PS413 Applications of Psychology in Social Issues (3 credits)

To introduce the social issues in Indian context and develop understanding of the role of psychology in solving these issues. The aim of the elective course is to help students to learn applications of psychology in solving social issues.

Module 1: Introduction: Social Issues

Topics:

- Introduction to Social issues
- Psychology and Social issues

Module 2: Social conflict and Harmony

Topics:

- Prejudice
- Stereotyping and discrimination
- Inter group conflict
- How to solve these issues
- Social Issues in Indian context
- Caste, Ethnic and gender issues

Module 3: Psychology and Environment

Topics:

- Environmental Issues
- Role of psychology in solving environmental problems
- Media effects
- Influence of media on children

Module 4: Stigmatization and Marginalization

Topics:

- Introduction to Stigmatization and Marginalisation
- Social exclusion

Module 5: Psychology and Cyber problems

Topics:

- Cyber addiction

- Cyber crime

- Gaming

- Social media

Evaluation:

- End Semester Examination: 40%
- Mid Semester Examination: 30%
- Group/Individual Presentation: 15 %
- Practicum: 15 %