



## **PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY** *STUDENTS' WELFARE*

PUDUCHERRY - 605014

**Dear Student,**

**A Warm Welcome to Pondicherry University !**

Capital of the Union Territory, Puducherry is also an attractive seaside resort. It has an unique ambience, not experienced anywhere else, as it is a distinctive blend of spiritual aura, French colonial heritage, Tamil culture, and the cosmopolitan essence of many regions and nations beyond frontiers, creating a transnational world above sparring words and strife.

The climate is tropical ( between 18° C and 38° C ), with two monsoons, marked by fairly heavy rainfall in November and moderate showers in July.

Pondicherry is approximately 160 kms down South from Chennai, which is well connected with the rest of India by road, rail, and air.

### **PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY**

The **Pondicherry University** was established in 1985 by the Government of India through the Act of Parliament No.53. Being a **Central University**, it is fully supported by the University Grants Commission, with an **“A” accreditation from NAAC**.

The campus is located in pleasant surroundings and sylvan settings, offering a congenial and excellent environment for study and research. The University is well known for its scenic beauty and lush greenery that enhance the specificity of this serene and ideal environment and inspire the pursuit of academic excellence.

The Pondicherry University is a Member of the Association of Commonwealth Universities, the *Agence Universitaire de La Francophonie*, the *Fédération Internationale des Professeurs de français*, and it has signed Memorandums of Understandings with several foreign Universities.

**The Pondicherry University always strives towards brilliance -- highlighted by its guiding motto : “*tamaso mâ jyotir gamaya*”, “*vers la lumière*”. And “ With the new day comes new strength and new thoughts ”, as Eleanor Roosevelt aptly remarked.**

## **FACILITIES ON CAMPUS**

- 1) **12 Boys' Hostels** and **6 Girls' Hostels** are there on a **100 % Wi-Fi enabled campus**, with **100% power back-up**. The Hostels are provided with solar heaters and hot water facility.
- 2) The **Girls' Hostels** are **rent-free**.
- 3) **30% Food Subsidy** is allowed for **students below the creamy layer**.
- 4) Financial Assistance shall be provided through **Fellowships** and **Scholarships**.
- 5) **Free Education** is granted to **differently abled students** including boarding and lodging.
- 6) All Buildings are furnished with **Ramps** and **Lifts**.
- 7) **Campus Commutation** can be done by way of **free bicycles** and **battery operated cars**, apart from **buses** every hour.
- 8) There is a **Free Bus Service** to University from town and back.
- 9) The Campus has a **24 Hours Hospital** and **Health Centre**, and **Ambulance Facility**.
- 10) Students can work at a full fledged **Computer Centre**.
- 11) The Science Departments have the **most Sophisticated Laboratories** and **Instrumentation**.
- 12) Students can use **State-of-the-Art Sports Facilities**, and there is a **Separate Gym** for **Gents** and **Ladies**.
- 13) The **Library** is **well equipped**, and has a **remote access facility**.
- 14) There is also a **Bookshop cum Stationery and Souvenir Shop**, next to the Central Library.
- 15) The **Indian Bank Branch & ATM**, and the **Post Office** is also located on campus.
- 16) There are **4 Canteens** catering on campus, and **2 Ponlait Milk Booths**.
- 17) The **Shopping Complex** houses the **A – Z Store**, the **C-Net DTP & Xerox Shop**, the **Sparkles Laundry & Ironing Shop**, the **FBI Snack Shop**, and the **Yu Hungry Chinese Cuisine Restaurant**.

Several **Cultural Programmes** are organized, and all **Major Festivals** are celebrated on the campus. Thus, the Students get an opportunity to **showcase their various talents**.

Normally, every month, there is a week-long **Film Festival** by the **Pondicherry University Film Club**, as an entertainment for the Students.

The **Pondicherry University Quiz Club** regularly holds Quiz Competitions to hone the General Knowledge skills of the Students.

## **CONDUCT & DISCIPLINE**

### **RAGGING IN ANY FORM IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.**

**Students enrolled at Pondicherry University must realize their responsibilities to the University, to the Faculty and Staff, and to the other students. They must take care of all the free facilities provided to them, and be concerned about the fixtures and infrastructure, without indulging in any act of defacing, vandalism, or damage.**

**Failure to maintain appropriate standards of conduct will attract strict disciplinary action.** Any subversive activity, misdemeanor, obnoxious behavior, flouting of the University, Department, or Hostel Rules and Regulations, misconduct, disobedience, failure to clear dues, shall be severely punished.

**Any communication from the Student to the University Authorities shall be routed through the proper channel, i. e. , if it is a matter pertaining to the Hostel, the letter will be addressed by the Student to the Chief Warden, through the respective Warden ; if it is related to the Dept., then, the Student will address his letter to the respective Head. If it is about the facilities on campus, then, the Student brings his / her complaint to the notice of the Dean, Students' Welfare.** Student Council Meetings will also be held at regular intervals, in order to discuss all students' matters.

According to Malcolm X, "Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today."

**Wishing you brilliant results in the pursuit of your studies at Pondicherry University, and a Wonderful Future !**

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**Best Wishes,**

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**DEAN, Students' Welfare**

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