**CERTIFICATE COURSE IN GENDER STUDIES**

**Objective and Scope**

Gender Studies is a unique subject which attempts to challenge traditional structures of knowledge about gender and also, the usual ways in which we learn. Gender Studies draws on many disciplines, including sociology, literature, history, psychology and politics, and is accessible to students whose previous academic backgrounds belong to any discipline. Students are encouraged to reflect on their own life experiences and combine this with theoretical insights that cross discipline boundaries.

Gender Studies involves intellectual discussions on a wide range of issues that impact directly on women's lives today. It has relevance to those working in a wide range of sectors who wish to understand more about gender relations in society and who also want to acquire up-to date academic skills and qualifications. Gender Studies recognizes the value of women's personal lived experiences, and the skills and awareness learned through everyday social interaction, and believes in listening to what women themselves have to say about their own lives.

This Programme provides students with expertise in gender theory and scholarship and encourages critical analyses of gender in relation to culture, nation, sexuality, class and caste from a range of disciplinary perspectives.

**COURSE OUTLINE**

**(The course structure may change according to the needs of the students and available resources)**

**Core Courses No. Of Credits**

GS 1: Introduction to Gender Studies 4

GS 2: Gender and Culture 4

GS 3: Gender and Law: 4

In total 88 participants have enrolled themselves in the aforesaid course 43 students were in campus and 45 students were enrolled from Shri Sumer Mahila Mahavidhyalaya. Time duration was from September 2016 to March 2017 in the SPUP Campus and Shri Sumer Mahila Mahavidhyalaya campus.