

BHARATI VIDYAPEETH UNIVERSITY, PUNE-30

**MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE PROGRAMME IN ENGLISH (M.A.)
(2010 Course)**

The M.A. Degree programme provides an opportunity to acquire advanced knowledge in the main areas of English Literature and Language.

Objectives of the course:

1. To produce experts in English language and literature,
2. To develop literary sensibility and critical judgement,
3. To develop linguistic ability and sensibility,
4. To develop compositional and communicative skills,
5. To train students in independent use of tools of learning, i.e. reference skills.

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR M.A. (ENGLISH) COURSE:

Eligibility for admission to M.A. (English) programme:

Any graduate of this University or any other recognized University shall be admitted to M.A. (English) Course. A student who has a degree other than English as a special subject shall have to clear the entrance test conducted by the department every year.

Course Structure of M.A. (English) Course:

The M.A. programme will be of two years duration consisting of four semesters: Semester I, Semester II, Semester III, and Semester IV. In each Semester, there will be four papers of 100 marks each. Thus M.A. Degree examination, four Semesters shall be of 1600 marks. The following shall be the course structure:

M.A. English: Semester – I

Semester	Code	Subject Title	Marks	
M.A. Semester - I	Core Papers:			
	EN11	Literature in English from 1550 to 1832 – I	100	
	EN12	Literature in English from 1832 to 1980 – I	100	
	EN13	Introduction to the Study of English Language – I	100	
	Optional Paper: (Any one from the following)			
	EN14	a) Postcolonial Literature – I	100	
	EN15	b) Linguistics and Stylistics – I	100	
	EN16	c) American Literature: 19 th Century – I	100	
EN17	d) Indian Literature in English Translation – I	100		
TOTAL MARKS			400	

M.A. English: Semester – II

Semester	Code	Subject Title	Marks	
M.A. Semester - II	Core Papers:			
	EN21	Literature in English from 1550 to 1832 – II	100	
	EN22	Literature in English from 1832 to 1980 – II	100	
	EN23	Introduction to the Study of English Language – II	100	
	Optional Papers: (Will be from the same group as in Semester First)			
	EN24	a) Postcolonial Literature – II	100	
	EN25	b) Linguistics and Stylistics – II	100	
	EN26	c) American Literature: 19 th Century – II	100	
	EN27	d) Indian Literature in English Translation – II	100	
TOTAL MARKS			400	

M.A. English: Semester – III

Semester	Code	Subject Title	Marks	
M.A. Semester - III	Core Papers:			
	EN31	English Language and Literature Teaching – I	100	
	EN32	Contemporary Critical Thoughts – I	100	
	EN33	Research Methodology – I	100	
	Optional Paper: (Will be from the same group as in Semester Second)			
	EN34	a) Postcolonial Indian English Literature – I	100	
	EN35	b) Semantics and Pragmatics – I	100	
	EN36	c) American Literature: 20 th Century – I	100	
	EN37	d) World Classics in English Translation – I	100	
TOTAL MARKS			400	

M.A. English: Semester – IV

Semester	Code	Subject Title	Marks	
M.A. Semester - III	Core Papers:			
	EN41	English Language and Literature Teaching – II	100	
	EN42	Contemporary Critical Thoughts – II	100	
	EN43	Research Methodology – II	100	
	Optional Paper: (Will be from the same group as in Semester Third)			
	EN44	a) Postcolonial Indian English Literature – II	100	
	EN45	b) Semantics and Pragmatics – II	100	
	EN46	c) American Literature: 20 th Century – II	100	
	EN47	d) World Classics in English Translation – II	100	
TOTAL MARKS			400	

Scheme of teaching:

There will be 4 lectures of 60 minutes each per week per paper. The College/Department is free to arrange for teaching of first or second year course or both courses simultaneously.

Scheme of Examination:

For each paper of 100 marks, there will be internal evaluation of 20 marks and the Semester Examination of 3 hours duration/80 marks at the end of each term. The candidates will be allowed to join second year of the M.A. course irrespective of the number of backlogs at the first year examination.

Standard of Passing:

A candidate is required to obtain at least 32 marks out of 80 to pass in each paper at Semester Examination. A candidate shall be declared to have passed in the paper provided he/she has secured an aggregate of 40% marks in the Internal Evaluation and Semester Examination taken together in each paper. Passing in Internal Evaluation is not compulsory.

Award of Class:

The Class in respect of M.A. Degree shall be awarded to the candidates on the basis of aggregate marks obtained by them in all the 16 papers at the Semester I, Semester II, Semester III and Semester IV together. The award of Class shall be as following:

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| a) Aggregate 70% and above | - First Class with Distinction |
| b) Aggregate 60% and above but less than 70% | - First Class |
| c) Aggregate 55% and above but less than 60% | - Higher Second Class |
| d) Aggregate 50% and above but less than 55% | - Second Class |
| e) Aggregate 40% and above but less than 50% | - Pass Class |
| f) Less than 40% | - Fail |

Class Improvement:

The rules regarding the improvement of the class of M.A. English course will be as follows, as notified by Bharati Vidyapeeth University:

- The candidate who has passed UG and PG degree examinations of this university with class as shown in column no. 1 and who desires to improve the class as shown in column no. 2 below will be permitted at his/her option to appear for the same examination without being required to keep any terms.

Column no. 1	Column no. 2
Pass Class or Second Class or Higher Second Class or First Class as the case may be	Second Class or Higher Second Class or First Class or First Class with Distinction as the case may be

- For improvement of class, the candidate will be required to apply and allowed to appear only for the theory examinations.

3. A candidate shall have to reappear for minimum 1/3 and/or maximum of all the theory papers at a time, on which the class is awarded. Candidate should ensure that the examination time table for the subject he is appearing will not clash.
4. Performance of the candidates reappearing for the subject less than 1/3 of the total theory examinations mentioned above will not be considered. However, his/her appearance will be counted as an attempt.
5. If the candidate, who has reappeared for the final year examination under the provisions for his/her class, is successful in improving his/her class by such reappearance, he/she will have to surrender to the university the original degree and the statement of marks that he/she had obtained in that course/subject. Unless original degree and the statement of marks are returned to the university by the candidate, the new degree certificate and statement of marks cannot be issued to the candidate. In the revised degree certificate/statement of marks to be given to the candidate a mention will be made of the fact that he/she improved his/her class under class improvement attempt.
6. A candidate appearing for the improvement of the class/grade shall not be entitled to get benefit of any other rules/orders of the university regarding condonation/grace marks.
7. A candidate appearing for the improvement of class/grade shall not be entitled to get any prize/medal/scholarship/award etc.
8. A candidate who has reappeared for the above examination/s under the provision fails to improve his/her class/grade, his/her performance at such reappearance at such reappearance shall be ignored.
9. If the candidate makes no improvement in the class, then earlier performance will be retained.
10. A candidate will be allowed to reappear for the examination for improvement of class/grade within a period of three years from the date of his/her passing the degree examination.
11. The candidate will be given maximum of three attempts for the improvement of his/her class.
12. The candidate who desires to apply for improvement of class should submit his/her application form for improvement of class from the College/School of Distance Education, Study Centre through which he/she has undergone the course. Form should be submitted for improvement before 31st August for the October/November examination and 28th February for April/May examination season. No form for improvement of class shall be accepted after the prescribed dates for the respective/corresponding examination season.
13. Revised mark-sheet will be issued with remark '**Under improvement attempt**'.

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