

# **PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY**

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# **INFORMATION BROCHURE**

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# **Admissions 2023-24 - CUET 2023**

(for Integrated PG Programmes)



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### From the Vice-Chancellor's Desk

It is a matter of great pride and privilege to be a part of Pondicherry University fraternity as its Vice-Chancellor. I consider that students are fortunate to get a quality education under the mentorship of worthy teachers at Pondicherry University, where the curriculum is regularly upgraded to meet the challenges of the 21st century. I am happy to welcome all the students joining this University for various Post-Graduate and Doctoral programmes for the academic year 2023-2024.

My vision is to encourage a transparent culture in all fields that will enthuse in teamwork amongst all the members of the University and bring out the best out of faculty and students. The aim is to reinforce the vein for exploration to achieve global distinction and excellence. The quality of education disseminated in the University churns the vibrant young minds with the major skill-sets required for the industry. The courses offered are very carefully designed keeping the functionality of output to bridge the gap between higher education and employment. We kindle the passion in students and churn them out as a brigade of enterprising leaders.

The publication of our in-house research journals with high academic visibility and impact factor, various Memorandums of Understanding and collaboration with international and national universities for various programmes, research projects and conferences, specially designated 'Chairs', for academic excellence, distinguished faculty, and enthusiastic students are taking our University to incredible heights.

In addition to the green campus, excellent architecture, state-of-the-art infrastructure, well-equipped laboratories, cosy workrooms for research and teaching, facility of online admissions, Credit-Based Evaluation System, more than twenty thousand learners in various disciplines, two off-campuses, one located in Port Blair (Andamans) and another at Karaikal, with two constituent colleges, one at Puducherry and another at Mahe add credit to Pondicherry University. Further, the campuses off the University are ICT enabled and provide an e-learning and e-connect environment, along with coordination system, document management system as well as virtual class rooms.

I am confident that the Pondicherry University fraternity will produce excellent scientists, technocrats, visionary leaders, competent researchers and teachers in the fields of science, engineering, humanities, management and social sciences, who will not only bring laurels to the University but also make the nation proud.

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#### **DEANS OF SCHOOLS**

Prof. G. CHANDHRIKA : Sri Subramania Bharathi School of Tamil Language & Literature (i/c)

Prof. MALABIKA DEO : School of Management

Prof. P. TIRUPATHI RAO : Ramanujan School of Mathematical Sciences
Prof. M.S. PANDIAN : School of Physical, Chemical & Applied Sciences

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Prof. CLEMENT SAGAYARADJA LOURDES : School of Humanities

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Prof. K. CHELLAMANI : School of Education

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Prof. P. SRIDHARAN : School of Performing Arts

Prof. S. VICTOR ANANDKUMAR : School of Law (i/c)

Prof. K. THARANIKKARASU : School of Media & Communication

Prof. K. THARANIKKARASU : Madanjeet School of Green Energy Technologies

### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Course Code	Title of P.G. course and Subject		Intake	Eligibility criteria for admission	CUET-2023 (UG) Domain subjects		
<ul> <li>Five Year Integrated M.Sc. Programme for +2 Students in the School of Physical, Chemical and Applied Sciences</li> </ul>							
3801	M.Sc.	Applied Geology	39		Physics,		
3802	M.Sc.	Chemistry	39	Pass in +2 with 50% of marks and should have studied Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics	Chemistry & Mathematics		
3803	M.Sc.	Physics	39				

<ul> <li>Five Year Integrated M.Sc. Programme for +2 Students in the Ramanujan School of Mathematical Sciences</li> </ul>						
3841	M.Sc.	Mathematics	25	Pass in +2 with a minimum of 50% of marks with Mathematics,		
3842	M.Sc.	Computer Science	25	Physics and Chemistry as subjects of study (Candidates with other branches in +2 are not eligible for this	Physics, Chemistry & Mathematics	
3843	M.Sc.	Statistics	25	programme)	Mathematics	

<ul> <li>Five Year Integrated M.A. Programme for +2 Students in the School of Social Sciences and International Studies</li> </ul>						
3151	M.A.	History	25			
3152	M.A.	Political Science	25	Pass in +2 with a minimum of 50% of marks	General Test	
3153	M.A.	Sociology	25			

	• Five Year Integrated M.A.(SEAL) Programme for +2 Students in the Social & Economic Administration and Law					
413	M.A.	Social & Economic Administration and Law (SEAL)	20	Candidates seeking admission for the M.A (SEAL) (Five Year Integrated Programme) Course are required to pass: i) The Higher Secondary, Intermediate or Senior Secondary School Certificate Exam, conducted by the Centre or State Government Board  OR ii) The Pre- University or Pre-Degree Examination of a recognized university  OR iii) The French Baccalaureate or any other qualification equivalent to the above mentioned qualifications approved by the Academic Council of the University. iv) The candidate should have a minimum score of 50% in the qualifying examination.	General Test	

Note: The Profile of the Departments / Centres are available in the University Website: https://www.pondiuni.edu.in/departments-centres/

# GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION

- Admission to the various courses of the University is open to all those who have the prescribed qualifications without any discrimination of race, caste, creed, language or sex.
- The minimum eligibility criteria for different courses are as prescribed in the appropriate sections. Candidates qualified through other system of studies should obtain eligibility certificate from the University before admission.
- The students will be required to take up a group health insurance (for hospitalization, etc.) through the University.
- Admitted students are required to carry the University Identity
   Card at all times while they are inside the campus.
- Students are instructed not to miss classes, since 70% of attendance is required to appear for the examination. Those who need accommodation in the hostels must report to their departments prior to registration and counselling.
- The University reserves its right not to offer a course advertised, for any administrative or other reasons.

### PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY -STUDENTS ACADEMIC ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS (PU-SAMS)

Innovative methods of management of academic progression of students from the time of their admission to course completion in institutions of higher learning is both a challenge and an opportunity. The challenge comes from managing a large number of students, faculty, departments, programs and courses in such a way that maximal knowledge transfer, optimal utilization infrastructure and best offer of services can be effected. The opportunity comes from the possibilities of innovations in accountability, accreditation and enhancement of learning experience. Towards this end, Pondicherry University has developed the Student Academic Activity Management System (PU-SAMS).

The software PU-SAMS is an online-platform that is meant to manage the entire range of CBCS – from admission, online payment of tuition fees, registration of courses, approval of registration by the faculty, allocation of courses to the faculty, time-table, student attendance, internal assessment, online payment of examination fee, end-semester assessment, conversion of marks to grades, declaration of results, grade card generation and distribution. The software works on the principle of differential access and need-to-know basis.

PUSAMS is tuned to help all the stake holders that include students, teachers, HoDs, Deans, Administrators and the Vice-Chancellor to monitor academic activities across Pondicherry Unviersity on real time basis.

### RESERVATION

#### **SC/ST Candidates**

In accordance with the policy of the Government of India and the guidelines of the University Grants Commission, the University has reserved 15% of seats in each course for candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes and 7.5% seats for those belonging to the Scheduled Tribes with a provision for inter-changeability between these categories, wherever necessary. All SC/ST candidates who have passed the qualifying examination are eligible to apply for PG admission irrespective of the percentage of marks obtained in the qualifying examination except otherwise specified. Candidates should submit a certificate about their caste from a Revenue Officer not below the rank of the Tahsildar at the time of admission.

#### **OBC Candidates**

27% reservation for OBC category (Non-Creamy Layer) is impletemented by the University as per Government of India instructions.

#### **EWS Candidates**

In accordance with the policy of the Government of India, the University implements 10% reservation in admission for Economically Weaker Section (EWS) candidates in each course. The candidates have to produce the necessary certificate from the Revenue Department, in the format prescribed by Government of India.

### **Differently abled Candidates**

5% of seats in each course are reserved for differently abled candidates. Each differently abled candidate shall be required to submit a certificate from a government hospital indicating the extent of physical disability and also the extent to which the disability hampers the candidate in pursuing his/her studies. The candidates may have to undergo a fresh medical examination if required by the University before being admitted. All differently abled candidates who have passed the qualifying examination are eligible to apply for PG admission irrespective of the percentage of marks obtained in the qualifying examination except otherwise specified.

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• I	Fee Table: ALL FIVE YEAR INTEGRATED F	(in	₹)				
Sl. No	Item	Semester			Account No.		
		I	II/ IV/ VI/ VIII*/ X*	III/ V/ VII*/ IX*			
	Tuition Fee	3000	3000	3000			
1.	For Foreign Nationals/ SAARC / Developing Countries	US \$ 350	US \$ 350	US \$ 350	((50244500		
	Developed Countries & NRIs	US \$ 500	US \$ 500	US \$ 500	6659344508		
2.	Registration Fee	300					
3.	Matriculation Fee	100					
4.	Recognition Fee	400					
5.	Sports Fund	500		500			
6.	Medical Examination / Facilities Fund	600		600			
7.	Library Fund	1500		1500			
8.	Laboratory Fund/Computer Lab Fund/Wet Lab Fund	2000		2000			
9.	Amenities Development Fund	6000					
10.	Students' Welfare Fund	400		400			
11.	Alumni Association Fund	200			6659345681		
	Caution Deposit (Refundable)				0039343061		
12.	Science Courses	2000					
	Other Courses	1000					
13.	Advanced Lab Facility Fund (only for Science Departments)	1000		1000			
14.	Placement Activity Fund	200	200	200			
15.	Academic Activity Fund	1000		1000			
16.	Digital Activity Fund	2000		2000			
17.	Group Medical Insurance	378			845872540		
18.	University Development Fund	1200			6659355859		
	TOTAL (Sciences)	22778	3200	12200			
	TOTAL (Humanities)	20778	3200	11200			

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  In respect of 5 Years Intg. M.Sc Computer Science,

<sup>(</sup>i)fee to be paid for VII and IX semester will be as paid by 2 Year M.Sc Computer Science for III semester.\*\*

<sup>(</sup>ii)fee to be paid for VIII and X semester will be as paid by 2 Year M.Sc Computer Science for IV semester.\*\*

#### Fee Table: M.Sc. / M.Tech Programmes offered by Dept. of Computer Science (in ₹) S1. Item Semester Account No. No III \*\* IV \*\* ΙΙ Tuition Fee 3000 3000 3000 3000 For Foreign Nationals/SAARC / Developing US \$ 350 US \$ 350 US \$ 350 US \$ 350 Countries Developed Countries & NRIs US \$ 500 US \$ 500 US \$ 500 US \$ 500 6659344508 Registration Fee 300 Matriculation Fee 100 Recognition Fee 400 5. Sports Fund 500 500 6. Medical Examination / Facilities Fund 600 600 7. Library Fund 1500 1500 Computer Lab Fund 4000 4000 Amenities Development Fund 6000 6000 10. Students' Welfare Fund 400 400 11. Alumni Association Fund 200 6659345681 12. | Caution Deposit (Refundable) 2000 13. Industry Interface Fund 5000 5000 14. Placement Activity Fund 3000 3000 15. Academic Activity Fund 4000 4000 16. Field Study/ Tour Fund 17. Digital Activity Fund 2000 2000 18. Group Medical Insurance 142 845872540 19. University Development Fund 1200 6659355859 TOTAL 34342 3000 30000 3000

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#### **Payment of Fees**

Students shall pay all the fees to the University at the time of admission. For the subsequent semesters, the fees should be paid within ten days from the beginning of each semester. Examination fees shall be payable on or before the last date prescribed in this regard. If the above dates fall on Saturdays or Sundays or any other holidays, the last date for payment of the above fees will be the preceding working day.

Differently abled students are exempted from payment of all fees, including examination fees. They should pay only the prescribed refundable caution deposits and Group Medical Insurance premium. However if they avail any scholarship from Government/ other agencies, they are not entitled from exemption of fees

SC/ST students who are eligible for Post-matric scholarships/Top class scholarships are permitted to pay the fees as soon as they receive the scholarship amount by submission of an undertaking to this effect at the time of admission. In any case, such SC/ST students should pay the fees within 90 days from the date of admission through the said scholarships failing which they have to pay the fees on their own or otherwise their admission stands cancelled.

The Account Number in which various kinds of fees/funds/deposits are to be remitted in the Indian Bank branch at the University campus is indicated against each. The facility of online payment is available. If a student does not pay the fee on time, late payment fine, shall be levied as follows at the time of payment:

- (i) 5.00 rupees per day for the first 10 days
- (ii) 10.00 rupees per day thereafter upto the last day of the month in which the fees is due.

The Vice-Chancellor, or any other officer on his behalf, to whom this power has been delegated, may relax any of the conditions for payment of fees in special cases, on recommendation of the Academic Advisory Committee. The names of defaulters shall be removed from the rolls of the University with effect from the first day of the following month. A student whose name has been struck off from the rolls of the University, under the above clause, may be re-admitted on the recommendation of the Dean/ HOD/ Coordinator of the Dept./Centre concerned and on payment of arrears of fees in full and other dues, together with a re-admission fee of ₹1000/- plus University Development Fund of ₹500/-.

#### Refund of fees, caution deposits, etc.

Caution deposit money is refundable, on an application from the student on his/her leaving the University, after deducting all dues against him/her.

If any student does not claim the refund of any amount lying to his/her credit within one calendar year of his/ her leaving the University, it shall be deemed to have been donated by him/ her to the Students' Aid Fund. The period of one year shall be reckoned from the date of announcement of the result of the examination taken by the student or the date from which his/her name is struck off from the rolls of the University whichever is earlier.

If, after having paid the fees, a candidate desires to discontinue he/ she shall be refunded all fees after deducting ₹1000/- provided he/she discontinues on or before the date notified by the university.

If a student owes any money to the University on account of any damage he/she may have caused to the University property, it shall along with outstanding tuition fees and fines, if any, be deducted from the security deposit due to him/her. These provisions shall not apply to students in the affiliated colleges.

Students shall not be issued hall tickets or allowed to appear for examination unless they have cleared their dues, paid the prescribed examination fee and produced a "No-dues" certificates.

# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

## FELLOWSHIPS/SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED BY UNIVERSITY:

#### Ph.D. Non-Net Fellowship-UGC\*

All full time scholars admitted to Ph.D. programmes in the Schools/Departments/ Centres of the University campus alone will be eligible for a fellowship of ₹ 8000/- p.m. and a contingency grant per year.

# Scholarship for PG courses (Two and 3 years programs only)/ M.Sc and M.A Integrated courses:

#### Merit Scholarship\*

(i) The first three candidates who secure the highest percentage of marks in P.G. admission entrance examination shall be eligible for the award of Merit Scholarship @ ₹2,000, ₹1,500 & ₹1,000 p.m. respectively for the first semester. Scholarship is sanctioned on the basis of entrance examination marks(#).

(ii) For the subsequent semesters the Merit scholarship at the same rate of ₹2,000, ₹1,500 & ₹1,000 p.m shall be awarded to the first three candidates who secure highest marks in the previous semester(SGPA).

#### Merit-cum-Means Scholarship(MCM)\*

20% of the students in each P.G. degree programme are eligible for the award of MCM Scholarship of the University. The scholarship is based both on the merit in each semester(SGPA) and the parental income of the student. The annual income of the parents should not exceed ₹2,50,000/(Rupees two lakh fifty thousand only). The amount of scholarship is ₹750/- p.m. For the 1st semester, scholarship is sanctioned on the basis of entrance exam marks.

Besides, for the award of scholarship, the candidates should also fulfill the following conditions:

- (i) secure at least 70% attendance every month.
- (ii) pass in all papers registered for each semester.
- (iii) the Head of the Department concerned shall certify fulfillment of conditions i and ii.

# Scholarships for M.Sc. Marine Biology & Disaster Management\*

All selected candidates will be awarded a scholarship of ₹ 1000/- p.m. to study these courses at Port Blair, Andamans.

# FELLOWSHIPS / SCHOLARSHIPS / OFFERED BY OTHER AGENCIES:

#### **Junior Research Fellowship**

UGC / CSIR NET qualified JRFs are eligible to receive fellowships. They are also eligible for a contingent grant as per UGC rate. The award of fellowship and contingency grants are subject to approval by the UGC / CSIR.

#### N.B.H.M. Scholarship

The National Board for Higher Mathematics, Mumbai (Department of Atomic Energy) provides scholarships for those students who clear the NBHM examination.

## Government of India SC/ST/OBC Scholarship

The governments of various states provide Government of India Scholarship to candidates belonging to the SC/ST/OBC communities.

## Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship / Maulana Azad National Fellowship

The UGC provides Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for SC/ ST & OBC scholars and Maulana Azad National fellowship for minority scholars who pursue Ph.D. programmes. Every year, the UGC notifies the eligibility and other conditions for the award of the said fellowships.

### Indira Gandhi Scholarship for Single Girl Child

The UGC provides Indira Gandhi scholarship for Single Girl Child for eligible students pursuing PG programmes.

## PG Merit Scholarship for University Rank Holders\*

The undergraduate level rank holders of different universities are eligible for this Scholarship to pursue their Master's Degree.

#### Government of Puducherry Fellowship / Scholarship Merit and Merit-cum-Means Scholarship

The Government of Puducherry awards Merit and Merit-cum-means scholarships for students belonging to the U.T. of Puducherry enrolled in various courses of the University.

The Government of Puducherry provides ten fellowships to residents/

natives of Puducherry @ ₹3,000/- per month to ten students admitted to the M.Sc. Biotechnology programme in the Department of Biotechnology through GAT-B score.

#### **Madanjeet Singh Group Scholarship**

Full scholarships are given to 16 students per annum to pursue M.Tech (Green Energy Technology) and 16 students per annum to pursue M.A(South Asian Studies) from the member states of SAARC countries covering living expenses (₹12,500 p.m), annual contingency of ₹10,000/- free hostel accomodation in campus and tuition fees.

#### **GATE Scholarship**

The UGC provides scholarship for GATE qualified M.Tech students.

#### **DBT Fellowship**

Students admitted to the following programmes through GAT-B score are eligible to get DBT Fellowship:

$$\label{eq:matter} \begin{split} &\text{M.Tech. Computational Biology - Rs.12,000/- PM} \\ &\text{M.Sc. BioTechnology - Rs. 5,000/- PM.} \end{split}$$

#### # Conditions apply

#### Note:

- i. The students are eligible for only one scholarship.
- ii. The award/continuance of any scholarship is subject to satisfactory progress and performance, proper conduct, fulfillment of attendance criteria, etc.

<sup>\*</sup> An Undertaking should be given by the scholar/student saying that in case he/she leaves the Ph.D/PG programme in between before submission of the thesis/before the course completion, he/she will reimburse the entire amount to the University.

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### **HOSTELS**

At present, Pondicherry University has twenty one hostels in the campus, of which, thirteen are for boys and eight for girls. Out of the thirteen boys' hostels, nine are for PG students and four for research scholars. Out of the eight girls' hostels, seven are for PG students and one is for research scholars. The Karaikal campus has three hostels two for boys and one for girls. One boys hostel and one girls hostel is available at the Port Blair campus also.

#### **Hostel Admission**

Since limited hostel facility is available, hostel accommodation will be given to one third of the students admitted in each course. Hostel admission will be given on merit basis, based on the recommendations of Head of the Department, subject approval of the Chief Warden and availability of rooms. Preference will be given to students coming from distant places.

#### Hostel fees

Refundable: A caution deposit of Rs.3,000/- (for Indian nationals) is to be paid while joining the hostels. This will be refunded after the inmate vacates the hostel by means of account transfer/ account payee cheque, subject to surrender of the original challan after deducting dues, if any. Open cheque will not be issued under any circumstances. Therefore, students must necessarily open their bank accounts in Indian Bank, Pondicherry University Branch.

**Non - Refundable:** The hostel fees is to be paid every year at the beginning of the academic year in June/ July as follows(Subject to revision):

- P.G students ₹ 1000/- p.a.
- Ph.D ₹ 2000/- p.a.
- General Amenities Fund ₹ 700/- p.a.
- Establishment Charges ₹ 300/- p.a.
- Application Fees (at the time of admission only) – ₹ 75/-

No room rent is charged by Pondicherry University for SC/ST students (copy of community certificate duly attested by a Gazetted Officer is to be produced). Rent free accommodation is provided to differently-abled students. Differently-abled Students have to pay their Mess Fees and then claim for subsidy from the University hostels (copy of Disability Certificate duly attested by a Gazetted Officer is to be produced to avail this facility).

However, they have to pay all other fees like Application for admission, General Amenities Fund, Establishment charges, Caution Deposit.

#### **Duration of Stay**

PG – 2 years, Ph.D-4 years, Integrated - 5 years from the date of admission to the hostel.

Note: Except research scholars, all students must vacate the hostel during summer and winter vacation. Disciplinary action will be taken against those hostellers who do not pay their dues on time. Students must obtain No Dues certificate for Mess & Room Rent from the Hostel Office before writing their semester exams, producing challans for payment of Hostel fees and dues. Those who avail bank loan must keep their original challans of caution deposit for claiming refund while vacating the hostel, and photo copies of other challans with bank seal.

#### Discipline

All hostel-related communications from the hostel inmates to the University authorities shall be routed through the proper channel, i.e. through the wardens of the respective hostels and Chief Warden. Any subversive activity, misdemeanor, obnoxious behaviour, flouting of hostel rules & regulation, misconduct, disobedience, ragging, failure to clear dues, etc. shall be severely punished, and even result in dismissal from the hostel as well as from the department by the University authority whose interpretation of the rules shall be final.

A set of rules and regulations applicable to the inmates of the hostels will be given to each student at the time of admission into hostel.

Consumption of alcohol and narcotics is considered as a serious offence. Therefore, intoxicating drugs or liquor should not be consumed in the campus. Smoking in the hostel premises is prohibited. Fire-arms should not be brought to the hostel in any case. Such acts will mean immediate expulsion of the resident from the hostel. Accommodating outsiders/passed out students in the hostel leads to trespassing and such students will be handed over to the police for prosecution. Therefore inmates must be careful before entertaining outsiders.

As per the University hostel rules & regulations under clause 10.24, damaging University / public property is illegal. It will be considered as an act of indiscipline and misconduct, and will be punished under Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act, 1984

#### Mess

Dining in the hostel mess is compulsory for hostel students. No permission will be granted for dining outside the hostel mess under any circumstances. Subramania Bharathi Hostel and Bharathidasan Hostel are managed by the research scholars and the rest of the mess are outsourced. Five well-equipped mega mess (three for boys & two for girls) are available for dining by Hostel residents the use of the University. The hostel mess are run

by experienced and qualified caterers. The mess offer meals at reasonable rates.

#### Mess Fees

The mess fee is to be paid in two instalments at the beginning of each semester in a year i.e. June and January. The mess fees

#### for Girls (per day per head)

■ PG Students : Rs. 74 ■ Ph.D. Scholars : Rs.76

#### for Boys (Per day per head)

■ PG Students : Rs. 74

■ Ph.D. Scholars: Rs. 76

If Ph.D scholars fail to pay the hostel mess fee within the stipulated time, the fees may be recovered/deducted directly from the scholar's stipend / fellowship /JRF/SRF. They also will be evicted from the University hostel,

#### Ragging

Ragging or teasing in any form is strictly prohibited in the University. Students are therefore, forbidden from indulging in such activities within the hostel premises. Ragging will invite very severe punishment including expulsion from the University. It is also punishable under law. No introductory meeting of the students is to be held in the hostels by the senior students.

#### General facilities

The University Health Centre offers medical facilities round-the-clock to the students residing in the hostels. For the mobility of the students from hostels to departments, Library, Computer Centre, etc., bus facility is provided within the campus. Wifi connectivity is also provided to all the hostels to enable the students to have internet access.

\* Detailed Pondicherry University Hostel rules & regulations are available in the hostel office and in the University website.

### CONDUCT & DISCIPLINE

### Pondicherry University has zero tolerance towards

- (a) Ragging
- (b) Sexual Harrasment

Students enrolled in Pondicherry University must abide by their duties and responsibilities to the University, to faculty and to other students. Failure to maintain appropriate standards of conduct will attract disciplinary action.

Students should not bring mobile phones to the Seminar Halls, Research Labs and Examination Halls and should not use mobile phones in the classroom.

#### Misconduct

Students' misconduct includes but is not limited to the following:

- a) disruption of classroom activity or hindering the learning of other students anywhere in the University;
- b) copying / cheating in examinations and assignments;
- c) behaviour which interferes functioning of the University, disrupts education, endangers the health or safety of staff or students, or damages any property within the campus including University property;
- d) pasting posters or conducting students' meetings / protests / processions within the campus without prior permission of the University authorities;
- e) the possession or use of intoxicating beverages inside the campus;
- f) the possession or use of illicit drugs inside the campus;
- g) the falsification of documents or providing false information in order to obtain admission to classes;
- h) the possession of weapons; and
- i) the failure to return loaned materials or settle dues to the University

# Disciplinary Measures Disciplinary action may include:

- a) Reprimand or warning;
- b) fail mark for an assignment or course;
- c) suspension for a semester or more
- d) withholding of official transcripts;
- e) suspension of campus privileges including hostel accommodation;
- f) suspension or expulsion from the University;
- g) any other disciplinary action which the University authorities deem appropriate in the circumstances.

#### **Prohibition of Ragging**

Ragging in any form is strictly prohibited.

Senior students are not permitted to invite their juniors to their rooms for any introduction meetings.

In the past, six students (hostellers) who were involved in ragging were expelled from the hostel for a period of one year.

#### **Redressal Mechanisms**

The Anti - Ragging committee of the University consists of all Deans. The list of members with their contact numbers is available on the University website

#### 1) Anti-Ragging Committee

Students can report any incident of ragging to the Registrar/Deans of respective Schools/Dean of Students' Welfare/ Chief Wardens (Boys & Girls) directly for remedial action

#### 2) Students' Grievances Redressal Cell

Students can report any grievances directly to the Dean, Students' Welfare for redressal.

# 3) Sexual Harassment Prevention Committee (SHPC)

The University has an SHPC and the list of members with their contact phone numbers is available on the University website. Any sexual harassment complaint can be reported to the Chairperson or any member of SHPC for redressal or can be recorded in the register kept for this purpose in the Registrar's office

#### 4) Women's Cell

Grievances relating to gender bias and discrimination affecting women in the campus can be reported to the Head of Women's Cell and the list of members of the cell with their contact phone numbers are available on the University website.

#### 5) Legal Services Clinic

'Legal services clinic' is setup in Pondicherry University for the students of the institution and especially for the students hailing from North Eastern states

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