

Master of Science (Audiology) - M.Sc. (AUD)

NORMS AND GUIDELINES COURSE CONTENT

Effective from Academic Session 2021 – 22

Two years duration

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Master of Science (Audiology)

Regulations, Norms, Scheme of Examination and Curriculum – 2021-22 (Semester scheme)

1.0 Name of the course offered

The nomenclature of the program shall be Master of Science (Audiology). M.Sc. (AUD)shall be the short form.

2.0 Objectives of the M.Sc. (AUD) program

The objectives of the M.Sc. (AUD) program are to equip the students with knowledgeand skills to

- function as teachers and researchers in institutions of higher learning,
- diagnose and manage disorders of hearing and balance across life span,
- counsel and guide persons with disorders of hearing and balance as well as their family members,
- implement rehabilitation programs for persons with hearing and balance disorders,
- to function as the disability certification authority in the field,
- liaise with professionals in allied fields and other stake holders,
- implement prevention and public education programs,
- undertake advocacy measures on behalf of and for persons with hearing and balance disorders,
- advise government and other institutions on legal and policy issues related to persons with hearing and balance disorders, and
- to establish and administer institutions of higher learning in the area.

3.0 Duration of the program

- a) The program shall be of 4 semesters (2 academic years) and should be completed within 4 years from the date of admission.
- b) An academic year consists of two semesters. The academic year commences from 1st week of September in each academic year.

Odd semesters – 1 & 3 September – February

Even semesters – 2 & 4 March – August

c) There shall be examination at the end of each semester. There shall be a vacation of minimum 2 weeks after the examinations at the end of odd semesters and 4 weeks after the examinations at the end of even semesters.

4.0 Medium of instruction

Medium of instruction shall be English

5.0 Eligibility for admission

- **5.1** Candidates with BASLP/B.Sc.(Speech & Hearing) degree of any recognized university by the Rehabilitation Council of India with a minimum of 55% aggregate marks are eligible for admission to the course.
- **5.2** Relaxation in the qualifying marks for designated categories of students shall be as per rules and regulations of respective University / State / Union Territories or the Central Government.

5.3 Age limit : No age bar.

6.0 Program Structure

Time structure of the program shall be as follows:

Semesters	4	
Weeks per Semester	16	
Days per week	5	80 days per semester
Hours per day	7	560 hours per semester

Semester 1	Theory	5 papers x 60 hours	300 hours
	Clinical		240 hours
	Others		20 hours
Semester 2	Theory	5 papers x 60 hours	300 hours
	Clinicals		240 hours
	Others		20 hours
Semester 3	Theory	4 papers x 60 hours	240 hours
	Clinicals		160 hours
	Dissertation		80 hours
	Others		80 hours
Semester 4	Theory	1 paper x 60 hours	60 hours
	Clinicals		160 hours
	Dissertation		320 hours
	Others		20 hours
Theory	300 + 300 + 2	240 + 60	900 hours
Clinicals	240 + 240 + 160 + 160		800 hours
Dissertation	0 + 0 + 80 + 320		400 hours
Others	20 + 20 + 80 + 20		140 hours
Total			2240 hours

7.0 Credit

Minimum Credit Requirements:

The minimum credit points required for the award of **M.Sc.** (**Audiology**) is **88**. The credits are distributed semester-wise as shown in Table 1.

The credit for each subject / paper is calculated as follows:

Theory : One hour per week = 1 Credit

Clinicals / Dissertation: 2.5 hours per week = 1 Credit

Table 1: Credit System:

Semesters	Subject	Cuo dit	Hours	
Selficites	Subject	Credit Scores	Theory	Clinical
A101	Research Methods, Epidemiology and			
	Statistics	4	60	-
A102	Technology in Audiology	4	60	1
A103	Cochlear Physiology	4	60	-
A104	Neurophysiology of Hearing	4	60	1
A105	Hearing Sciences	4	60	1
A106	Clinicals (Internal)	6	-	240
A201	Auditory Perception	4	60	-
A202	Auditory Disorders	4	60	-
A203	Electrophysiological Assessment	4	60	-
A204	Advances in the Management of	4	60	
	Hearing Loss	4	60	-
A205	Genetics of Hearing and Paediatric Audiology	4	60	-
A206	Clinicals (External)	6	-	240
A301	Implantable Auditory Devices	4	60	-
A302	Speech Perception	4	60	-
A303	Auditory Processing Disorders	4	60	-
A304	Vestibular system & its disorders	4	60	-
A305	Clinicals (Internal)	4	-	160
A401	Audiology in Practice	4	60	-
A402	Dissertation	8	320	-
A403	Clinicals (External)	4	-	160
	Total	88	1220	800

8.0 Grading System:

Table 2: Letter grades and grade points equivalent to percentage of marks and performances:

Range of % of Marks	Letter Grade	Grade Point
95-100	O++	10.0
90-94	0+	9.5
85-89	0	9.0
80-84	A++	8.5
70-79	A+	8.0
60-69	A	7.0
55-59	B+	6.0
51-54	В	5.5
40-50	С	5.0
< Minimum Pass	U	0 (Reappear)
Absent	U	0 (AB)

• Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA)

Each student is assigned a Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) on completion and declaration of results of a semester.

$$SGPA = \frac{\sum (Ci * Gi)}{\sum Ci}$$

Where Ci is the credit for a course in that semester and Gi in the grade point earned by the studentin for that course. The SGPA is rounded off to two decimal numbers.

• Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA)

The overall performance of a student at any stage of the degree program is evaluated by the Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) up to the point of time is calculated on the courses which are successfully completed.

$$\mathbf{CGPA} = \sum_{j} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{i} (C_{ij} * G_{ij})}{\sum_{i} C_{ij}} \right\}$$

• Classification of Class based on CGPA

5.0 - 6.5	Second Class
6.5 - 8.0	First Class
8.0 and Above	First Class with Distinction

9.0 Attendance

- **9.1** Attendance shall not be less than 80% in theory and 90% in Clinical in each semester for students to be eligible to appear for examination at the end of each semester.
- **9.2** Candidates who cannot appear for examination for want of attendance will be declared failed and will have to repeat the particular semester to be eligible to appear for exams subsequently.
- **9.3** Candidate who is shortage of attendance in any one of the subjects will be detained for the subject and continue the next semester. He/She has to compensate the required attendance in the next semester and take the examination for the subject along with other subjects of that semester.
- **9.4** Condonation of shortage of attendance in genuine cases to a maximum of 10% which shall be approved by the Vice-Chancellor VMRF-DU.

10.0. Procedure For Re-Joining After Break of Study:

The candidate having availed a break of study between six months to five years shall apply for re-joining the program by remitting the stipulated fee for Condonation of break of study to the VMRF-DU through the Head of the Institution.

The Head of the Institution shall not permit any candidate with a break of study as stipulated above to re-join the programme without obtaining the prior permission from the authorities of the VMRF-DU.

11.0 Examination Pattern

11.1 The examination pattern and papers shall be as shown in the table below:

	Subject		Marks	
		Exam	IA	Total
A101	Research Methods, Epidemiology and	80	20	100
	Statistics			
A102	Technology in Audiology	80	20	100
A103	Cochlear Physiology	80	20	100
A104	Neurophysiology of Hearing	80	20	100
A105	Hearing Sciences	80	20	100
A106	Clinicals (Internal)	80	20	100
A201	Auditory Perception	80	20	100
A202	Auditory Disorders	80	20	100
A203	Electrophysiological Assessment	80	20	100
A204	Advances in the Management of	80	20	100
	Hearing Loss			
A205	Genetics of Hearing and Paediatric Audiology	80	20	100
A206	Clinicals (External)	100	00	100
A301	Implantable Auditory Devices	80	20	100
A302	Speech Perception	80	20	100
A303	Auditory Processing Disorders	80	20	100
A304	Vestibular system & its disorders	80	20	100

A305	Clinicals (Internal)	80	20	100
A401	Audiology in Practice	80	20	100
A402	Dissertation	80	20	100
A403	Clinicals (External)	100	00	100
		1640	360	2000

11.2 Course content shall be as in **Annexure** 1

11.3 Pattern of Question Paper – End Semester Examinations Theory Duration: 3 hours

Essays (Answer 4 out of 5) (4 x 15)	60 marks
Short notes (Answer 4 out of 5) (4 x 5)	20 marks
Total	80 marks

- **11.4** The Internal Assessment marks in respect of all Theory papers will be based on 2 tests and 2 assessments in respective semesters. The IA marks will be submitted to the Controller of Examiner 10 days prior to respective semester examination.
- **11.5** Clinical examinations (for A106 and A305) shall be conducted by the designated internal faculty of the department at the end of 1st and 3rd semester. IA marks shall be awarded by all the faculty of the department on the basis of the assessment of the candidates' work throughout the particular semester.
- 11.6 Clinical examinations for A 206 and A 403 will be conducted by external examiner(s) at the end of the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} semester, respectively. Clinical Examination shall be with clinical population like in medical profession. The examiners shall also evaluate records of clinical and practical work of the students.
- **11.7** An internal faculty member can assist the external examiner(s) in A 206 and A403 Clinicals (External), but shall not award marks.

12.0. Dissertation

- a) All candidates registered to undergo the M.Sc.(Audiology) degree program shall have to submit a dissertation at the end of 4th semester (15 days prior to commencement of end semester theory exams).
- **b**) Each candidate will be assigned a recognized guide in the second semester.
- **c**) Candidate can obtain approval for their dissertation proposal through ethical committee (students) of the university (by the end of second semester).
- **d**) The dissertation work will be individual research and will consist of data collection carried out during third and fourth semesters.
- e) The dissertation work shall be in a bound volume not exceeding 75 pages (one and half line spacing and on one side of A4 size paper) excluding references.
- **f**) Three bound copies and one soft copy of the dissertation work shall be submitted fifteen days prior to the commencement of the university examination and forwarded to the Controller of Examination of the University.
- g) The concerned guide may evaluate the performance of the candidate for the **internal marks** as per the guidelines given below. This evaluation would reflect the quality of work put into the dissertation by the student.

Table 5: Guideline for awarding IA – Dissertation

Sl.No	Activity to be completed	Marks
1.	Selection of topic on his own with implication	5
2.	Presentation	5
3.	Completing the tasks as scheduled	5
4.	Submission on Time	5
	Total	20

- **h**) The internal marks awarded based on the above format has to be submitted to the COE through the Head of Department 15 Days before the commencement of end semester exams.
- i) One external and one internal examiner appointed by the university shall evaluate the dissertation as per the guidelines given below.

Table 6: Guidelines for Allotment of Marks for University Examination

Introduction, Review of literature	10 marks
Need for the study and Objectives	10 marks
Method	20 marks
Results and discussion	30 marks
Summary and Conclusion	10 marks
Total	80 marks

13.0. Criteria for passing

- **13.1** The student is required to obtain a minimum of 50% in each of the theory papers, internal assessment, practical and clinical exams, and dissertation for a pass.
- **13.2** Students will have to pass the clinical examination of the given semester toproceed to the next semester.
- **13.3** Carry-over of papers: Maximum number of attempts for any paper / clinicalpracticum / dissertation shall be three inclusive of first attempt. There shall be no supplementary examination. Beyond three attempts, approval from the Vice Chancellor of VMRF-DU has to be obtained.
- **13.4** The Course should be completed within four years from the commencement of the program.

14.0. Additional Tuition Fees

14.1. In case of attending the semester after end of final semester the candidate has to pay the tuition fee for that semester.

15.0 Award of Rank

Classes, ranks and medals shall be awarded based on final CGPA for candidates who pass in the first attempt only.

16.0 Award of Degree

The University shall award the degree after the candidates successfully complete all the examinations stipulated.

Course Content

M.Sc. (Audiology)

Semester I

A 101: Research Methods, Epidemiology and Statistics

60 hours: 100 marks

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to understand

- a) clinical research designs and statistical methods,
- b) epidemiological issues and its relevance in hearing research,
- c) evidence based practice in Audiology, and
- d) ethical practices in research

Unit 1: Experimental Designs and Their Applicability in Hearing Research

- a) Types of research- post facto research, normative research, standard group comparison, experimental research, clinical and applied research, sample surveys, evaluation research
- b) Methods of observation and measurement, strategies and designs in research
- c) Experimental designs, single subject designs and group designs
- d) Critical analysis of the research methods employed in hearing research.
- e) Documentation and research writing
- f) Ethical considerations in research National and international guidelines

Unit 2: Epidemiology

- a) Epidemiology: Definition, basic concepts scope and function of epidemiology
- b) Study designs in epidemiology: Cohort studies, case-control studies, cross-sectional studies, clinical trials
- c) Measures in epidemiology Ratios, proportions, rates, relative risk, odds ratio
- c) Identify biases and their consequences in published literature.
- d) Describe criteria for characterizing the causality of associations.
- e) Application of epidemiology in evaluation and screening procedures employed in Speech-language Pathology
- f) Application and impact of epidemiology on national and local policy; influence of epidemiology on ethical and professional issues

Unit 3: Statistical Measures and their Features

- a) Review of data description and exploratory data analysis (Numerical summaries and graphical summaries)
- b) Probability concepts and models
- c) Statistical Inference Estimation Confidence Intervals
- d) Statistical Inference Basic concepts related to hypothesis testing–null hypothesis, alternative hypothesis, significance level, statistically significant, critical value,

- acceptance / rejection region, p-value, power, types of errors: Type I (α), Type II (β), one-sided (one-tailed) test, Two-sided (two-tailed) test
- e) Parametric and non-parametric approaches to hypothesis testing
- f) Categorical data analysis contingency tables, Chi-square test for independence of attributes,
- g) Measures of association (Contingency coefficient, Cramer's V), Kappa coefficient

Unit 4: Regression, Univariate and Multivariate Analysis

- a) Correlation, regression analysis and prediction including multiple regression; logistic regression; path analysis
- b) Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)- Basic models, assumptions, one way and two way ANOVA; Consequence of failure of assumptions underlying ANOVA; Tests for additivity, homogeneity, transformation; Post hoc tests; Analysis of Covariance (ANOCOVA); Repeated measure ANOVA
- c) Multivariate analysis: Need for multivariate analysis, various methods including MANOVA, MANCOVA
- d) Introduction to principal component analysis, factor analysis, discriminant function, multidimensional scaling
- e) Evaluation of application of statistics to different research designs used in different publications
- f) Critical analysis of research articles in the field: Analysis of research designs in different areas of Speech-language Pathology

Unit 5: Evidence Based Practice

- a) Introduction to Evidence Based Practice (EBP) and Steps to EBP from formulating foreground question, finding best current evidence, critical appraisal of best current evidence, summarizing evidence, integrating evidence and tracking progress.
- b) Concepts related to practical significance (effect size) vs. statistical significance, precision of measurement (confidence intervals)
- c) Levels of evidence: For experimental and non-experimental designs; treatment efficacy-randomized control study, quasi experimental study, correlation and case study, single subject designs, expert committee report, consensus conference
- d) Measures of diagnostic accuracy positive and negative likelihood ratios; positive predictive value, negative predictive value, diagnostic odds ratio
- e) Concepts related to randomized control trials: Comparative groups- allocation concealment / random allocation; importance of participation and follow up in understanding, evaluating and applying randomized controlled trial results
- e) Methods of carrying out therapy trials; execution, indexing and reporting of therapy trials efficacy studies; Conventions to study outcomes i) Absolute risk reduction, ii) Absolute benefit increase, iii) Absolute risk increase, and iv) Absolute benefit reduction
- f) Systematic review and meta-analysis; importance of research publications in terms of systematic review, meta-analysis, clinical practice guidelines, health technology assessments.
- g) Challenges in implementation of EBP in Audiology in India and future directions

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- Laura M. Justice, Erin Redle (2013). Communication Sciences and Disorders: A Clinical Evidence-Based Approach. Pearson Education.
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- Timothy Meline (2009). A Research Primer for Communication Sciences and Disorders. Pearson Education
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- Donald G. Doehring (2002). Research Strategies in Human Communication Disorders. Pro-Ed
- Carole E. Johnson, Jeffrey L. Danhauer (2002). Handbook of Outcomes Measurement in Audiology. Singular
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A 102: Technology in Audiology

Hour - 60: Marks - 100

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to understand

- a) advanced aspects of signal acquisition and processing,
- b) development and application of software based tools,
- c) development and application of tele-technology, and
- d) technology of amplification devices

Unit 1: Fundamentals of Digital Signal Processing & Communication Systems

- a) Digitization of data and digital systems; Principles and methods of digital signal processing
- b) Fundamentals of communication systems (i) AM & FM transmission & reception (ii) Digital modulation techniques, (iii) Satellite communication
- c) Transducers and signal generation
- c) Biomedical signals &signal processing: Principles of generation of acoustic stimuli
- d) Signal acquisition and processing techniques
- e) Working principles of EEG / Magnetoencephalography, event related potentials/ evoked potential.
- f) High-fidelity sound reproducing systems: Auditorium acoustics

Unit 2: Techniques of Speech Processing and Analysis

- a) Artificial neural networks
- b) Speech processing and synthesis models and techniques (linear predictive coding, linear prediction model, LPC-based synthesis) and applications, review of signal processing, Fourier transform and short-time speech analysis(energy, zero-crossing rate, autocorrelation function).
- c) Voice response system, speaker recognition system and speech recognition system: Speech synthesis methods, speech recognition, speaker recognition, speech coding, and speech enhancement.
- d) Basic principles of cepstral analysis, filtering low-time filtering for formant estimation, high-time filtering for pitch estimation, complex cepstrum

Unit 3: Neuro Imaging

- a) Principles of neuro imaging techniques MRI, fMRI, NIRS, CT, PET, SPECT, TMS and MEG and their technology (working principles, interpretation and implications).
- b) Synching various speech stimuli and events for fMRI acquisition and speech perception in fMRI
- c) Technology available for intra-operative monitoring of sensory and motor functions

Unit 4: Tele-technology

- a) Tele-technology: Definition, applications, technology, resources
- b) Transmission of information: transmission of patient images, reports, etc.

- c) Remote consultations and databases
- d) Distance learning- multimedia meeting room / videoconferencing

Unit 5: Software for Analysis

- a) Software packages and applications in hearing diagnostics and research MATLAB, Adobe audition, Audacity, PRAAT
- b) Basics features, vectors and matrices, built-in functions and plotting
- c) Editing audio files, applying effects in waveform editor, amplitude compression and modulation effects, filter and equalizer effects, noise reduction/ restoration effects, basic multitrack controls, saving and exporting
- d) Computer based assessment and intervention programs relating to hearing
- e) Calibration and maintenance of equipment

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A 103: Cochlear Physiology

60 hours: 100 marks

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) describe the micro and macro structures of cochlea,
- b) explain the physiology of cochlea,
- c) explain the physiological basis for generation of OAE,
- d) use appropriate protocol for recording OAEs in clinics and for research,
- e) use appropriate protocol for recording ECochG in clinics and for research, and
- f) understand the research needs in physiological measurements of hearing

Unit 1: Cochlear Anatomy

- a) Macro & microanatomy of cochlea
- b) Homeostatic mechanisms in cochlea
- c) Blood supply to cochlea
- d) Innervations of cochlea
- e) Cochlear regeneration
- f) Evolution of human cochlea

Unit 2: Cochlear Physiology

- a) Techniques to study hair cell and basilar membrane physiology
- b) Basilar membrane mechanics and non-linearity
- c) Outer hair cell physiology different mechanisms involved in hair cell motility
- d) Inner hair cell physiology
- e) Cochlear non-linearity

Unit 3: Development of cochlea and top down control of sensory process

- a) Efferent control of cochlear hair cells
- b) Nutrients related to sensory cell physiology
- c) Ontogenetic development of cochlea
- d) Phylogentic development of cochlea
- e) Developmental changes in the cochlea; effect of advancing age on cochlea
- f) Comparative physiology of auditory system in non-mammalian species

Unit 4: Otoacoustic Emissions

- a) Classifications of OAEs; mechanism based taxonomy
- b) Characteristics of different types of OAEs
- c) Instrumentation and techniques for recording different types of OAEs
- d) Factors affecting different types of OAEs
- d) Fine structure DPOAEs
- e) Suppression of OAEs: ipsilateral, contralateral, and bilateral
- f) Clinical applications of OAEs

Unit 5: Cochlear Potentials

- a) Endocochlear potentials.
- b) Electrocochleograhy: Instrumentation and technique
- b) Protocol for recording ECochG
- c) Interpretation of ECochG
- d) Clinical application of ECochG

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A 104: Neurophysiology of Hearing

60 hours: 100 marks

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) explain the anatomy afferent system,
- b) describe the neurophysiology of hearing,
- c) explain the efferent auditory system,
- d) describe the functioning and role of efferent system,
- e) understand the neurophysiological basis of the disorders affecting the auditory nervous system, and
- f) understand the basis of electrophysiological assessment

Unit 1: Ascending Auditory Pathway: Anatomy

- a) Auditory nerve
- b) Cochlear nucleus
- c) Superior olivary complex
- d) Lateral leminiscus
- e) Inferior colliculus
- f) Medial geniculate body

Unit 2: Functioning of the Auditory Nerve

- a) Stimulus coding
 - i. Frequency, intensity and temporal coding
 - ii. Coding of complex signals
- b) Non linearity
- c) Action potentials
- d) Neurotransmitters and neuromodulators

Unit 3: Physiology of Auditory Brainstem

- a) Tonotopic organization of auditory brainstem
 - i. Cochlear nucleus
 - ii. Superior olivary complex
 - iii. Lateral lemniscus
 - iv. Inferior colliculus
 - v. Medial Geniculate body
- b) Coding of simple and complex acoustic signals at auditory brainstem
 - i. Cochlear nucleus
 - ii. Superior olivary complex
 - iii. Lateral lemniscus
 - iv. Inferior colliculus
 - v. Medial Geniculate body
- c) Role of subcortical structures in sound localization

Unit 4: Anatomy and Physiology of Auditory Cortex

- a) Anatomy of primary and secondary auditory cortex
- b) Tonotopic organization in auditory cortex
- c) Coding of signals in the at auditory cortex
 - i. Simple and complex signals
 - ii. Speech
- d) Association of auditory cortex with other structures
- e) Role of auditory cortex in sound localization
- f) Plasticity of auditory cortex

Unit 5: Efferent Auditory System

- a) Efferent auditory pathway: medial and lateral olivo cochlear bundle
- b) Functioning of the auditory efferent system
- c) Role of auditory efferent system in hearing
- d) Protective function of auditory efferent system

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A 105: Hearing Sciences

Marks -100: Hours - 60

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) understand psychophysical components of sound and their measurement,
- b) analyse and critically evaluate the different methods of estimation of thresholds, frequency analysis and application of masking, and
- c) conduct experiments to estimate thresholds, measure pitch.

Unit 1: Introduction to Psychoacoustics

- a) Physical description and parameters for generation of sounds: Sine wave and complex signals; Analysis of sound: Spectrum and spectrogram, LTASS; Filters and their properties
- b) Theory of signal detection: Basic concepts and applications of signal detection
- c) Psychophysical methods Classical and adaptive methods

Unit 2: Thresholds and Loudness

- a) Overview of absolute and relative measures: Methods of measuring absolute and relative thresholds; thresholds of audibility (MAP & MAF); Models of loudness.
- b) Loudness perception in normal hearing persons
- c) Effect of hearing impairment on perception of loudness
- d) Dynamic range of hearing, equal loudness contours and loudness scaling.
- e) Recruitment and softness imperceptions
- f) Consequences of altered loudness perception
- g) Factors affecting loudness: Bandwidth, duration, adaptation and masking.
- h) DLI

Unit 3: Pitch

- a) Theories of pitch perception simple and complex signals
- b) Pitch scales
- c) Factors affecting pitch perception
- d) Perception of pure-tones by persons with normal hearing and those with hearing impairment
- d) Perception of complex signals by persons with normal hearing and those with hearing impairment
- e) DLF

Unit 4: Peripheral Masking

- a) Critical band concept and power spectrum model
- b) Estimating the shape of auditory filter: Psycho-physical tuning curve; Notched noise; Non-simultaneous masking
- c) Auditory filter shapes in normal hearing and hearing impaired
- d) Masking patterns and excitation patterns in normal hearing and hearing impaired

Unit 5: Non-Peripheral Masking

- a) Central masking
- b) Informational masking
- c) Overshoot phenomena
- d) Co-modulation masking release
- e) Effect of hearing loss on non-peripheral masking

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Semester II

A 201: Auditory Perception

Marks -100: Hours - 60

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) understand the processes involved in the perception of speech by persons with normal and impaired hearing, and
- b) apply principles of speech perception in therapy and research.

Unit 1: Temporal processing

- a) Overview of temporal processing: temporal resolution; temporal integration; models of temporal processing
- b) Detection and discrimination of gaps in normals and individuals with hearing impairment
- c) Temporal modulation transfer function in normals and individuals with hearing impairment
- d) Temporal integration in persons with normal hearing and those with hearing impairment
- e) Models of temporal processing in persons with normal hearing and those with hearing impairment

Unit 2: Auditory object and pattern perception

- a) Basic concepts in auditory object perception
- b) Spectral cues for object perception
- c) Temporal cues for object perception
- d) Auditory pattern perception in individuals with normal hearing and those with hearing impairment
- e) Timber perception
- f) Time invariant-pattern and time varying pattern perception

Unit 3: Adaptation

- a) Adaptation vs. fatigue
- b) Methods of studying adaptation
- c) Adaptation in in persons with normal hearing and those with hearing impairment
- d) Neurophysiological basis of adaptation
- e) Factors affecting adaptation

Unit 4: Perception in Space

- a) Perception of distance: localization vs. lateralization; localization of pure tones; localization of complex signals
- b) Effect of hearing loss on localization
- c) Monaural localization
- c) Factors affecting localization
- d) Neurophysiology of localization

Unit 5: Binaural hearing and Perception of Music

- a) Binaural hearing overview
- b) Models of binaural hearing
- c) Masking level difference
- d) Musical scales/Musical notes
- e) Factors affecting perception of music

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A 202: Auditory Disorders

Marks -100: Hours - 60

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) explain the pathophysiology of auditory disorders,
- b) diagnose and differentially diagnose auditory disorders, and
- c) Recommend appropriate management options for the clients with hearing loss.

Unit 1: Disorders of the External and Middle Ear

- a) Congenital malformations of external and middle ear
- b) Diseases of the external ear: otitis externa, neoplasms of external ear, cerumen, keratosis obturans, injuries, sebaceous cysts, acquired atresia, stenosis of external auditory canal & malignant otitis externa
- c) Diseases of the middle ear cleft: otosclerosis otitis media, non suppurative otitis media, complications of middle ear diseases, neoplasms.
- d) Assessment of middle ear functioning: multicomponent tympanometry, multifrequency tympanometry, wide band reflectance/absorbance, reflexometry
- d) Reconstruction of external and middle ear hearing mechanisms: reconstructive and rehabilitation procedures

Unit 2: Disorders of the Cochlea

- a) Pathophysiology inner ear disorders: ototoxicity, Meniere's, age related hearing loss, Sudden hearing loss, auto immune conditions, hearing loss due to systemic diseases
- b) Audiological profile in persons with above inner ear disorders
- c) Nonaudiolgical management options

Unit 3: Disorders of the Cochlea-NIHL & Traumatic Injury

- a) Pathophysiology inner ear disorders due toNIHL and other traumatic injuries
- b) Audiological profile in persons with NIHL and other traumatic injuries
- c) Hearing conservation: National and International guidelines
- d) Nonaudiolgical management options

Unit 4: Auditory Nerve and Brainstem

- a) Pathophysiology of space occupying lesions of auditory nerve and brainstem
- b) Audiological profile in persons with space occupying lesions
- d) Radiological findings and its correlations with audiological findings
- d) Challenges in diagnosis of space occupying lesion
- e) Management options for space occupying lesion

Unit 5: Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorders

- a) Pathophysiology of ANSD
- b) Etiology of ANSD
- c) Audiological profile of persons with ANSD and its correlations with pathophysiology

- d) Speech perception in persons with ANSD
- e) Management of persons with ANSD: Aids strategies

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A 203: Electrophysiological Assessment

60 hours: 100 marks

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) describe and classify auditory evoked potentials,
- b) understand the technology for recording auditory evoked potentials,
- c) record and interpret exogenous and endogenous potentials,
- d) use appropriate protocols for recording exogenous and endogenous potentials for clinical and research purposes, and
- e) understand research needs in auditory evoked potentials

Unit 1: Foundations of Auditory Evoked Potentials (AEPs)

- a) Introduction and Classification of AEPs
- b) Neuroanatomy and neurophysiology related to AEPs; dipole orientation and scalp distribution of AEPs
- c) Stimuli for recording AEPs- generation, characteristics and types
- d) Electrodes for recording AEPs
- e) General principles of recording AEPs
- f) Overview to advanced analyses techniques such as independent component and time frequency analyses
- g) Maintenance and Calibration of instrumentation

Unit 2: Auditory Brainstem Responses

- a) Acquisition and analysis responses for different stimuli -clicks, tone bursts, chirps, complex stimuli such as speech
- b) New trends in ABR such as Cochlear Hydrops Analysis Masker Procedure (CHAMP) and stacked ABRs, and ABR for chained stimuli,
- c) Factors influencing ABR: Stimuli related, acquisition related, subject related
- d) Clinical applications

Unit 3: Middle Latency Auditory Evoked Potentials and Auditory Steady State Responses

- a) Acquisition and analysis of middle latency responses,
- b) Factors influencing middle latency responses: Stimuli related, acquisition related, subject related
- c) Acquisition and analysis of auditory steady state responses (ASSR)
- d) Factors influencing ASSR: Stimuli related, acquisition related, subject related
- e) Post auricular muscle responses
- f) Clinical applications

Unit 4: Cortical Auditory Evoked Potentials

- a) Overview of exogenous and endogenous cortical evoked potentials
- b) Acquisition and analysis of obligatory cortical auditory evoked potentials, acoustic change complex, T-complex, mismatch negativity, P300, N400, P600, CNV and other endogenous potentials
- c) Factors affecting exogenous and endogenous evoked potentials Stimuli related, acquisition related, subject related
- d) Clinical applications

Unit 5: Intraoperative monitoring

- a) Physiological tests useful in intraoperative monitoring of auditory function
- b) Effect of anaesthetic agents on electrophysiological responses of the auditory system
- c) Recording auditory evoked potentials during surgery; requirements, patient preparation
- d) Guidelines for intraoperative monitoring
- e) Electroneuronography

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A 204: Advances in the Management of Hearing Loss

Hours - 60: Marks - 100

Objectives: At the end of the course, the students should be able to

- a) understand the different amplification/assistive devices and their changing technology
- b) explain the strategies of device selection and optimization
- c) develop need-based programs and intervention strategies for persons with different types of hearing impairment across age groups, and
- d) to list specific needs and know psychosocial and communicative demands and strategies to solve these

Unit 1: Advances in Hearing Aid and Hearing Assistive Technology

- a) Application of recent advances in hearing aids and hearing assistive technology:
 Compression and expansion, directionality, advanced signal processing techniques
 Including noise reduction algorithms, wireless technology, data logging, trainable hearing aids, occlusion reduction, application of nanotechnology in hearing aids, Personal amplification systems
- b) Techniques to control acoustic feedback, distortion, circuit noise: Electromagnetic interference measurement, solutions; techniques to improve compatibility of hearing aids with mobile phones
- c) Application of LASER technology in ear mold production, ear mold modifications for enhancing listening comfort physical and acoustic modifications
- d) Electroacoustic measurement of hearing aids: Variables affecting electroacoustic measurements and its implications
- f) International and Indian standards/legislations for hearing aids and ALDs.

Unit 2: Selection and Fitting of Hearing Aid and Hearing Assistive Devices

- a) Selection, verification and validation of hearing aids and hearing assistive devices: Preselection, selection an assessment of listening needs
- b) Objective procedures for hearing aid fitting (ABR, ALLR, ASSR and others):
- c) Hearing aid programming, optimization, verification and validation
- d) Hearing aid fitting for children: pre-selection, selection, verification and validation: Different protocols used
- e) Hearing aid fitting for persons with different types of hearing loss (Sudden hearing loss, unilateral hearing loss, High frequency hearing loss, Cochlear dead region)
- f) Future trends in hearing aids and HATs: Technology and fitting strategies

Unit 3: Speech Perception Through Hearing Aids

- a) Factors affecting speech perception through hearing aids and hearing devices: Auditory plasticity
- b) Methods to improve speech perception through hearing aids and hearing devices: Speech cue enhancement spectral shape, duration, intensity, enhancement of CVR, speech simplification, re-synthesis, enhancement of perception of telephone speech
- c) Emerging technology for better speech perception
- d) Noise reduction algorithms and nanotechnology in hearing aids

Unit 4: Rehabilitation of Individuals with Hearing Impairment

- a) Counselling of users of hearing aid and hearing assistive devices: techniques: Realistic expectations, adjusting to hearing device, other management options
- b) Care and maintenance of hearing aid and hearing assistive devices
- c) Trouble shooting and fine tuning/optimization of hearing aids and assistive devices
- d) Management of children with hearing impairment: Criteria for selecting different auditory listening programs; criteria for transition from one method to the other as a child grows: Adapting AVT techniques for Indian languages and late identified children
- e) Providing group listening training activities for children having different listening skills
- f) Rehabilitation of adults and older adults: auditory listening / speech reading training for older adults: variables that affect the communication and the role of the communication partner: auditory plasticity: Planning training activities; assertiveness training
- g) Quality of life of hearing impaired and its enhancement: Outcomes of different management strategies across age groups: Methods and measures

Unit 5: Management of the children/adult with Multiple Disabilities and other Hearing Related Disorders

- a) Management of children and adults with multiply disability: hearing aid fitting considerations, strategies used and the outcome with different strategies for individuals with hearing impairment with visual problems; cognitive problems; neuro-motor problems: educational and vocational placement, role of caregivers and outcome measures
- b) Audiological management of tinnitus: characteristics, assessment of tinnitus, basis and theories of tinnitus, models related to tinnitus management: patho-physiological and neurophysiological model: overview to non-audiological management techniques for tinnitus
- c) Audiological management techniques for those with normal hearing and different degrees of hearing loss (TRT, counselling, others) and their outcomes
- d) Audiological management of persons with hyperacusis: Models related to hyperacusis management; overview to non-audiological management techniques for hyperacusis Audiological management techniques for normal hearing and different degrees of hearing loss and their outcomes

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A 205: Genetics of Hearing and Pediatric Audiology

Hours - 60: Marks - 100

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) understand the genetic basis for hearing loss
- b) understand the tests/procedures for identifying genes for hearing loss
- c) counsel parents or caregivers of children with genetic and non-genetic hearing loss
- d) carry out screening programs to identify hearing loss using appropriate protocols, and
- e) diagnose and manage hearing loss in children using appropriate tests/protocols and aural management procedures

Unit 1: Molecular Genetics for Audiologists

- a) Basic concepts of genetics
- b) Genes involved in hearing
- c) Gene localization methods, gene mapping

Unit 2: Genetic Hearing Loss

- a) Genetics of hearing impairment, gene database for hearing loss
- b) Genetic evaluation of persons/families with hearing loss, genetic screening
- c) Genotypes and phenotypes of non syndromic hearing loss
- d) Genotypes and phenotypes of syndromic hearing loss
- e) Genetic counseling

Unit 3: Hearing Screening

- a) Neonatal and infant hearing screening, international and national Protocols to identify middle ear disorders; sensory and neural hearing loss
- b) Screening for hearing loss in school children
- c) Screening for central auditory processing disorders in school children
- d) Issues related to hearing screening

Unit 4: Pediatric Hearing Evaluation

- a) Etiology of hearing loss in children
- b) Behavioral tests of hearing evaluation for children
- c) Physiological tests of hearing evaluation for children
- d) Assessing hearing in children with associated problems
- e) Speech audiometry in children
- f) Development of tests for speech audiometry in children
- g) Issues related to assessment and diagnosis of hearing loss in children

Unit 5: Team Approach in diagnosis of hearing loss in children

- a) Integration of results of behavioral and electrophysiological assessment of hearing
- b) Correlating results of audiological evaluation with those of otolaryngological, pediatric, psychological and speech-language evaluation
- c) Problems faced by children with hearing loss in preschool and school setup
- d) Challenges/problems faced by children with conductive hearing loss and auditory processing problems
- e) Counseling parents/caregivers regarding hearing impairment, sequel and management
- f) Counseling and management of children with unilateral hearing loss and mild hearing loss

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A 106 & A 206: Clinicals in Audiology

General considerations:

- a) The student should be able to carry out complete audiological evaluation and management of persons with hearing impairment.
- b) After completion of clinical postings, the student will have the ability to apply, show(in a clinical diary/log book), and perform the following on patients/clients:

Know-how

- a) Make appropriate changes in OAE protocols depending on the clinical / research needs
- b) Develop protocol for recording exogenous and endogenous auditory evoked potentials
- d) Integrate the results of audiological evaluation and correlate it to the possible pathophysiological/radiological findings
- e) Apply the latest technological advances available for persons with hearing impairment.
- f) Make appropriate modifications in hearing devices depending on the listening needs.
- g) Recommend appropriate aural rehabilitation program for persons with hearing impairment

Demonstrate

- a) Recording of exogenous and endogenous potentials
- b) Generation of stimuli for recording AEPs
- c) Analyze auditory evoked potential waveforms
- d) Electroacoustic measurement of different types of hearing aids
- e) Carry out ear mold modifications

Do

- a) Record OAEs, ABR for different stimuli and cortical auditory potentials on 5 persons with hearing loss
- b) Complete audiological evaluation on 5 persons with hearing loss and prepare a detailed report with appropriate recommendations
- c) Select and fit appropriate hearing devices to 10 individuals with different degree, configuration and type of hearing loss.
- d) Plan and carry out appropriate aural rehabilitation program for five children
- e) Evaluate and counsel/carry out appropriate audiological management for 5 persons with tinnitus.
- f) Carry out aided AEPs

Evaluation

- a) Internal evaluation shall be based on attendance, clinical diary, log book and learning conference
- b) External evaluation: Spot test, OSCE, Record, Viva-voce, case work

Semester III A 301: Implantable Auditory Devices

Hours - 60: Marks - 100

Objectives: At the end of the course, the student should be able to

- a) identify and describe the types of implantable hearing devices,
- b) describe the purpose of different components of implantable hearing devices,
- c) determine candidacy for implantable hearing devices,
- d) assess benefits from implantable hearing devices and guide the clinical population, and
- e) understand and contribute to formulation Government policies and schemes relating to implantable hearing devices

Unit 1: Development of Technology, Criteria/ Candidacy and Program

- a) Candidacy for bone conduction implantable devices (BCID), middle ear implants (MEI), cochlear implant (CI), auditory brainstem implant (ABI) and mid brain implant (MBI): evidence from research
- b) Comprehensive Candidacy Assessment for implantable hearing devices (IHD-Audiological and non-audiological).
- c) Safety standards and regulation for IHD.
- d) State and central Government schemes for cochlear implants and other implantable devices.
- e) Pre-requisite to start aIHD program
- f) Comprehensive policy issues relating to IHD

Unit2: Bone Conduction Implantable Devices and Middle Ear Implants

- a) Types of BCID and components (per-cutaneous, trans-cutaneous and intra-oral)
- b) Types of MEI and components
- c) Intra-operative and post-operative measurements/assessment for device function (troubleshooting) and performance outcomes
- d) Programming BCID and MEI
- e) Contra indications and management of device failures and poor performance.
- f) Limitations and future development/requirement

Unit 3: Cochlear Implants

- a) Concepts and types of ci: external components (sound processor- body worn, BTE, off the ear); internal component (electrode type/design, MRI compatibility & reliability);totally implantable cochlear implants.
- b) Expanding criteria- audiological and non-audiological assessment: single sided deafness, ski sloping SN hearing loss, bilateral asymmetric HL; cochlea/nerve anomaly(classification), auditory neuropathy spectrum disorder (ANSD) and multiple disabilities.
- c) Speech/Sound Coding Strategies: Within and across devices; Evidences from research and critical analysis of each strategy; Features for Enhancing Speech and Music perception.
- d) Surgical procedures: posterior tympanotomy, varia technique, hearing preservation technique; surgical complications and management

e) Intra-operative measurement: device function (impedance/ voltage/ complaince telemetry); patient function (eCAP, eSRT, eABR and facial nerve monitoring); Special consideration in anomalous cochlear/nerve, ANSD and multiple disabilities.

Unit 4: Programming Cochlear Implants

- a) Psychophysics of programming: parameters (pulse width, rate of stimulation, frequency allocation/ re-allocation, map law);pre-requisites for mapping: pre-implant radiological report, post-implant radiological report; discharge report of surgeon; non-physiological objective measures (electrode impedance, compliance, electrode voltage); special considerations in cochlea/nerve anomaly, ANSD, multiple disabilities and SSD; Effect of map parameters on perception of loudness, pitch perception, gap,
- b) Programming technique: evidences from research: behavioral maps; objective maps (eCAP, eSRT & eABR based programming); evidence and target based programming (artificial intelligence); self-programming.
- c) Measuring performance and MAP optimization: assessment of benefit: speech and non-speech; electrophysiological measures (EABR and other evoked potentials); optimization of: hearing aid in the contralateral ear for bimodal implants; bilateral cochlear implants; electroacoustic stimulation and SSD.
- d) Complications: identifying and managing device failures; identifying and managing infection, magnet migration, electrode extrusion; identifying and managing poor performance; decision making in subjects with poor performance; special consideration in revision implantation; outcome audit.
- e) Limitations and future developments/requirements (device, techniques and procedures)

Unit 5: Auditory Brainstem Implant (ABI) and Auditory Midbrain Implant (MBI)

- a) Pre-op (ABI and MBI): candidacy for children and adult; audiological and non-audiological assessment; evidences from research for predicting outcome; counseling and expectations; device type and components
- b) Intra-op (ABI and MBI): Surgical procedures overview; eABR, cranial nerve monitoring; decision making.
- c) Post-op: programming ABI (subjective and objective methods) and technique for pitch ranking, identifying auditory and non-auditory electrodes); MAP optimization (pitch, loudness, auditory and non-auditory sensation); techniques to identify auditory and non-auditory sensation; assessment of benefit: speech and non-speech; role of eABR, aided cortical potentials, PET and fNIRS in programming and monitoring outcomes.
- d) Managing and monitoring subject with ABI: rehabilitation strategy; identifying and managing complications (device failure, infection, trauma, device migration, radio imaging); identify poor performance- auditing outcome; decision making in complications and poor performance

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A 302: Speech Perception

Marks -100: Hours - 60

Objectives: At the end of the course, the student should be able to

- a) explain coding of speech in the auditory pathway in normal hearing and hearing impaired individuals.
- b) critically evaluate theories of speech perception and methods to synthesis speech,
- c) explain speech perception in relation to short term memory,
- d) describe aspects of dichotic speech perception.

Unit 1: Theories of Speech Perception

- a) Basic concepts of speech perception; hearing, listening, perception and comprehension; acoustic cues of different classes of speech sounds
- b) Definition and concept of categorical and continuous speech perception
- b) Normalization in speech perception: Definition and methods used for normalization of vowels and consonants
- c) Coding of speech in the auditory pathway cochlea, auditory nerve and the central auditory pathway
- d) Theories of speech perception (acoustic, neurological, auditory, motor, analysis-by-synthesis, dual stream, reverse hierarchy theory)

Unit 2: Perceptual Cues for Vowels and Consonants

- a) Perception of vowels and diphthongs in normal major and minor cues
- b) Perception of consonants in normals: Major and minor cues to identify place, manner and voicing features of stops, fricatives, affricates, nasals
- c) Perception of vowels and consonants in the persons with hearing impairment
- d) Perception of vowels and consonants through amplification and implantable devices.

Unit 3: Speech Perception of Segmental and Suprasegmental Features

- a) Effects of co-articulation on speech perception:
- b) Perception of segmental features in normal hearing individuals
- c) Perception of suprasegmental cues in normal hearing individuals
- d) Perception of segmental and suprasegmental cues in persons with hearing impairment

Unit 4: Factors related to Speech Perception

- a) Memory and speech perception: Stages of memory, coding and capacity at the different stages; Models of short term memory: Dual coding Model, Modal model, A model for auditory memory and contrast, Working memory model; Role of short term memory in the perception of consonants and vowels
- b) Dichotic listening: Theories and physiological bases: Testing of dichotic listening and the clinical significance of the results; Factors influencing dichotic perception
- c) Music perception: Methods of study of perception of music; Perception of music through amplification and implantable devices.

Unit 5: General issues related to speech perception

- a) Infant perception: theories of infant speech perception (universal theory, attunement theory, perceptual learning theory, maturational theory, perceptual magnetic theory); methods of studying infant speech perception; perception of consonants and vowels in infants, and comparison with adults
- b) Speech perception in animals: methods of study of speech perception in animals; perception of consonants and vowels; categorical perception and normalization; animal vs. human perception; need for study of speech perception in animals
- c) Methods to study speech perception: EEG/electrophysiological and behavioral methods to study speech perception; study designs; role of cognition in speech perception.

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A 303: Auditory Processing Disorders

60 hours: 100 marks

Objectives: At the end of the course, the students should be able to

- a) diagnose and differentially diagnose auditory processing disorders (APDs) and explain their physiological bases,
- b) administer different tests for diagnosis and interpret the findings including correlation with findings from imaging and cognitive studies,
- c) institute screening and public education programs in different setups on APDs,
- d) identify and explain factors influencing assessment of APDs,
- e) advise clinical clientele on management of APDS including guidance on aids and appliances, and
- f) advise and liaise with members of the management team like neurologists, neurosurgeons on the diagnosis as well as management of APDs.

Unit 1: Introduction to Auditory Processing Disorders (APDs)

- a) Terminologies and definitions of APD
- b) Underlying neurobiological and neurochemical (genetic) correlates
- c) Relationship between neural maturation degeneration and auditory processing
- d) Models to explain auditory and spoken language processing: Relationship between the
- d) Methods of studying auditory processing Animal studies
- e) Various disorders that lead to APDs (Syndromes, TBIetc): Signs, symptoms and classification
- f) Developmental communication disorders and APDs

Unit 2: Assessment of APDs (Behavioral)

- a) Overview of behavioral assessment in APDs
- b) Screening for APDs: questionnaires, checklists and tests
- c) Dichotic test (linguistic and non-linguistic)
- d) Monaural tests (linguistic and non-linguistic)
- e) Psychoacoustic tests for assessment of APDs

Unit 3: Assessment of APDs (Electrophysiological)

- a) Electrophysiological measures and their clinical applications in diagnosing APDs
 - i. Endogenous potentials
 - ii. Exogenous potentials
- b) Correlation between behavioral and electrophysiological measures: implications for diagnosis
- c) Factors influencing assessment of APDs: behavioral and electrophysiological

Unit 4: Management of APDs

- a) Management of APDs in children and adults
- b) Direct remediation techniques and meta-cognitive and meta-linguistic approaches

- c) Auditory perceptual training and its methods, applicability and outcome.
- d) Evidence based approach and treatment efficacy
- e) Multidisciplinary approach
- f) Signal enhancement and room acoustics
- g) Aids and appliances indication and outcome
- h) Factors affecting management of APDs

Unit 5: Team work in the diagnosis and management of APDs

- a) Electrophysiological and radiological correlates for APDs: implications in management
- b) Imaging and cognitive studies in APDs
- c) Diagnosis and differential diagnosis
- d) Development of APD test materials (linguistic and non-linguistic)
- e) Open source software for developing diagnostic tests and intervention modules

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A 304: Vestibular System and its Disorders

60 hours: 100 marks

Objectives: After completing this course, the student should be able to

- a) describe the functioning of the balance and vestibular system
- b) explain the disorders of the vestibular system
- c) assess vestibular system using appropriate tests/protocols
- d) recommend appropriate management option for persons with vestibular dysfunction
- e) Counsel and guide the clinical clientele with vestibular disorders on quality of life etc.

Unit 1: Anatomy and Physiology of the Vestibular System

- a) Peripheral vestibular system including semi-circular canals, utricle, saccule and vestibular nerve
- b) Central vestibular pathway (brainstem, cerebellum, cortex)
- c) Reflexes involving vestibular system like vestibuloocular reflex, vestibulo spinal reflex and vestibulo colic reflexadvise
- d) Other systems involved in maintenance of balance like proprioceptive system, visual system etc.

Unit 2: Assessment of the Vestibular System

- a) Techniques and Principles of electronystagmography / videonystagmography, Rotatory chair test, Video Head Impulse test, Sclera Coil search test, Vestibular Evoked Myogenic Potentials: cVEMP, oVEMP, Dynamic Posturography, Craniocorpography, Subjective visual vertical horizontal tests, Vestibular autorotation tests
- b) Screening for vestibular disorders
- c) Questionnaires to assess quality of life in persons with vertigo

Unit 3: Pathophysiology of Vestibular Disorders

- a) Peripheral Vestibular Disorders like Benign paroxysmal positional vertigo, Meniere's disease, Vestibular neuritis, Labyrinthitis, Ototoxicity, vestibular neuropathy
- b) Perilymph fistula, Superior semicircular canal dehiscence, Auditory neuropathy spectrum disorders, Vestibular schwannomas
- c) Central Vestibular disorders like Generalized neuropathy involving multiple systems, Multiple sclerosis, Cranial tumors, Cerebro-vascular accidents involving vestibular cortex and cerebellum, Vertebro-basilar insufficiency, Migraine, Meningitis and encephalitis
- d) Vestibular disorders in children
- e) Age related changes in vestibular system

Unit 4: Profiling Vestibular Disorders using Audio Vestibular Test Battery

- a) Benign paroxysmal positional vertigo, Meniere's disease, Vestibular neuritis, Labyrinthitis, Ototoxicity, Perilymph fistula, Superior semicircular canal dehiscence, Auditory neuropathy spectrum disorders, Vestibular schwannomas, Multiple sclerosis, Cranial tumors, , vestibular neuropathy
- b) Quality of life in persons with vestibular disorders

Unit 5: Management of Persons with Vestibular Disorders

- a) Medical management
- b) Surgical management
- c) Vestibular rehabilitation:
 - i. Repositioning Maneuvers
 - ii. Adaptation Exercises
 - iii. Habituation Exercises
 - iv. Imbalance Exercises
- d) Special considerations for rehabilitation of children with vestibular problems
- e) Vestibular implants

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A 401: Audiology in Practice

Marks - 100: Hours - 60

Objectives: At the end of the course, the students should be able

- a) know the role of an audiologist in different set-ups.
- b) liaise with other professionals in setting-up an audiology clinic.
- c) audit audiology practices in existing set-ups.
- d) implement acts and legislations relating to persons with hearing impairment,
- e) advise Governments and other agencies on the formulation of policies and legislative acts relating to hearing disability
- f) understand the legal implications of practice in audiology.

Unit 1: Scope of Practice, Laws, Regulations and Professional Ethics

- a) Scope of practice in global and Indian scenario
- b) Professional ethics
- c) Existing acts, legislations, policies related to persons with communication impairment
- d) Role of audiologist in the formulation of acts, regulations and policies
- e) Implementation of acts, legislations, policies and welfare measures relating to persons with hearing impairment
- f) Advocacy groups and rights of citizens
- g) National and international standards related to audiology
- h) Welfare measures provided by State and Central Government for persons with hearing impairment

Unit 2: Specialized Programs in Audiology

- a) Need for specialized programs in audiology: Geriatric and persons with multiple disability
- b) Forensic audiology
- d) Health, wellness, and health care Health promotion and disease prevention, quality of life and healthcare finances
- e) Disability-friendly environment including public education
- f) Prevention and early identification programs including societal participation

Unit 3: Service Delivery Models in Audiology

- a) Services in different medical / rehabilitation/ research /educational set ups
- b) School based services pertaining to regular and special schools
- c) Community based practice in rural and urban areas
- d) Family empowerment programs
- e) Home based delivery of services
- f) Autonomous practice in audiology
- g) Apps for hearing screening/assessment

Unit 4: Tele-practice in Audiology

- a) Information and communication technology in Audiology practice
- b) Infrastructure for video-conferencing and tele-practice in audiology
- c) Techniques/principles of remote testing for screening and diagnostic assessment for hearing, intervention and counseling
- d) Challenges and limitations of tele-practice in audiology in screening, assessment and evaluation, selection of aids and appliances, therapeutics and counseling.

Unit 5: Issues in Audiology Practice

- a) Medico-legal issues,
- b) Entrepreneurship and planning to set up private practice/clinic for audiology practice:
- b) Documentation in audiology practice: clinical / demographic data, database management and storage
- c) ICF framework for documentation / reports
- d) Quality control and auditing in audiology practice
- e) Documenting and implementing evidence based practice in audiology
- f) Understanding team approach: Work in cohesion with other professionals
- g) Information resources in audiology including books and journals, both electronic and print Databases

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A 305 & A 403 Clinicals in Audiology

General considerations

- a) The student should be able to carry out complete audiological evaluation and management of persons with hearing impairment.
- b) After completion of clinical postings, the student will have the ability to apply, show (in a clinical diary/log book), and perform the following on patients/clients:

Know-how

- a) Identify, manage and counsel persons with genetic hearing loss
- b) Choose/modify appropriate tests/protocols for evaluating children and multiply disabled
- c) Choose appropriate tests/protocols for evaluation and management of persons with giddiness
- d) Develop language / culture sensitive APD tests
- e) Advise clinical clientele on the latest implantable devices available for persons with hearing impairment.
- f) Set up audiology clinics / centers in different set ups
- g) Procedure for certification of persons with disability
- h) Financial planning and insurance policies

Demonstrate

- a) Administration of different tests for APD
- b) Plan management for 5 persons with APD/at risk for APD
- c) Administration of different tests for vestibular assessment
- d) Troubleshoot cochlear implants

Do

- a) Administer complete audiological test battery, behavioural and electrophysiological tests on 10 children with hearing loss and prepare a report explaining the results of the test and make appropriate recommendations
- b) Administer APD test battery on 5 persons with APD symptoms and prepare a report
- c) Administer complete vestibular test battery on 5 persons with giddiness
- d) Carry out pre-implant counseling for 5 persons with hearing loss
- e) Carry out mapping for 5 persons using cochlear implants
- f) Counsel 5 persons regarding use and maintenance of cochlear implants

Evaluation

- a) Internal evaluation shall be based on attendance, clinical diary, log book and learning conference.
- b) External evaluation: Spot test, OSCE, Record, Viva-voce, case work.