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School of Humanities and Social Sciences

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Deccan Education Society (DES) which was established on 24th October, 1884 holds a revered place in the educational landscape of our nation and is the parent body of DES Pune University (DES PU). Born from the magnificent ideals and intense aspirations of four young firebrand nationalists, who were barely in their twenties and thirties, the Society believed that education was the most effective means to bring about social transformation among the Indian populace and to achieve political emancipation from the grip of the foreign rule. For over 140 years, the Deccan Education Society has been wholeheartedly serving our nation.

About DES Pune University

DES Pune University, Pune (DES PU), enacted by the Government of Maharashtra (Act No. VIII of 2024), emerges as a beacon of modern education, driven by an unwavering commitment to research, creativity, and innovation. At DES PU, our vision is to cultivate a thriving educational ecosystem that fosters holistic growth, intellectual curiosity, and global competiveness. Our motto "ज्ञानानुसन्धाने" or "In Pursuit of Knowledge" reflects our vision of establishing a university for knowledge generation.

We offer a comprehensive range of programmes and extensive research opportunities in diverse academic domains. These programmes are meticulously curated to equip students with not only academic prowess but also practical skills and global perspective essential for success in the modern world. At DES PU, we recognise the profound impact of original research and innovative thinking. Our institution is dedicated to nurturing an environment that encourages curiosity-driven exploration and ground-breaking discoveries across disciplines

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School of **Humanities and Social Sciences**

Welcome to the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, where the vibrant tapestry of human experience unfolds through the lens of critical inquiry and compassionate exploration. Here, students embark on a transformative journey, delving into the depths of Literature and Language, Psychology, Economics and beyond, to unravel the complexities of the human condition and shape a more just and empathetic world. Through interdisciplinary collaboration and deep engagement with diverse perspectives, we strive to cultivate not only scholars and thinkers, but empathetic leaders equipped to navigate the challenges of our interconnected global community. Welcome to a place where the past informs the present, and where the humanities and social sciences converge to inspire profound understanding and lasting change.

Programmes

- **BA Psychology**
- **B.Sc. Economics**
- **BA Civil Services and Public Administration**
- **B.Sc. Psychology**
- **MA Psychology**
- **M.Sc. Economics**
- **Department of IKS**

Why Choose Humanities and Social Sciences at DES PU ?

- Curiosity-Driven Learning
- Focus on Research and Innovation
- Multidisciplinary Learning Environment
- Affordable and Quality Education for All
- Centrally Located with 140 Years of Legacy

Six key factors that maximise your employability quotient

- Expert Faculty: Learn from leading academicians and industry experts.
- Holistic Curriculum: Blend of theoretical and practical learning.
- Placement and Entrepreneurship Assistance: Support for all career options including startups and innovations.
- Industry Collaborations: Partnerships with reputed organizations for projects and consultancy.
- Practical Learning Approach: Fieldwork, projects, and real-world applications.
- Holistic Growth: Personal and professional development opportunities.

B.Sc. Economics



Eligibility

Minimum 50% aggregate score in 10+2/Class 12th or in equivalent examination with English subject (at least 45% marks, in case of Reserved category candidate belonging to Maharashtra State only)

Or

Minimum 50% aggregate score in a 3-year Diploma from any Govt approved Institution or equivalent, with English as a subject.

Career Opportunities

- Actuarial Analyst
- Financial Analyst
- Economist
- Economic Consultant
- Data Analyst
- Market Analyst
- Business Development Manager
- Research Assistants at Government/Private research institutions



Programme Highlights

- Blend of economic theories that are deeply rooted in the Indian Knowledge Systems and practical understanding of functioning of the economies
- Courses and internships that facilitate critical thinking and data analysis skills of the learners
- Industry stalwarts to mentor students
- Latest and emerging trends to be covered in the curriculum
- With focus on upcoming fields, it trains the students for career opportunities in the academia, government and corporate sectors
- Learning opportunities through collaboration with experts from World Trade Centre, Pune, Texas A&M University, James Cook University & Mid-Sweden University and many more

BA Psychology

Eligibility

Minimum 50% aggregate score in 10+2/Class 12th or in equivalent examination with English subject (at least 45% marks, in case of Reserved category candidate belonging to Maharashtra State only)

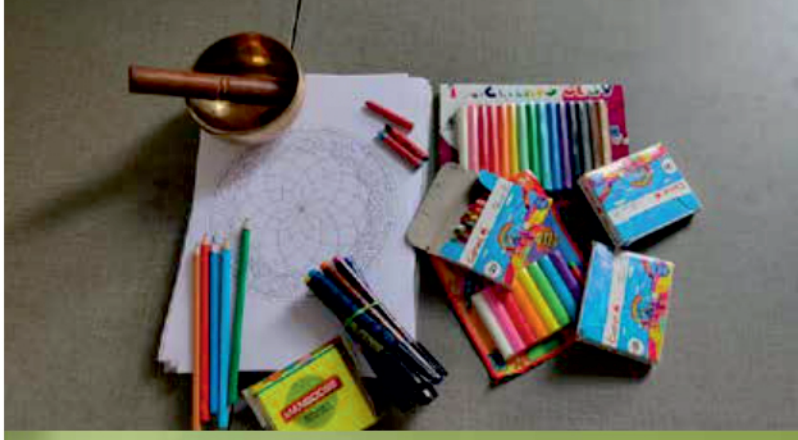
Or

Minimum 50% aggregate score in a 3-year Diploma from any Govt approved Institution or equivalent, with English as a subject.

Career Opportunities

- HR Executive
- Research Assistant
- Remedial Teacher
- Psychometry Professional
- Mental health practitioner in the community/NGO







Programme Highlights

- Strong theoretical foundation courses
- Hands-on practices
- Curriculum covering the latest local and global trends
- Learner-centric innovative pedagogy with ICT and flipped classroom
- International and national academic and industrial collaborations
- Observational internships, research projects and field projects
- Focus on developing emotional intelligence (EI), social and spiritual intelligence
- Individual-centric mentorship programme
- State-of-the-art lab
- Experienced faculty with industry experience
- Interdisciplinary open electives such as finance

B.Sc. Psychology

Eligibility

The Minimum Eligibility for this program is a pass with a minimum 50% (at least 45% marks, in case of Reserved category candidate belonging to Maharashtra State only) in the 10+2 level (SSC/ ISC / CBSE / NIOS / State Boards) in any stream (Humanities, Social Sciences, Commerce & Management, Sciences) from any recognised Board in India.



Career Opportunities

Graduates of our B.Sc. Psychology programme will have a diverse skill set, enabling them to pursue opportunities in:

- Clinical & Counseling Psychology
- Psychometric Development & Assessment
- Cognitive & Neuroscientific Research
- Human-Computer Interaction & UX Research
- Data Science & Computational Psychology
- Industrial & Organizational Psychology

YOUR MIND MATTERS

Discover a safe space to heal grow, and thrive

Programme Highlights

- Neuro-cognitive Laboratory: An upcoming state-of-the-art neurocognitive laboratory for neuro-cognitive and clinical research.
- Expert Faculty: Industry experts as facilitators of specialized courses.
- Emphasis on Neuroscience & Cognitive Science: Courses on brain-behavior relationships, neuroplasticity, and cognitive mechanisms.
- Integration of Computational Methods: Exposure to coding, data analytics, and computational modeling relevant to psychology.
- Experimental & Research Training: Hands-on experience with experimental psychology, neuroimaging methods, and behavioral assessments.
- Interdisciplinary Learning: Connecting psychology with fields like artificial intelligence, human factors, and technology studies.
- Career-Oriented Skill Development: Training in research methodologies, statistical analysis, and applied psychology for industry and academia.
- Internship & Project-Based Learning: Opportunities for real-world application through internships, research projects, and collaborations with industry experts.

This programme is ideal for students who want to explore psychology beyond traditional boundaries and prepare for careers at the intersection of psychology, technology, and research.

BA Civil Services and Public Administration

Eligibility

Minimum 50% aggregate score in 10+2/Class 12th or in equivalent examination with English subject (at least 45% marks, in case of Reserved category candidate belonging to Maharashtra State only)

Or

Minimum 50% aggregate score in a 3-year Diploma from any Govt. approved Institution or equivalent, with English as a subject.

Career Opportunities

- Civil Service (UPSC/ MPSC)
- Administration officers in public and private sectors
- Liaison Officer with NGOs, think tanks, international organizations
- Researchers on governance and policy issues
- Government services (local, state, and national levels)
- Officers for Policy research and analysis
- Academic Researcher or Lecturer in Public Administration and Governance
- Journalism with a focus on governance and public policy
- Public Relation officer
- CSR executive



Programme Highlights

- It provides a robust foundation and understanding of the principles of public administration, governance, and policymaking.
- It equips students with the skills necessary to address complex societal challenges.
- This interdisciplinary programme integrates key concepts from Political Science, Economics, Sociology, and Law to provide a holistic understanding of governance
- The programme trains students in critical thinking, decision-making, leadership, and effective communication. The curriculum emphasizes advanced English communication and public speaking skills, crucial for competitive examinations and administrative roles.
- It has focused modules designed to prepare students for competitive exams such as the Civil Services Examination (CSE) conducted by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) in India or similar administrative services exams globally.
- It has field projects, community engagement programmes to give social exposure.

M.Sc. Economics



Eligibility

Minimum 50% aggregate score in 3-year Graduation in any stream from UGC approved Institution or equivalent (at least 45% marks, in case of Reserved category candidate belonging to Maharashtra State only). Preference will be given to students who have done Majors in Economics.

Career Opportunities

The versatility and rigour of the M.Sc. Economics programme will enable the graduates to pursue diverse career paths based on their interests, skills, and specialization areas. Additionally, many economists choose to further specialize by pursuing additional certifications or advanced degrees such as Ph.D. in Economics or professional designations like Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) or Certified Business Economist (CBE). Besides, they can also be hired for the following roles like:

- Economist
- Financial Analyst
- Policy Analyst
- Consultant
- Data Analyst/Quantitative Analyst
- Academic Researcher/Professor
- International Development Specialist
- Market Research Analyst
- Risk Analyst
- Public Policy Advocate

Programme Highlights

- Offers a comprehensive and rigorous education in economic theory, quantitative methods, and applied analysis.
- Designed for individuals seeking to advance their understanding of economic principles and their application in real-world settings.
- Equips students with the analytical tools and critical thinking skills necessary for success in various career paths.
- Provides students with a solid foundation in economic theory, including microeconomics, macroeconomics, and econometrics.
- Develops students' proficiency in quantitative methods and data analysis techniques, enabling them to conduct empirical research and analyze economic trends.
- Provides a supportive learning environment that encourages intellectual curiosity, collaboration, and academic excellence.
- Learning opportunities through collaboration with experts from Texas A&M University, James Cook University & Mid-Sweden University

MA Psychology

Eligibility

Minimum 50% aggregate score in 3-year Graduation in any stream from UGC approved Institution or equivalent (at least 45% marks, in case of Reserved category candidate belonging to Maharashtra State only). Preference will be given to students who have done Majors in Psychology.





Career Opportunities

Postgraduate students can pursue their doctoral research in India and abroad and if they choose to join the work-force then following are the career options.

With a **Master of Arts specializing in Clinical Psychology**, you can pursue various specialized roles within the field of mental health and psychology. Here are some potential job roles:

- Clinical Psychologist
- Therapist/Counselor
- Clinical Supervisor
- Clinical Researcher
- Psychological Assessors • Consultant

With a **Master of Arts specializing in Industrial and Organizational (I/O) Psychology**, the students can pursue various roles that involve applying psychological principles to the workplace. Here are some potential job profiles:

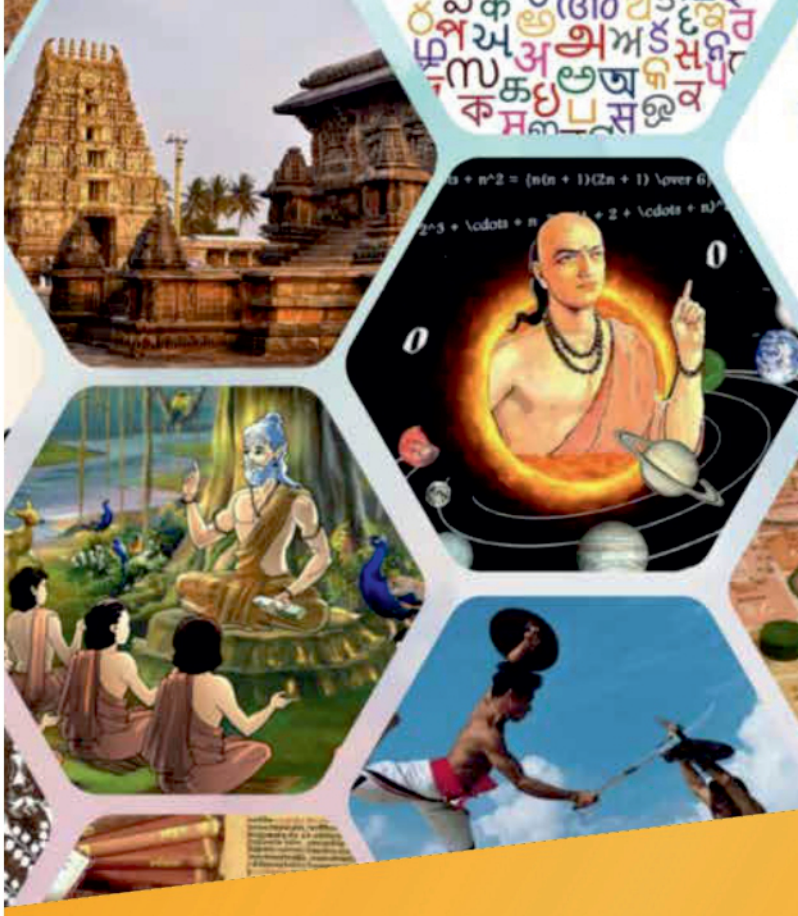
- Organizational Development Specialist
- Talent Acquisition Specialist/Recruiter
- Training and Development Specialist
- Human Resources Consultant
- Employee Engagement Specialist
- Workplace Diversity and Inclusion Specialist
- Change Management Consultant
- Performance Management Analyst

Programme Highlights

- Equips students with professional skills
- Imparts discipline-specific know-how from industry experts and top notch academicians
- Blends modern knowledge structures and the wisdom coming from the traditional Indian systems
- Focuses strongly on promoting research and professional ethics
- Imparts individual-centric mentorship programme
- Has state-of-the-art lab
- Provides international and national academic and industrial collaborations

A **Master of Arts specializing in Child and Adolescent Psychology** focuses on understanding the psychological, emotional, social, and developmental needs of children and adolescents. Professionals with this degree work in various settings to support young people's mental health, development, and well-being. Some of the potential job profiles are as follows: Child Psychologist, School Counsellor, Behavioural Therapist, Educational Psychologist Academic Advisor/School Psychologist Assistant, Research Assistant in Child Development, Programme Developer for Child Services.

Department of **Indian Knowledge Systems**



Academics:

- Comprehensive Introductory Courses: Engaging and well-structured courses introducing the foundational concepts of Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS).
- Integrated Curriculum Units: Thought-provoking modules integrated into existing academic programs to promote indigenous perspectives.
- Advanced Discipline-Specific Courses: Specialized courses catering to advanced study and exploration of IKS within specific disciplines.

Research:

•Research Projects:

- Ongoing projects funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR).
- Internship opportunities and collaborative research initiatives fostering innovation in IKS.

•Ph.D. :

- Research opportunities in emerging fields such as Gamification, Edutainment, and Activity-Based Learning within IKS domains.
- Interdisciplinary research possibilities in areas like Psychology, Philosophy, and History, aligning with the principles of IKS.

Programme Highlights

- Ph.D. related to topics of Indian Knowledge Systems
- Comprehensive and engaging introductory courses in IKS
- Advanced, discipline-specific courses in IKS
- Ongoing research projects funded by the ICSSR
- MoUs with reputed organizations
- Research opportunities in emerging areas such as Gamification, Edutainment, and Activity-based Learning within IKS subjects
- Internship opportunities and collaborative research initiatives



All UG Programme Year Wise Outputs

Year 1

- Introduction to discipline-specific majors, and multidisciplinary subjects
- Orientation towards Indian Knowledge Systems, value enhancement component as well as skill-based learning
- Understanding the role of discipline-specific professionals in the contemporary world

Year 2

- Exploring oneself and defining possible career paths for oneself
- Gaining knowledge about discipline-specific courses
- Developing skills, abilities and knowledge related to specific roles
- Developing curiosity about the world around and one's position in it

Year 3

- Focusing on discipline-specific knowledge
- Engaging with the community
- Developing critical thinking skills and working on mini-research projects
- Preparing for higher education opportunities in India and abroad

Year 4

- Working on research paper(s)
- Applying the discipline-specific knowledge to solve real world problems
- Developing ethical values
- Developing practical know-how to deal with professional issues

Key Takeaways

- Strong discipline-specific foundation
- Student participation in community outreach programmes
- Clarity in career path
- Development of research aptitude
- Preparation for higher education and research career

All PG Programme Year Wise Outputs

Year 1

- Defining and planning the career path
- Gaining knowledge about the specialization domains
- Developing skills and competencies to be used in professional domains
- Identify a research area for investigation

Year 2

- Develop in-depth knowledge about the specialization domain
- Learn techniques and know-how required to be a professional/ consultant/practitioner
- Present the research findings to the scholars in the field
- Explore entrepreneurial opportunities

Key Takeaways

- In-depth knowledge about the discipline
- Development of professional skills and competencies
- Ability to work independently as well as in teams
- High sensitivity towards societal problems
- Development of Entrepreneurship Spirit

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