# **VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY**

Midnapore, West Bengal



PROPOSED CURRICULUM & SYLLABUS (DRAFT) OF

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONOURS) MAJOR IN ANTHROPOLOGY

## **4-YEAR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMME**

(w.e.f. Academic Year 2023-2024)

Based on

Curriculum & Credit Framework for Undergraduate Programmes (CCFUP), 2023 & NEP, 2020

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## VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONOURS) MAJOR IN ANTHROPOLOGY (under CCFUP, 2023)

Level	YR.	SEM	Course	Course Code	Course Code Course Title	Credit	L-T-P	Marks		
			Туре					CA	ESE	TOTAL
	1 <sup>st</sup>	I	SEMESTER-I							
			Major-1	ANTHMJ101	T: Introduction to Anthropology	4	3-0-1	15	60	75
					P: Practical					
			SEC	ANTSEC01	P: Assessment of Nutritional Status	3	0-0-3	10	40	50
			AEC	AEC01	Communicative English -1 (common for all programmes)	2	2-0-0	10	40	50
			MDC	MDC01	Multidisciplinary Course -1 (to be chosen from the list)	3	3-0-0	10	40	50
			VAC	VAC01	ENVS (common for all programmes)	4	2-0-2	50	50	100
			Minor	ANTMI01	T: Introduction to Anthropology; P: Practical	4	3-0-1	15	60	75
			(DiscI)		(To be taken by students of other Disciplines)					
					Semester-I Total	20				400
			SEMESTER-II							
B.Sc.		П	Major-2	ANTHMJ102	T: Foundational Concepts of Anthropology	4	3-0-1	15	60	75
(Hons.)					P: Practical					
			SEC	ANTSEC02	P: Study of Development Programme	3	0-0-3	10	40	50
			AEC	AEC02	MIL-1 (common for all programmes)	2	2-0-0	10	40	50
			MDC	MDC02	Multi Disciplinary Course-02 (to be chosen from the list)	3	3-0-0	10	40	50
			VAC	VAC02	Value Added Course-02 (to be chosen from the list)	4	4-0-0	10	40	50
			Minor	ANTMI01	T: Basic Concepts of Anthropology; P: Practical	4	3-0-1	15	60	75
			(DiscII)		(To be taken by students of other Disciplines)					
			Summer	CS	Community Service	4	0-0-4	-	-	50
			Intern.							
					Semester-II Total	24				400
					TOTAL of YEAR-1	44				800

MJ = Major, MI = Minor Course, SEC = Skill Enhancement Course, AEC = Ability Enhancement Course, MDC = Multidisciplinary Course, VAC = Value Added Course; CA= Continuous Assessment, ESE= End Semester Examination, T = Theory, P= Practical, L-T-P = Lecture-Tutorial-Practical, MIL = Modern Indian Language, ENVS = Environmental Studies

## MAJOR (MJ)

## **MJ-1: Introduction to Anthropology**

Credits 04 (Full Marks: 75)

## **MJ-1T: Introduction to Anthropology**

## Credits 03

## **Course contents:**

## Unit I:

- Anthropology Definition, Aim, Scope. Four-Fields of Anthropology.
- History and Development of Anthropology as a discipline with special reference to India and Europe.
- Unique features of Anthropology.
- Relation of Anthropology with other relevant disciplines.

## Unit II:

- Biological Anthropology: Definition, Aim, Scope,
- Branches of Biological Anthropology,
- Study of Human Skull and Long Bones
- Classification, Distribution and features of living Primates
- Basic Paleo-environment, Geo-morphological classification.

## Unit –III:

- Social Cultural Anthropology: Definition, Aim, and Scope,
- Branches of Social Cultural Anthropology,
- Concept of Culture and Society,
- Features of Fieldwork.

## Unit-IV:

- Archaeological Anthropology: Definition, Aim, and Scope,
- Branches of Archaeological Anthropology,
- Three Age System, Periodisation of prehistory,
- Historical development of Indian Prehistory.

## MJ-1P: Introduction to Anthropology (Practical) Credits 01

## **Course contents:**

- 1. Characteristics feature of human cranium: Frontal, Lateral, Vertical, Back (Occipital), Basal view.
- 2. Comparison of human skull with skulls of living primates.
- 3. Identification of Cranial & facial bones: Frontal, Parietal, Occipital, Temporal, Sphenoid, Mandible, Maxilla, Zygomatic.

## **MJ-2: Foundational Concepts of Anthropology**

Credits 04 (Full Marks: 75)

#### MJ-2T: Foundational Concepts of Anthropology

## Credits 03

#### **Course contents:**

## Unit I:

- Comparative anatomy of Primates, Primate Behaviour, Living Apes.
- Origin of life, Theories of Organic evolution (Lamarckism, Darwinism, Mutation Theory, Synthetic theory)
- Mendelism
- Concept of Gene

## Unit II:

- Ways of Subsistence Hunting-Gathering, Pastoralism, Horticulture, Agriculture.
- Social Institution Family, Marriage, Kinship (Definition, Features, Types)
- Concept of Clan, Lineage, Group, Association, Community, Social Organization, Network Society.

## Unit III:

- Geo-morphological Classification
- Paleo-environment
- Methods of studying Archaeological Anthropology
- Concept and Types of Dating.

## MJ-2P: Foundational Concepts of Anthropology (Practical) Credits 01

- 1. Traditional technology of subsistence/ Material culture- Drawing & Identification.
- 2. Report on Museum Visit (1-3 days) with a focus on the material culture of subsistence activities/Prehistoric Stone tools.

## MINOR (MI)

## MI – 1: Introduction to Anthropology

Credits 04 (Full Marks: 75)

## MI – 1T: Introduction to Anthropology

Credits 03

**Course contents:** 

**Unit I:** Anthropology - Definition, Aim, Scope. Four-Fields of Anthropology, Outline of History and Development of Anthropology. Unique features of Anthropology, Relation of Anthropology with other relevant disciplines.

**Unit II:** Biological Anthropology: Definition, Aim, Scope, Branches of Biological Anthropology, Classification, and features of living Primates.

**Unit** –**III:** Social Cultural Anthropology: Definition, Aim, and Scope, Branches of Social Cultural Anthropology, Concept of Culture and Society, Features of Fieldwork.

**Unit-IV:** Archaeological Anthropology: Definition, Aim, and Scope, Branches of Archaeological Anthropology, Three Age System, Periodisation of prehistory.

## MI-1P: Introduction to Anthropology (Practical) Credits 01

## **Course Outline:**

1. Characteristics feature of human cranium: Frontal, Lateral, Vertical, back (Occipital), basal view.

2. Comparison of human skull with skulls of living primates.

MI-2: Basic Concepts of Anthropology	Credits 04 (Full Marks: 75)
MI-2T: Basic Concepts of Anthropology	Credits 03

**Course contents:** 

**Unit I:** Primate Behaviour, Living Apes. Origin of life, Classical Theories of Organic evolution (Lamarckism, Darwinism), Mendel's law, Concept of Gene.

**Unit II:** Ways of Subsistence - Hunting-Gathering, Pastoralism, Horticulture, Agriculture, Social Institution- Family and Marriage (Definition, Features, Types), Clan, Lineage, Group, Community, Social Organization.

Unit III: Geological Time-scale, Pleistocene environment, Concept of Dating.

## MI-2: Basic Concepts of Anthropology (Practical)

#### **Course Outline:**

Report on Museum Visit (1-3 days) with a focus on the material culture of subsistence activities/Prehistoric Stone tools.

## SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE (SEC)

## SEC 1: Assessment of Nutritional Status

Credits 03 (Full Marks: 50)

## SEC1P: Assessment of Nutritional Status (Practical)

#### **Course Outline:**

#### A. Dietary assessment

- 1. Standards for nutrient intake
- 2. Food Label
- 3. Measuring food consumption of individuals
- 4. Food composition tables and databases

## B. Anthropometric assessment

#### Anthropometric assessment of adults

- 1. Weight
- 2. Height
- 3. Circumferences
- 4. Skinfold thickness
- 5. Breadths

#### Anthropometric assessment of infants and Children

- 6. Introduction of Growth charts
- 7. Interpretation of growth charts
- 8. Anthropometric measurements of children
- 9. Age calculation
  - i. Weight
  - ii. Height
  - iii. Circumferences
  - iv. Skinfold thickness

## **SEC 2: Study of Development Programme**

#### SEC 2P: Study of Development Programme (Practical)

#### **Course Outline:**

- 1. Concept of Development: Types and Features
- 2. Development Anthropology and Anthropology of Development
- 3. Role of Anthropology in Development Process
- 4. Recent trends in Development Strategies
- 5. Various Developmental programmes/policies in India
- 6. *Evaluation of Developmental Project/Policies* Prepare a report on any developmental projects/policies which must include Abstract (200 words), Title of research, Background of the research, Objective, Literature Review, Methods and Techniques of Data Collection, Data Analysis, Results and Discussion, References
- 7. Duration of Field Work- Minimum of 10 days