MADURAI KAMARAJ UNIVERSITY
(University with Potential for Excellence)
Madurai – 625 021.

Ph.D. (Full Time/ Part Time) / M.Phil. Programmes – 2018-2019

PROSPECTUS

Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai is on its relentless journey for the past 52 years surmounting hurdles of indigenous and exotic nature on its way and has passed through the tests of accreditation towards reaching the status of Excellence. The University is aware that the process of achieving excellence is continuous and therefore, all efforts are in progress to keep up the momentum.

The University came into being through a bill passed in the Legislative Assembly of the State in the year 1966. It is a statutory university owned and funded by the Government of Tamilnadu and the University Grants Commission. This University is a member of Association of Indian Universities and one of the nine universities in India with a status of University with Potential for Excellence. The present Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Alagappa University and Mother Theresa University are the off-shoots of Madurai Kamaraj University. As on date, it covers four revenue districts of Madurai, Virudhunagar, Dindigul and Theni for its regular academic programme. Currently it holds a total of 77 renowned Departments and 20 Schools. In addition to the Departments and Schools, the University has 21 academic centres and 21 quasi academic supportive units. It has 24 autonomous colleges, 14 aided colleges, 33 self financing colleges, 18 approved institutions, 4 evening colleges, 6 constituent colleges and one University College catering to the higher education needs of large number of students from rural and urban areas.

The Madurai Kamaraj University offers 41 Post-graduate, 46 M.Phil. and 17 Diploma / P.G. Diploma / Certificate courses in various departments. At present, 66 U.G. and 45 P.G. courses are offered in the affiliated Colleges. 2428 students and research scholars are on the roll now. Currently more than 163 individual research projects are being carried out with an outlay exceeding 34 Crores. The University has a modernized central Library with 3 lakhs books, 9,000 e-journals, 3,000 e-books, 55,000 reference and text books. With the one Gbps internet connection, INFONET centre with 50 nodes and smart class rooms have enriched the ICT enabled teaching and learning.

Madurai Kamaraj University strongly believes in de-centralised and participatory governance. As a visionary step, academic and administrative autonomy has been granted to

select Schools. The University has established linkages with community around through its various outreach activities. The National and International level connectivity and visibility of this University is a pointer that the University is moving from the status of **University with Potential for Excellence** to the status of **University of Excellence.**

Madurai Kamaraj University is offering Ph.D. (Full Time/Part Time) Programmes in 51 subjects & M.Phil. (Regular) Programmes in 46 subjects in various schools and departments and affiliated colleges. Applications are invited for the admission of Ph.D. (Full Time/Part Time)/ M.Phil. (Regular) 2018-2019.

The applications and other details can be downloaded from the University website **mkuniversity.org, mkuniversity.ac.in** and filled in application must be sent to **The Registrar, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai-625 021 on or before 11.06.2018** along with application fee of **Rs.1000**/- for Ph.D. and Rs. **750/-** for M.Phil., (**Rs.500/- and Rs.375**/-respectively for SC/ST Candidates).

Payment Details

Candidates shall remit all the fees, prescribed by the University through on-line payment, into the MKU Registrar Account of State Bank of India, Madurai Kamaraj University Branch, Madurai or in any one of its branches near the place of the candidate or send a Demand Draft drawn on any nationalized bank in favour of "The Registrar, Madurai Kamaraj University" payable at Madurai. NRI candidates living abroad shall remit the fees in US $. Foreign nationals residing in India shall be treated equivalent to NRI candidates and they shall pay the fee either in US $ or its equivalent in Indian National Rupee.

I) The M.Phil. Programmes are offered in the following subjects

1. Art History
2. Biotechnology
3. Biochemistry
4. Botany
5. Chemistry
6. Christianity
7. Commerce
8. Comparative Religion (Tamil)
9. Computer Applications
10. Computer Science

11. Counselling and Psychotherapy

12. Economics

13. Education

14. English

15. English Language Studies

16. Entrepreneurship

17. Environmental Sciences

18. Folklore

19. French

20. Geography

21. History

22. Journalism and Mass Communication

23. Kannada

24. Library and Information Science

25. Linguistics

26. Malayalam

27. Management

28. Microbiology

29. Marine Environmental Studies

30. Material Science

31. Mathematics

32. Media and Communication

33. Nanoscience and Technology

34. Peace Making & Gandhian Thought

35. Physical Education

36. Physics

37. Political Science

38. Psychology / Applied Psychology

39. Saiva Siddhantha Philosophy

40. Sanskrit

41. Sociology

42. Social Work

43. Tamil

44. Telugu

45. Tourism and Hotel Management

46. Vedangas

II) The Ph.D. Programmes are offered in the following subjects

1. Biochemistry

2. Biomedical Science

3. Biotechnology

4. Botany

5. Business Administration

6. Chemistry

7. Commerce

8. Computer Applications

9. Computer Science

10. Counselling and Psychotherapy

11. Economics

12. Education

13. English

14. English Language Studies

15. Environmental Studies

16. Folklore

17. Food and Nutrition

18. French

19. Future Studies

20. Gandhian Thought & Peace Making

21. Genomics / Genetics

22. Geography

23. Gurunank

24. History

25. Immunology

26. Islamic &Tamil Studies

27. Journalism and Mass Communication

28. Kannada

29. Library and Information Science

30. Linguistics

31. Malayalam

32. Material Science

33. Mathematics

34. Microbiology

35. Molecular Biology

36. Music

37. Physical Education

38. Physics

39. Political Science

40. Public Administration

41. Psychology / Applied Psychology

42. Rural Development

43. Saiva Siddhantha Philosophy & Religion

44. Sanskrit

45. Social Work

46. Sociology

47. Tamil

48. Telugu

49. Tourism Management

50. Urudu

51. Zoology

1. Eligibility for Ph.D / M.Phil. Programme

Candidates willing to register for Ph.D Programme should have a Bachelor's degree as well as a Master's Degree (10+2+3+2 pattern or equivalent in that order) of this university or of any other university recognized by this university as equivalent thereto in concerned discipline with not less than 55% of marks in the aggregate in Master's Degree.

A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer) / Differently-Abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the authority from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's degree prior to 19th September, 1991. The eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and the relaxation of 5% to the categories mentioned above are permissible based only on the qualifying marks without including the grace mark procedures.

Junior/Senior Research Fellows working in research projects funded by various external agencies of National and State level organizations and executed by the

Departments of University / Recognized Research Centres of the affiliated Colleges/ Recognized Research Institutions and those who are working as stipendiary/ non-stipendiary research scholars are also eligible to register for Ph.D.

2. Subject of Research

The candidate shall work as a research scholar for a minimum period of three years in the chosen subject which shall be the same as the main branch of knowledge of the Master's Degree. The candidate with a Master's degree in a particular discipline may register for Ph.D. in any other related discipline also, if the topic of research is relevant to the discipline of the Master's degree, as certified by the Research Supervisor and the degree shall be awarded as **Ph.D. (inter-disciplinary).**

In the case of inter-disciplinary candidates, the guide shall certify with a detailed justification to the effect that the subject for research is inter-disciplinary in nature and this certificate shall be produced along with the application for registration. The candidates doing interdisciplinary research shall have a Guide in the main area and a co-guide in the inter-disciplinary area. Of the two guides, at least one of them shall be from the University. The interdisciplinary research shall be permitted only on clear justification and on the specific recommendation of the Supervisors concerned.

3. Admission

The University shall admit M.Phil / Ph.D. students through an Entrance Test conducted by the University once in a year preferably in July. The admissions will be made once in a year. The candidates for Ph.D. will be admitted under Full-Time/Part-Time mode. The candidates for M.Phil shall be admitted only in the regular (Full Time) mode and not in part-time or distance learning or any other mode.

4. Entrance test

The entrance test shall be conducted by the University and shall comprise of two parts, each of one hour duration. The tests shall be of objective type with a maximum of 50 marks each. The first part includes Research aptitude, English comprehension (for Indian Languages, respective language comprehension), logic and general reasoning and the second part shall be in the subject concerned in which the candidate is willing to pursue the Ph.D degree. The questions shall be set by experts in the field concerned in the **Research Department / Centres of the University.** The Entrance centres are **1) Madurai 2) Chennai 3) Coimbatore and 4) Tirunelveli**

5. Interview

Following the entrance test , based on ranking, the candidates shall be short listed and called for an interview by their respective Research Department / Centre / Institution after approval by the University. The interview shall carry 50 marks.

An interview shall be conducted on behalf of the University at the Research Department / Research Centre of the college when the candidates are required to discuss their research interest/area through a presentation before a duly constituted Department Research Committee consisting of the Head of the Institution, Head of the Research Centre and the potential guides who have vacancies in the case of affiliated colleges and the head of the department, the potential guides who have vacancies and a Subject Expert preferably external in the specific area of research

preferred by the candidate.

6. Selection

At the time of interview, the department research committee shall interact with the candidate and assess his/her research interest/aptitude. By integrating the entrance test marks and the performance of the candidate in the interview, the department research committee shall rank the candidates on the basis of the marks obtained in the entrance test and the interview combined.

7. Allocation of Candidates

The Selection Board shall allot the candidates to research guides, based on the rank of the candidate and on the basis of the specific area of research preferred by the candidate and the vacancy available with the research guide.

After the selection process is over, the consolidated list of selected and admitted candidates in each Department / Research Centre, shall be sent to the University with evidence of all relevant documents for final approval.

8. Exemption

The following candidates are exempted from appearing in the entrance examination and the interview and they may be directly admitted into the Ph.D programme. However, they need to apply for admission whenever it is notified.

a) Candidates with Junior/Senior Research Fellowship sanctioned by National/State level research funding agencies who have been admitted by following the recommended admission procedure.

b) Candidates duly selected by a Committee constituted by the Research Department/ Centre / Institution after proper notification and selection process and appointed in Research Projects

9. Registration

The candidates selected and admitted in the research Departments/ Centres/ Institutions can register for doing Ph.D under different categories.

There shall be Two categories of registration.

1. **Full- time**

2. **Part-time**

9.1 Full-time*:*

The candidate, who joins in a Research Department / Centre / Institution shall work as a full time research scholar for a minimum period of 3 years in the chosen subject which shall be related to the main branch of knowledge of the Master's Degree.

9.2 Part –time

The registration under part-time category shall be for those candidates, irrespective of their employment status, who can work during week-ends, holidays and vacations at the Research Institution where they are admitted for pursuing research. The candidates registered under this category are required to be available to the guide in order to carry out research during holidays and vacations and week-ends.

If a candidate registered in this category is selected under a scholarship / fellowship programme/ scheme, including Faculty Development Programme of UGC, he/she shall be permitted to continue the research as a full- time research scholar in the department where the guide works.

10. Duration of Research

Minimum duration of Ph.D. research is 3 (three) years and the maximum duration is 6 (Six) years from the date of registration. Women candidates and persons with disability can avail further two more years of extension and the maximum duration of research for them is 8 (Eight) years. In addition, the women candidates may be provided Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave once in the entire duration of M.Phil/Ph.D. for up to 240 days. The Maximum period of research for M.Phil. is one year. If a candidate fails to submit the thesis for the Ph.D degree within the stipulated period, his/her registration will be treated as cancelled. The maximum period shall not be extended for any reason.

11. M.Phil. Programmes

Candidates need to apply and write the entrance exam and attend the interview as in the case of Ph.D. candidates. On the basis of the overall merit, they will be admitted. A Research Advisory Committee consisting of the Guide, Head of the Department and one more member of faculty in the department will be formed. The Research Advisory Committee shall meet once before the candidate proceeds for dissertation work. The candidate needs to undergo a minimum of 3 courses with 4 credits each prescribed by their respective departments in the first semester. In the second semester, they need to work on and submit the dissertation under the supervision on an approved guide. The dissertation will be evaluated by the Guide and one external examiner fixed by the research advisory committee. On obtaining the evaluation marks from the external examiner, the guide shall forward the internal and external marks of the papers attended in the first semester and the marks obtained in the dissertation to the University for Declaration of results. The fees particulars for M.Phil Regular are given below.

12. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO THE APPLICANTS

1. Applicants are requested to read carefully the rules of eligibility and other instructions given in the prospectus.

2. Applicants who are willing to apply for more than one programme should use separate application for each programme.

3. Completed applications must be subscribed on the envelop **"Application for Admission to Ph.D (Full Time / Part Time) / M.Phil) Programmes".**

4. Two self-addressed, stamped envelope for Rs.10/- should be enclosed along with filled-in applications.

5. The following candidates are exempted from appearing in the entrance examination and the interview and they may be directly admitted into the Ph.D programme. However, they need to apply for admission.
   1. NET 2. JRF 3. CSIR 4. SLET 5. Project Fellow   6. RGNF and 7. If any Other Fellowships

6. Selected candidates should submit all original documents/certificates at the time of Interview.

7. Change of Centre will not be entertained under any circumstances.

8. Late Applications will not be entertained under any circumstances.

9. Applicants should attach attested Photocopy of Birth certificate /SSLC certificate, Community Certificate, HSC, UG, PG, M.Phil mark statements, Degree certificates and Certificate of Differently Abled persons along with applications.

10. Original certificates should not be sent along with applications.

11. The applicant should fill-up the hall-ticket attached to the application and send along with the application.

12. Filling with any wrong information or suppression of information may result in the rejection of the application.

13. The applications without the attested Xerox copies of relevant certificates will not be considered. Certificates other than those required need not be enclosed.

14. All the columns in the application should be filled-in and incomplete application will be summarily rejected.

15. Two recent passport size photographs should be affixed along with applications one on the column provided in the application and the other in the Hall-Ticket.

16. Tamil Nadu Government reservation policy is followed for all Admission programmes.

17. Filled-in applications should reach **on or before the last date specified** to

The Registrar
Madurai Kamaraj University
Palkalai Nagar
Madurai – 625 021.

Important Dates:

Download of Prospectus, Application	-	**27.04.2018**
Last date for receipt of filled in application	-	**11.06.2018**
Date of Entrance Test (Offline Objective Examination)	-	**23.06.2018 (M.Phil)**
	-	**24.06.2018 (Ph.D)**

Entrance Examination Centre:

1) Madurai 2) Chennai 3) Coimbatore and 4) Tirunelveli

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Interview Date	**30.06.2018 (M.Phil)**
	01.07.2018 (Ph.D)
Interview Venue	Dr.Mu.Va. Arangu,
	M.K University,
	Palkalai Nagar, Madurai – 625021

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APPLICATION FOR Ph.D. (FULL TIME & PART TIME) & M.Phil PROGRAMMES
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Application Number

Name of the Bank	Online Payment	Reference No	Amount

Register No:

(For office use)

1. Programme Name   **Ph.D.** (Full Time / Part Time)_____Subject_____

   M.Phil (subject)_____

Affix your Attested Passport size Photograph

✓ (Select) (Photocopy of Certificate to be attached)	SLET	Project Fellow	RGNF	NET	JRF	CSIR	If any other Fellowship

2. Name of the Applicant (In CAPITAL)   :   _____

3. Father's / Guardian's Name   :   _____

4. Address for Communication   :   _____

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   District _____ Pin_____

   Mobile No :   _____E.Mail _____

5. Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)   :

6. Place of Birth   :   _____

7. Nationality   :   _____

8. Religion   :   _____ _____

9. Community (√)
(Photocopy of Certificate to be attached)

OC	BC	BC (MUSLIM)	MBC DNC	SC	SC(A) Arunthathiyar	ST

Caste _____

9. Special Category, If any (√)
(Photocopy of Certificate to be attached)

| Ex-Servicemen | NRI | Repatriate | Foreign National | Differently Abled Person | | |
				Blindness/ Low Vision	Hearing Impairment	Locomotor Disability

10.. Educational Qualification   :

Education Qualifications	Branch / Subject	College	University / Institution	Month & Year of Passing	% of Marks & Class / Grade / Division/ CGP
SSLC					
HSSC					
UG					
PG					
M.Phil					
Any other Higher Degree					
If Employed, Present occupation	Designation				
	Institution				
	Address				
Specific area of Research, if any					

(Attested Photocopy of all mark statements to be attached)

DECLARATION :

I declare that the particulars given above are true and correct and that I shall abide by the rules and regulations of the   University.

Place   :
Date   :   Signature of the Applicant

Note: Two self-addressed, stamped envelope for Rs.10/- should be enclosed along with filled-in applications.

HALL TICKET

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Programme Applied   :Ph.D/ M.Phil _____Branch_____

Name of the Applicant   :_____

Date & Time   :_____   Examination Centre :

SIGNATURE OF THE APPLICANT   **REGISTRAR**

(Applicant should be present in the Examination hall 30 minutes before the commencement of Entrance Examination)