



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

(AFFILIATED TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS AND RE-ACCREDITED AT A++ GRADE BY NAAC)

M.A. PUBLIC POLICY

2 YEAR POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMME IN PUBLIC POLICY





Programme Overview

The two-year Post Graduate Programme of Public Policy at M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women aims to provide a platform to train students in policy-making by moulding ethical professionals who are equipped to navigate complex global situations. This course prepares students for careers in policymaking, providing consultancies, policy analysis, and public leadership. Together with personalized support from leading experts, the programme intends to impart skills in interdisciplinary fields of learning and collaborative research in Public Policy and Governance.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Any Undergraduate degree holder with minimum 55% CGPA can apply for the programme.

CURRICULUM

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- Introduction to Public Policy
- State, Law and Governance
- Economics for Public Policy
- Public Policy in India: Institutions in Practice
- Rural & Urban Planning Policy
- Indian Economic Development
- Research Methods for Social Sciences
- Indian Foreign Policy
- Development Studies
- Health, Welfare & Education
- Academic & Policy Writing
- Technology & AI in Policy Making
- International Trade and Policy
- Capestone Project

CORE COURSES

- Qualitative Techniques for Policy Research
- Environment and Public Policy
- Gender, Society and Public Policy
- Project Management
- Ethics in Policy Making
- Social Entrepreneurship
- Quantitative Techniques and Decision Modelling for Public Policy

ELECTIVES

MoUs SIGNED



MoU signed between Apogee Research Forum and M. A Public Policy



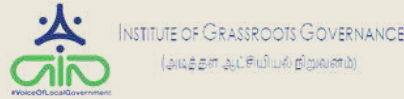
MoU signed between Surana & Surana International Attorneys and M. A Public Policy



MoU signed between Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency and M. A. Public Policy

INTERNSHIPS PURSUED BY THE STUDENTS

The students are encouraged to do internships in governmental organizations, government projects, Legal Houses, NGOs, Political Parties, Print media, New Media Organizations, and Corporate Houses.



COLLABORATIONS OF THE PROGRAMME

The Post Graduate Programme of Public Policy has successfully collaborated with various institutions like the Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency (TNeGA), Institute of Social Sciences, New Delhi, Surana & Surana International Attorneys etc

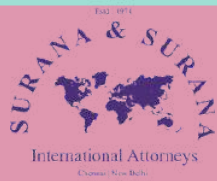


Institute of Social Sciences



Directorate of e-Governance
Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency
Information Technology Department
Government of Tamil Nadu

THINK TANK

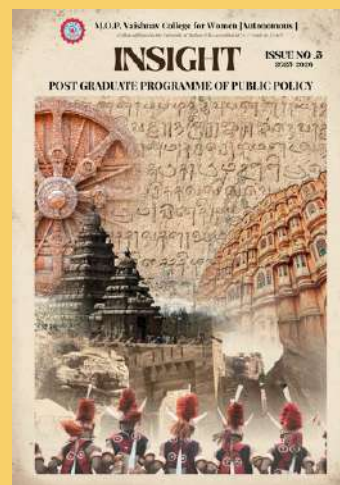


The Post Graduate Programme of Public Policy collaborated with Surana & Surana International Attorneys and established "Mind", an innovative think tank launched on 21st November 2024.

"Mind" is dedicated to fostering impactful research, and policy solutions to address contemporary global challenges.

PROGRAMME JOURNAL

The Programme launched its flagship journal, 'Insight' in April 2022, which is an annual issue. With the focus of providing new perspectives to policy issues of national and international relevance and inculcating research, the students of the programme have contributed well-researched articles to the issue.



STUDENT ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

The programme conducts panel discussions, workshops, guest lectures, national and international seminars. The activities also include field visits, The students of MA Public Policy have presented papers in various institutions.



One Day Seminar - "Tibet Ecology, Economy & Governance"



Workshops



Panel Discussions



Extension Activity



**International Paper presentations,
Jaffna Law University, Sri Lanka**

Future Prospects

POLICY ANALYSTS

RESEARCH ASSISTANTS

POLITICAL CONSULTANTS

NGO'S

THINK TANKS

COMMUNICATION CONSULTANTS



Testimonials by Alumni

“Choosing to pursue public policy at MOPVC has been one of the most rewarding decisions of my life. Coming from a science background, I was stepping into an unfamiliar niche, unsure of how I would fit in. However, from day one, the faculty and course structure ensured that policy learning was accessible to all, regardless of our academic backgrounds.”

Aissvarya R H
Assistant Program Lead - Academics Tamilnadu Model Schools,
Department of School Education
(2022-2024)

“Being passionate about creating solutions and expressing ideas through writing, choosing Public Policy at M.O.P. Vaishnav College felt like the right step—and it truly has been. This journey has shaped me in ways I never expected, both personally and professionally. The program has given me the tools to understand real-world issues, think critically, and contribute meaningfully to policy-making.”

Anushri Muthusamy
Research Associate - State Planning Commission
(2021-2023)

FACULTY PROFILE



Name: Dr. Sisira K G

Qualification: M.A (Politics & International Relations), PhD (Politics and International Relations), UGC-NET

Designation: Assistant Professor and Head, Postgraduate Programme of Public Policy.

Expertise: Political Ecology & Governance, Foreign Policy, Paradiplomacy, Policy Studies.

Years of Experience: Three

Dr. Sisira K G, currently working as an Assistant Professor and Head in the Postgraduate Programme of Public Policy at M.O.P Vaishnav College for Women, Chennai, India. She hails from the state of Kerala, India and obtained her PhD from the Department of Politics and International Studies at Pondicherry University. She earned her master's degree in Politics and International Relations from Pondicherry University and graduated in Political Science from Maharaja's College in Kochi, Kerala. During her master's programme, she worked as a research intern at the Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA) in Thrissur, Kerala. The research interest is in Global Commons and its Governance. Dr. Sisira's expertise in the research primarily lies within empirical research including both quantitative and qualitative research.



Name: Dr. Kavitha S

Qualification: M.A (Public Administration), MPhil, PhD (Public Administration), SLET

Designation: Assistant Professor, Postgraduate Programme of Public Policy.

Expertise: Gender Studies, Public Policy, e-Governance & Behavioural Research.

Years of Experience: Eighteen

Dr. S. Kavitha is an academican serving as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Public Policy. Her academic journey is marked by a robust combination of teaching experience and impactful research contribution. With an impressive academic background and extensive teaching experience, she brings a profound depth of knowledge in her field. She holds a doctoral degree in Public Administration. Her scholarly work has significantly contributed to both the academic and practical domains of her discipline. Her area of expertise includes, Gender Studies, Public Policy E-Governance and Behavioral Research.

Her research interests are deeply rooted in the contemporary challenges and innovations in Public Administration and implementation of Public Policies. She has contributed to national journals and actively participates in academic conference, workshops and FDPs.



Name: Ms. Chrisheeka Mathirajan

Qualification: M.A (Public Administration), UGC-NET

Designation: Assistant Professor, Postgraduate Programme of Public Policy.

Expertise: Indian Constitution & Governance, Administrative Law, Environment and Public Policy, Financial Administration.

Years of Experience: One

Ms. Chrisheeka Mathirajan, currently working as an Assistant Professor in the Postgraduate Programme of Public Policy at M.O.P Vaishnav College for Women, Chennai, India. She holds a Master's degree in Public Administration from Madras Christian College, Chennai, and graduated in Economics from Mar Ivanios College, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. She began her professional career as a Research Analyst at Populus Empowerment Network, Chennai, where she worked on analysing constituency progress reports, grassroots-level issues, and developing policy recommendations. With a strong interest in teaching and public policy, her core areas of expertise include Policy Drafting, Governance and Administration, Public Finance, and Environmental Governance. She is also passionate about Financial Planning and Wealth Management. In addition, she has been instrumental in organizing innovative exhibitions and programmes that enhance student engagement and foster deeper interest in the field of public policy and governance.

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