Total
Research Methodology (AS -101A)	40	10	-	50
African Politics (AS – 102A)	40	10	-	50
African History (AS – 103A)	40	10	-	50
African Sociology	40	10	-	50

(AS – 104A)				
African Economics (AS – 105A)	40	10	-	50
African Geography (AS – 106A)	40	10	-	50
Swahili Language (AS – 107A)	40	-	10	50

Part - I

Semester - II

Subject	Written	Internal Assessment	Viva Voce	Total
Research Methodology (AS -101B)	40	10	-	50
African Politics (AS – 102B)	40	10	-	50
African History (AS – 103B)	40	10	-	50
African Sociology (AS – 104B)	40	10	-	50
African Economics (AS – 105B)	40	10	-	50
African Geography (AS – 106B)	40	10	-	50
Swahili Language (AS – 107B)	40	-	10	50

Internal Assessment will be based on one term paper (10 Marks) and one book-review (10 marks) for each of the six papers (Swahili Language not included). The term papers and book-reviews will be submitted by the students on the date as notified by the M.Phil. Committee of the Department. For Swahili Language viva voce of 10 marks will be conducted.

Part - II

Dissertation

After passing the examination in the courses as above, a student shall be required to write a dissertation on a subject approved by the Advisory Committee under the supervision of the Supervisor/s appointed for the purpose.

Provided that a student who has secured 50% marks in all the courses (separately in written and practical) of the Part I Examination may be allowed to proceed for his dissertation work. Such a student shall be permitted to submit his dissertation only when he has passed the examination in all the courses prescribed under Part I (Ordinance VI, Clause 7). In the case of students who have not cleared all the courses at the examination as prescribed in Part I (Ordinance VI, Clause 7), the M.Phil. Committee of the Department will arrange a special examination in the remaining courses at a suitable stage of the programme.

The dissertation will be submitted only when the Supervisor(s) concerned is/are satisfied that the Dissertation is worthy of consideration in part fulfillment of the M.Phil. Degree. Provided that the application for submission of Dissertation shall also be countersigned by the Head of the Department concerned. The Dissertation may include results of original research, a fresh interpretation of existing facts and data or a review article of a critical nature or may take such other form as may be determined by the Advisory Committee.

Note : The dissertation should be submitted by the date fixed by the M.Phil. Committee of the Department in each case; provided that the M.Phil. Committee, subject to the provisions of Clause 8 hereafter, may grant to any candidate extension of time to the extent necessary, to submit dissertation, on request from the candidate concerned on individual merits of each case.

The maximum marks for each course and the pattern and duration of the examination in each course shall be determined by the M.Phil. Committee of the Department in each case. Weightage may be given by the M.Phil. Committee of the Department in the final evaluation of the candidate to internal assessment based on his performance in the periodical tests and seminars. In no case shall the weightage exceed 50 per cent of the total marks of the M.Phil. Examination.

Students who perform at a prescribed level (75% marks in the aggregate of Part I Examination) (Ordinance VI, Clause 7) may be allowed to proceed to the Ph.D. Programme without being required to take the Part II examination.

Provided that a student who has been allowed to proceed to Ph.D. Programme as above, shall have the option to return to the M.Phil. Programme at a later stage. However, such a student shall be required to clear the M.Phil. Programme within the overall span period of three years from the date of his initial registration to full-time M.Phil. Programme.

The evaluation of candidates both in respect of courses and the dissertation to be submitted by them shall be done numerically. The minimum marks required to pass the M.Phil. Examination shall be 50% in the written courses as well as in the dissertation.

The successful candidates of the M.Phil. Examination shall be classified as follows:

I Division with Distinction	75% marks in the aggregate or above.
I Division	60% marks in the aggregate or above but below 75% marks.
Pass	All others.

Appointment of examiners

(a) There shall be two examiners, one internal and other external for the evaluation of the Dissertation. Internal examiner is his/her supervisor and external examiner is appointed by the supervisor and forwarded by the Head of the Department.

Weightage of M.Phil. dissertation

The Dissertation will carry 300 marks. Both the examiners (Internal and External) will evaluate the dissertation out of 150 marks each. Then, the total marks of both the examiners will be considered for the final result.

Result of the candidate will be based on the combined results of Part I & Part II of the

program. Each candidate shall be required to obtain at least 50% marks in aggregate in order to pass the examination. Successful candidates will be classified as follows:

Candidates securing 50% and above but below 60%	Pass with IInd Division
Candidates securing 60% and above but below 75%	Pass with Ist Division
Candidates securing 75% and above	Pass with Ist Division with distinction

No student shall be allowed to appear in any part of the Examination more than twice and a student must clear the M.Phil. Examination within two years of his initial registration for the M.Phil. fulltime Programme. A candidate who having fulfilled the attendance requirements, etc. and being otherwise eligible to appear at the examination fails or fails to appear at the same he/she shall be required to appear/reappear at the same on his being enrolled as an ex-student in accordance with the rules prescribed in this behalf.

Attendance

Students shall be required to attend lectures and participate in seminars arranged in the Department during the Programme. The minimum percentage of lectures to be attended and seminars to be participated in by the students shall be determined by the M.Phil. Committee of the Department. But in no case minimum requirement to be prescribed in any Department, shall be less than 2/3 of the lectures delivered and seminars held, separately.

Span of the Programme

The full-time M.Phil. programme shall ordinarily have a duration of 18 months. However, the departments will have a flexibility of adding or subtracting six months to or from the norm. Thus, a full-time M.Phil. programme may be 12 months, 18 months or 24 months. There shall be no provision for extension of the programme beyond 24 months.

The following fees shall be payable at the time of admission:

A M.Phil. Fee

Part-I

1	Admission Fee	240.00
2	Annual fee	5.00
3	Tuition Fee (Rs. 18x12)	216.00
4	Marksheet Fee	100.00
5	Library Security Deposit Refundable	1000.00
6	University Library Development Fee	200.00
7	University Development Fee	300.00
8	I. Card	10.00
9	Athletics Fee	20.00
10	Sexual Harassment Committee Fee	10.00
11	Culture Council Fee	10.00
	Other	
1	Enrollment Fee for Other University Students	150.00
2	W.U.S Health Centre Subs (Non Resident)	120.00
3	W.U.S Health Centre Subs (Resident)	240.00

SYLLABUS FOR M.PHIL. PROGRAMME

(AS-101) RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

This course is intended to familiarize students with different methods and techniques of research and analysis, which have been developed in the field of social sciences. These can be fruitfully utilized in research on subjects relating to Africa.

Part – A

1. Nature, Sources and Problems of Social Science Research: Theory Construction; Scientific Nature of Social Research; Scope and Limitations of the Scientific Method; Perspectives on Social Research; Methodological Terms and Concepts; Inductive and Deductive.
2. Approaches to Methods of Analysis: Structural-Functional Approach; General System Approach; Historical Approach; Descriptive Approach; Analytical Approach; Comparative Approach; Case Study; Designing a Research Scheme.

Part – B

3. Techniques of Data Collection: Definition and Nature of Data; Types of Data: Primary: Survey and Field Research Aggregate, Documents, Auto-biographies, Records, etc.; Secondary: Biographies, Political Writing: Newspapers; Questionnaires; Interviews; Sampling, Documentation and Preparing Bibliographies; Use of the Library; Simulation and Gaming.
4. Organization and Analysis of Data: Coding; Content Analysis; Frequency Count; Establishment of Relationship between Variables; Casual Modeling; Statistical Method of Analysis: Mean, Mode, Median, Standard Deviation, Quartile Deviation, Mean Deviation, Coefficient of Correlation, Bar- Diagram, Importance of Quantitative Research; Modes of Explanation.

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(AS-102) AFRICAN POLITICS

Part – A

1. Theoretical Perspectives: Approaches to the Study of Politics of Africa.
2. Historical Perspectives: Pre-Colonial Political Systems in Africa.
3. Colonial Legacy: Administrative, Political, Economic and Cultural Legacies.
4. Rise and Growth of African Nationalism and Transfer of Power.
5. Political systems in post-independent Africa: One-Party System: Military Rule; Personal Rule: Democracies.
6. Movement for Multi-Party Democracy in Africa post 1990s.

Part – B

7. Human Rights and Refugee Problems in Africa.
8. Conflicts, Civil Wars and Militarism in Africa.
9. The Political Economy of Regional Co-operation and Integration in Africa.
10. Africa in World Politics: Africa and the World Economy, IMF, WTO, World Bank and Africa, Africa and Globalisation, Africa and the New World Order, India and Africa.
11. India's foreign Policy and Africa.

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(AS-103) AFRICAN HISTORY

Part – A

1. Sources of African History.
2. The Problems and Character of African History.
3. Ancient African Empires: Indigenous African Political System.
4. The Slave Trade: Atlantic Slave Trade, Industrial Revolution and the Spread of Slave Trade, Elimination of Slave Trade, African, Arab and Asian Participation; Impact of Slave Trade.
5. The Scramble for Africa.
6. The Nature and Impact of Colonialism: Colonial Systems of Britain, France, Belgium, Portugal and others.

Part – B

1. Direct and Indirect Rule: African Institutions under colonialism.
2. Nature and Growth of Pan-Africanism and African Nationalism.
3. Anti-colonial struggles and the emergence of African nations.
4. Rise and fall of Apartheid in South Africa.
5. Socio-economic and Political change in North Africa.
6. African Diaspora.

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(AS-104) AFRICAN SOCIOLOGY

Part – A

1. Basic Characteristics of Societies in Underdeveloped Countries
2. Traditional Social Structures of African Societies
3. Impact of Globalization
4. Dimension of Social Change

Part – B

1. Emergence Social Class & Elite Groups
2. Urban Associations

3. Restructuring of Social Relationship
4. African Tribes - Quest for modernity

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(AS-105) AFRICAN ECONOMICS

Part –A

1. Economic Crisis in Africa: Causes, Manifestations and Solutions.
2. Under-development and Dependency Problems of Africa.
3. Food and Agriculture; Manufacturing; Industry, Trade and Debt Crisis.
4. Development Strategies and Economic Planning in Post- Independence Period.
5. Structural Adjustment Programme (SAP) and its Impact on Africa and Roles of the IMF and the World Bank.

Part – B

1. African Alternative for Structural Adjustment Programmes for Socio-economic Recovery and Transformation (AAFSAP).
2. Regional Economic Groupings, ECOWAS, SADC, PTA, COMESA, Indian Ocean Rim Association, African Economic Community (AEC), Africa Union.
3. Role of Multinational Corporations.
4. Indo-African Economic Relations.
5. China and Africa Relations.
6. Case Study (of the following)
 1. Kenya: Socio-Economic Conditions, Kenyanisation, Development Plans and Economic Reforms.
 2. Nigeria: Socio-Economic Condition; Agriculture vs Industry, Development Plans and Economic Reforms.
 3. South Africa: Major Economic Challenges, Multinational Corporations, Migratory Labour System, Foreign Trade, External Debt, Reconstruction and Development Programme and Growth, Employment and Redistribution.

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(AS-106) AFRICAN GEOGRAPHY

Part – A

1. Physical Features: Location, Shape and Size.
 - (a) Relief, Climate, Drainage Systems, Vegetation and Soils
 - (b) Ecology, Environmental Problems and Conservation
2. Demographic Characteristics, Settlement Patterns and Urbanization.

Part – B

1. Natural Resources and Economic Base.
 - (a) Agriculture, Livestock and Forestry
 - (b) Marine Resources
 - (c) Mineral Wealth and exploitation
 - (d) Industrial Base
 - (e) Trade and Commerce
2. Energy Sector, Geographical Distribution of Energy Resource and Potential Production.
3. Transport and Communications Systems and Problems of Landlocked States.
4. Colonial Era: Geographical Factors, Processes and Patterns.
5. Emergent States - Nations and the Political Map of Africa.
 - (a) Birth of Independent States
 - (b) Territorial and Strategic Aspects
 - (c) Boundary Problems: A Colonial Legacy
6. Regional Geography.
 - (a) Northern Africa
 - (b) Western Africa
 - (c) Central Africa
 - (d) Eastern Africa
 - (e) Southern Africa
 - (f) Horn of Africa

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(AS-107) SWAHILI LANGUAGE

Part – A

1. Grammar - I
2. Translation – English to Swahili and vice versa
3. Conversational practice
4. Preliminary knowledge of the Swahili speaking area

Part – B

1. Grammar - II
2. Translation – English to Swahili and vice versa
3. Conversational practice
4. A specified text book: “Hekaya za Abunuwas na Hadithi Nyingine.”

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