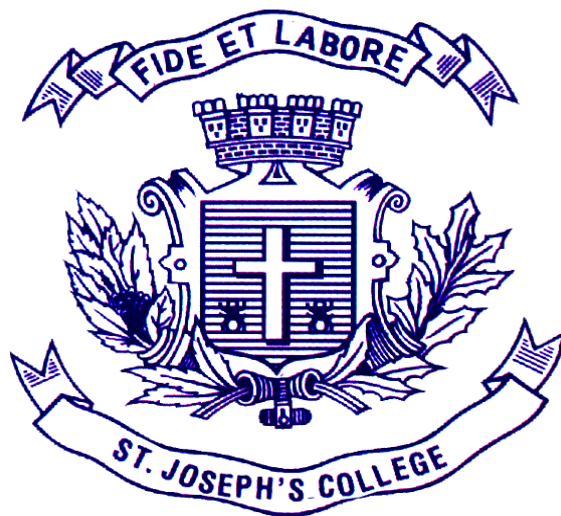


**ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)
POST GRADUATE AND RESEARCH CENTRE
BANGALORE-27**



POST GRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

**SYLLABUS
2009 ONWARDS**

PREAMBLE

The Post Graduate Department of Economics, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Bangalore has revised and updated the M.A. curriculum in order to make the course more rigorous and relevant. The two-year IV Semester M.A program with a thesis requirement aims to establish a solid foundation in Economic theory along with the requisite tools directed to applications. The course will serve two goals. With the rigor placed on theoretical knowledge, it will serve as an excellent preparation for continued study (PhD) in Economics. With its emphasis on applied economic papers and quantitative skills, the curriculum provides preparation for careers as an Economist in administration, in research, in government, business, and private non-profit organizations. The syllabus has been approved by the Board of studies and will be followed from June 2009.

VISION

The vision is to develop and establish the Department as a School of Economics.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Post Graduate Department of Economics aims at building human capital in the discipline of Economics for teaching, training, research and for employment in various sectors of the economy. The department will remain focused on the need to the formation of Economists who will be sensitive to the economic realities and become change agents for our developing economy.

FOCUS OF THE PAPERS

The course has introduced eight new papers in addition to the already existing papers. This broadens the scope of the course. The focus of the papers is mentioned below

1. The course is introducing two valuable papers namely Economic Thought and Institutional Economics in order to provide sound philosophical foundations to the study of Economics.
2. The papers on Mathematical Methods for Economists, Statistical Methods for Economists, Econometrics, Research Methodology and Computer Applications are aimed at providing quantitative and research skills. These papers are being offered during the first, second and third semester so that students will have adequate time to practice the skills learnt during the course and can use them during their dissertation work.
3. Micro Economic Theory, Macro Economic Theory, Public sector Economics, Monetary Economics (introduced), Economics of Growth and Development are to provide sound principles and theories of Economics.
4. Industrial Economics, Human resource Economics (introduced), Financial Economics (introduced), Environmental Economics (introduced) are some applied branches of Economics.
5. The introduction of Service Sector Economics in this course is to provide insights to students into the real economic world and for the Department to establish **Industry-Institute linkages**. Students will take 45 hours or 3 credit lecture class and engage themselves in thirty hour of **Internship** with organisations which constitute 1 credit.
6. The paper on Indian Economic Development and Policy is to help understand the working of an economic system, its issues and concerns that are debatable and lead to policy making.
7. Research based learning -**Dissertation Writing** emphasises independent research. Students shall participate in seminars, and will work towards a Master's thesis that will constitute a significant academic achievement. The faculty view MA students as potential collaborators in their efforts to broaden research activities and publish working papers. Students will have the opportunity to work closely with faculty on research issues.

COURSE STRUCTURE 2009 ONWARDS

SEM	Title	Hours Week	Marks	Credits
I	Mathematical Methods for Economists	4	100	4
I	Research Methodology and Computer Applications	4	100	4
I	Economic Thought	4	100	4
I	Micro Economic Theory	4	100	4
I	Macro Economic Theory	4	100	4
II	Statistical Methods for Economists	4	100	4
II	Industrial Economics	4	100	4
II	Institutional Economics	4	100	4
II	Economics of Growth and Development	4	100	4
II	Public Sector Economics	4	100	4
III	Econometrics	4	100	4
III	Monetary Economics	4	100	4
III	Financial Economics	4	100	4
III	International Economics	4	100	4
III	Service Sector Economics	4(3+1)	100	4
IV	Environmental Economics	4	100	4
IV	Human Resources Economics	4	100	4
IV	Indian Economic Development and Policy	4	100	4
IV	Dissertation	8	200	8

PEDAGOGY

Apart from regular lectures and discussions, the Department shall take interest in conducting regular seminars both at the student and faculty level, informing and preparing students about research fellowship and JRF, NET and UPSC examinations. The Department also proposes to create a platform to publish the Dissertation along with the Dissertation guide (as second author) as a working paper of the Department. This will help students to have a good research proposal in their hand at the completion of their MA, and be a good starting point for them to get into a good PhD program in India or abroad. Interacting with persons from industry and other centers is encouraged. The Department proposes to net work with institutes and agencies for interaction, internship and placement of students in various sectors of the economy.

Credit Grade Based Performance Assessment (CGPA)

Being in an Autonomous system, the college has adopted the Credit Grade Based Performance Assessment (CGPA). The course gives 50 % weightage to continuous internal assessment (CIA) and the other 50% to Semester Examination. CIA comprises of written tests (2 of 45 marks each), 10 marks for Assignments. Students have to make power point presentations for 5 marks in each paper and 5 marks is allotted for Attendance. Report writing after internship in the third semester constitutes assignment for that semester in Service Sector Economics paper.

Examination Evaluation Pattern

End Semester Examination Question Paper Pattern:

Time: 3 Hours.

Max Marks: 100

Section A (3x10 = 30)

Section B (5x8 = 40)

Section C (15x2 =30)