



**MGU**  
ONLINE  
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**MAHATMA GANDHI  
UNIVERSITY**

**CENTRE FOR DISTANCE  
AND ONLINE EDUCATION**

Master of Arts (Economics)

**PG**

Programmes

M.Com : Finance and Taxation  
MBA : HRM, Finance & Marketing  
M.A English  
M.A Economics

**UG**

Programmes

B.Com (Honours)  
BBA (Honours)  
B.A Political Science (Honours)



World  
University  
Rankings



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## Message from VICE-CHANCELLOR

"Fully online degrees represent a significant step in India's broader initiative to expand higher education opportunities for diverse groups of learners. In the 2020 Union Budget, it was announced that India would permit the top 100 universities to offer comprehensive online degree programmes. Mahatma Gandhi University's commitment to excellence has garnered both global and national recognition, reflected in various rankings and accreditations (NAAC A++). The university has received approval to launch full-fledged online programmes with a global intake. Online degree programmes leverage educational technology and virtual classes, enabling students to access course materials, communicate with peers and instructors, and complete examinations from any location. This flexibility allows individuals with family responsibilities, full-time jobs, special needs, or those residing far from the University to pursue their desired programmes without the need to relocate. Mahatma Gandhi University is dedicated to providing a diverse range of academic offerings to learners worldwide, utilising its extensive academic and infrastructural resources. This initiative aligns with our vision to broaden access to higher education and empower individuals from all walks of life. I extend my gratitude to the faculty and students of MGU Online for their commitment to our shared journey toward excellence."

**Prof. (Dr.) C.T. Aravindakumar**  
Vice-Chancellor

## Message from DIRECTOR

"The Centre for Distance and Online Education (CDOE) at Mahatma Gandhi University is dedicated to reshaping the contours of higher education through innovative, inclusive, and accessible online programmes. Our mission is to empower learners from all walks of life to pursue academic excellence anytime, anywhere. With a state of the art student life cycle management system, we ensure a seamless and affordable learning experience. Our credit-based online degrees are thoughtfully designed for flexibility and convenience, offering comprehensive e-materials, live interactive sessions, and a robust online proctored evaluation system.

These features not only support academic rigour but also foster meaningful engagement between students and instructors. To uphold the highest standards of scholarship, we integrate projects, internships, and viva voce into the virtual learning environment. Our programmes are further enriched by mentoring support, discussion forums, and continuous feedback mechanisms ensuring that every learner receives the guidance they need to thrive. At CDOE, we believe in the transformative power of education. With the support of our esteemed faculty and advanced digital tools, we are committed to delivering programmes that cultivate excellence and prepare students to succeed in a dynamic global landscape. Let us move forward together towards a future where education transcends boundaries and empowers every learner to realise their aspirations."

**Prof. (Dr.) Sibü G. Netto**  
Director





# Mahatma Gandhi University

Mahatma Gandhi University, one of the major public Universities in the state of Kerala, is a premier institution that strives to fulfil the higher educational needs of the Central Kerala region. University, established on 2nd October 1983 by an Act of Government of Kerala and recognised by the UGC is headquartered in the sprawling 110 acre Priyadarsini Hills Campus at Athirampuzha, 11 kms off Kottayam town.

The Institution provides a broad spectrum of academic programmes at the Undergraduate, Postgraduate, and Doctoral levels through its 30 University Departments, 1 International and Inter-University Centre, 7 Inter-University Centres, 9 Inter School Centres, 1 National centre, 3 International centres, 79 Govt./Aided Affiliated Colleges including 10 Autonomous Colleges, 194 Unaided Affiliated Colleges and 225 Recognised Research Centres.

The institution's educational focus covers a broad spectrum, embracing the interdisciplinary as well as conventional disciplines of Science and Humanities besides professional disciplines.





**A++**  
Accredited by NAAC  
in the 4th cycle



The UGC has decided to grade  
Mahatma Gandhi University  
as a Category-1 University

# Why us?

 Kerala Institutional  
Ranking Framework

**2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Rank  
GOVERNMENT OF KERALA



**43<sup>rd</sup>**  
Rank  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA



**1<sup>st</sup>**

World Young University  
Ranking 2024  
in INDIA



## Centre for Distance and Online Education

The Centre for Distance and Online Education was established in 2020 with the primary aim of providing comprehensive online programmes in accordance with the UGC (ODL & OL) Regulations of 2020. These online programmes will adopt a fully digital approach from inception to completion. Degrees conferred upon completion of these programmes will be considered equivalent to undergraduate and postgraduate degrees obtained through traditional means. The Centre is authorised to admit students in two sessions per calendar year, January and July, through online channels

### Programmes Offered

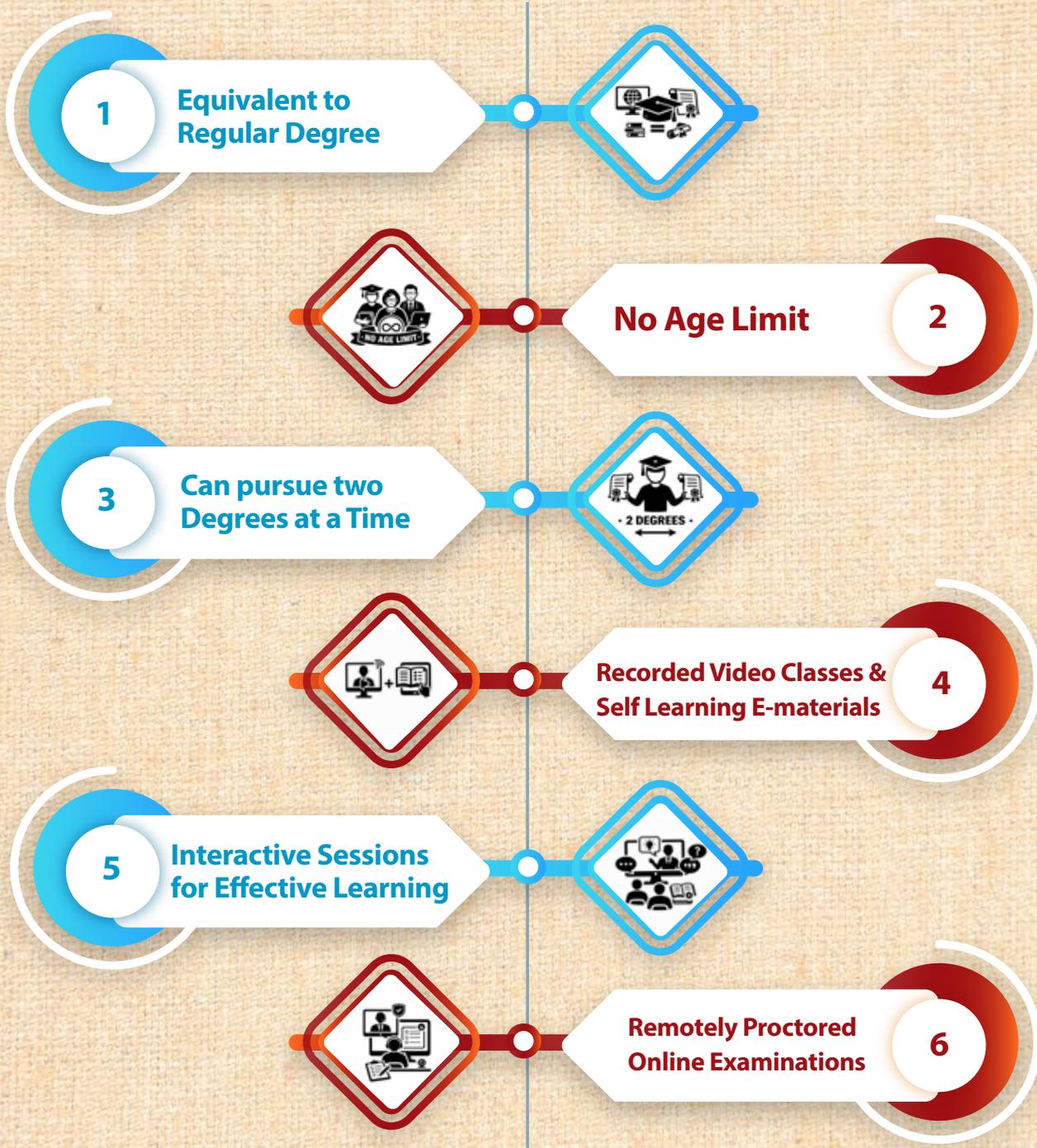
- MBA
- M.Com
- MA English
- MA Economics
- B.Com(Honours)
- BBA (Honours)
- BA Political Science (Honours)

### Programmes in line

- MSc Statistics
- MA Sociology
- MA Journalism and Mass Communication
- MA Graphic Design
- MA Animation
- MA Multimedia



# Programme Highlights





## Programme Mode

The programme will be exclusively offered in a fully online format. All academic engagements will be facilitated through the Learning Management System (LMS) of MGU Online, granting students access throughout the duration of the programme. Enrolled students are expected to actively engage in online learning activities, complete assignments and participate in examinations to fulfil the programme's requirements in accordance with University regulations and course specifications.

## Programme Delivery System

The entire teaching-learning process shall be conducted online through the Learning Management System (LMS) in a four quadrant approach. It encompasses of :

1. Recorded video lectures.
2. Self learning materials.
3. Live interactive sessions / discussion forums
4. Assessment
  - Internal assessments (Assignments, Quizzes, Test papers, Seminars, etc.)
  - External assessments (Remote Proctored Online End-semester Examination)

Online programmes shall also include components like projects, viva and internships according to the syllabus, and these shall also be undertaken and completed by the students on a virtual mode as per the topics assigned to them.

To be eligible to appear for the end-semester examination, the students shall have a minimum participation of 75 % in all the activities of the online programme.



# Master of Arts (Economics)

## Overview of the Programme

The online Master of Arts (MA) in Economics programme of Mahatma Gandhi University (MGU) is designed to provide high-quality education comparable to traditional, on-campus MA Economics programmes. It aims to develop students' analytical and quantitative skills in economic theory, econometrics, and policy analysis. The specialised curriculum delves deeper into subjects such as microeconomics, macroeconomics, development economics, and financial economics, preparing students for advanced research, policy-making and leadership roles in academia, government, and industry.

## Eligibility

A pass in any Bachelor's Degree in B.A Economics/BSc Mathematics/BSc Statistics Examination of Mahatma Gandhi University or an equivalent degree of any other universities duly recognised by Mahatma Gandhi University with not less than 45% marks in part III (Main+Sub). B.Sc. Degree holders in Co-operation and Banking with not less than 45% marks from Kerala Agricultural University.



## Fee Structure

Semester	Fee per semester (₹)
I	18,000/-
II	18,000/-
III	18,000/-
IV	18,000/-

**20 % concession on fee per semester for SC/ST Candidates.**

Total fee doesn't include

Application Fee : ₹1000/- (Other than SC/ST) , ₹500/- (For SC/ST Students)

Examination Fee : ₹500/- per course/subject

Fee for project : ₹2000/-

Fee for viva : ₹1000/-

\*Application fee is non refundable



# Fee Concessions and Advance Fee Payment Discounts

The following fee concessions shall be applicable to candidates admitted to Online UG and PG programmes, subject to eligibility verification as stipulated by the University.

## Fee Concessions and Required Documents

- **40% Fee Concession** – Regular (ongoing) students (other than Ph.D. scholars) of Mahatma Gandhi University are eligible for the fee concession, in accordance with the UGC regulations permitting students to pursue two academic programmes simultaneously—one in regular mode and the other in online or distance learning mode. In the case of students enrolled in the final semester of a regular programme, the fee concession shall be admissible only if the application is submitted at least thirty (30) days prior to the completion of the academic classes of the final semester.  
Document Required: Certificate from the Principal confirming that the student is pursuing a regular programme under Mahatma Gandhi University. Applications submitted without this certificate will not be considered eligible for fee concession.
- **20% Fee Concession** – Regular (ongoing) students (other than Ph.D) of other universities and Government/Aided institutions. If a student is completing their final semester, they are eligible for the fee concession only if the application is submitted at least 30 days before the completion of their final semester academic classes.  
Document Required: Certificate from the Principal confirming regular student status during the period of study. Applications submitted without this certificate will not be considered eligible for fee concession.
- **10% Special Scholarship** – Women / Transgender candidates.  
Document Required: SSLC Certificate (for gender proof) or Transgender Certificate issued by the competent authority.
- **10% Scholarship** – Economically Weaker Section (EWS).  
Document Required: Valid EWS Certificate issued by the competent authority.
- **20% Scholarship** – Differently Abled Persons.  
Document Required: Disability Certificate (40% or above) issued by a competent medical authority.

## Advance Fee Payment Discounts

- **10% discount** on the total programme fee if fees for all semesters are paid in advance.
- **5% discount** if fees for two semesters are paid in advance.

Note: Fee concessions and discounts are subject to verification of documents and approval by the University. Only one concession will be granted at a time.



## Eligibility criteria for reservation categories

The eligibility for admissions and reservation of seats to the Programmes shall be in accordance with the norms/ rules made by the Government/ University from time to time.

Presently, the applicable relaxation is as follows:

### **Kerala Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe Category:**

The minimum requirement for admission to UG/PG programmes is a pass in the plus two/eligible degree or equivalent for the Kerala Scheduled caste Scheduled tribe category.

### **Kerala SEBC Category:**

A relaxation of 3% marks in the eligible degree or equivalent from the prescribed minimum is allowed.

### **Kerala OEC Category:**

A relaxation of 5% marks in the eligible degree or equivalent from the prescribed minimum is allowed.

### **Persons with Disability category:**

The minimum requirement for admission to UG/PG programmes is a pass in the plus two/eligible degree.

- The eligibility of the candidates who have acquired a plus two from other states/qualifying degree from other Universities (for students outside India as well) shall be verified by the University and the admission shall be regularized thereafter.
- There shall be no age limit for applying to the programmes offered by the Centre for Distance and Online Education.



## Application Process

- Visit [cdoe.mgu.ac.in](http://cdoe.mgu.ac.in).
- Apply using your email, phone number, and other required details.
- Log in with the credentials received via email.
- Fill out the application form, including personal and academic details.
- Pay the application fee
- DEB id Validation, Documents upload & submit
- Approval of admission will be intimated.

## Documents to be Uploaded

- Qualifying Degree Certificate
- Qualifying Degree Consolidated Mark List
- Passport Size Photograph
- Scanned Copy of Signature
- Scanned Copy of Photo ID card
- Caste Certificate issued by competent authority  
( for students claiming fee concession or eligibility marks concession - SC/ST/SEBC/OEC)
- Certificate issued by Govt. Medical Board (for Physically Challenged) Identification Document  
(Aadhaar for Indian Nationals and Passport for Foreign Students)



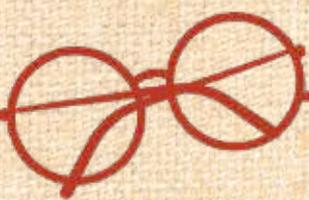
## Fee Refund Policy

If any candidate decides to withdraw from the programme in which the candidate took admission, then the university shall follow the UGC and University norms for Fee refund.

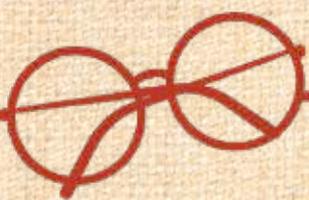
Category	Percentage of Refund of fees	Point of time when notice of withdrawal of admission is received in the HEI
1	100%	15 days or more before the formally notified last date of admission
2	90%	Less than 15 days before the formally notified last date of admission
3	80%	15 days or less after the formally notified last date of admission
4	50%	30 days or less, but more than 15 days after formally notified last date of admission
5	0%	More than 30 days after formally notified last date of admission

## General Regulations

- This Prospectus has been issued in concurrence with the Admission Process for online Programme by Centre for Distance and Online Education, Mahatma Gandhi University, 2026 sessions and shall not be valid for any past or future programmes offered by the University,
- Conditions in this prospectus are subject to amendments as may be deemed necessary by the University.
- Candidates are required to go through the current prospectus carefully and acquaint themselves with all the relevant information relating to the admission process
- Candidates are requested to visit the official website of the University [www.mgu.ac.in](http://www.mgu.ac.in) and [cdoe.mgu.ac.in](http://cdoe.mgu.ac.in) for all relevant information.
- Any communication from the part of mguonline will be made via the candidate's registered email id.



- The candidate shall submit the application only after proper scrutiny of all information furnished. If the application received from the student is not complete in any respect, the student may be given provisional admission at the discretion of the University. Such students will have to submit the required eligibility documents at the earliest, upon the receipt of which their admission may be confirmed, subject to eligibility fulfilment.
- In case of any mistakes / omissions, you may request a correction in your application with relevant supporting documents via the email id [mguonline@mgu.ac.in](mailto:mguonline@mgu.ac.in) at any time.
- If required, the University may conduct online meetings with the candidate at any point of time during the course of study for the verification of the eligibility documents. Non-compliance of the same may result in cancellation of admission. Any discrepancies in the certificates furnished or claims made in the application shall lead to rejection of candidature and may subsequently lead to blacklisting of the candidate / initiate criminal proceedings.
- Hard copies of the application form and enclosures need not to be sent to the University
- Payment of fee during the admission process and in subsequent semesters shall be undertaken by the candidates within the timelines announced by the University and failure to complete the same may invalidate the admission / registration at any point. Fee payment via offline modes shall not be entertained.
- The University reserves the right to amend the syllabus, programme structure, rules and regulations whenever considered necessary and appropriate for the smooth conduct of the programme without any prior notice.
- All sort of official communication from the University shall be through E mail and LMS after getting admission to the programme.
- If the application is complete in all respects and mguonline is satisfied with the applicant's eligibility and suitability for admission into the respective online programme, the student will be granted admission to that programme.





## **Validity of the Admission / Registration**

- Similar to the offline programmes, the online Post Graduate programmes shall have a 2 year / 4 semester duration. If a student does not complete all programme requirements within the specified duration, the student is expected to complete the programme within 4 years from the date of admission. Additional examination fee shall be applicable for every additional attempts.
- The online Under Graduate programmes shall have a 4 year / 8 semester duration. If a student does not complete all programme requirements within the specified duration, the student is expected to complete the programme within 7 years from the date of admission. Additional examination fee shall be applicable for every additional attempts.



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