

M. A.
Mission and Development Practice
Offered by EFICOR in association with
Martin Luther Christian University



Equipping for Effective Engagement

EFICOR (Evangelical Fellowship of India Commission on Relief), a national Christian relief and development organisation serves the poor, underprivileged and marginalised communities, irrespective of caste, creed, religion or ethnic identity in situations of poverty, injustice and disaster in India for over 40 years now. EFICOR has trained and equipped people with knowledge on development approaches, skills and attitude required to work with the poor. EFICOR has pioneered in shaping Christian thinking on social issues in the country and in providing a strong theological foundation to effect transformation in the society (for details see website www.eficor.org).

Martin Luther Christian University created by Act 11 of 2005 of the Legislative Assembly of Meghalaya and is in accordance with the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 under Section 2(f) and the MLCU is empowered to grant degrees under Section 22 of the UGC Act. The University is sponsored by the by the National Lutheran Health and Medical Board of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church of India and the Khasi-Jaintia Presbyterian Church of India. The Martin Luther Christian University is the first Christian University in India (for details see website www.mlcuniv.in).

EFICOR and Martin Luther Christian University have entered into an agreement to jointly offer M.A. Mission and Development Practice. As part of this agreement EFICOR would facilitate teaching and evaluation while MLCU will grant the degree.

Key Features of the M. A. Programme

- Discover in depth Biblical perspectives on mission and development.
- Opportunity for purposeful reflections providing a fresh understanding and approach to contemporary social issues.
- Upgrade knowledge base and skills for effective involvement.
- Two week residential teaching modules every semester.
- Structured study material for systematic self study.
- Pursue studies while continuing to work.
- Course team of working professionals and academics
- Course draws insights from EFICOR's long years of practical engagement at the grassroots.

Course Duration and Subjects

It is a two year programme which is divided into four semesters of six months each. The first three semesters would cover 12 subjects which are categorized as basic, core and elective subjects. In the fourth semester the student pursues a research project. The entire programme is 84 credits. The various courses include

Basic Courses

Bible, Culture and Context
Mission as Transformation
Christian Ethics

Core Courses

Principles and Strategies of Development
Sociology
Community Organization and Development
Gender Issues
Organizational Development
Development Research Methodology

Additional Courses (I course per semester)

Children at Risk
Project Management
Disaster Management

Course Study

The residential contact class will be at the beginning of every semester. This period will provide a complete overview of the subjects for the semester. Structured study materials will be provided to facilitate systematic study so as to have a thorough grasp of the subject. There will be assignments on a regular basis through the semester to sharpen the process of reflection. From the second semester written exams for the courses of the previous semester will precede the teaching sessions for the next semester during the residential contact classes. All exams will be conducted only in EFICOR office in Delhi.

Essential Eligibility Requirements

- A basic graduate degree or its equivalent in any discipline from a recognized university.
- Three years of work experience preferably development-related.

Course Fee

The course fee is **Rs. 15000/- per semester** which is inclusive of course materials and boarding and lodging during the contact classes. The fees have to be paid in full at the beginning of each semester. Concession will be available to needy students, depending on the need of the student.

Application Procedure

Prospectus and application form fee - **Rs. 500/-** by Demand Draft payable to **EFICOR**.

Last date to request for application – **30th June 2015**

Receipt of completed application forms – **Last week of July 2015**

Programme begins – **31 August 2015**

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