NET & SET GUIDANCE CENTRE

PROSPECTUS 2020 - 2021

St. Xavier's College (Autonomous)

30, Mother Teresa Sarani (Park Street),

Kolkata - 700016

The thrust of this guidance course is not merely to create toppers in the NET, SLET Examinations, but to form men and women for others who are deeply rooted in the true cultural values of India and upload our heritage of unity in diversity, making him or her patriot and a world citizen.

I want to wish all the candidates who will take admission in the course offered by the Guidance Centre of our college an effective utilization of this opportunity and expect that this good academic exercise will help them to shine in their coming examination.

May God bless all of you!

NIHIL ULTRA!

Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J.
Rector and Principal
St. Xavier's College (Autonomous)
Kolkata

The Society of Jesus, a Christian Religious Order founded by Saint Ignatius of Loyola in 1540, runs St. Xavier's College. It is one of the 24 University Colleges run by the Jesuits in India. The Jesuit College aims at forming young men and women of competence, commitment, compassion and conscience. St. Xavier's College thus aims at making its own contribution towards a transformation of the present-day social condition so that principals of social justice, equality of opportunity, genuine freedom and respect for religious and moral values, enshrined in the Constitution of India, may prevail, and the possibility of living a fully human existence may be open before all.

The NET & SET Guidance Centre has been offering a unique opportunity to the young men and women to build them competent to become a member of the Indian Administrative Services, so that they can ensure social justice, equality of opportunity, genuine freedom and respect for religious and moral values through their services to the nation. With this initiative of building men and women for the society, the college can take participation in the nation building process.

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

St. Francis Xavier is the Patron of St. Xavier's. There is not an educated Indian who has not heard the name of Francis Xavier. It is to India that Ignatius of Loyola, the Founder of the Society of Jesus, sent his greatest son, Francis Xavier in 1542. Xavier was a zealous "missionary on the move". He sailed to Malacca and Japan in 1549 where he spent two and a half years. In April 1552 he set sail to China via Malacca from Goa, never to return alive. He died at Sancian, a small island facing China, on 2nd December 1552. Wherever he went, he plunged himself into charitable and pastoral work preaching the message of God's love to people. He worked in India for 10 years from 1542 to 1552, called the Xaverian decade.

The list of the old students of St. Xavier's includes many scientists, actors, filmmakers, poets and industrialists in Bengal. It can boast of some of its pupils who became international figures of repute: Rabindranath Tagore and Jagadish Chandra Bose. While Tagore was impressed by the relationship between teachers and students at St. Xavier's, Bose found encouragement for his introduction to science in the person of Fr. Lafont, who was called "the father of science" in India. Three chief ministers of BengalH. S. Suhrawardy, Siddhartha Shankar Ray and Jyoti Basu passed through the portals of St. Xavier's. You will invariably come across, in any important office in Kolkata, a Xaverian who has excelled in his field. St. Xavier's has always been known for its cosmopolitan and national in character. Much before the expression "national integration" gained currency, St. Xavier's has tried to foster among its students the spirit and practice of it. Coming as they do from all over India and from various communities, they live in complete harmony, understanding and mutual respect. Thus they are encouraged to develop beyond local and group affinities, loyalties to the country and to society at large.

The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) recognized St. Xavier's College as an "A" grade institution in 2003. In May 2006, it was declared a Centre with Potential for Excellence by the UGC. From July 2006, it became an autonomous college (the first in West Bengal). In November 2011, the college was assessed by NAAC as an Autonomous College and was awarded an A grade with CGPA 3.53 on 4.00 point scale. St. Xavier's has over these 154 years remained steadfast and persevered in the midst of troubles and anxieties. Now with all the richness of the past, it embraces the future with the same spirit- ''Nihil Ultra'' (Nothing beyond).

GENERAL RULES FOLLOWED IN THE COLLEGE

As a student newly entering St. Xavier's College you should be aware that unlimited opportunities open up before you. The college has an eventful history that is one hundred and fifty four years long. The traditions and values which have been developed and nourished over this period will now be protected and promoted by you. The preservation and enhancement of the recognition and reputation of the college is now your responsibility. You are expected to accept and carry out this responsibility.

Students are also expected to develop certain traits:

- A disciplined and focused approach
- Application to and interest in studies and departmental activities
- Decency in dress and decorum in behaviour
- Punctuality
- Respect to teachers and elders
- Awareness of social conditions in order to develop a compassionate and proactive response to them

- Adherence to secular values and ideals
- A scientific outlook
- Interest in cultural activities, sports and games.

In addition, please note the following Rules / Norms which are to be scrupulously observed:

➢ Punctuality is to be maintained in all matters, especially in class attendance and examination attendance.
➢ Do not loiter around in the college campus / corridors.
➢ Ragging in any form is strictly prohibited in the college.
➢ Any kind of misbehaviour / violent conduct in the college is strictly prohibited.
➢ Health and safety rules are to be strictly obeyed.
➢ Damage must not be caused to any college property in any form.
➢ Misappropriation of funds will be treated as a criminal offence.
➢ Improper sexual conduct will also be treated as a criminal offence
➢ .The college computer system must not be tampered with in any way.
➢ Use of drugs / alcohol is strictly prohibited in the college.
➢ Bringing outside guests / friends to the college is strictly prohibited.
➢ When you leave the class room switch off all the fans, lights and ACs.

OTHER RULES

Identity Card

- Each student is provided with an Identity Card.
- Always keep it on your person when in college.
- Exchange or lending of Identity Card is a serious offence.
- If the Identity Card is passed on for use to anyone else, the owner of the card will be held responsible for any damage or loss caused by the user.
- Show your Identity Card at the gate when entering college.
- The Identity Card is to be presented when borrowing books from the library, playing games in the Common Room, attending college functions, etc.
- If the Identity Card is lost, the Coordinator must be immediately informed. A new Identity Card may be issued on payment of Rs. 100/-
- In case of transfer or withdrawal from the college, the Identity Card must be returned to the college office.

Dress Code

Decorum in dress must always be maintained. Students must come to college in simple and unostentatious dress suitable for an academic environment.

The dress code:

➢ Shirts / T-shirts / Tops etc. with any kind of writing or captions are not allowed
➢ Only full-length trousers are allowed

➢ Only skirts well below knee length and without slits are allowed
➢ For boys, round-neck T-Shirts, earrings, ear / chin / nose studs are not allowed

Failure to comply with the dress code will invite strict disciplinary action.

Notice Board

The Notice Board must be read every day on coming to and on leaving college. No excuse will be considered if notices on the Board are ignored.

Absence

Students who are absent from class for more than 5 consecutive periods are to obtain an excuse slip from the Coordinator. For long and repeated absences which could affect the required attendance percentage, **the student's responsibility** is to keep a duplicate of the excuse letter with the Coordinator's signature. Medical certificates and other relevant documents of illness maybe submitted to the Coordinator.

Mobile Phone

- Use of mobile phones within the college building, including the canteen is strictly prohibited.
- Mobile phones may be used only outside the building, i.e. on the grounds, gymnasium, quadrangle, etc.
- Violation of this code will invite a fine of Rs. 500.00 for the first offence. After that the phone will be confiscated.

Posters

No poster is to be pasted or fixed with cello tape anywhere on the college walls. For any writing on walls, strict punishment will be imposed.

Smoking

The entire college is a ''No Smoking Zone''. Smoking anywhere on the college premises is strictly prohibited.

Library

Books of the college library are lent under the following conditions:
- Any student, who takes books from the library without permission or cuts pages out of library books, exposes himself / herself to the gravest penalties.
- Once a student has accepted a book, he / she is responsible for it in the state in which it will be returned. Students should therefore carefully check each book at the time of issue to see whether it is in a satisfactory condition.
- No marks or inscriptions of any kind may be made in any book borrowed from the library. Offenders will be fined in proportion to the damage done.
- Books lost must be replaced.
- All books may be recalled at the librarian's discretion.

Change of Address

The Departmental office should be informed of any change of address and phone number after admission is completed.

Correspondence with the college

All correspondence should be addressed to the Principal / Coordinator, NET & SET Guidance Centre, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), 30 Mother Teresa Sarani, Kolkata 700016.
In all correspondence with the college, it is necessary to state the student's name, roll number.

NET & SET GUIDANCE CENTRE, 2021

NET examination is conducted twice every year, one in June and the other in December. The Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) conducts joint CSIR – UGC Test for Junior Research Fellowship and Eligibility for lectureship for candidates having master's degree in humanities.

The candidates are having the opportunity for both Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and lectureship or for the lectureship only.

NET is basically conducted all over the country. There is another examination which is conducted solely by the individual states and that examination is popularly known as SET (State Eligibility Test). The syllabus is same for NET & SET.

Eligibility: Candidates who have scored 55% marks (50% for SC / ST) in the Master's Degree Examination are eligible to appear for the examination.

Age Limit: The upper age limit for the Junior Research Fellow (JRF) is 28 years. There is no upper age limit for lectureship.

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

The Test will consist of two papers. Both the papers will consist of only objective type questions

Session	Paper	Marks	Number of Question	Duration
First	I	100	50 questions all are compulsory	1 Hour (9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.) IST
Second	II	200	100 questions all are compulsory	2 Hour (11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.) IST

Paper-I shall consist of 50 objective type compulsory questions each carrying 2 marks. The questions which will be of general nature, intended to assess the teaching/research aptitude of the candidate. It will primarily be designed to test reasoning ability, comprehension, divergent

thinking and general awareness of the candidate.

Paper-II shall consist of 100 objective type compulsory questions each carrying 2 marks which will be based on the subject selected by the candidate.

All the questions of Paper – II will be compulsory, covering entire syllabi of earlier Paper II & Paper – III (including all electives, without options).

The candidate will have to mark the responses for questions of Paper – I & Paper – II on the Optical Mark Reader (OMR) Sheet provided along with the test booklet.

Eligibility

- **Nationality:** Candidates must be an Indian National

Education Qualification:

 i) Candidates who have secured at least 55% marks (without rounding off) in Master'sDegree OR equivalent examination from universities/institutions recognised by UGC (on the website:https://www.ugc.ac.in/oldpdf/consolidatedlistofAlluniversities.pdf) in Humanities (including languages) and Social Science, Computer Science & Applications, Electronic Science etc. (list of subjects of post-graduation attached at page No. 20) are eligible for this Test. The Other Backward Classes (OBC) belonging to non-creamy layer/Scheduled Caste (SC)/Scheduled Tribe(ST)/ persons with disability(PwD) category candidates who have secured at least 50% marks (without rounding off) in Master's degree or equivalent examination are eligible for this Test.

ii) Candidates who are pursuing their Master's degree or equivalent course or candidates who have appeared for their qualifying Master's degree (final year) examination and whose result is still awaited or candidates whose qualifying examinations have been delayed may also apply for this test. However, such candidates will be admitted provisionally and shall be considered eligible for award of Junior Research Fellowship/eligibility for Assistant Professor only after they have passed their Master's Degree OR equivalent examination with at least 55% marks (50% marks in case of OBC falling in Non-Creamy layer/SC/ST/PwD (persons with disability)) category candidates. Such candidates must complete their Master's degree or equivalent examination within two years from the date of NET result with required percentage of marks, failing which they shall be treated as disqualified.

iii) Candidates belonging to third gender in other words transgender would be eligible to Fellowship and Assistant Professor) as are available to SC/ST/PwD categories. The subject wise cut-offs for this category should be the lowest among those for SC/ST/PwD/OBC –NCL categories in the corresponding subject.

iv) The Ph.D. degree holders whose Master's level examination had been completed by 19th September 1991(irrespective of date of declaration of result) shall be eligible for a relaxation of 5% in aggregate marks (i.e. from 55% to 50%) for appearing in NET.

v) Candidates are advised to appear in the subject of their post-graduation only. The candidates, whose post-graduation subject is not covered in the list of subjects in item No.14 (on page 12-13), may appear in a related subject.

vi) Candidates are neither required to send any certificates/documents in support of their eligibility nor printout of their Application Form (Confirmation Page) to CBSE.

However the candidates, in their own interest, must satisfy themselves about their eligibility for the Test. In the event of any ineligibility being detected by the UGC/CBSE at any stage, their candidature will be cancelled and they shall be liable for legal action.

vii) Candidates having post-graduate diploma/certificate awarded by Indian University/Institute or foreign degree/diploma/certificate awarded by the foreign University/institute should in their own interest, ascertain the equivalence of their diploma/degree/certificate with Master's degree of recognized Indian universities from Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi. (www.aiu.ac.in)

Age Limit & Relaxation

i) Junior Research Fellowship: Not more than 30 years as on 01.07.2021. A relaxation up to 5 years is provided to the candidates belonging to OBC (Non- creamy layer, as per the Central list of OBC available on website: www.ncbc.nic.in) SC/ST/PwD/Transgender categories and to women applicants. Relaxation will also be provided to the candidates having research experience, limited to the period spent on research in the relevant/related subject of post-graduation degree, subject to a maximum of 5 years, on production of a certificate from appropriate authority. Three years relaxation in age will be permissible to the candidates possessing L.L.M. Degree. A relaxation of up to 5 years is provided to the candidates who have served in the armed forces subject to the length of service in the armed forces up to the first day of the month in which the concerned UGC-NET is to be held. Total age relaxation on the above ground(s) shall not exceed five years under any circumstances.

ii) Assistant Professor: There is no upper age limit for applying for eligibility for Assistant Professor.

EXEMPTION (ELIGIBILITY FOR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR)

i) NET/SET/SLET shall remain the minimum eligibility condition for recruitment and appointment of Assistant Professors in Universities/Colleges/ Institutions. In this regard, exemption from NET/SET/SLET will be governed by UGC regulations and amendments notified in the Gazette of India from time to time.

ii) The candidates who have passed the UGC/CSIR JRF examination prior to 1989 are also exempted from appearing in NET.

iii) For SET Candidates: The candidates who have cleared the States Eligibility Test (SET) accredited by UGC for eligibility for Assistant Professor held prior to 1st June 2002, are exempted from appearing in NET, being eligible to apply for Assistant Professor anywhere in India. For SET held from 1 st June 2002

onwards, the qualified candidates are eligible to apply for the post of Assistant Professor only in the universities/ colleges situated in the state from where they have cleared their SET.

CSIR UGC NET 2020 Exam Pattern

- The Test will be held in a total of five subjects viz., Life Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Earth, Physical Sciences Chemical Sciences, Atmospheric, Ocean and Planetary Sciences. The CSIR UGC NET pattern for the Single Paper MCQ test shall be as given below:

- The MCQ test paper of each subject shall carry a maximum of **200 marks**; the exam shall be for duration of three hours. The question paper shall be divided in three parts.

- Candidates should use only black ballpoint pen and not pencil to fill in their particulars in the OMR Answer Sheet/Question Paper Booklet and to darken the appropriate circle to mark their answers in their OMR answer sheet

- The Question Booklet for this test will be printed in Hindi & English Version

EXAMINATION FEE AND MODE OF PAYMENT:

Category	General	Other Backward Classes (Non-creamy layer), as per the Central list of OBC available on website: www.ncbc.nic.in	SC/ST/PwD/ Transgender
Examination Fee	Rs. 1000/-	Rs. 500/-	Rs. 250/-

i) The candidates may pay the examination fee either by credit/ debit card or through e-challan generated during the online filling of the application form. In case of e-challan the payment should be made in the Syndicate/Canara/ICICI Bank. In case the examination fee is paid through credit/debit card the additional processing charges as following will also be debited from the credit/debit card of the candidate.
Credit card: - 1.20% of the examination fee plus the service tax as applicable.
Debit Card: - 0.75% of examination fee plus the service tax as applicable

ii) After filling all the details for applying online for NET, the candidate will have the option to select the mode of payment of examination fee either by credit/debit card or through e-challan generated during the online filling of the application form indicating their details therein.

iii) The candidates are required to check the status of fee payment at CBSE website (cbsenet.nic.in) and if the status is 'OK' the candidate will be able to take the printout of Confirmation Page. In case, the fee payment status is not 'OK' the candidates are advised as following:-

• If the fee is paid through e-challan be depositing cash in above mentioned bank, the candidate should contact immediately the concerned bank to update his/her fee status on the website.

• If the fee is paid through credit/debit card and status is not OK, it means the transaction is cancelled and the amount will be refunded to concerned credit/debit card within a week. Such candidates have to pay the fee once again.

•Please note that fee submitted by any other mode like money order, demand draft, IPO etc. will be rejected. Fee once paid will not be refunded under any circumstances.

Procedures for Enrolment in the NET & SET Guidance Centre, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata

• For Enquiry interested candidates may call the below mentioned mobile numbers from 28th October, **2020** onwards during **10 AM- 5 PM (From Monday to Friday).**

Dr. Samrat Roy – 9830262045
Dr. Soheli Ghose – 9230424836
Mr. Deep Pal - 9903208940

• **Online Applications** begin from **28TH OCTOBER 2020**.

 • *Interested Candidates may apply ONLINE (www.sxccal.edu) by paying Rs. 500 as Application Fee*.

For all Candidates who have completed their Online Application processes, please follow the details:

• **First Date of Online Counseling : 11TH NOVEMBER, 2020**

Time: 2pm to 5 pm

Process: A Google Meet link will be sent to the email id specified in the application form to each candidate. We will have a Counseling Session through this.

NOTE: Applicants have to mail scan copies of their Age Proof Certificate, Post-Graduation Mark Sheet/Last Exam's Mark Sheet, Online Fees Receipt and contact details immediately after filling up the application form and prior to the date of Counseling at the below mentioned official e-mail ID of guidance centre– guidance@sxccal.edu

Second Phase online Applications begins from 16th NOVEMBER, 2020

For Candidates who are appearing for Post-Graduate Part II Examination, please follow the details :

• **2nd Date of Counseling: 28th NOVEMBER, 2020 (Wednesday)**

Time: 2 pm TO 5 PM

Process: A Google Meet link will be sent to the email id specified in the application form to each candidate. We will have a Counseling Session through this.

Date of Inauguration of the course – 2nd DECEMBER, 2020.

Medium of Instruction

Classes will be held taking English as the mode of instruction.

Course Duration

The duration of the course is December 2020 to September 2021.

Subjects to be offered:

The test will be held in the subjects as given under:

- **Paper I**
- **Physical Sciences**
- **Commerce**
- **Economics**
- **Life Science**
- **Computer Science**

Course Materials

The course fee includes one e-book for the Common Paper 1, Study Materials and Mock tests.

Admission Criteria

Online Interview Performance and overall marks.

Fees of the Course

Course fee for only Paper 1 will be Rs. 15000. For Paper 2 Rs. 10000/- will be charged.

Candidates opting only Paper I subject will have to pay Rs. 15000 before joining. Candidates opting only Paper II will have to pay Rs. 10000 before joining. Candidates opting both Paper I and Paper II will have to pay Rs. 20000 before joining and Rs. 5000 within one week of the inauguration of the course.

Only online payment will be accepted.

No refund policy will be entertained.

** The Paper II course is subjected to a minimum of 5 students. Otherwise the course fee installment will be refunded.

Details of the Course

• Classes will commence on 2nd December 2020 and will continue till 15th September 2021.

•In view of the global Covid-19 pandemic, we are going to conduct the classes of the third batch of NET & SET Guidance on online mode for safety measures of the candidates. When the situation will be normalized, we will switch to manual classes.

• Classes will be held with the help of video-communication websites like Google Meet/ Jio Meet/ etc. Timing and process of attending the classes will be mailed to the candidates.

• The course fee includes one e- book for the Common Paper 1, Study Materials and Mock tests.

• Classes will be held two to three days in a week at any point between 1PM to 8PM, excluding Sunday, Monday and Tuesday

• The Common Paper 1 will be taught for 4 hours in a week and all Optional Papers will be taught for 2 hours a week.

How can you avail NET & SET Guidance Course Online?

- The minimum and the basic requirement is a laptop or desktop (window/mac) whichever supports Firefox, Google Chrome, or Internet Explorer.

- Also, an active internet connection preferably with **2 MBPS downloads speed** or more in order to access the UGC NET online classes without any buffering/interruption.

- Lastly, a comfortable pair of earphones, if needed.

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