Semester – 1 Psy-01 COGNITIVE PROCESSES-I

Objective

This course introduces the basic concepts and theoretical development in the area of attention, perception and memory.

Unit I

Introduction: Origin and Current Status of Cognitive Psychology

Attentional Process: Selective Attention and Its Theories; Divided Attention and Resource Allocation.

Unit II

Memory: Models of Memory Structural and Levels of Processing Models, Tulving's Episodic, Autobigraphical and Procedural Models; McClelland's PDP Approach;

Sensory Memory: Iconic and Echoic Memories. Short-Term Memory; Long-Term Memory; Flash Back Memories; Memory Improvement.

Unit III

Semantic Memory: Nature, Methodology and Structure. Feature Comparison Model and Network Models.

Concept Formation: Well-Defined Concepts: Features and Rules. Ill- Defined Concepts, Empirical Characteristics. **Models**- Exemplar and Prototype Models.

Unit IV

Imagery and Cognitive Maps: Characteristics of Images. Cognitive Maps; Distance, Shape and Relative Positions. Perceptual Process; Bottom Up and Top-Down Approaches: Pattern Recognition.

Readings

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- Snodgrass, Jone Gray (1985). Human experimental Psychology, New York Oxford University Press.
- S.J. Sheetleworth, (1998). Cognition, Evolution and Behavior Oxford University Press New York.