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

Level	YR.	SEM	Course Type	Course Code	Course Title	Credit	L-T-P	Marks		
								CA	ESE	TOTAL
B.Sc. (Hons.)	1st	I	**SEMESTER-I**							
			Major-1	**ANTHMJ101**	**T: Introduction to Anthropology** **P: Practical**	**4**	**3-0-1**	**15**	**60**	**75**
			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 (Disc.-I)	**ANTMI01**	**T: Introduction to Anthropology; P: Practical** ***(To be taken by students of other Disciplines)***	**4**	**3-0-1**	**15**	**60**	**75**
					Semester-I Total	**20**				**400**
		II	**SEMESTER-II**							
			Major-2	**ANTHMJ102**	**T: Foundational Concepts of Anthropology** **P: Practical**	**4**	**3-0-1**	**15**	**60**	**75**
			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 (Disc.-II)	**ANTMI01**	**T: Basic Concepts of Anthropology; P: Practical** ***(To be taken by students of other Disciplines)***	**4**	**3-0-1**	**15**	**60**	**75**
			Summer Intern.	**CS**	Community Service	**4**	**0-0-4**	**-**	**-**	**50**
					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 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.

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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.

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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.

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MI-2: Basic Concepts of Anthropology (Practical) **Credits 01**

Course Outline:

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

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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

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SEC 2: Study of Development Programme **Credits 03 (Full Marks: 50)**

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***

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