VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY

Paschim Midnapore, West Bengal



PROPOSED CURRICULUM & SYLLABUS (DRAFT) OF

BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS) MAJOR IN SOCIOLOGY

4-YEAR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMME

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

Based on

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

VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS) MAJOR IN SOCIOLOGY (under CCFUP, 2023)

Level	YR.	SEM	Course	Course Code	Course Title	Credit	L-T-P	Marks		
			Type					CA	ESE	TOTAL
	1 st	I	SEMESTER-I							
BA (Hons.)			Major-1	SOCHMJ101	T: Introduction to Sociology – I	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
			SEC	SOCSEC01	P: Application of Statistics in Sociology: Using MS Excel & SPSS	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 SOC	SOCMI01	T: Indian Society: Images and Realities (To be taken by students of	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
			(DiscI)		other Disciplines)					
		Semester-I Total								400
		п	SEMESTER-II							
			Major-2	SOCHMJ102	T: Sociology of India – I	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
			SEC	SOCSEC02	P: Framing Questionnaire and Conducting Interview	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	SOCMI02	T: Gender, Violence and Politics (To be taken by students of other	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
			(DiscII)		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

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MAJOR (MJ)

MJ-1: Introduction to Sociology – I

Credits 04

MJ-1T: Introduction to Sociology – I

Full Marks: 75

Course contents:

- 1. Sociology: Discipline and Perspective
 - 1.1 Sociological Perspective: Sociological Imagination, Sociology & Common Sense
 - 1.2 Emergence of Sociology in Europe, North America and India
 - 1.3 Sociology as a Science
 - 1.4 Sociology and other social sciences (Social Anthropology, Psychology, History, Political Science)
- 2. Some Basic Concepts:
 - 2.1 Meaning and Types: Groups, Community, Association, Institution, Organization
 - 2.2 Culture, Norms and Values, Status and Role, Folkways and more
 - 2.3 Social Structure: Definition and Elements
 - 2.4 Social Change: Definition and Factors
- 3. Interaction and Socialization
 - 3.1 Social Interaction: Meaning and Types
 - 3.2 Socialization: Concept and Agencies
 - 3.3 Social Construction of Reality: Berger and Luckman

- 1. Berger, Peter, Luckman, Thomas, 1966, *Social Construction of Reality*, New Delhi, Penguin Books
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- 19. Mills, C.W, 1959, The Sociological Imagination, OUP
- 20. Redfield, Robert 1956, Chapter 16, 'How Human Society Operates', in Harry L Shapiro (ed.) *Man, Culture and Society*, New York: Oxford University Press.
- 21. Ritzer, George, 2021, Classical Sociological Theory, 11th edition, New York: McGraw Hill.
- 22. Rocher, Guy., 2004, A General Introduction To Sociology, Academic Publishers.
- 23. Srinivas, M. N. and M. N. Panini (1973), "The Development of Sociology and Social Anthropology in India", *Sociological Bulletin*, 22(2): 179-215.
- 24. Taylor, C.C,1947, Sociology and Common Sense, Sociolocal Review, Vol12(1),1-9
- 25. Worsley, Peter., 1992, The New Introducing Sociology, London; New York: Penguin Books.

MJ-2: Sociology of India – I

Credits 04

Full Marks: 75

MJ-2T: Sociology of India – I

Course contents:

- 1. Approaches to the Study of Indian Society
 - 1.1 The Colonial Discourse
 - 1.2 The Nationalist Discourse
 - 1.3 The Subaltern Critique
- 2. Indian Society: Concepts and Institutions
 - 2.1 Caste: Origin, Definition, Features, Varna and Jati, Dominant Caste, Jajmani System, Sanskritization
 - 2.2 Agrarian Classes: Structure and Features
 - 2.3 Industry and Labour: Factory and Industry System, Changing Nature of labour relations in Contemporary India
 - 2.4 Tribe: Definition, Features, Issues and Problems in Contemporary India
 - 2.5 Village: Features, Structures, Internal Relations, Village Solidarity and Change
 - 2.6 Family: Meaning, Definition, Features and Changing Nature

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- 8. Das, Veena., 2004, *Handbook of Indian Sociology*. Oxford University Press.
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- 22. Pathy.J,1999, Tribe, *Region and Nation in the Context of the Indian State*. Sociological Bulletin,48(1-2),97-111
- 23. Shah.A.M, 1998, The Family In India, Sage.
- 24. Singh, Yogendra., 2007, Social Change in India: Crisis and Resilience, Har Anand Publications.
- 25. Srinivas, M.N., 1969, "The Caste System in India", in A. Beteille (ed.) *Social Inequality: Selected Readings*, Harmondsworth: Penguin Books.
- 26. Srinivas, M.N., 1987, The Dominant Caste & Other Essays, Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- 27. Srinivas, M.N., 1995, Social Change in Modern India. Orient Blackswan.
- 28. Uberoi, Patricia, 1993, Family Kinship and Marriage in India, OUP

MINOR (MI)

MI – 1: Indian Society: Images and Realities Credits 04

MI – 1T: Indian Society: Images and Realities Full Marks: 75

Course contents:

1. Ideas of India

- 1.1 Civilization and Culture
- 1.2 India as a Colony
- 1.3 Nation, State, and Society in Contemporary India

2. Institutions and Processes

- 2.1 Village: Meaning, Structure and Changing Nature of Indian Village
- 2.2 Caste: Definition, Features and Sanskritization
- 2.3 Family: Definition, Types of Family, Functions
- 2.4 Gender: Gender as a Category, Gender Discrimination

3. Critiques

- 3.1 Criticism of the Caste System(B.R. Ambedkar, Dipankar Gupta)
- 3.2 Criticism of Gender Roles

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MI-2: Gender, Violence and Politics

Credits 04

MI-2T: Gender, Violence and Politics

Full Marks: 75

Course contents:

1. Gendered Violence: Meaning and Concept

- 2. Structural and Situated Violence
 - 2.1 Caste, Gender, and Violence
 - 2.2 Domestic Violence
 - 2.3 Violence, Harassment at the Workplace
- 3. Sexual Violence: Meaning and types
- 4. Addressing Gender Violence: Power, Politics and Public Policy

- 1. Agnes, Flavia., 2017, My Story... Our Story of Re-building Broken Lives, Mumbai: Majlish.
- 2. Box, Steven, 1983, *Power, Crime, Mystification*. London: Routledge.
- 3. Chowdhry, Prem., 1997, "Enforcing Cultural Codes: Gender and Violence in Northern India", Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. 32, No. 19.
- 4. Das, Veena and Kim Turcot DiFruscia, 2010, "Listening to Voices: An Interview with Veena Das", Alterites Vol. 7, No 1.
- 5. Dube, Leela., 1996 "Caste and Women" in M.N. Srinivas (ed.) Caste: Its twentieth-century avatar, New Delhi: Penguin.
- 6. Holmes, Mary., 2009. Gender and Everyday Life. London: Routledge.
- 7. Irdayam, Aloysius., Mangubhai, Jayshree P., & Lee, Joel G., 2011, *Dalit Women Speak Out: Caste, Class and Gender Violence in India*, Zubaan Books.
- 8. Kannabiran, Vasanth., & Kalpana, Kannabiran., 1991, "Caste and Gender: Understanding Dynamics of Power and Violence", Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. 26, No.37.
- 9. Karlekar, Malavika., 1998, "Domestic Violence", Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. 33, No.27.
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- 16. Tejani, Sheba., 2004, "Sexual Harassment at the Workplace: Emerging Problems and Debates", Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. 39, No. 41.
- 17. Wies, Jennifer R., & Haldane, Hilary J, 2011, *Anthropology at the Front Lines of Gender-Based Violence*. Nashville, Tenn.: Vanderbilt Univ.

SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE (SEC)

SEC 1: Application of Statistics in Sociology: Using MS Excel and SPSS Credits 03

SEC1P: Application of Statistics in Sociology: Using MS Excel & SPSS Full Marks: 50

Course Outline:

- 1. Definition, History of Social Statistics And Use of Statistics in Social Research
- 2. Basic concepts
 - 2.1 Concept, Variable, Data, Population, Sample, Parameter, Statistic
- 3. Sampling
 - 3.1 Types and Uses
- 4. Frequency Distribution and Graphical Techniques Using MS Excel
- 5. Central Tendency Using MS Excel
 - 5.1 Mean, Median and Mode
- 6. Coding & Tabulation Using MS Excel

- 1. Blalock. Social Statistics.
- 2. Elifson, Kirk W., Richard P. Runyon, Audrey Haber. Fundamentals of Social Statistics. McGraw-Hill Humanities, Social Sciences & World Languages, 1990.
- 3. Goon, A.M., M.K. Gupta and B. Dasgupta- Basic Statistics, Kolkata World Press Pvt. Ltd, 1978.
- 4. Irvine, John, Ian Miles, and Jeff Evans, (Eds). Demystifying social Statistics. London: Pluto Press, 1979.
- 5. Kothari, C R Research Methodology, New Delhi: New Age International, 2004.
- 6. Leonard, Wilbert M,1976, Basic Social Statistics, West Publishing Company

SEC 2: Framing Questionnaire and Conducting Interview

SEC 2P: Framing Questionnaire and Conducting Interview

Course Outline:

1. Questionnaire and Interview Method

- 1.1 Application
- 1.2 Preparation before using these methods

2. Questionnaire

- 2.1 Types
- 2.2 Framing a questionnaire

3. Interview

- 3.1 Types
- 3.2 Preparing interview schedule
- 4. Data Recording, Processing and Interpretation
- 5. Limitations of Questionnaire and Interview Method

Suggested Readings:

- 1. Ahuja Ram, 2015, Research Methods, Rawat Publications.
- 2. Babbie, R, Earl, 2020, *The Practice of Social Research*, 15th edition, AU, Cengage publications.
- 3. Bailey, K.J. 1994. *Methods of Social Research*, 4th edition, New York, The Free Press

Credits 03

Full Marks: 50

- 4. Baker, T.L. 1998. *Doing Social Research*. McGraw-Hill Education.
- 5. Blalock A, 1982. *Introduction to Social Research*, Prentice Hall
- 6. Bryman, Alan. 2004, Quantity and Quality in Social Research, New York: Routledge,
- 7. Clark, Foster, Sloan, Bryman. 2016. *Social Research Methods*, 6th edition, United Kingdom, OUP.
- 8. Corbetta, P. 2003. *Social Research: Theory, Methods and Techniques*. Sage Publications Ltd.
- 9. Creswell, J.W. 2013, Research Design: Qualitative, Quantitative, and Mixed Methods Approaches, 4th Edition, London.SAGE Publications, Inc.
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