

PROGRAMMES OFFERED Shift - I (Aided Courses)
08.30 a.m. to 01.30 p.m.

1. UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

S.No	Major	Allied I	Allied II
1	Botany	Chemistry	Zoology
2	Commerce	Economics & Statistics	Commercial Law (DTP & Programming)
3	Computer Science	Mathematics – oriented Courses	Hardware - oriented courses
4	Chemistry	Mathematics	Physics
5	Economics	Statistics	History
6	English Literature	Language Skills	Literary Forms & Social History
7	Mathematics	Physics	Statistics
8	Physics	Mathematics	Chemistry
9	Zoology	Chemistry	Botany

2. POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

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| 1) M.A.Tamil | 2) M.A. Folklore |
| 3) M.Com. | 4) M.Sc. Botany |
| 5) M.Sc. Mathematics | 6) M.Sc. Zoology |

3. Ph.D. (PART-TIME & FULL-TIME) PROGRAMMES

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| 1) Tamil | 2) Folklore |
| 3) Botany | 4) Zoology |
| 5) Mathematics | 6) Computer Science |
| 7) Physics | 8) Commerce |
| 9) Chemistry | 10) English |
| 11) Economics | |

PROGRAMMES OFFERED Shift II (Self - Financing Programmes)
01.45 p.m. TO 06.45 p.m.

1. UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

S.No	Major	Allied I	Allied II
1	Archaeology	Pre-historic Archaeology	History of India (Upto 1206CE)
2	Artificial Intelligence	Discrete Mathematics	Introduction to Statistics
3	B.Com. Banking & Finance	Business Mathematics & Statistics	Financial Market & Services
4	B.Com. Maritime Logistics	Accounting for Managers	ICD & CFS Operations
5	BCA (Comp. Applications)	Mathematics	Mathematics
6	B.Com. Honours	Business Economics	Business Environment
7	B.Sc. Criminology & Forensic Science	Crime and Delinquency	Practical - Examination of finger Print
8	Business Administration	Business Mathematics & Statistics	Computer Application Packages for Managers
9	Commerce (Two Sections)	Economics & Statistics	Commercial Law (DTP & Programming)
10	Commerce (Additional Section)	Economics & Statistics	Commercial Law (DTP & Comp. Programming)
11	Commerce (Corp. Secretaryship)	Economics & Statistics	Commercial Law (DTP & Programming)
12	Computer Science	Mathematics - oriented Courses	Hardware - oriented Courses
13	English Literature	Language Skill	Literary Forms & Social History
14	Mathematics	Physics	Statistics
15	Physics	Mathematics	Chemistry
16	Physical Education	Anatomy, Physiology & movement Education	Computer Application & Sports Biomechanics
17	Tamil	History of Literature	Journalism
18	Visual Communication	Film Studies	Media and Cultural Studies

2. POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

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|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1) M.A. English Literature | 2) M.Sc. Chemistry |
| 3) M.Sc. Physics | 4) M.Sc. Computer Science |
| 5) M.Sc. Mathematics | 6) M.Sc. Data Science |
| 7) MCA | 8) M.A. Social Work (MSW) |
| 9) M.A. Economics | 10) MBA |

3. Ph.D. (PART-TIME & FULL-TIME) PROGRAMME

Business Administration

4. DIPLOMA COURSE

PG Diploma in Computer Application in Business (PGDCAB)

CHOICE - BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

While the Tamil Nadu State Council of Higher Education (TANSCH) came forward to introduce CBCS in all the affiliated colleges in Tamil Nadu in June 2008, St. Xavier's College had already introduced CBCS as early as June 2002 for UG courses and in June 2003 for PG courses. The aim of the Choice Based Credit System is to provide ample choice of subjects to students, based on the weighted credit point system. This system offers the learners a chance to match their aptitude and interest with the subjects of their choice and learn at their own pace. Thus St. Xavier's College gives every student an opportunity to study his / her discipline - specific courses and pursue other courses from any other departments simultaneously.

ESSENTIAL FEATURES OF CBCS

- Standardization of degree courses to internationally accepted levels
- Focus on skill-based curriculum
- Emphasis on value education
- Institution - Industry collaboration
- Provision for earning more credits
- Development of communication skills

OBJECTIVES OF THE RESTRUCTURED CURRICULUM

The academic framework for the UG programme has the following general objectives :

1. To develop language skills in students.
2. To sensitize the students to the social realities around them with a view to making them responsible citizens and other-centred persons.
3. To develop the personality of the students to be able to realize their potential and to interact well with society.

4. To develop in them the in-depth knowledge in the selected area of their study.
5. To broaden the outlook of the students through interdisciplinary approach, to enable them to access knowledge and use the same meaningfully.
6. To impart an education that promises an integrated growth of knowledge, skills and values and enable the students to have confidence and positive look.
7. To sensitize them to social realities and prepare them to make this world a better place to live in by participating well in the outreach programme (STAND).

STRUCTURE OF UG SYLLABUS (From 2026 - 27 batch of students)

The UG syllabus under CBCS consists of five parts:

- Part I : Tamil / Other languages (Hindi & French)
- Part II : General English
- Part III : Core Subjects
Electives / Allied Subjects
Project
- Part IV : Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC) / (NME)
Environmental Studies (EVS)
Value Education (VE)
Foundation Courses (FC)
Internship
- Part V : Extension Activities (STAND)

Part IV

S.No	Semester	SEC / DHE	Subject
1	I	SEC-1	Offered by other Department
2	I	FC	Catholic Doctrine / Ethics
3	II	SEC-2	Offered by other Department
4	II	SEC-3	Integrated Personality Development
5	III	SEC-4	Life Coping & Entrepreneurial Skills Management
6	III	SEC-5	Discipline Specific
7	IV	EVS	Environmental Studies
8	V	VE	Human Rights & Social Analysis
9	VI	SEC-6	Professional Competency Skill

SEC- Skill Enhancement Course, DHE- Department of Human Excellence
FC- Foundation Course,

CREDITS

Every paper of study is allotted a particular number of hours per week, based on which credits are allotted. The successful completion of a paper enables a student to gain the full credit for that paper. A student must earn a minimum of 140 credits to get his / her UG degree. He / She may choose extra credit courses (ECC), Add-on & Value- Added courses to earn more credits. It is also mandatory that every student involves himself / herself in at least one of the extra - curricular activities for earning one credit under part V. Four credits are allotted to NCC.

ADDITIONAL COMPULSORY COURSE

In order to cater to the diverse needs of students, some compulsory courses are offered by the college. During their first year, all the students should learn one “Add - On course” offered by the respective departments. Similarly II year UG students should study one “Value - Added course”. These courses are of minimum 30 hours duration followed by an assessment, which will be conducted by the department. All the III UG students are supposed to do one Extra Credit Course as a compulsory course.

In the UG Programme at least 6 Extra-Credit Courses (Self – Study / taught) will be offered by each department; these courses are open to all the UG students. One Extra-Credit Course will be offered in each semester. 2 credits are allotted to each Extra-Credit Course. The duration of External Examination is 3 hours. The students who choose the Extra-Credit Courses will register their names in the Office of the Controller of Examinations before 31st July in the Odd Semester and 15th December in the Even Semester. Extra credit Courses are offered for PG Students also.

Students are expected to enrich their knowledge and develop their skills by joining in these courses outside the class hours. This facility enables the students to earn more credits. To get the degree certificate every student should complete these courses. All the Commerce students should complete the typewriting course in the Technical Training Institutes. It is mandatory for them.

MOOC / SWAYAM / NPTEL Requirement

As per the academic regulations implemented from the Academic Year 2025–2026, all Final Year Undergraduate (UG) and Postgraduate (PG) students are required to complete at least one MOOC offered through SWAYAM, NPTEL, or any other approved online learning platform as part of their degree requirements. The successful completion and certification of the course are mandatory for the award of the degree. Students are advised to enrol in a relevant course during the academic year and submit the completion certificate to the institution within the prescribed timeline.

Internship

As per the academic regulations, internship training is mandatory for all students for the successful completion of their degree programme. Students who complete Semester IV of Undergraduate (UG) programmes and Semester II of Postgraduate (PG) programmes shall undergo a minimum of 21 days of internship during the prescribed period. The internship aims to provide practical exposure, industry interaction, and hands-on learning relevant to their discipline. Students are required to submit the internship report and related documents in the subsequent semester for evaluation and fulfilment of the programme requirements.

Project

Project Work is compulsory for all Final Year Undergraduate (UG) students and shall be undertaken during the VI Semester from the Academic Year 2025–2026 onwards. Successful completion of the project is mandatory for the award of the degree.

The project aims to develop students' practical knowledge, research aptitude, problem-solving skills, and application of theoretical concepts. All project reports shall be subjected to plagiarism checking, and the similarity index shall not exceed 20%. Students must comply with the project guidelines, submission procedures, and evaluation norms prescribed by the institution and the affiliating university.

Field Visit

To promote experiential learning, all UG and PG students shall undertake a mandatory Field Visit during the Academic Year 2026–2027.

One Credit will be awarded upon successful completion.

COURSE PATTERN (UG ARTS) w.e.f June 2026																	
SEMESTER	TAMIL		ENGLISH		CORE		EC		SEC		FC		EVS		VE		TOTAL
	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs Crs
I	6	3	6	3	5	5	4	3	2	2	2	2					30 23
I	6	3	6	3	5	5	4	3	2	2							30 23
III	6	3	6	3	5	5	4	3	2	2							30 23
IV	6	3	6	3	5	5	4	4	2	2			2	2			30 24
V					6	5	5	3							2	2	30 24*
					6	5											
					6	5											
VI					6	4	5	3	2	2							30 20*
					6	4	5	3									
					6	4											180 137
																	2*
																	1*
Total	24	12	24	12	80	70	34	25	12	12	2	2	2	2	2	2	180 140
Internship (Semester V)																	
STAND (EXTENSION ACTIVITIES)																	
Additional Compulsory Courses																	
I Year (Add - On - Course)																	
II Year (Value - Added Course)																	
III Year (Extra Credit Course)																	
Field Visit																	
MOOC																	
Cocurricular / Extra Curricular Activities																	
Total																	
EC: Elective Course SEC - Skill Enhancement Course(NME) FC: Foundation Course EVS: Environmental Studies																	
VE - Value Education																	

COURSE PATTERN (UG SCIENCE) w.e.f June 2026																						
SEMESTER	TAMIL		ENGLISH		CORE-T		CORE - P		EC - T		EC - P		SEC		FC		EVS		VE		TOTAL	
	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs
I	6	3	6	3	5	5	3	3	4	3	2	2	2	2	2	2					30	23
II	6	3	6	3	5	5	3	3	4	3	2	2	2	2	2						30	23
III	6	3	6	3	5	5	3	3	4	3	2	2	2	2	2						30	23
IV	6	3	6	3	4	4	3	3	4	4	2	2		2	2		2	2			30	24
V					5	5	5	3	4	3	4	3							2	2	30	24*
VI					5	5	5	3					2	2							30	20*
					5	4	4	2	4	3												
					5	4	4	2														
					6	3*															180	137
																					2*	1*
Total	24	12	24	12	45	40	30	22	27	22	12	11	12	12	2	2	2	2	2	2	180	140
															Additional Compulsory Courses							
															I Year (Add on Course)							2
															II Year (Value Added Course)							2
															III Year (Extra Credit Course)							2
															Field Visit							1
															MOOC							2
															Co-curricular/ Extra Curricular Activities							1
															Total						180	150

EC: Elective Course SEC - Skill Enhancement Course(NME) FC: Foundation Course EVS: Environmental Studies
 VE - Value Education * Project with Viva Voce

COURSE PATTERN (B.Com Honours)																			
SEMESTER	TAMIL		ENGLISH		CORE		EC - T		SEC		FC		EVS		VE		TOTAL		
	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	Hrs	Crs	
I	6	3	6	3	9	7	8	6	2	2	2	2					42	30	
II	6	3	6	3	9	7	8	6	2	2							42	30	
III	6	3	6	3	9	7	8	6	2	2							42	30	
IV	6	3	6	3	8	7	5	5	3	3			2	2			42	35	
V					9	7	4	3							2	2	42	33	
VI					9	7	8	6	2	2							42	32	
																	252	190	
Internship (Semester III & V)																			
STAND (EXTENSION ACTIVITIES)																			
Total	24	12	24	12	124	98	59	47	17	17	2	2	2	2	2	2	252	200	
	Additional Compulsory Courses																		
	I Year (Add On Course)																		2
	II Year (Value Added Course)																		2
	III Year (Extra Credit Course)																		2
																		252	206

EC: Elective Course SEC - Skill Enhancement Course(NME) FC: Foundation Course EVS: Environmental Studies
VE - Value Education * Project with Viva Voce

COURSE PATTERN (PG - ARTS) w.e.f. JUNE 2026
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SEM	Part	CORE	Hrs Crs	EC	Hrs Crs	SEC	Total
						Hrs Crs	Hrs Crs
I	A	1 2 3	18 12	1 2	5 3 5 3		30 20
	B					2 2	
II	A	4 5 6	18 12	3 4	5 4 5 4		30 22
	B					2 2	
III	A	7 8 9 10	24 19	5	6 5		30 24*
IV	A	11 12 13	18 12	6	4 3		26 18*
	B					4 3	
							116 84
						Project Internship STAND	4 4 2* 1
Total			78 55		30 22	8 7	120 91
			Additional Compulsory Courses				
			I Year Value Added				3
			II Year Extra Credit Course				3
			MOOC				2
			Field Visit				1
			Total				120 100

EC: Elective Course SEC - Skill Enhancement Course

COURSE PATTERN (PG - SCIENCE) w.e.f. JUNE 2026												
SEM	Part	CORE	Hrs	Crs	EC	Hrs	Crs	SEC	Hrs	Crs	Total	
											Hrs	Crs
I	A	1 2 3	20	14							30	20
	B				1 2	6 4	4 2					
II	A	4 5 6	18	14							30	22
	B				3 4	4 4	3 3	4 2				
III	A	7 8 9 10	24	19							30	24*
	B				5	3	3	3	2			
IV	A	11 12	12	10							20	15*
	B				6	4	3	4	2			
												110
								Project Internship STAND			10*	7* 2* 1*
Total			74	57		25	18	11	6		120	91
			Additional Compulsory Courses									
			I Year Value Added									3
			II Year Extra Credit Course									3
			MOOC									2
			Field Visit									1
			Total								120	100

EC: Elective Course SEC - Skill Enhancement Course

CONTINUOUS INTERNAL ASSESSMENT (CIA)

1. There is no internal minimum for any paper. However, Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) is a mandatory requirement for all the students. A student must take at least one CIA test out of two tests and must fulfill at least one mode of assessment among assignments, quiz, seminars, etc. Otherwise he / she will not be permitted to write the semester examination.
2. **Retest:** If a student is absent for CIA tests with valid and genuine reasons, and if the student applies for CIA retest within a week to the Principal through the Head of the Department, he / she will be given a chance to write the CIA retest. When the Principal gives permission, the HOD will make arrangement for conducting CIA retest within ten days after the first internal test and before the CIA publications for the second internal test.
3. For all UG courses, the pass minimum is 20 marks out of 50 in the external examination and 40 marks out of 100 in the aggregate, that is, internal and external together.
4. For PG and Diploma Courses, the pass minimum is 25 marks out of 50 in the external examination and 50 marks out of 100 in the aggregate, that is, for internal and external together.
5. The number of practicals for practical papers will be decided by the department. At the end of the Semester / Year, Semester Exam for Practical papers will be conducted. The pass minimum is the same as for the theory papers.
6. The internal and external marks will be computed for 50 for each paper and the consolidation of these internal and external marks will be for 100.
7. For all the courses under Part IV (NME / SBE / VE / EVS), the duration of Internal Test is 1 hour and the duration of Semester Examination is 2 hours.

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

The aim of the internal assessment system is to assess the performance of the student throughout the semester. The assessment will be done by the course teachers. CIA has the following components :

1) Two Written Tests (35 + 35)	=	70
2) Other Modes (any two) = 15 + 15	=	30
Total	=	100

OTHER MODES OF INTERNAL ASSESSMENT

1. Quiz announced / unannounced
2. Individual viva or group viva
3. Short duration objective type tests / snap tests
4. Short answer / Problem solving tests (15 minutes to 30 minutes for periodical assessment of cognitive abilities)
5. Long answer tests / Essay writing (30 minutes to 60 minutes for periodical assessment of higher order cognitive abilities)
6. Guided individual / group projects (only for a few talented students)
7. Lab / Field / Practical work / Case study (to assess practical skills in handling instruments, experimenting, reporting etc.)
8. Group discussion (once in a month to assess originality, creativity, initiative, communication skills, etc.)
9. Seminar
10. Assignment

SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

External examination will be of three hours duration for all the theory and practical papers except NME / SBE / VE / EVS papers. Every theory paper for UG Courses will have objective type questions for 20% of the marks.

THEORY

In general, all theory question papers for semester examinations will be set by external examiners. While there is single valuation for UG and PG answer scripts with the subject teacher. If the difference of marks between the two valuations is 20 and above, the scripts will be sent for third valuation and the average of the closest two marks will be taken.

The students who have papers in arrear are permitted to write their even semester papers in the even semester examination and odd semester papers in any semester examination. A student can write a maximum of 8 papers in arrear (6 theory + 2 practicals) in any semester examination.

PRACTICALS

A student should do a minimum of 80% of the practicals arranged by the class teacher and submit the record note book to be eligible to appear for the practical examinations. They should have atleast 80% of attendance. It is mandatory. The minimum mark required for a pass is the same as for the theory papers. The semester / year - end practicals for both UG and PG candidates will be conducted by the teacher - in - charge of practicals for the class, assisted by another teacher of the department who has not been handling practicals for that class. The latter takes the place of the external examiner. For absentees and failed candidates who wish to take the practical examinations again, the odd semester practical papers will be offered in the odd semester and the even semester papers in the even semester. However, in the final semester, students may apply for appearing for a maximum of 3 practicals of any semester in arrear.

RESULTS

After the semester examinations, the results will be scrutinized by the Awards Committee. Students will be given a mark sheet for every semester examination. At the end of the course, a consolidated mark sheet of the final results based on the weighted credit point system will be awarded to each student.

A smile is the beginning of peace - Mother Teresa

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

Supplementary examinations will be conducted for final-year regular students who have appeared and failed in a theory papers or practical papers (due to internal or external) and have a maximum of three arrear papers remaining to complete their degree. These examinations will be announced after the publication of the year-end examination results. Students must pay the examination fee as prescribed by the college to appear for the supplementary examinations.

RETOTALLING / REVALUATION

Re-totalling is permitted for both UG and PG students who apply for it within the stipulated time on payment of a prescribed fee. Revaluation is permitted for both UG and PG theory papers for which the student has appeared as a regular candidate.

CIA IMPROVEMENT

If a student fails to obtain a pass mark in the aggregate of both CIA and Semester Examination (40% for UG and 50% for PG), he/she may appear for CIA Improvement.

Regular Students who have failed in a paper and have less than 20 marks for UG and 25 marks for PG in CIA in that paper can apply for CIA improvement.

Due to N+2 rules private (passed-out) students also can apply for CIA improvement to complete their degree.

CIA improvement will be conducted by the Controller of Examinations in January every year. A student can appear for CIA improvement only once in at most 8 papers. CIA improvement cannot be repeated.

TIME LIMIT (COMPLETION OF ANY PROGRAMME)

As per the letter No. (MSU/COE/CERT/Span period /2022) Received from Manonmaniam Sundaranar University on 16.09.2022, the maximum number of years within which a student must complete and qualify for a degree is determined by UGC as N+2, where N is the normal or minimum duration prescribed to be 5 (3+2) years and for PG, it is 4 (2+2) years. A candidate is permitted to appear for a maximum of 15 theory papers in the final semester including the papers in arrears.

ATTENDANCE & REPEATING THE SEMESTER

Attendance in this college is compulsory. A student must put in **a minimum of 70% attendance in each subject** to be eligible to write the semester examination. Students who are not eligible to appear for the examinations of a particular semester due to lack of attendance will not be permitted to write the examination in that semester. But they can continue their studies in subsequent semester. They have to repeat that missed semester only after completing the 6th semester for UG and 4th semester for PG. To repeat the semester, they have to get permission from the University after completing the course. As per the letter No.(MSU/R/CDC/A2/ Circular /Repeat/2025-26) this repeat policy will be implemented from the even semester of the AY 2025-2026.

Each student is required to have a minimum of 80% attendance in every Semester.

The grant of condonation is at the discretion of the Principal. The Principal may condone a shortage of attendance in a semester for students whose attendance falls between 60% to 80%. In order to apply for condonation on medical grounds, prior permission from the Principal either during the treatment or prior to the treatment is compulsory. Producing medical certificate without prior permission will not be considered for condonation. A student can avail condonation only once during the course of study.

SANCTIONS AGAINST MALPRACTICE

Students should evince utmost honesty and good behaviour during the conduct of the examinations. They should keep silence in the examination hall and cooperate in the orderly conduct of the examinations.

If any student is caught indulging in malpractice even in one regular or arrear paper in a semester, it will lead to cancellation of his / her result of all the regular and arrear papers of that semester. Malpractice in any practical examination will lead to the result of cancellation of that practical. The student can reappear for those papers / practicals in the next odd / even semester only, as the case may be.

If a student is found indulging in malpractice in any CIA tests, the case will be brought to the notice of the Principal. The student will be awarded zero for that semester and he / she cannot appear for Semester Exam in that Semester for that paper. Serious action will be taken by the Principal if the student is caught again for malpractice.

Attention is drawn in particular towards doing one's work - be it a class test or assignment - without copying from another person's work or just downloading it from the internet.