FACULTY OF FINE ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC
MASTER OF FINE ARTS (M.F.A)
(Two Years)
(On-Campus Programme) (2015-2016)
REGULATIONS AND SYLLABUS - ENGLISH MEDIUM

REGULATIONS

INTRODUCTION
The Master of Fine Arts – M.F.A Post Graduate Degree Programme will be in Miruthangam shall extend over a period of two years.

OBJECTIVE
The objective of this programme is two folds as under:

a. To make the successful candidates who earns a First Class with Distinction as an accomplished performing Musician. Those who pass in First/Second Class will become accomplished musicians as they gain experience by performing 1/3 years respectively with rigorous practices at their dwellings.

b. To possess adequate knowledge in Musicology on completion of the course which will enable them to take up research work on Music.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION
Candidates for admission to the M.F.A degree course shall be qualified with B. Music degree of this university or any other University accepted by the Syndicate as the equivalent to
Clearance at the entrance test conducted by the Department of Music, who adjudges the acceptability for admission.

CONDUCT OF COURSE
Advanced theory and practical lessons shall be imparted to the Post-graduate students with adequate practices of concert performance by the students, arranged during the course in order to have a sound base in Musicology as well as to perform the art of Karnatak music. The main subjects of musicology will be History of in Ancient and Medieval period under the Tamil as well as Sanskrit traditions and also the Modern Period. The practical will comprise, a side variety of compositions of complex nature, rendering of Alapana, Niraval and Kalpana Swarams, Pancha Ratna Kirtanas of Sri Thyagarajar rendering of Ata tala Varnam in Three kalam and Ragam tanam Pallavi.

EXAMINATION SCHEME
An examination at the end of each year will be conducted to which a candidate will be permitted to write, provided the candidate secures not less than 75% of the total attendance. However, it shall be open to the Syndicate to grant exemption to a candidate who has failed to keep 75% attendance for valid reasons on the recommendations of the Head of the Department.

The candidate has to secure a minimum of 50% in each of the Practical/ Written examinations. Carry over system shall be permitted.
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CRITERIA FOR PASS & CLASSIFICATION

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2) Candidate who passes by obtaining an aggregate of 75% and above in both years put together shall be deemed as passed in First Class with Distinction.

3) Candidates who pass by obtaining an aggregate of (50% or above but below 75% in both years put together shall be deemed as passed in First Class.

4) Candidates who pass by obtaining an aggregate of 50% or above but below 60% in both years put together shall be deemed as passed in Second Class. Carry over system will be permitted.
Tamil Tradition on Ancient and Medieval Periods

1. Study of the Treatment of Ancient Tamizh Music in the following music literatures.
   a. Silappathikaram and its commentaries.
   b. Panchamarabu

2. Reference to Music in the following works.
   a. Tolkappiyam,
   b. Pattupattu
   c. Kalittokai
   d. Kalladam
   e. Nigandu
   f. Periyapuranam

3. (a) Detailed Study of Palai And Pan System of Ancient Tamizh Music and of the view of Following Modern scholars.
   i. Abraham Panditar
   ii. Vibulanantha adigal
   iii. Dr. S. Ramanathan
   iv. Dr. V.P.K. Sundaram

(b) Ancient Musical Forms
   i. A Kural tiribu
   ii. Sendurai and Vendurai
   iii. Varipadal
   iv. Devapani
   v. Kalippa and Kalithurai

(c) Study of the following Aspects.
   i. Kattalai
   ii. Alathi
   iii. Inai-Kilai-Pakai-Natpu

Reference Books

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2. Àïº ÁÃÒ - ÆÈÌÅÉ¡÷.
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4. Raga pravakam - Dr. S, Bagyalakshmi
5. South Indian Music - Prof. P. Sambamurthy.
Paper – II  
History of Music – I

Sanskrit Tradition

**Historical Study of the following Topics:**

I. 108 Talas - Explain

II.  
   a. Systems of Raga – Desi Raga – s
   b. Suddha, Chayalaga and Sangirna Raga-s

III.  
   a. Association of Rasa and Tala with Rasa-s

IV  
   a. Gana, Naya and Desya Raga-s
   b. Devatamaya Rupas of Raga-s and Raga – Ragini classification.

V  
   a. Navasanthi Talas
   b. Pancha Talas

**Reference Books**

1. Raga nithi - B. SubbaRao
2. Splendour of Music - P.T. Chellathurai
3. The Raga-s of Tanjore - Dr. Gowrikuppusamy, M. Hariharan
4. Raga pravakam - Dr. S, Bagyalakshmi
5. South Indian Music - Prof. P. Sambamurthy.

**Paper – III  - Practical - I**

Thani Avarthanam in Chatusra nadai in the following talas

1. Chatusra jati Dhruva tala,
2. Tisra jati Matyam,
3. Kanda Rupagam
4. Misra jambai
5. Sankirna Ekam

**Paper – IV  - Practical – II**

Playing Tisra nadai and Kanda nadai for the following talas

1. Chatusra jathi tala,
2. Tisra Matyam,
3. Kanda Rupagam,
4. Misra jambai,
5. Sankirna Ekam

**Paper – V  - Elective Practical – I**

a. Thani avarthanam for adhi tala 2 kalai pallavi ½ itam eduppu
I YEAR - II SEMESTER

Paper – VI  Theory of Music – II

Tamizh Tradition  Ancient and Medieval Periods

1. Study of the following Technical Terms of Tala in Ancient Tamizh Music:
   i. Pani
   ii. Kottu
   iii. Asai
   iv. Tukku

2. Study of the Tala and Tala concepts mentioned in the following works:
   i. Tala samudhiram
   ii. Chachapuda Venba

3. Panniru Thirumurai

4. Study of the musical aspects of:
   1. Thiruvasagam.
   2. Thiruvisaippa,
   3. Thiruppallandu,
   4. Thirumandiram,
   5. Divyaprabhandam.

5. Study of the details of music in the following works:
   i. Maha Bharata Chudamani
   ii. Paratchattiram.

Reference Book

1. Panjamarabhu – Arivanar – Publisher Pollachi Mahalingam
2. Yazh Nool - Vibhulananthar
3. Music Through the Age – Dr. V. Premalatha
4. The Raga-s of Tanjore – Dr. Gowrikuppusamy, M. Hariharan
5. Raga pravakam – Dr. S, Bagyalakshmi
Paper - VII

History of Music - II

1. Music of kudumiyanmalai inscriptions.
2. 175 Talas - Explain
3. Music Forms - Geetha Prabandham, Raga Alapthi, Rupaka Alapthi
4. Marga Tala Systems & Desi tala Systems
5. Detailed study of Tala Dasaprana’s

Reference Book

1. Sangeetha Ranthnakaram - Sarangadevar
2. Chadhurhandi Prakazhikai - Venkatamaghi
3. South Indian Music - Professor. Sambamoorthy
4. Panjamarabhu – Arivanar – Publisher Pollachi Mahalingam
5. Yazh Nool - Vibhulananthar

Paper - VIII - Practical – III

Thani Avarthanam for the following talas
1. Chatustra jati ata tala
2. Chatustra jati Matyam
3. Kanda jathi Triputa
4. Misra Ekam
5. Tisra Dhuruva tala.

Paper – IX – Practical - IV

1. Playing Thani Avarthanam for Chatustra jati tripuda tala in tisra gathi
2. Playing Kanda nadai for Misra jathi jamba talam

Paper – X -- Elective Paper – II

1. Playing Thani Avarthanam for Misra Chapu tala in sama eduppu and eduppu after 4 mathra
II YEAR - III SEMESTER

Paper – XI  History of Music – Modern Periods --III

I Contribution of the following Indian Scholors.
   a. Subburama Dikshithar
   b. Manika Mudhaliar
   c. Muthiya Bhagavathar
   d. Mummudi Krishna Wodaiyar
   e. A.M.Chiunasamy Mudhaliyar

II Simha Nandhana Talas

III Development of music notation in south Indian music in 19th – 20th Century A.D

IV Musical mnemonics their History and utility.

V Trends and Developments in music in the 20th Century with reference
   a. Compositions
   b. Concerts
   c. Books and Journals
   d. Music Education
   e. Research

Reference Books
1. South Indian Music - Vol I to VI - Prof . P. Sambamurthy
2. Dictionaray of South Indian Music - Prof .P .Sambamurthy
3. î%fÉ, þ°Å¢Âø – Àç.È. ÔøÅôÅëÅÁ.
4. þó¾¢Â þ¨ºì ¸ÕçÄõ - ¼¡ì¼÷.À츢¡¢º¡Á¢ À¡Ã¾¢.
5. Evolution of Raga and TALa in Indian Music - Mr. Gautham
Paper - XII  

**Advanced Theory - III**

I  Study of the characteristics that determine the melodic individuality at Ragas.

II  Concept of “classical” in music

III  Pallavi

IV  Model shift of tonic

V  Comparative Study of Same Akshara Talas
   a. 8 Aksharas
   b. 10 Aksharas
   c. 7 Aksharas
   d. 6 Aksharas
   e. 11 Aksharas

Reference Book

1. South Indian Music - Vol I to VI - Prof. P. Sambamurthy
2. Dictionaray of South Indian Music - Prof. P. Sambamurthy
3. SangithaSambradayapradarshini - subbaramaDikshithar
4. Raga pravakam - Dr. S. Bhagyalakshmi
5. LakshnaGrandhas in Music - Dr. S. Bhagyalakshmi

Paper – XIII – Practical – V

Thani Avarthanam for following talas
1. Kanda jathi Dhuruva talam
2. Sankirna jathi Jambai talam
3. Misra Jathi Matya talam

Paper – XIV - Practical – VI

1. Playing Chatusra kuraippu for Kanda jathi Tripuda talam (2 – Kalai)
2. Playing Sankirna Kuraippu for Misra Jathi Jambai Talam (2 – Kalai)

Paper – XV - Practical – VII

1. Method of Playing and Manodharma for Tisra nadai pallavi
2. Method of Playing and Manodharma for Kanda nadai Pallvi
II YEAR - IV SEMESTER

Paper – XVI - Practical – VIII

1. Playing Thani Avarthanam for Chatustra jathi Triputa tala in 2 matras atita eduppu

Paper – XVII - Practical IX

1. Thani Avarthanam for Misra chapu tala in atita eduppu – 10 matras from samam
2. Thani Avarthanam for Misra jati Jambai talam in atita eduppu before – 4 matras

Paper – XVIII – Practical – X

1. Thani Avarthanam for 3 Chandha talas
2. Thani Avarthanam for Sankirna Chapu tala in Chatusra nadai with Tisra nadai

Paper – XIX - Project (Dissertation)

Paper – XX - Concert (Percussion for 1 hour – Before invited audience)