



MADURAI KAMARAJ UNIVERSITY

(University with Potential for Excellence)

MADURAI-625 021



SCHOOL OF ENGLISH AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES



Profile of the School of English and Foreign Languages

The Department of English was established in 1967 under the headship of a British Council Representative with the view to helping the UG students to achieve mastery in communication skills, introducing PG course in English Language and Literature, and encouraging research in all areas. Within a short span of one decade, the Department has produced 300 M. Phil. dissertations. Around 100 Ph.D. theses on British, American and Commonwealth Literatures, Indian writing in English, Comparative Literature and English Language Teaching have been produced.

The Department of English Language Studies was started as a wing in the Department of English and Comparative Literature in the year 1989, on account of the growing need for communicative expertise among the students, and to improve their communicative skill. The Department was elevated to the status of a separate department in 1992. The Department of English Language Studies is one of its kind in the whole of India to offer English Language Teaching (ELT) at post-graduate level.

The Department of French was started in 1972. It is a full-fledged Department offering Certificate, Diploma and Higher Diploma, post-graduate courses and part-time and full-time Ph.D. programs. The Department is supported by the French Embassy. Every year, a few students are selected by the French Embassy to go to France as Teaching Assistants. The French Government offers Fellowship to the Faculty members. Two specializations are being offered in M.A. from 2008: Translation and French language teaching. The Department has 100% placement.

Faculty Profile

Name	Qualificati ons	Designation	Specialization	Photos	Contact details				
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Eligibility for Admission

M.A. English and Comparative Literature

A Pass in any Bachelor's Degree with English as Language under Part I / II/ III or major English **M.A. English Language Studies**

A pass in any Bachelor's Degree with English as Language

M.A. French

A Pass in B.A./B.Sc./B.Mus with French under Part I/II/III or French Baccalaureate with any degree course or B.A./B.Sc./B.Mus with one or two year Higher Diploma in French with 50% of marks

Infrastrcutural facilities



Language Lab with 15 terminals
Smart Classroom
Audio-visual classroom (Dept of French)
Library – 15,000 Books
Information Communication Technology in classroom
An archive of French films
LCD Projectors
TV 5 (French Educational Channel)
Project-oriented Teaching & Activity based learning.

Opportunities

French

- > Teachers and Translators in India and abroad.
- ➤ Teaching Assistant posts in France for M.A French students.
- > Jobs in multi-national companies Renault, Accenture, Michelin, etc.
- Consistent placement opportunities to M. A. French students.

English

- Career opportunities in Mass Media as Journalists, Reporters, Editors etc.
- > Openings in Textbook writing
- > Self-employment opportunities (by training candidates for English Proficiency Tests/ Spoken English/ French / Competitive Exams

Research Projects completed / published The Department of French

- Translation with commentary of Tamil classical work 'Naaladiyar'- completed
- Two UGC XI Plan Minor Projects in Francophone Studies
- a. Translation with Commentary of Canadian French Short Stories into Tamil Francophone Studies.
 - Dr. Marie Pierre Augustin and Mr. P. Ranjith Kumar, Asst Prof, co- translators of a French Canadian novel '*Rue Deschambault*' under UGC XI Plan project publication, Velangani Publication, Chennai, 2016, ISBN No. 978-81-922155-9-4.
- b. Collection of Francophone folklore & Translation.Dr. R. Sudha, Ms. S. Jayanthi and Mr. I Rahul Folklore francophone completed

Major Events

Department of English & Comparative Literature - One day national workshop on Research Methodology in French on 20.10.2016.

Department of French

Quoi de neuf – Magazine of the Department of French. It was launched by our French Tutor Marie-Laure Serain from France in 2005.



Athéna is a French Cultural Club, organizing competitions and cultural shows to sensitize college1 students towards the learning of French. Athena was inaugurated on 10.10.2017 and competitions and cultural were held.



A grand alumnae meet on the occasion of Felicitationss organinsed for Dr. Marie Pierre Augustin on his retirement on 21.03.2015



Fraocnophone Fete celebrated at the Department of French on 20.03.2016



No	Title of conference / seminar	Expert from abroad	Date
1	Malraux and India	Michael de Saint Cheron Eminent Professor, Sorbonne University, Paris	19.01.2006 & 20.01.2006
2	A 5 day workshop on technical translation for II M.A. students	RENAULT-NISSAN	16.03.2009 20.03.2009
3	National Seminar on La poésie canadienne	French writer Dr. Yolande VILLEMAIRE from Canada.	23.02.2010 & 24.02.2010
4	"Réorganisation didactique et pédagogique des programmes de français	International Seminar 100 participants	26.03.2009 to 28.03.2009
5	Etudes francophones : enjeux et perspectives	International Conference with 120 participants	16.02.2012 to 19.02.2012
6	Le traitement des erreurs dans l'apprentissage-enseignement du français langue étrangère	Prof. Jean-Marc DEFAYS, Directeur de l'Institut Supérieur des Langues, Université de Liège, Belgium	06.07.2014 & 07.07.2014
7	A two-day National Workshop on Recent Trends in Teaching of French in India: Contextualisation and perspectives	Prof. Yves Loiseau, Université Catholique de l'Ouest, Angers, France	12.09.2014 & 13.09.2014
8	National Seminar on 'La littérature Belge'	Christiane Buisseret of the Université Catholique deLouvain, Belgium	12.09.2015 & 13.09.2015
9	National seminar on La diction française	Prof Xavier Nève, Université de Liège, Belgium	03.02.2017

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Entre Jeunes - 2 is a French Text Book, co-authored by Prof Marie Pierre Augustin (Retd) and Dr. R. Sudha. This text book is prescribed for CBSE students in India and abroad.

Dr. R. Sudha won the prestigious French Government Scholarship to France thrice (Oct 1990 – Sept 1991, Oct 1995 – Sept 1996) for higher studies, June to Sept 2006 for documentation of materials, restructuring the M.A. syllabi on French Language Teaching.

Dr. R. Sudha was a Shastri-Indo Canadian Institute Fellow and she documented in McGill University, Montreal, Canada in May-June 20013

Ms. Jayanthi. S. was selected by the French Embassy to undergo a 2-week teacher training programme in C.I.E.P., Sèvres, France from 8.12.2014 to 19.12. 2014.

Dr. Marie Pierre Augustin Emeritius Professor (23.09.17 to 22.09.2017)

Faculty AITF award for excellence (AITF - Association of Indian Teachers of French affiliated to International Federation of Teachers of French, Paris)

Dr. Marie Pierre Augustin, in 2012

Mr. P. Sivakumar (Associate Prof Retd.) 2013.

Extension Activities

The School has adopted the Seeliyammpatti and Kottur villages. Facutly and students planted saplings in these two villages on 15.09.2017



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