



सावित्रीबाई फुले राष्ट्रीय महिला एवं बाल विकास संस्थान
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In Collaboration with
Panjab University, Chandigarh
(Department of Psychology)

Advanced Diploma in Child Guidance and Counselling
(Recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India, New Delhi)

The Advanced Diploma in Child Guidance and Counselling (ADCGC) programme is being conducted by Savitribai Phule National Institute of Women and Child Development, Regional Centre, Mohali, Ministry of Women & Child Development Government of India, in collaboration with the Department of Psychology, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

SPNIWCD

The Savitribai Phule National Institute of Women and Child Development (SPNIWCD) is an autonomous Institute functioning under the aegis of the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD), Government of India. The Institute serves as an apex body dedicated to delivering quality training, counselling services, consultancy, and research in areas of topical relevance to Women and Child Development. SPNIWCD has its Headquarters in New Delhi and in order to cater to the region-specific requirements of the country, the Institute, over a period of time, has established six Regional Centres located at Guwahati (1978), Bengaluru (1980), Lucknow (1982), Indore (2001), Mohali (2019), and Ranchi (2025). The vision of the Institute is to emerge as a Centre of Excellence in the field of Women and Child Development by fostering partnerships and linkages with national and international agencies and by ensuring that its training and research initiatives remain responsive to the diverse needs of various stakeholder groups. The key objectives of the Institute include the promotion of voluntary action in social development; adoption of a comprehensive approach to child development; development and promotion of programmes in pursuance of the National Policy for Children; facilitation of coordination between governmental and voluntary efforts in social development; and evolution of appropriate frameworks for organizing children's programmes through collaborative efforts.

The Regional Centre, Mohali of SPNIWCD has been providing counselling and child centric services to the community through its Child Guidance Centre since 2019 as a part of its extension services. The Institute in collaboration with Department of Psychology, Panjab University, Chandigarh will be running the Advanced Diploma in Child Guidance and Counselling Programme during 2026-27. The programme is approved by the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI). Admission into the said course is open for the Academic Session 2026-2027.

Panjab University, Chandigarh

The Panjab University (PU) initiated at Lahore in 1882, has a long tradition of pursuing excellence in teaching and research in science and technology, humanities, social sciences, performing arts and sports. The University supports excellence and innovation in academic programmes, promotes excellence in research, scholarship and teaching. The University is committed to attract and support the best students and faculty, who excel at teaching and research. In independent India, Panjab University with its Campus at Chandigarh and nearly 202 affiliated colleges in Punjab state and Chandigarh U.T., has served various societal needs with distinctions

The Department of Psychology, Panjab University (PU), Chandigarh was established in 1959 on the Chandigarh campus. This department is part of Panjab University, Chandigarh, a Central and State Government funded University. The faculty of Department of Psychology have undertaken research in field of Psychology both at the national and international level in Clinical Psychology, Mental Training, Organizational Psychology, Media Psychology, Cognitive Psychology, Counselling, Sports Psychology, Positive Psychology and Health Psychology. Apart from this, the department has made valuable contributions to the discipline and has actively participated in and conducted youth development programmes, police training, cognitive training, mental training, social welfare and organizational development programs, prisoners' behavior analysis. Besides executing its social responsibilities, the department has been attracting highly meritorious national and international students for its M.A, Post M.A. Diploma and Ph.D. Courses. The department has a well-equipped Library, Seminar Room, Counselling Centre, Research Scholar Room, Psychology Lab.

Application Form and Fee:

The Application Form would be available at the Institute's website <https://www.spniwcd.wcd.gov.in> as well as Punjab University, Chandigarh website <https://puhd.ac.in/>. It can also be collected from SPNIWCD, Regional Centre Mohali, Sector-79, SAS Nagar, Mohali (Punjab) Pin code-140308. The filled-in Application Form along with Application Fee of Rs. 1000/- (nonrefundable) should be submitted to the Institute on or before **April 30, 2026 before 5.00 pm (Thursday)**. The Application Fees should be paid online to SPNIWCD, Regional Centre, Mohali, Account No. 2919101003531, IFSC Code CNRB0002919, Canara Bank, Phase 10, Mohali.

Outstation applicants may submit the scanned copy of their filled Admission Form along with the Online Payment details to email: rcmohali-nipccd@gov.in; nipccdrmaccts@gmail.com and send hard copies via registered post.

Duration of the Programme: One year (Annual)

Total Seat: 25.

Eligibility Criteria for the Programme

1. Master's Degree in Psychology/Mental Health in regular mode with 55% and above from recognized University. 50% marks in Master's Degree in Psychology/Mental Health from recognized University in case of SC/ST/BC/PwD Candidates.

2. The candidate must also have studied English (Elective/Core/ Functional) (01 paper) at 10+2 level or higher.
3. Aggregate of 55% marks in the qualifying Master's degree for the purpose of eligibility will be taken as the aggregate of all subjects/papers of Psychology/Mental Health as the qualifying degree, if not specified by the degree awarding University.

Admission Criteria

1. Admission shall be on the basis of the merit of the Written Entrance Test and Personal Interview.
2. Applicants who obtained 50% minimum in the entrance test will be eligible for appearing in the Personal Interview. Relaxation of 5% in cutoff of written entrance test to be eligible for appearing in the Personal Interview for SC/ST/BC/PwD Candidates.
3. All the students shall be required to submit a Medical Certificate indicating fitness from registered medical practitioner at the time of admission.

Important Dates for Admission:

1. Last Date of receipt of Application Form at SPNIWCD, Regional Centre, Mohali: **April 30, 2026 before 5 p.m (Thursday).**
2. Date and Time of Written Entrance Exam: **May 10, 2026 (Sunday)**
3. Date of Declaration of Written Test Result: **May 11, 2026 (Monday)**
4. Date and Time of Personal Interview: **May 12, 2026 (Tuesday)**
5. Announcement of tentative Final list of Eligible candidates for admission: **May 14, 2026 (Thursday)**
6. Last date of fee deposit (Rs 90,000/-) for Admission into ADCGC is **June 01, 2026 till 5 pm (Monday)** in favour of SPNIWCD, Regional Centre, Mohali, Account No. 2919101003531, IFSC Code CNRB0002919, Canara Bank, Phase 10, Mohali.
7. Date for Commencement of course: **July 1, 2026 (Wednesday)**

The Details of the Written Entrance Exam include:

1. Duration: 1.5 hours
2. Type: A total of 60 Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) consisting of 01 marks each question.
3. Syllabus: Psychology and Statistics & Research Methodology

(Note: Written Entrance Test – 50% cutoff in the Written Entrance Exam and relaxation of 5% would be given to candidates from Category of SC/ST/BC/PwD Candidates to be eligible to be called for interview.)

Guidelines for Written Entrance Test: (Weightage 60%)

1. Tentative list of eligible candidates for Written Entrance Test will be displayed on the Institute's website <https://www.spniwcd.wcd.gov.in> as well as Panjab University, Chandigarh website <https://puohd.ac.in/> and Notice Board of the Institute at Regional Centre, Mohali.
2. The date and time for written entrance test will also be displayed on the Institute's website as well as Panjab University, Chandigarh website and Notice Board of the Institute at Regional Centre, Mohali. However, no separate communication/ intimation will be given to the applicants.
3. Candidate eligible for written test should carry fee receipt and identity proof (Aadhar card/Voter ID/PAN card) to the centre of examination.
4. No separate Admit card will be issued to eligible individual candidate.
5. There will be negative marking of 0.25 marks per question in the written test.
6. The written entrance test and personal interview shall be conducted in offline mode at SPNIWCD, Regional Centre Mohali, Sector-79, SAS Nagar, Mohali, Punjab-140308.
7. The final selected candidates for admission into ADCGC session 2026 - 2027 will be informed individually by email and the same will be displayed on the Institute's website as well as Panjab University, Chandigarh website and Notice Board of the Institute at Regional Centre, Mohali.

Personal Interview: (weightage 40%)

1. The top 60 candidates in the Written Entrance Exam will be called for Personal Interview.
2. The date and time for Personal Interview will be communicated to eligible individual candidates through e-mail. The list of eligible candidates will also be available on website and Institute's Notice Board.
3. Candidates will be assessed on Scoring in Master's degree in Psychology/Mental Health. Qualified UGC – NET (Psychology/Mental Health), Ph.D. in Psychology/Mental Health, Presentation and Communication skills. Work Experience in the field of Counselling/Mental Health. Weightage will be given to Panjab University campus students of Masters in Psychology and/or Post M.A. Diploma in Professional counselling and Psychotherapy who have passed out from Department of Psychology, Panjab University, Chandigarh.
4. The candidates have to carry their original documents along with a set of photocopy of Aadhar Card; Education Qualification supporting documents from Matriculation to Post Graduation and beyond; Previous University Registration Certification; Migration Certificate; Certificate/Proof of having studied from Psychology Department campus, Panjab University, Chandigarh; Experience Certificate (if applicable); Latest reservation category certificate (within 6 months) for verification.

Seat Reservation Policy

The course conducted by SPNIWCD, Regional Centre, Mohali in collaboration with Department of Psychology, Panjab University, Chandigarh will be following the seat reservation policy as per the Panjab University, Chandigarh norms. Further, if the reserved seats under any of the categories are not filled, then the particular unfilled category shall be filled from the overall merit list (irrespective of categories).

Fee Structure

Fee category	Amount (Rs.) (per student)	Retained by
Tuition Fee (Annually to be deposited at the time of admission)	50000.00	SPNIWCD, RC(M)
Lab Fee	500.00	SPNIWCD, RC(M)
Caution Fee (Refundable)	5000.00	SPNIWCD, RC(M)
Admission Form	1000.00	SPNIWCD, RC(M) & PU, Chandigarh (50% sharing)
Examination Fee	2500.00	SPNIWCD, RC(M) & PU, Chandigarh (50% sharing).
Internship Report Evaluation Fee	1000.00	SPNIWCD, RC(M) for external examiners.
Collaboration Fee (Psychology Department)	23500.00	Department of Psychology, Panjab University, Chandigarh.
University Registration	3000.00	Panjab University, Chandigarh
Student Welfare Fee (Library, ID cards etc.)	2000.00	Panjab University, Chandigarh
Alumni Fee	1500.00	Panjab University, Chandigarh
Total Amount	90000.00 (Rupees Ninety Thousand only)	

Note: The total fees will be collected by SPNIWCD, RCM and the respective fee/charges will be remitted to the University. Caution Fee is refundable to students on completion of the course.

Admission Procedure

1. List of Eligible/Successful candidates will be displayed on the website and Notice Board of the Institute at Regional Centre Mohali and email will be sent to the successful candidates.
2. Eligible/Successful candidates should make online payment of the course fee amount of Rs 90,000/- on and before **June 01, 2026 till 5pm (Monday)**.
3. In case any candidate fails to pay the fee amount within the stipulated time, his/her seat will be forfeited and offered to the next candidate.
4. In case of discrepancy found in the documents/testimonials of a candidate at any point of time, his/her admission will be cancelled and fee forfeited. He/she will solely be responsible for the same.

5. The original documents need to be submitted to SPNIWCD, RCM for verification.
6. Online payments are to be made to SPNIWCD, Regional Centre, Mohali, Account No. 2919101003531, IFSC Code CNRB0002919, Canara Bank, Phase-10, Mohali, Punjab.

Withdrawal of Admission

1. After admission, a candidate will be allowed to withdraw his/her admission upto 15 calendar days from the date on which he/she took admission.
2. An application for withdrawal of admission should reach SPNIWCD, Regional Centre, Mohali within 15 days after the admission. In such case the Institute will refund the admission amount after deduction of 10% from the full amount towards withdrawal charges.
3. If the candidate withdraws the candidature after commencement of the course i.e. 1st July, 2026 or anytime during the course they will have to deposit an amount of Rs 60,000/-, which is over & above the fee which the candidate has deposited at the time of the admission.

Documents (self-attested) to be submitted at the time of admission

1. Aadhar Card/ Identity Proof
2. 2 passport size photographs
3. Education Qualification supporting documents from Matriculation to Post Graduation and beyond.
4. Previous University Registration Certification
5. Migration Certificate
6. Certificate/Proof of having studied from Psychology Department campus, Panjab University, Chandigarh.
7. Experience Certificate (if applicable)
8. Affidavit for Gap in the Education (if applicable)
9. NOC from the previous Institute/University (if applicable)
10. Character Certificate from the latest course done by the candidate.

General Information:

1. Students taking admission in the Institute will abide by the Rules and Regulation of Panjab University, Chandigarh as well as Savitribai Phule National Institute of Women and Child Development, Regional Centre, Mohali.
2. Students whose attendance falls below the required minimum (75% in the Theory/lectures planned for the academic year & 90% in the total field work days) attendance shall not be allowed to proceed for final Theory and Fieldwork/Practical Examination.
3. Students are not allowed to pursue a parallel course (online/offline) from any other Institution or University during course.
4. Any litigation/dispute regarding the examination or admission will be settled subject to jurisdiction of the High Court of Punjab and Haryana, Chandigarh.