# SEMESTER 1<sup>st</sup> MAJOR COURSE

## PSY122J: PSYCHOLOGY (FOUNDATIONS OF PSYCHOLOGY)

### **CREDITS: THEORY=4; PRACTUM=2**

**OBJECTIVES:** To understand the basic psychological processes and their applications in everyday life.

#### **LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- 1. The student will be able to understand Psychology as a science.
- 2. The student will be able to understand different psychological processes.
- 3. The student will be able to understand and use the principles of Psychology to the day-to-day problems.

**UNIT 1:** Introduction: Psychology as a science, origin and development of psychology, perspectives (psychoanalytic, behavioural, cognitive, humanistic & Socio-cultural), methods (Experimental & Quasi-Experimental).

**UNIT 2:** Cognitive processes: Attention and its types, Perception and laws of perceptual organization, learning: conditioning, observational learning; memory-processes, information processing model, techniques for improving memory.

**UNIT 3:** Motivation and Emotion: Motives: biogenic, Psychogenic and sociogenic, Emotions: aspects of emotions, key emotions (Paul Ekman's model).

**UNIT 4:** Personality: nature and theories (Allport, Freud and McCrae & Costa); Intelligence: nature & Theories (Spearman, Gardner and Sternberg).

## PRACTICUM: 2 CREDITS (MINIMUM OF TWO FROM THE BELOW 4 PRACTICALS)

- 1. Learning
- 2. memory
- 3. personality
- 4. intelligence

#### **READINGS:**

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- 3. Ciccarelli, S. K & Meyer, G.E (2008). Psychology (South Asian Edition). New Delhi: Pearson
- 4. Wani, N. A. (2019). Introduction to Psychology. Wisdom Press New Delhi.
- 5. Feldman.S.R.(2009). Essentials of understanding psychology (7th Ed.) New Delhi: Tata Mc Graw Hill.
- 6. Glassman, W.E. (2000). Approaches to Psychology (3rd Ed.) Buckingham: Open University Press.