Dear Applicant

Congratulations on your success in the MPhil Entrance Test for admission to MPhil (English) programme 2012-13! You are among the lucky 11 who have cleared the entrance test.

Accordingly, we are happy to invite you to attend the Interview-cum-Counselling session to be held between 02.30 pm and 4.00 pm on Wednesday, 25 July 2012 in the Computer Laboratory of the Department in the Humanities and Social Sciences Building. Please remain present before the MPhil (English) Research Committee (MPhil RDC) (a) with four copies of the presentation (one each for the members of the MPhil RDC, and one for the records) on a topic of your area of interest for research; (b) make an oral presentation lasting not more than three to five minutes on the this topic, for the committee would be interested in particular in learning from you why and how you think the research area you have chosen is important and how much of work by way of reading you have already put into it; and (c) answer questions based on the short oral presentation. The MPhil RDC will make an assessment of your research potential on the basis of your presentation and your response to questions put on it before taking a final decision on admission. Failure to make a presentation will be taken as a breach of the requirements on your part, leading to your automatic disqualification.

We have a total of 15 seats but only 11 have qualified for admission. We can offer state-aided seats to only 06 students in the order of merit as the university rules, fully following the state reservation policies. The remaining 05 seats will be available on the same lines under the self-financing scheme. The details about the availability of seats was publicised on the Department Homepage on the University website www.spuvvn.edu and we see no reason for repeating it here.

The MPhil RDC shall collectively allot you to one of the three teachers in the Department who are recognised to guide MPhil students. No teacher can take more than 5 students as per the UGC mandate published in the Gazette of India on 11 July 2009. The decision of the MPhil Research Committee on admissions to the MPhil programme shall ordinarily be final. Should there be any dispute with regard to this, the decision of the Honourable Vice Chancellor, Sardar Patel University shall be final and binding for all concerned.

Classes will commence from 2.30 pm onward on 30 July 2012. You will be doing two mandatory papers: Research Methodology and Contemporary Literary Criticism and Theories; and choose
from IIIA: Fiction or IIIB: Applied Linguistics. Your dissertation constitutes the fourth paper. Classes for the MPhil (English) Programme are held on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday for those opting for Paper IIIA; and Monday to Wednesday for those who would like to go in for Elective Paper IIIB.

Provisions in R.PG.MPhil.Arts.21 (b) mandate that an MPhil student shall record “75% of the total working days on each of the courses of the study separately for each term to the satisfaction of the Head of the PG Department.” Deficiency of attendance constitutes a breach of agreement. Should you be found wanting on that count, the Department will restrain you from taking the University Examination, and shall hear no plea thereafter.

If you are employed in a college/institution, then we would advise you to seek permission and an NOC in writing from the Principal of your college/institution when you come to attend the class on Monday, 30 July 2012 after your admission.

Good wishes!

J H Khan
Convener, MPhil (English) RDC