

# MAHATMA GANDHI INSTITUTE

## B.A (Hons) Mauritian Studies SHG1412 (Full Time)

### 1. Objectives

This programme offers interdisciplinary ways of exploring Mauritian society, its environment, history, culture and their intersections. Conceived around various disciplines especially History and Sociology/ Anthropology, it is designed to equip students with concepts and tools to understand the Mauritian society in its complexity and enable them to play their part both as an informed member of society and as a social scientist. The programme will provide knowledge and competence for a number of professions in sectors such as teaching, civil service, the media or media related industries, heritage and tourism.

In the course of this programme, students will encounter the world of work through fieldwork and placement with NGOs to equip them with employability and communication skills.

### 2. General Entry Requirements

In accordance with the University General Entry Requirements for admission to undergraduate Programme.

### 3. Programme Requirements

A credit in English Language at the Cambridge SC/'O' Level or equivalent and any 2 GCE 'A' Level passes. Priority will be given to subjects in the fields of Social Sciences and Humanities including Oriental Languages, Hinduism and Islamic Studies. Students with 'A' Level in Travel & Tourism may also apply.

### 4. Programme Duration

	<b>Normal</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
Diploma	2 years	3 years
Degree	3 years	5 years

**Exit Point** for a Diploma: 60 credits.

## 5. Credits per Year

Minimum - 18 credits  
Maximum - 48 credits. Subject to Regulation 4.

## 6. Minimum Credits Required for Degree Award – 105

All taught modules are compulsory.

### Breakdown:

	Taught Modules	Dissertation	Total Credits
<b>Diploma</b>	60		60
<b>Degree</b>	96	9	105

## 7. Assessment

Each module can either be taught in Semester I only or in Semester II only or throughout the two semesters (yearly modules).

Assessment will be based on a written examination of 2 to 3-hour duration (normally a paper of 2 hours' duration for modules carrying less or equal to three credits, and 3 hours' duration for modules carrying six credits) and on continuous assessment done during the semester or year.

Written examinations for all modules will be carried out at the end of the academic year except for DE modules and some Semester Modules (unless otherwise stated). Relevant information will be provided to the students in the Modules Information Sheets (MIS).

The continuous assessment will count for 30% for all modules, unless otherwise specified in the programme and at least two (2) assignments/tests per module.

Continuous assessment may be based on laboratory work, fieldwork, seminars and/or assignments and should include at least 1 class test.

For modules which are assessed on a 100% Continuous Assessment basis, a monitoring system will be designed by the lecturers in order to keep track of all student assignments (including presentations, projects, portfolios, class tests, etc.) for adequate moderation. Records of attendance and assignments shall be submitted by the lecturer to the Examinations Section.

For a student to pass a module an overall total of a minimum of 40% for combined Continuous Assessment and Written Examination components would be required to pass the module, without minimum thresholds within the individual Continuous Assessment and Written Examination components.

Special examinations (e.g. class tests) will be arranged at the end of semester 1 or semester 2 for exchange students who have registered only for one semester. In case of yearly modules, credits will be assigned on a pro-rata basis.

At the end of Year II students will have go on work placement under the Work-Based Learning Placement for 6 to 8 weeks.

For the final year, students will be expected to write a dissertation which will be submitted to the Turnitin Software. Three copies of the dissertation (two spiral-bound copies and one soft copy in a single PDF text file on electronic storage media) should be submitted to the Faculty/Centre Registry and **in addition, a soft copy of the dissertation in a single PDF text file should be uploaded on the “Turnitin’ Platform”, in the final assignment submission link indicated by the Programme/Project Coordinator.** All the above should be submitted not later than the last working day (i.e. excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays) of March of the academic year by 4.00 p.m. at latest, unless specified otherwise in the Programme of Studies.

## 8. List of Modules

CORE	Earn 81 Credits		
Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L + P	Credits
MST 1001Y(1)	Mauritius under Colonial Rule: A Society in the Making (1638-1968)	3 + 0	6
MST 1002Y(1)	Littérature Mauricienne et Diaspora	3 + 0	6
MST 1003Y(1)	Mauritius: The Physical Environment and Natural Resources	3 + 0	6
MST 1004(1)	An Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3 + 0	3
CREO 1001 Y(1)	Les langues créoles : définition(s), généalogies, théories et concepts	3 + 0	6
HIST 1004Y(1)	International History since the End of the 19 <sup>th</sup> Century	3 + 0	6
MST 1203(1)	Introduction to Social Work	3 + 0	3
MST 2017Y (3)	Population and Sustainable Urbanization	3 + 0	6

MST 2002Y(3)	Anthropology of Health and Religion	3 + 0	6
MST 2000(3)	Archives, Museums and Heritage	3 + 0	3
MST 2001Y(3)	Research Methodology	3 + 0	6
MST 2012Y(3)	Media, Communication and Language skills	3+0	6
BHS 2100(3)	Bhojpuri : History, Folklore and Heritage	3 + 0	3
MST 2025(3)	Intercultural Studies	3 + 0	3
MST 2530(3)	Gender and Society	3+ 0	3
HIST3215 Y (5)	Contemporary Mauritius – Social, Economic and Political Issues	3 + 0	6
MST 3236(5)	Understanding Mauritian Law and its Legal System	3 + 0	3
MST 3050Y(5)	Social Change and Development	3 + 0	6
MST 3003Y(5)	Cultural Studies	3 + 0	6
MST 3403(5)	Migration and Diaspora	3 + 0	3
MST 4000(5)	Dissertation	3 + 0	9

## 9. Programme Plan – BA (Hons) Mauritian Studies

CORE Code	Year 1		
	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L + P	Credits
MST 1001Y(1)	Mauritius under Colonial Rule: A Society in the Making (1638-1968)	3 + 0	6
MST 1002Y(1)	Littérature Mauricienne et Diaspora	3 + 0	6
MST 1003Y(1)	Mauritius: The Physical Environment and Natural Resources	3 + 0	6
MST 1004 (1)	An Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3 + 0	3
CREO 1001 Y(1)	Les langues créoles : définition(s), généalogies, théories et concepts	3 + 0	6
HIST 1004Y(1)	International History since the end of the 19 <sup>th</sup> Century	3 + 0	6
MST 1203(1)*	Introduction to Social Work	3 + 0	3
<b>Year 2</b>			
MST 2017 Y(3)	Population and Sustainable Urbanization	3 + 0	6
MST 2002Y(3)	Anthropology of Health and Religion	3 + 0	6
MST 2000(3)*	Archives, Museums and Heritage	3 + 0	3
MST 2001Y(3)*	Research Methodology	3 + 0	6

MST 2012Y(3)	Media, Communication and Language skills	3+0	6
BHS 2100(3)	Bhojpuri : History, Folklore and Heritage	3 + 0	3
MST 2025(3)*	Intercultural Studies	3 + 0	3
MST 2530(3)	Gender and Society	3 + 0	3
<b>Year 3</b>			
HIST 3215Y (5)	Contemporary Mauritius – Social, Economic and Political Issues	3 + 0	6
MST 3236 (5)	Understanding Mauritian Law and its Legal System	3 + 0	3
MST 3050 Y(5)	Social Change and Development	3 + 0	6
MST 3003Y(5)	Cultural Studies	3 + 0	6
MST 3403(5)	Migration and Diaspora	3 + 0	3
MST 4000(5)	<b>Dissertation</b>	<b>3 + 0</b>	<b>9</b>

**\*Mode of Assessment : 100% Course work.**