

### **M.O.P. VAISHNAV COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS)**

#### (Affiliated to University of Madras and Re-accredited at A++ grade by NAAC)

Chennai - 600034, India





(3 year Undergraduate Programme in Food Science)



Established in 1996, the Department initially offered a degree in Nutrition, Dietetics, and Food Service Management. Recognizing the need to expand career prospects and enhance employability, the program was restructured in 2008 to introduce the nation's first-of-its-kind B.Sc. Food Science and Management programme.



This dynamic undergraduate programme equips students with a strong foundation in Food Science, while integrating core business management principles to address the evolving needs of the food industry. Spanning three years (six semesters), the curriculum is designed to develop industry-relevant skills, scientific expertise, managerial competencies, and proficiency in clinical nutrition.

### Programme USP

- Comprehensive Curriculum: Integrates Food Science, Nutrition, and Management for a well-rounded education
- Industry-Relevant Skills: Equips students with theoretical knowledge and hands-on expertise
- Focus on Food Safety and Sustainability: Trains students in safe, ethical, and sustainable business practices
- Industry-Academia Connect: Provides exposure through internships, industry collaborations, and expert interactions.

# Eligibility

Candidates for admission to B.Sc. Food Science and Management programme shall be required to possess a pass in the Higher Secondary Examination of Tamil Nadu Board or an equivalent examination of any other board.

Any stream; Chemistry with Biology or Home Science is preferable

Programme Curriculum (B.Sc. Food Science and Management)

The programme curriculum includes courses that focus on;

## SKILL DEVELOPMENT

- Basics of Food Preparation
- Principles of Management
- Physical Sciences of Food
- Food Science I & II
- Basic Physiology
- Food Chemistry

- Food Microbiology
- Introductory Nutrition
- Therapeutic Nutrition
- Food Sanitation & Quality Control
- Marketing Research & Consumer Behavior

#### **EMPLOYABILITY**

- Food Analysis
- Food Packaging
- Post Harvest Technology
- Food Supply Chain Management
- Principles of Food Processing and Preservation

### ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT

- Baking Science &
  Techniques
- Food Entrepreneurship
- Nutrition & Menu Development
- Food Design
- Diet Counselling

# **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DEPARTMENT**

## **Entrepreneurship Development**

### **BEYOND BREADS - PRACTICE SCHOOL**

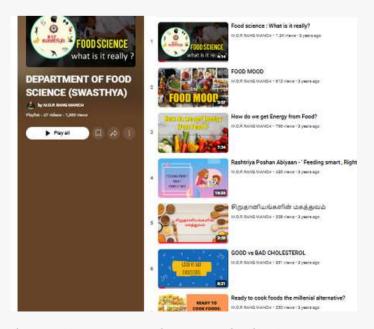
- The department fosters entrepreneurship development through experiential learning initiatives.
- The Practice School Beyond Breads bridges theoretical knowledge with realworld application, equipping students with practical business skills.
- The student-run in-house baking unit provides hands-on experience in business operations, strategic planning, procurement, sales, and customer interactions allowing students to showcase their entrepreneurial abilities.





### **M.O.P SWASTHYA**

The department's YouTube channel, M.O.P Swasthya, under M.O.P Rangmanch, enhances skill development through student-created videos on the science behind food, health and wellness, and advanced topics in Food Science and Nutrition. With 47 videos, this initiative strengthens communication, research. digital content, and presentation skills, and serves as a platform to connect with the community, promoting awareness and knowledge sharing in the field of food and nutrition.



<u>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?</u> <u>list=PL\_I9Yindlx58VAeTwJVHlncD\_LaQOfizG</u>

## **PRAKRITI CLUB**

- The Prakriti Club is a co-curricular initiative established by the students of the Department of Food Science to enhance their learning beyond the classroom.
- The club provides a platform for students to hone their leadership skills, teamwork, and organizational skills by actively engaging in various academic and professional activities.
- These include organizing national and international conferences, guest lectures, intra- and inter-departmental events, inter-school and intercollegiate competitions, and extension activities.

ESSENCE Inter-school/Inter-collegiate competitions

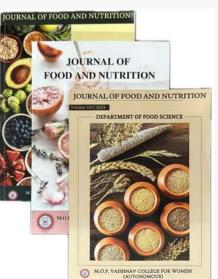
M.O.P MASTERCHEF

FEASTA Intra-departmental activities



#### **DEPARTMENT JOURNAL**

The Department publishes an annual journal, Journal of Food and Nutrition, which showcases research work relevant to the food industry, review articles on emerging trends. and scholarly contributions by students. By actively engaging in the journal's publication, students develop essential skills such as synthesizing information, articulating findings effectively. and scientific writing, while staying updated with advancements in the field.



#### **DELICACIES** Inter-departmental activities



#### CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS/ WORKSHOPS/ GUEST LECTURES/ FIELD VISITS ORGANIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT CLUB



Food Business Initiative 2.0, 2025



National Nutrition Month Celebration Panel Discussion, 2024



Guest Lecture on Sustainability, 2024



Baking Workshop, 2024



Freshers' Orientation Session, 2024



FOODS-International Conference on Resurgence of Millets, 2023



Breastfeeding Week Celebration, 2023



Industrial Visit - State Agriculture Machinery Information Data Centre, 2024

## **OUTREACH AND EXTENSION ACTIVITIES**

The department is committed to instilling a sense of social responsibility in its students. They engage in various outreach and community development programs that benefit school children, corporate employees, and women in self-help groups.



Thozhil Seyyalam Thozhi



Awareness program on importance of healthy lifestyle to corporate employees



Nutrition Education program to school students

# **Food Safety Practice on Campus**

### **FOOD SAFETY AUDIT**



Food safety audits on campus ensure high standards of hygiene and compliance with Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), maintaining the quality and safety of food served at college and beyond Breads. These audits provide students with hands-on learning in food safety protocols, enhancing their practical knowledge and industry readiness

#### **STUDENT MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND HYGIENE**

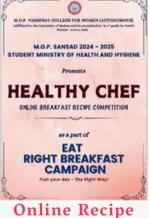
The Student Cabinet, M.O.P. Sansad, nurtures leadership and organizational skills by involving students in event planning, budgeting, coordination, and analysis, fostering responsibility and teamwork. Within this, the Student Ministry of Health and Hygiene, led by the Department of Food Science and Psychology, promotes student well-being through health campaigns, wellness programs, and competitions.

A key initiative, 'The Eat Right Breakfast' campaign, surveyed students' eating habits and encouraged healthier choices, significantly impacting their physical and mental health. Additionally, the 'Food with Thought' initiative -a first-of-its-kind program-allows students to have breakfast during the first 20 minutes of class, ensuring they do not skip the most important meal of the day.

#### EAT RIGHT BREAKFAST CAMPAIGN



#### Skit/ Flash mob



Competition

#### NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH



#### **MIND & BODY WELLNESS DAY**





e-recipe book

## INFRASTRUCTURE

#### FOOD ANALYTICAL & INSTRUMENTATION LABORATORY

The laboratory is designed to provide students with hands-on experience in food analysis and instrumentation. Analyses carried out include Chemical analysis, Microbiological analysis, Nutrient analysis of food, and Food Safety testing.



#### FOOD TESTING LABORATORY



This laboratory is equipped with a Texture Analyzer, Spectrophotometer, Kjeldhal protein analyzer, Deep Freezer, and Laminar Air Flow.

#### **PAAKASHALA - FOOD INNOVATION LABORATORY**

Paakashala, the state-of-the-art infrastructure is a cutting-edge facility that serves as a hub for innovation, creativity and experimentation in Food Processing and Preservation, Bakery Confectionery and New Product Development.





### **INTERNSHIPS**

As an integral element of our programme, students engage in internships during their summer breaks in various food industries, hospitals and research institutes. These experiences provide invaluable practical knowledge and equip students with hands-on expertise.



### **ALUMNI SPEAKS**

"It is indeed a great pleasure to talk about M.O.P. Vaishnav College, which has shaped who I am today by providing valuable insights into the food industry through its unique blend of science and management. The course helped me enhance and standardize our family restaurant business, thanks to the faculty's continuous guidance and support."



Pavithra S (2014-17 batch) Director, Adyar Ananda Bhavan Sweets India Pvt. Ltd.



Sri Sowmitha Manimaran (2019-22 batch) Quality Assurance Manager, Al Ameera Food Industry (United Arab Emirates).

"My time at M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women in the Food Science and Technology program provided me with a strong foundation in my field, helping me grow both personally and professionally. The skills and knowledge I gained have been instrumental in my current role. I am proud to be an alumna of this esteemed institution."

"My journey started with a B.Sc. in Food Science and Management, where I gained valuable knowledge and skills in entrepreneurship. The support and guidance from MOP Vaishnav College for Women have been key to my growth, and I'm proud to be an alumnus."



Vidyaeswari R (2016-19 batch) Senior Manager - Food Technology in Tamil Nadu Food Processing Agri Export Promotion Corporation (TNAPEx)

## FACULTY PROFILE



Ms. Sini Jadeesh M.Sc, MBA., (UGC - NET) Assistant Professor and Head 17 years of experience Area of Expertise: Food Biotechnology

> Ms. Rekha Mahizhnan M.Sc., (UGC - NET) Assistant Professor 7 years of experience Area of Expertise: Food Service Management & Dietetics





Ms. S.R Priya M.Sc., (UGC - NET) Assistant Professor 5 years of experience Area of Expertise: Food & Nutrition

> Dr. Sarah Jane Monica M.Sc, M.Phil, Ph.D., (TN-SET) Assistant Professor 5 years of experience Area of Expertise: Food & Nutrition





Ms. Rakshitha D M.Sc., (UGC - NET) Assistant Professor 2 years of experience Area of Expertise: Food Technology



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