

> GANDHIAN CENTRE FOR PHILOSOPHICAL ARTS AND SCIENCES [GCPAS]



Gandhian Centre for Philosophical Arts and Sciences is a department which engages with interdisciplinary teaching and research with a view to developing alternative knowledge systems to deal with contemporary crises.

From Director's Desk



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World today is passing through a crisis of violence, of every kind – violence connected to region, religion, caste, class, nature, culture, science, gender, economy, ecology, nation and development. Education needs to respond to the rising challenges and hence, Gandhian Centre for Philosophical Arts and Sciences (GCPAS), MAHE is offering its first-of-their-kind post-graduate programmes – MA in Ecosophical Aesthetics and MA in Art and Peace Studies, and an undergraduate programme BA in Aesthetics and Peace Studies.

In fact, there is a whole gamut of arts, sciences and social sciences which impart meaning to life and hold insight into the resolution of the crisis; philosophical exploration is the basic bedrock of such a search and media play a major role. The GCPAS

adopts this kind of an inter-disciplinary and trans-disciplinary approach, envisioning a peaceful, just, aesthetic and ecosophically sustainable present and future.

The Centre engages with intersectionality of aesthetics, philosophy, ecology, journalism, Gandhian and peace studies.

The Centre offers

- BA in Aesthetics and Peace Studies
- MA in Ecosophical Aesthetics
- MA in Art and Peace Studies.

While different arts and philosophy are a common thread in both the PG programmes, Ecosophical Aesthetics primarily deals with contemporary ecological crises while the Art and Peace Studies deals with social and international crises.

The courses explore the 'root' of different contemporary crises and the way out/way forward/way within. With this basis, both programmes prepare students for a life of writing - journalism, media and communication.

The undergraduate programme in Aesthetics and Peace Studies combines humanities and social sciences with a focus in research. This is also in tune with National Education Policy-2020

The Centre also conducts a certificate programmes in Gandhian Studies, Art Appreciation and Yakshagana Appreciation and also offers PhD programme.

Bachelor of Arts in Aesthetics and Peace Studies

Duration

4 years (8 semesters) with multiple exit points*

Eligibility Criteria & Admission Process

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Written Test and Interview

Course Fees, Hostel Fees, Refund Rules

Refer Section 3

Last date to apply: 15.07.2021

Commencement of Classes: 02.08.2021

Exit Options:

Degree: Three years

Degree with Research (Honours): Four years

Diploma: Two years

Certificate: One year

After four years of degree with research (Honours), there will be a provision to go to the final year of one of the postgraduate (MA) programmes being offered in the department.

Program Description

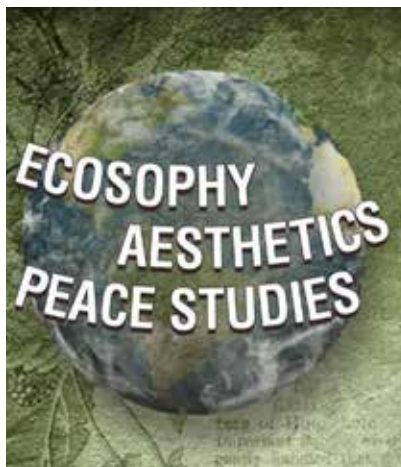
The undergraduate program covers a wide ranging areas of liberal arts/ humanities and social sciences with a broad framework of Aesthetics and Peace Studies catering to a variety of interests and honing certain specific skills. With this background the students should be able to work in media and art organisations.

Focus

The students will be grounded in Aesthetics and Peace Studies so that they are prepared for art and media organisations.

Career Prospects

1. Journalism, Media and Communication
2. Socio-cultural and environmental (national/international) sector
3. Academics and Research
4. Policy Research Organisations
5. International Relations agencies
6. Publishing



MA in Ecosophical Aesthetics

Duration

2 Years

Eligibility Criteria & Admission Process

Refer Section 2

Course Fees, Hostel Fees, Refund Rules

Refer Section 3

Last date to apply: 30.05.2021

Commencement of Classes:

02-08-2021

Program Description

First of its kind anywhere, is a two-year programme to fulfill the need for 'art writers'. It is essentially 'art journalism from ecosophical perspective'.

Ecosophy combines ecology and philosophy. The programme includes a philosophical appreciation of all art forms – music, dance, literature, theatre, cinema, painting etc with a focus on writing and ecosophy is the connecting thread. Anyone with graduation or equivalent degree can take up this programme.



MA in Art and Peace Studies

Duration

2 Years

Eligibility Criteria & Admission Process

Refer Section 2

Course Fees, Hostel Fees, Refund Rules

Refer Section 3

Last date to apply: 30.05.2021

Commencement of Classes:

02-08-2021

Program Description

MA in Art and Peace Studies is an innovative post-graduate programme which attempts to connect art and peace studies from a philosophical perspective. Peace - personal, social, ecological and international - is a final purpose of life which is also very much in need and art adds flavor and meaning to life. The programme intends to achieve peace of every kind through art. It includes areas such as society, polity, development studies, gender studies, Gandhian studies, journalism, media and international peace and different forms of art such as music, dance, theatre, visual arts and cinema.



The professional possibilities include

1. Journalism, Media and Communication
2. Socio-cultural and environmental(national/ international) sector
3. Academics and Research
4. Policy Research Organisations
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