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Pimpri Chinchwad University

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**Curriculum Structure**

**M. Sc Clinical Psychology**

**(Batch-2026-2027)**

**School of Sciences**



**Effective from Academic Year 2026-27**

**Program Structure**

## Preamble

We at Pimpri Chinchwad University offer the **Master of Science (MSc) in Clinical Psychology**, a postgraduate program designed to provide advanced knowledge and specialized training in the scientific study of human behavior and mental processes, with a strong emphasis on the assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of psychological disorders.

The program is structured to prepare students for professional practice in clinical psychology as well as for advanced research and doctoral studies in clinical psychology and allied disciplines. The curriculum builds upon foundational psychological concepts and includes advanced coursework in psychopathology, psychological assessment, psychotherapy, neuropsychology, research methodology, statistics, and professional ethics.

Students are provided with extensive opportunities for **supervised clinical training, internships, and fieldwork**, enabling them to develop hands-on competencies in real-world clinical settings. This experiential learning fosters the integration of theoretical knowledge with clinical practice, ensuring readiness for professional roles.

The overarching goal of the MSc in Clinical Psychology is to cultivate highly skilled, ethically grounded, and research-oriented professionals equipped with advanced clinical competencies, critical thinking abilities, and evidence-based practice skills. Upon completion, graduates are expected to demonstrate expertise in psychological assessment, diagnosis, intervention planning, and therapeutic techniques, while contributing meaningfully to mental health promotion and service delivery.

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## Vision and Mission of the Program

### Vision

To be a leading postgraduate program in clinical psychology that develops highly competent, ethical, and compassionate professionals who contribute significantly to mental health care, research, and societal well-being.

### Mission

- To provide advanced and rigorous education in clinical psychology with a strong focus on assessment, diagnosis, and evidence-based treatment of psychological disorders.
- To foster a learning environment that promotes analytical thinking, research competence, ethical practice, cultural sensitivity, and professional excellence.
- To prepare graduates for independent clinical practice, research, and leadership roles in mental health settings.
- To instill a commitment to lifelong learning, professional development, and societal responsibility.

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## Program Educational Objectives (PEOs)

1. To develop advanced knowledge and clinical expertise in the field of Clinical Psychology, enabling graduates to function as skilled professionals and specialists.
2. To provide a comprehensive and research-oriented curriculum integrating theory, clinical practice, and professional training.
3. To foster personal and professional growth, enhancing students' competencies in clinical decision-making, problem-solving, and therapeutic skills.
4. To inculcate ethical values, professional integrity, and social responsibility in addressing mental health issues across diverse populations.

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## Program Specific Outcomes (PSOs)

### **PSO 1: Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis**

Students will be able to administer, score, and interpret standardized psychological tests and make accurate clinical diagnoses using established classification systems.

### **PSO 2: Psychotherapeutic Interventions**

Students will demonstrate competence in planning and delivering evidence-based psychotherapies (e.g., CBT, behavior therapy, counseling) tailored to individual client needs.

### **PSO 3: Case Formulation and Treatment Planning**

Students will develop comprehensive case formulations integrating biological, psychological, and social factors, and design appropriate intervention plans.

### **PSO 4: Application of Research in Clinical Practice**

Students will apply research findings and analytical skills to inform clinical decision-making and contribute to evidence-based mental health practices.

### **PSO 5: Ethical, Cultural, and Professional Practice**

Students will practice clinical psychology ethically, maintaining confidentiality, cultural sensitivity, and professional responsibility in diverse clinical settings.

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## Program Specific Outcomes (PSOs)

1. Students will demonstrate advanced understanding and application of psychological theories, models, and clinical frameworks relevant to assessment and intervention in clinical psychology.
2. Students will apply ethical principles, legal standards, and professional guidelines in clinical practice, ensuring culturally sensitive and client-centered care.
3. Students will design, implement, and evaluate mental health promotion programs, preventive interventions, and community-based initiatives aimed at enhancing psychological well-being, resilience, and coping strategies.

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Sr. No.	Type of course	No. of Courses	Total Credits		No. of Courses	Total Credits	
			No	%		No	%
1	Major	31	89	74.16	38	109	68.12
2	Minor	5	10	6.25	5	10	6.25
3	Open Electives	3	6	3.75	3	6	3.75
4	Ability Enhancement Courses (Audit Courses)	6	-		6	-	
5	Skill Enhancement Courses	2	2	1.25	2	2	1.25
6	Vocational Skill Course	2	3	2.5	4	8	5
7	Summer Internship/On Job Training	1	6	5	2	18	11.25
8	Field Project	2	8	5	2	8	5
9	Indian Knowledge System (Audit Courses)	2	-		2	-	
10	Value Education Course (Audit Courses)	1	-		1	-	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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Sr. No.	Type of course					
		I	II	III	IV	Total
1	Major					
2	Minor Stream					
3	Open Electives					
4	Ability Enhancement Courses (Audit course)					
5	Skill Enhancement Courses					
6	Vocational Skill Course					
7	Summer Internship/On Job Training					
8	Field Project					
9	Indian Knowledge System (Audit Course)					
12	Value Education Course					
<b>Total</b>						

## MSc (Clinical Psychology) Curriculum Structure Semester I

		Semester – I	Teaching Scheme					Evaluation Scheme			
Course Code	Category	Course Name	Th	Tut	Pr	Hrs	Cr	CIA	ESA	PR/OR	Total
PMSCP101	MAJM	Advanced General Psychology	4	-	0	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP 102	MAJM	Cognitive Neuroscience	4	-	0	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP 103	MAJM	Foundations of Psychopathology	4	-	0	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP 104	RM	Research Design and Biostatistics	4	-	0	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP105	IRS	Practicum I: Basic Assessment Skills (CP) / Clinical Placement	-	-	4	8	4	50	-	50	100
Total			16	-	4	24	20	210	240	50	500

		Semester – II	Teaching Scheme					Evaluation Scheme			
Course Code	Category	Course Name	Th	Tut	Pr	Hrs	Cr	CIA	ESA	PR/OR	Total
PMSCP101	MAJM	Advanced Psychopathology	4	-	-	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP102	MAJM	Advanced Psychodiagnostics	4	-	-	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP103	MAJM	Advanced Therapeutic Skills & Counselling Processes	4	-	-	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP104	RM	Advanced Research Methodology	4	-	-	4	4	40	60	-	100

		and Synopsis Writing									
PMSCP105	IRS	Practicum II: Assessment & Case Formulation	-	-	4	8	4	50	-	50	100
PMSCP106	INTR	Summer Internship	-	-	6	6	4	50	-	50	100
Total			16		10	30	24	260	240	100	600

		Semester – III	Teaching Scheme					Evaluation Scheme			
Course Code	Category	Course Name	Th	Tut	Pr	Hrs	Cr	CIA	ESA	PR/OR	Total
		<b>Elective I</b>									
PMSCP101	MAJM	1. Understanding Nutrition Psychiatry	4	-	-	4	4	40	60	-	100
		2. Trauma-Informed Counselling									
PMSCP102	MAJM	Psychotherapy Approaches and Applications	4	-	-	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP103	MAJM	Interventions for Special Populations	4	-	-	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP104	MAJM	Understanding Psychopharmacology	4	-	-	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP105	VSC	Practicum III: Supervised Counselling and Case Study Analysis	-	-	4	8	4	50	-	50	100
Total			16		4	24	20	210	240	50	500

		Semester – IV	Teaching Scheme					Evaluation Scheme			
Course Code	Category	Course Name	Th	Tut	Pr	Hrs	Cr	CIA	ESA	PR/OR	Total
PMSCP101	MAJM	<b>Elective II</b>									
		1.Nutritional Interventions in Psychiatric Disorders	4	-	-	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP102	MAJM	2.Family & Couples Counselling									
		Integrative and Contemporary Psychotherapy	4	-	-	4	4	40	60	-	100
PMSCP103	RM	Dissertation	-	-	-	4	12	40	60	-	100
PMSCP104	INTR	Internship	-	-	-	4	6	40	60	-	100
Total			8	-	-	16	26	160	240	-	400