

Savitribai Phule Pune University

(formerly University of Pune)

Department of Sports and Physical Education

Under the

Faculty of Inter-disciplinary Studies

Syllabus for
Advanced Course in Mountaineering &
Allied Sports
(A.C.M.A.S.)

Semester and Credit System

(Academic Year 2024–2025)

National Education Policy (NEP) 2020

Advanced Course in Mountaineering & Allied Sports (A.C.M.A.S.)

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Structure of the course

Objectives:

- ❖ To incorporate experiential education through outdoor sports as per the New Education Policy 2020' by MHRD, Gov. of India.
- To develop confident, healthy & courageous youth for nation, through safe & systematic training & learning platform for enthusiastic and energetic students.
- ❖ To enable to understand the disciplinary content knowledge, application of content knowledge to further teaching the contents.
- ❖ To make students accustomed to the world of global adventure sports Sector.
- ❖ To introduce potential employable opportunities in Maharashtra, India, and abroad in the adventure sector

Admission requirements:

- ❖ Minimum XII Std. or equivalent, passed from Govt. Board.
- ❖ Age Limit :- 18 to 60 Years (Both inclusive)
- Medical Test: Candidates should be medically fit and sound provided other conditions of admissions are fulfilled.
- ❖ A candidate has to fulfill all the other conditions required in the admission procedure. Admission will be given based on merit based on regulations of state government and Savitribai Phule Pune University.

Intake Capacity of the Program:

The Intake capacity of the program will be 40 students per batch.

Duration of the Program:

The duration of the Diploma program will be of one academic year divided in Two semesters. However, in case of failures, the student can complete the program in the 3rd and 4th semester, whichever is applicable.

General Instructions:

- 1. The Advanced Course in Mountaineering & Allied Sports (A. C. M. A. S.) consists of Two semesters spread over one academic year and 36 credits (18 credits / semester).
- 2. A student must successfully complete 36 credits (6x3 = 18 credits per semester) in a minimum of one year.
- 3. Details of the theoretical and practical components of each semester are given in the structure of the program.
- 4. Internal evaluation will follow Continuous Comprehensive Evaluation procedures. Internal evaluation should be done on every credit of each course or minimum two per course as decided by the teacher concerned.

Rules & Regulations

The **Advanced Course in Mountaineering & Allied Sports (A.C.M.A.S.)** will be awarded to a student who completes a total of 36 credits (6 x 3 = 18 credits per semester) in a minimum of one year taking 06 courses per Semester.

Each course will have

- 1. 50 % of marks as semester end examination
- 2. 50 % marks for internal assessment

Each core unit will have an Internal (continues) assessment of 50 % of marks and a teacher may select a minimum of two of the following procedures:

- Written Test
- o Term Paper
- Mid Term Test
- Journal / Lecture / Library Notes
- Seminar Presentation
- o Short Quizzes
- Assignments
- Field Work
- ❖ To pass a student shall have to get minimum aggregate 30% marks in each head of passing (i.e. Internal assessment and semester end examination) and minimum aggregate 40% marks in each course.

- Revaluation of the semester end exam answer scripts but not of Internal assessments paper according to Ordinance No. 134 A & B.
- ❖ Internal assessment answer book may be shown to the students Concerned but not the semester end examination answer scripts.
- ❖ While marks will be given for all examinations, they will be converted into grades. The Semester end and final grade sheets and transcripts will have only grades and grade-points average.
- ❖ To pass a student shall have to get minimum aggregate 40% marks (E and above on grade point scale) in each course.
- The system of evaluation will be as follows: Each assignment/ test will be evaluated in terms of marks. The marks for separate assignment and the final (semester end) examination will be added together and converted into a grade and later grade point average. Results will be declared for each semester and the final examination will give total marks, grades, grade point average.

Percent				Grade	Grade Points
80	to	100	0 :	Outstanding	10
70	to	79	A +:	Excellent	09
60	to	69	A :	Very Good	08
55	to	59	B+ :	Good	07
50	to	54	В :	Above Average	06
45	to	49	C :	Average	05
40	to	44	P :	Pass	04
00	to	39	F :	Fail	00
			Ab:	Absent	00

The formula for conversion of Grade point average (GPA) into the final grade

09.00	-	10.00	-	0
08.50	-	08.99	-	A+
07.50	-	08.49	-	A
06.50	-	07.49	-	B+
05.50	-	06.49	-	В
04.25	-	05.49	-	С
04.00	-	04.24	-	P
00.00	-	0399	-	F

GPA = <u>Total Amt. Of Grade Points Earned X Credits hrs. for each course</u> Total Credit Hours

- ❖ If a student misses an internal assessment examination, he/she will be given second chance with permission of the teacher concerned.
- ❖ Students who have failed and who have been absent for the semester end exam may reappear at the next semester-end exam. Their internal marks will not change.

The description for each of the grades will be as follows:

<u>Grades</u>	<u>Proposed Norms</u>		
0: Outstanding	Excellent Analysis of the topic, (80% and above)		
A+ : Excellent	Accurate knowledge of the primary material, wide range of reading, logical development of ideas, originality in approaching the subject, neat and systematic organization of content, elegant and lucid style. Excellent Analysis of the topic, (70 to 79%)		
	Accurate knowledge of the primary material, acquaintance with seminal publications, logical development of ideas, Neat and systematic organization of content, effective and clear expression		
A : Very Good	Good analysis and treatment of the topic (60 to 69%)		
B+: Good	Almost Accurate knowledge of the primary material, acquaintance with seminal publication, logical development of ideas, fair and systematic organization of content, effective and clear expression. Good analysis and treatment of the topic (55 to 59%)		
B : Above Average	Basic knowledge of the primary material, logical development of ideas, neat and systematic organization of content, effective and clear expression. Some important points covered (50 to 54%)		
C : Average	Basic knowledge of the primary material, logical development of ideas, neat and systematic organization of content, good language, or expression. Some points discussed (45 to 49%)		
P : Pass	Basic knowledge of the primary material, some organization, acceptable language, or expression. Any two of the above (40 to 44%)		
F : Fail	None of the above (00 to 39%)		

Academic integrity and Plagiarism

It is the Department task to encourage ethical scholarship and to inform students and staff about the institutional standards of academic behavior expected of them in learning, teaching and research. Students have a responsibility to maintain the highest standards of academic integrity in their work. Students must not cheat in examination or other forms of assessment and must ensure they do not plagiaries.

The Department/Institute has adopted the following definition of Plagiarism:

Plagiarism is the act of misrepresenting as one's original work, the ideas, interpretations, words of creative works of another. These include published and unpublished documents, designs, music, sound, image, photographs, computer codes and ideas gained through working in a group. These ideas, interpretations, words, or works may be found in print and / or electronic media.

The following are the examples of plagiarism where appropriate acknowledgement or referencing of the author or source does not occur:

- Direct copying of paragraphs, sentences, a single sentence, or significant part of a sentence.
- Direct copying of paragraphs, sentences, a single sentence, or significant part of a sentence with an end reference but without quotation marks around the copied text
- ❖ Copying ideas, concepts, research results, computer codes, statistical tables, designs, images, sounds or text or any combination of these.
- A Paraphrasing, summarization or simply rearranging another person's words, ideas, etc. without changing the basic structure and/or meaning of the text.
- Offering an idea or interpretation that is not one's own without identifying whose idea or interpretations it is.
- ❖ A 'cut and paste' of statements from multiple sources.
- Presenting as independent, work done in collaboration with others.
- Copying or adapting another student's original work into a submitted assessment item.

STRUCTURE OF ADVANCED COURSE IN MOUNTAINEERING AND ALLIED SPORTS

❖ Semester I

Sr.	Subject	Subject Name	Туре	Credit
No.	code	Subject Nume	Турс	Creare
1	AMT-101	Basic Skills & Technical Knowledge - I	Theory	3
2	AMT-102	Foundation of Human Performance and Emergency Care - I	Theory	3
3	AMT-103	Introduction to Soft Skill, Life Skill and Allied Mountaineering - I	Theory	3
4	AMT-104	Basic Skills & Technical Knowledge - II	Practical	3
5	AMT-105	Foundation of Human Performance and Emergency Care - II	Practical	3
6	AMT-106	Introduction to Soft Skill, Life Skill and Allied Mountaineering - II	Practical	3

❖ Semester II

Sr.	Subject	Subject Name	Type	Credit
No.	code	Subject Name	Турс	Credit
1	AMT-201	Basic Skills & Technical Knowledge - III	Theory	3
2	AMT-202	Foundation of Human Performance and Emergency Care - III	Theory	3
3	AMT-203	Introduction to Soft Skill, Life Skill and Allied Mountaineering - III		3
4	AMT-204	4 Basic Skills & Technical Knowledge - IV Prac		3
5	AMT-205 Foundation of Human Performance and Emergency Care - IV		Practical	3
6	AMT-206	Introduction to Soft Skill, Life Skill and Allied Mountaineering - IV	Practical	3

Syllabus Semester I

AMT-101 Basic Skills & Technical Knowledge - I

Credit	Topics	Content
	Knots & Equipment	 Know the types of knots Methods of tying knots Introduction to personal safety gears Trekking & Rock-Climbing gears Equipment standards, Norms, & governing body
1	Outdoor Camping, Backpacking	 Basics of hiking, & trekking Backpacking essentials Types of tent Parts of tent Precautions and preparation for tent pitching Science in packing a backpack Types, parts and usage Science of Outdoor Clothing Types of Clothing Advantage & Disadvantage of clothing layers
2	Rock Climbing, Sport Climbing	 Types of hand & foot holds Three-point technique Learn to harness and racking What is belaying and its importance Introduction to Lead Climbing Introduction to the world of Sport Climbing Rock Climbing - Top Rope Climbing & Bouldering
	Rappelling	 Purpose of Rappelling Where and how to perform itsafely Equipment for rappelling
3	Jumaring	 Purpose of Jumaring Jumar and its features Where and how to perform jumaringsafely Equipment for jumaring
	Navigation	 Various types of Maps & their features Topographic Map Making Understanding contourlines

AMT-102 Foundation of Human Performance and Emergency Care - I

Credit	Topics	Content
1	First Aid	 Role of First Aid Responder ABC of First Aid Types of Injuries Types of Illness Medical Challenges in Sahyadri Outdoors Bites Dehydration
2	Disaster Management	 Introduction to Anchoring Systems Safety equipment and regular checking Subjective and Objective Hazards Assessment of Hazards
2	Human Physiology	 Introduction to Homeostasis Overview of Human Organ Systems Energy Systems Muscles types Insights into CV system Respiratory System Endocrine System ANS – Sympathetic & Parasympathetic systems Role of ANS in performance enhancement
3	Fitness Training	 Strength & Conditioning Methodology of endurance & Strengthtraining Principles of systematic fitnesstraining Introductory Sports biomechanics
	Nutrition	 Concept of sport Nutrition Introduction to Macro and Micro nutrients Digestion, Absorption, and Metabolism

AMT-103 Introduction to Soft Skill, Life Skill and Allied Mountaineering - I

Credit	Topics	Content
1	Communication	 Articulation of thoughts & speech Effective presentation through experiencesharing (articles, ppt, short film blogging/vlogging)
	Effective Planning & Execution	 Learn to plan outdoor activity with every details Reconnaissance of the destination Logistical challenges during planning Practical difficulties during execution Debriefing and report making of the event
2	Leave No Trace	Learn 7 important environmental ethics of outdoors
	Sahyadri Biodiversity	Flora & Fauna in SahaydriRivers, damsCultural diversity in Sahyadri
	Mountaineering at global level	Other Mountain ranges of worldEvolution of Himalayas
	Mountain Terminology	Identify & Understand Sahaydri Mountain Terminology
	Introduction to Sahyadri	 Evolution of Sahyadri Formation of Basalt Rock Forts - Historical Perspective Sculptural splendor of Sahyadri
3	Adventure Sports at Global level	Introduction to other adventure sports life mountain biking, adventure racing, ultra marathons, mountain marathons, etc.
	Administration and Legal aspect of Mountaineering and adventure	 Legal aspect, government regulations Administration of Adventure Activities International standards of group safety.
	Career guidance	 Career Opportunities in Mountaineering &Adventure sport Sector

AMT-104 Basic Skills & Technical Knowledge - II

Credit	Topics	Content
1	Knots & Equipment	 Demonstrations: Overhand on the bight, figure 8 on the bight, Clove Hitch, Reef knot Rope Coil – Butterfly, Casualty Introduction to personal safety gears Trekking & Rock-Climbing gears Application, care & maintenance of gear
	Outdoor Camping, Backpacking	 Learn to pitch tent Learn how to pack your backpack efficiently Backpack gear
	Rock Climbing, Sport Climbing	 Bouldering, indoor sport climbing Types of hand & foot holds Three-point technique Top Rope Climbing Techniques in Sport Climbing
2	Rappelling & Jumaring	 Perform and master the art of rappelling and jumaring Learn various techniques of rappelling & jumaring in various scenarios
	Advance Sports Climbing	Introduction to various systems and roles in sport climbing competition like route setter, judge, belayer etc.
	Belaying	 Different belay devices Different belay types Introduction to station belay, body belay etc.
3	Outdoor Excursion	 2-day hike/ training in Sahyadrihills 7 days trek upto 10000 ft.

AMT-105 Foundation of Human Performance and Emergency Care - II

Credit	Topics	Content
1	First Aid	 Identifying the casualty Providing the ABC of first aid Immobilization skills Handling wounds, bites, burns Casualty carrying techniques Casualty coil making Treatment in illness Bandaging CPR skills
2	Disaster Management	 Making SERENE skilled anchor set ups Learn to fix rope in difficult sections Learn to lead a group of participants safely
2	Fitness Training	 Fitness Testing Mental Fitness Training Drills Physical Fitness training Techniques
3	Outdoor Excursion	2-days training session in Sahyadri hills

AMT-106 Introduction to Soft Skill, Life Skill and Allied Mountaineering – II

Credit	Topics	Content
	Communication	 Effective presentation through experience sharing (articles, ppt, short film blogging/vlogging) Collaborate in group activities to develop mutual trust, accountability, and team goal-oriented work
1	Effective Planning & Execution	 Learn to plan outdoor activity with every details Reconnaissance of the destination Logistical challenges during planning Practical difficulties duringexecution Debriefing and report making of the event
	Documentation	 Critically analyze the subjects and make detailed documentation of the subject. Use various tools – AV/ PPT/ Story telling to demonstrate learning
2	Leave No Trace	 Learn 7 important environmental ethics of outdoors Implement them during the activities Demonstrate the learnings through presentation
	Photography & Videography	Introductory session on outdoor photography& videography
3	Sahaydri Biodiversity	Sample Collection techniquesEquipment for sample collection
	Outdoor Excursion	1-day training session in Sahyadri hills

Semester II AMT-201 Basic Skills & Technical Knowledge – III

Credit	Topics	Content
1	Knots & Equipment	 Understanding Knots, hitches, bends Types of hitches, bends, and advance knots Introduction to personal safety gears in high altitude Application, care & maintenance of gear Equipment standards, Norms, & governing body Physics and science behind the mountain gears
	Navigation	Navigation systems using compassSatellite Navigation Systems
2	Rock Climbing	 Fall factor Equipment and importance of special knots/hitches in advance climbing techniques Station Management Route Grading Systems
	Rappelling & Jumaring	 Perform and master the art of rappelling and jumaring Learn various techniques of rappelling & jumaring in various scenarios
	Snow Craft	Equipment to be used in snowactivities
3	Ice Craft	Equipment to be used in iceactivities
3	Glacier walking	Snow CyclesUnderstanding crevasses

AMT-202 Foundation of Human Performance and Emergency Care - III

Credit	Topics	Content
1	First Aid	High Altitude First Aid SkillsMedical challenges at high altitude
2	Rescue Techniques	 Introduction to MMRCC Role and active work of MMRCC Case studies of special rescue operations Communication skills for timely operations Introduction to HAM & its application Survival skills in cold conditions
3	High Altitude & Human Physiology	 Effect of Low Oxygen air on various organ system Food and hydration habits Effect on sleep cycle
	Nutrition	 Energy requirement at life stages and sepcific requirement for athletes Calorific value of food items Role of water & fluids Functional foods
	Physical Fitness Training	 Fatigue and the responsible factors Assessment of fitness training Managing the training effects Planning your fitness

AMT-203 Introduction to Soft Skill, Life Skill and Allied Mountaineering – III

Credit	Topics	Content
1	Self Awareness	 Critical thinking & problem-solving abilities through various situational experiential learning Identify strength & weakness of self
	Soft Skills	Learn to improve your Preparation and anticipation in your work to enhanceyour performance
	Personality Development	 Leadership skills Team Management and handling conflicts Leaning to respect each other and developing sense of empathy towards groupmates and nature
2	Glaciology	 Study of mountain glaciers across the globe Understanding Siachen – from scientificand political angles
	Himalaya Biodiversity	Flora & Fauna in HimalayaGlaciers & riversCultural diversity in Himalaya
	Glorious Mountaineering	 Key milestones internationally Key milestones by India Understanding Sherpa Community
	World Beyond 8000 m	 Death zone and safe mountaineering Case studies of successful ascents & failed attempts
3	Expedition Planning	 Eligibility of leader & Members Budget planning Resource planning Report making
	Short Internship in adventure programme	 Serve in 2 one day hiking events Learn practically the nitty-gritties of safe & successful adventure programme execution

AMT-204 Basic Skills & Technical Knowledge – IV

Credit	Topics	Content
1	Knots & Equipment	Tie in knot for lead climbingRope Coil – Climber's coil
	Navigation	 Use of compass & Maps Bearing in field and on map Altimeter, barometer Navigation systems across the world
	Lead Climbing	 Learn to lead on sport routes Introduction to lead climbing on trad routes Lead Belay Multipitch Climbing Multipitch Rappelling & Jumaring
	Rappelling & Jumaring	Advance Skills of RappellingJumaring on overhang section
	Snow Craft	Equipment to be used in snowactivitiesTechniques of ascent & descent
	Ice Craft	 Equipment to be used in ice activities Techniques of ascent & descent Introductory Lead Climbing on ice
	Glacier walking	Rope up and team walk in glacierLearning to negotiate crevasses
	Outdoor Excursion	2-days outdoor climbing session
2 and 3	15 days High Altitude Training	Height gain up to 16000 ft

AMT-205 Foundation of Human Performance and Emergency Care – IV

Credit	Topics	Content
1	First Aid	 Treating Frost Bite, Snow Blindness First Aid in Hypothermia Making your own First Aid kit for high altitude Use of Pulse Oximeter, Sphygmomanometer
	Weather Forecasting	 Types of Clouds Predicting the weather patterns Wind Chill Factor
2	Rescue Techniques &- Communication devices	 Cliff Rescue, Jungle Rescue, Valleyrescue Use of Walkie – Talkie Morse Code principles to communicate Techniques for self arrest in snow ice and glacier
	Technological advancements in mountaineering	Supplemental Oxygen & its functioningGamow bag
3	Fitness Training	10 days rigorous mountain fitness training programme

AMT-206 Introduction to Soft Skill, Life Skill and Allied Mountaineering – IV

Credit	Topics	Content
1	Self Awareness	 Critical thinking & problem-solving abilities through various situational experiential learning Identify strength & weakness of self
	Soft Skills	Learn to improve your Preparation and anticipation in your work to enhanceyour performance
2	Personality Development	 Leadership skills Team Management and handling conflicts Leaning to respect each other and developing sense of empathy towards groupmates and nature
	Expedition Planning	 Eligibility of leader & Members Budget planning Resource planning Report making
3	Photography & Videography	Skills of photography and videography in high altitude
	Mountain Terminology	Understand High altitude terminologies

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