

**S.P. MANDALI'S
RAMNARAIN RUIA AUTONOMOUS COLLEGE**

**BOS Meeting-September 2022
(2022-23)
(DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY)**

The meeting for the academic year (2022-23) took place on an offline mode in the Conference Room of Ramnarain Ruia Autonomous College at 2.30pm

The following members were present -

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath

Ms. Trupti Nawar

Ms. Shivani Amin

Dr. Pooja Soni

Ms. Neha Bhansali

Ms. Anuradha Suvarna

Ms. Disha Kalke

Leave of Absence was granted to Dr. Megha Deuskar.

AGENDA NO. 1

To seek approval for the changes in the modalities of assessment, if any, which includes the question paper pattern, for internal and semester end examination and the assessment of Semester End examinations (Theory/Practical, wherever applicable).

Since the existing modalities of assessment and question paper pattern are exhaustive and diverse, no changes were discussed in the present meeting.

AGENDA NO. 2

To seek approval for the new Post Graduate Programmes (if applicable) for the academic year 2023-24 and approve the syllabus for the same.

No new Postgraduate programme has been planned and hence this was not discussed in the present BOS meeting.

AGENDA NO. 3

To seek approval for the Eligibility for the admission to Post Graduate programmes (If applicable)



Dr. Sangeeta Kamath expressed the need to include students with 3 papers Psychology as well for M.A. (Clinical Psychology)

Dr. Pooja Soni mentioned that in their college they only admit students with 6 papers Psychology for the Masters programme.

However, Ms. Neha Bhansali mentioned that University of Mumbai admits students with 3 paper Psychology for their master programme. According to her, some of the other Universities also admit students with 3 papers Psychology, however with one prerequisite of having at least one Practical paper at the under graduate level.

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath agreed that Mumbai University do allow students with 3 papers Psychology. But however, University like SNDT university does not allow.

Ms. Disha Kalke brought this to notice that Christ University admit students with one paper Psychology for their Master's course. They have bridge courses to cover up the foundation for these students.

Ms. Anuradha Suvarna felt students should be given opportunity if they truly wish to do Master's in Psychology. Further, she suggested that we can consider students with 3 paper Psychology as an eligibility criterion but preference can be given to students having 6 papers, after conducting an entrance examination.

It was hence resolved that students with 3 papers of Psychology may be allowed to apply however selection to be based on the performance in the Entrance examination.

AGENDA NO. 4

To seek approval for the new certificate courses (for 2023-24), if any.

Since the already existing courses itself have been sufficient, no new certificate course was proposed

AGENDA NO. 5

To seek suggestions for the implementation of NEP2020 with reference to the inclusion of the following features

i) Four Year Undergraduate Program

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath expressed the college's aim of preparing everyone for and implementation of NEP. She explained the importance of going from General to Specific and again come back to General to create a holistic view of Psychology. And she asked for the suggestion for the same.

Ms. Neha Bhansali suggested that in NEP, the fourth year is primarily research year which we can split it into couple of semester rather than one whole year.

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath mentioned the importance of understanding Psychology from Sociological, Anthropological and Philosophical perspective so that students understand the field in more integrated manner. Incorporating this along with research will give a integrating view of Psychology.



Ms Disha Kalke agreed that having a social perspective, anthropological perspective as a subsidiary will help. She further mentioned that the research element seems to be very beneficial as research skills are very important any field, even if students don't pursue their career in Psychology.

Ms. Anuradha Suvarna agreed to Ms. Disha's statement stating that presently data driven strategy and evidence based study are so much in demand that extensive research element is very important. She also stressed upon the importance of studying Qualitative research.

Even Ms. Disha Kalke stated the importance of studying Qualitative research.

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath suggested that we can have some modules, just for an exposure, on how sociological influences on behavior, anthropological influences on behavior, political influences on behaviour and then the research component. She further brought this to everybody's notice that we do cover research component at TY level and many of students have published their research papers in a good journal.

Ms. Neha Bhansali and Ms. Anuradha Suvarna appreciated the same.

Ms. Shivani Amin stated that we could include the component of data analysis.

ii) Indian Knowledge System

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath mentioned for the 4th year students will be studying and understanding Indian knowledge system which means that every paper will have some modules from Indian knowledge system. Example: in cognitive psychology, to study memory we analyse Vedas. Then referring to Bhagvat Geeta to study counselling skill in Counseling Psychology paper. Then philosophical counselling.

All the member of BOS liked and agreed to this suggestion.

Dr. Pooja Soni suggested that at 4th level, we can also have some modules wherein they can apply the concepts and skills in their life and their try and analyse critical that how it worked and how it didn't.

Ms. Disha Kalke and Ms. Trupti M. Nawar agreed to this.

iii) Multidisciplinary/Trans-disciplinary approach

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath asked suggestion for Multidisciplinary/Trans-disciplinary approach. BOS member suggested following areas which can be considered:

- i. Cognitive Science
- ii. Forensic Psychology
- iii. Health Psychology or Health and Wellbeing
- iv. Life Skills
- v. Leadership
- vi. Substance and Non-Substance Addiction
- vii. Spirituality
- viii. Community Psychology
- ix. Diverse Population – Minority Group, Inequalities



- x. Political Psychology
- xi. Media's Influence
- xii. Sport Psychology
- xiii. Art Therapy

iv) Vocational Courses

BOS member suggested following areas which can be considered:

- i. Crisis Counseling (First Aid)
- ii. Running a play school/pre-primary school
- iii. Training to take care of children with Special needs
- iv. Training to take care of Elderly populations
- v. Leadership
- vi. Program Management

v) Industry academia collaborations

Dr. Pooja Soni suggested calling practising psychologists and mental health workers as speakers for different topics.

Dr. Neha Bhansali suggested asking practising psychologists to take up students as interns.

vi) Internships.

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath mentioned that NEP articulates that there should be internships. She mentioned that at TY level we insist our students do few days of observership. But now it can be implemented in such a way that they will get some credit for the same.

Dr. Pooja Soni agreed to it and further stated that they can do the observership or internship in any field of their choice in Psychology. She said that it will be good since they will learn the vocational skills right from under graduate level.

AGENDA NO. 6

Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

Since there were no other concerns, no additional discussions were undertaken.

Ms. Trupti Nawar thanked the members for their suggestions and guidance.

S. Kamath

CO-ORDINATOR (TYBA and M.A. PSYCHOLOGY)

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath



**S.P. MANDALI'S
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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOS Meeting-April 2023 (2022-23)
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY**

The second BOS meeting for the academic year 2022-23 was held on the 11th of April 2023 at 4pm.

The following members attended the meeting

Ms. Trupti Nawar

Dr. Pooja Soni

Dr. Megha Deuskar

Ms. Neha Bhansali

Ms. Disha Kalke

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath

Leave of Absence was granted to Ms. Shivani Amin and Ms. Anuradha Suvarna

Agenda (1) To seek approval for the change in the number of Credits to be awarded for the undergraduate programs B.A. and B.Sc. (for the students admitted to First Year for the academic year 2022-23) from **132 to 120**.

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath put forth the information that the college wishes to change the number of credits for B.A. for the students to be admitted to the First Year for the academic year 2022-23 from 132 to 120 and explained the reason for doing so.

No member had any objection to the same.

Thus it was resolved to go ahead with the changes.

Agenda (2) To seek approval for the changes in the syllabus for MA

Ms. Trupti Nawar presented the following changes in the syllabus for M.A. (I)

Psychopathology :

Psychodiagnostics:

Psychotherapy:

Research Methodology:

Ms. Neha Bhansali expressed that the changes were good and recommended going ahead with the same.

Dr. Pooja Soni and Dr. Megha Deuskar too recommended going ahead with the changes.



It was thus resolved to go ahead with the changes

Agenda (3): To seek approval for the Swayam Courses identified by the department.

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath and Ms. Trupti Nawar presented the Swayam Courses that the department has identified to be offered to the students – Consumer Psychology and Qualitative Research Methodology.

All the BOS members found these courses relevant to the students

It was hence resolved to continue with these courses.

S. Kamath

Dr. Sangeeta Kamath

Co-ordinator (T.Y.B.A. and M.A. Psychology)

