

Syllabus for PET Examination - Ph.D. (Psychology)

Subject Specific

1) Core Psychological Foundations

- History and systems of psychology (structuralism, functionalism, behaviourism, humanism, cognitive, etc.)
- Biological bases of behaviour (neuroanatomy, neurotransmission, endocrine system)
- Sensation, perception, attention
- Cognitive processes: memory, thinking, intelligence and problem-solving
- Developmental psychology (major lifespan theories)

2) Clinical Psychology

- Abnormal psychology and major disorders (DSM-5, DSM-5-TR, ICD-10, and ICD-11)
- Psychological assessment: clinical interviews, mental status exam
- Intervention and therapy models: CBT, psychodynamic, humanistic
- Ethics and legal issues in clinical practice

3) Counselling Psychology

- Foundations of counselling: theories & models
- Therapeutic relationships and behavioural skills
- Assessment and counselling strategies
- Special issues: crisis intervention, multicultural considerations

4) Industrial & Organisational Psychology

- Introduction to I/O psychology and organisational behaviour
- Personnel psychology & human resource processes
- Employee counselling and performance management
- Work motivation & job satisfaction constructs

5) Applied and Contemporary Areas

- Social psychology: attitudes, group processes, social influence
- Health and positive psychology: stress, coping, resilience
- Psychological measurement and psychometrics
- Current trends & research innovations