

# Department of Sanskrit

## Program-specific Outcome

### **The program-specific outcome for Honours-level teaching (6 points)**

- The honours courses provide students with a well-versed education in Sanskrit. Along with the knowledge of the language itself, the course is designed to give an idea of the well-stretched areas of study that are written in this language. The syllabus includes elementary ideas along with core texts from almost every genre of knowledge. The students will be well-accustomed to the treasure of knowledge of all fields that is well-preserved in the Sanskrit language. They will also be proficient to study ancient Indian culture and societal stature.
- After completing the honours course, students will have enough knowledge to select their area of further study according to their interests. During the study in the honours course, they would know about the future aspects and scope of all the related areas of study.
- The students will also be able to seek entry-level employment in the various institutions dealing with museology, Indology, manuscriptology etc. according to their interests and competence. They may also look for job opportunities in school-level teaching of Sanskrit with a graduation degree.
- The course gives immense opportunities to the learners for interdisciplinary and comparative studies and research. The course teaches that Sanskrit is not just a language, rather it represents a whole culture and society of a particular time and also records the transmission of the same through the ages. Interdisciplinary studies can always be initiated to understand the advantages and disadvantages of other cultures by a fare study. The students may look forward to that. Aspect as well.
- A dedicated learner would be able to read and write Sanskrit texts without the help of any translation or explanation. The ability to read and understand an archetypical language like Sanskrit direct from its source is indeed language empowerment.
- Understanding the process of construction of Sanskrit words, which is a major outcome of this course, would actually change the students' perspective of the interpretation of words of all other Indian languages known to them. Sanskrit is the mother of apparently all other modern Indian languages. Understanding it would help them grow a better understanding of their day-to-day life language, or any other Indian language they learn or speak.

### **Global and Local implications of the syllabus:**

In a nutshell, the syllabus presents almost all the possible areas of study cantering Sanskrit. The course will make students ready to cope with any higher education syllabus taught in other states of India and abroad. Any university-level teaching should comfortably be understood by a competent student of this course. The course will prepare students to adopt a course of their interest for further study anywhere in India and abroad.

### **The program-specific outcome for General-level teaching (6 points)**

- The general course is designed to help students learn about their own country's forgotten history. The students become aware of the limitless literary treasure of any field of study. This would open up various ways for the students to choose from for their future studies.
- The study of the language and its adjacent culture will help students have a better understanding of other Indian languages including their mother tongue. Sanskrit words are made of root words which have their own meaning. The knowledge of the structure of Sanskrit words would help students understand the construction of a large number of words in their own languages, as it is the mother of most of the Indian languages.
- Learning Sanskrit grows logical thinking in students. Be it grammar or philosophy, the study of the course always takes the students through logical reasoning, the practice of which develops students' rational thinking ability.
- The students will come out of the popular belief that the texts written in Sanskrit are only religious. From botany, biology, and grammar to religion and astronomy - this ancient language has texts written in a horde of subjects. They would even come to know that some or the other elements of the other subjects they are studying are also written in Sanskrit. The language represents an ancient culture with all its aspects.
- Sanskrit literature has everything needed to develop a person's spiritual, emotional, mental, and physical health. Potentially adding a new dimension to human development and viewpoint is knowledge of Sanskrit. One instinctively learns to pay attention to detail when studying Sanskrit.
- One can have a better understanding of great epics like Rāmāyaṇa, and Mahābhārata and masterpieces like Abhijñānaśakuntala etc which are the treasures of our own land. And, it would make students proud of their own land and empower them to counter not-so-fair comparisons with other cultures.

#### **Global and Local implications of the syllabus:**

Students will be able to determine how ancient Indian inventions and discoveries affected the development of the world and identify their place in it through the course's study. The love and admiration the students grow for Sanskrit during the program will enable them to have deeper relationships with both their fellow humans and the environment as we work to adopt the concept of (*vasudhaiva kutumbakam*, which translates as "the whole world is one single family") and sustainable living. Let's resolve to promote Sanskrit and restore its renown.