VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY

Midnapore, West Bengal



PROPOSED CURRICULUM&SYLLABUS (DRAFT) OF

BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH SOCIOLOGY (MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES)

3-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 IN HUMANITIES/ SOCIAL SCIENCE with SOCIOLOGY

(Under CCFUP, 2023)

Level	YR.	SEM	Course Type	Course Code	Course Title	Credit	L-T-P	Marks		
								CA	ESE	TOTAL
B.A. in Humaniti es/ Social Science with Sociology	3 rd	V	SEMESTER-V							
			Major-A4	SOCPMJ04	T: Methods of Social Research	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
					(To be studied by students taken Sociology. as Discipline- A)					
			Major-A5	SOCPMJ05	T: Sociological Theories	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
					(To be studied by students taken Sociology as Discipline- A)					
			Major-A6	SOCPMJ06	T: Indian Society: Issues and Problems	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
					(To be studied by students taken Sociology as Discipline- A)					
			Major	SOCMJE02	T: Sociology of Religion OR Sociology of Work	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
			(Elective) -2		(To be studied by students taken Sociology as Discipline- A)					
			Minor-5	SOCMIN05	T: Family, Marriage and Kinship	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
			(DiscC5)		(To be studied by students taken English as Discipline- C)					
					Semester-V Total	20				375
		VI	SEMESTER-VI							
			Major-B4		To be decided (Same as MajorA4 for Sociology. taken as Discipline-B)	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
			Major-B4		To be decided(Same as Major-A5 for Sociology taken as Discipline-B)	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
			Major-B4		To be decided(Same as Major-A6 for Sociology taken as Discipline-B)	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
			Major	SOCMJE03	T: Sociology Of Health And Medicine OR Political Sociology	4	3-1-0	15	60	75
			(Elective) -3		(To be studied by students taken Sociology as Discipline- A)					
			Minor -6	SOCMIN06	T: Sociology of Education	4	3-0-1	15	60	75
			(DiscC6)		(To be studied by students taken Sociology as Discipline- C)					
					Semester-VI Total	20				375
					TOTAL of YEAR-3	40	_		_	700
			Eligible to be awarded Bachelor of Arts in Multidisciplinary Studies with Sociology on Exit				Marks (Year: I+	-II+III)	2325

MJP = Major Programme (Multidisciplinary), MI = Minor, A/B = Choice of Major Discipline; C= Choice of Minor Discipline; CA= Continuous Assessment, ESE= End Semester Examination, T = Theory, P= Practical, L-T-P = Lecture-Tutorial-Practical

MAJOR (MJ)

Major A4/B4: METHODS OF SOCIAL RESEARCH Credits 04

Major A4/B4T: METHODS OF SOCIAL RESEARCH Full Marks: 75

Course contents:

1. Logic Of Social Research

- **1.1** What Is Social Research?
- 1.2 Objectivity In Social Research
- 1.3 Reflexivity In Social Research

2. Basic Concepts

- 2.1 Concepts, Variables, Propositions
- 2.2 Hypothesis Meaning, Source, Characteristics of Usable Hypothesis
- 2.3 Relevance of Validity and Reliability in social Research

3. Types Of Research

- **3.1** Deductive And Inductive
- 3.2 Pure And Applied
- **3.3** Qualitative And Quantitative
- **3.4** Action And Evaluative Research

4. Research Design

- **4.1** Definition
- **4.2** Steps in Research Design

Suggested Readings:

- 1. Ahuja, R. (2001). Research Methods. Rawat Publications.
- 2. Bailey, K. (1994). *The Research Process in Methods of Social Research*. In Simon and Schuster, 4th Ed. The Free Press.
- 3. Bernard, H. R. (2011). Research Methods In Anthropology: Qualitative And Quantitative Approaches. Rowman Altamira.
- 4. Bryman, A. (2012). Social Research Methods. Oxford University Press, USA.
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- 6. Evans, Mary. & Williams H. Carolyn. (2013). Gender: The Key Concept. Routledge.
- 7. Frankfort-Nachmias, C., Nachmias, C., & Nachmias, D. (1992). *Research Methods in the Social Sciences*. Worth Publishers.
- 8. Ghosh, B. (2016). *Methodology of Research in Sociology*. INFLIBNET Centre. https://ebooks.inflibnet.ac.in/socp3/
- 9. Giddens, A. (1993). New Rules of Sociological Method: Second Edition. Stanford University Press.
- 10. Goode, W.E., & P.K. Hatt. (1952). Methods in Social Research. McGraw Hill.
- 11. Kothari, C. R. (2004). Research methodology: Methods and Techniques. New Age International.
- 12. Pal, D. (2022). *Gabeshana Padhhati o RashibigyanerKoushal* (Research Methodology and Statistical Technique). Rita Publication.

Major A5/B5: SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES

Major A5/B5T: SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES Full Marks: 75

Credits 04

Course contents:

1. Sociological Theory

- 1.1 Meaning, Definition, Characteristics
- 1.2 Micro, Macro, Meso

2. Functionalism

- **2.1** Origin, Meaning, Features, Core Assumptions
- 2.2 Talcott Parsons Social Action, Social System
- 2.3 Robert K. Merton Middle Range Theory

3. Conflict Perspective

- 3.1 Origin, Meaning, Features, Core Assumptions
- 3.2 Ralf Dahrendorf

4. Interactionist Perspectives

- **4.1** Origin, Meaning, Features, Core Assumptions
- 4.2 George Herbert Mead

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- 2. Coser, L.A. (1977). Masters of Sociological Thought. Rawat Publications.
- 3. Dahrendorf, Ralf. (1968). Essay in the Theory of Society. Standford University Press.
- 4. Durkheim, Emile. (1984). The Division of Labour in Society. Macmillan.
- 5. Lemert, C. C. (2021). *Social Theory: The Multicultural, Global, and Classic Readings* (7th ed.). Routledge.
- 6. Magill, Frank N. (1996). International Encyclopedia of Sociology. Volume 1, Routledge.
- 7. Mahapatra, A. (2022). BishaySamajtattwa (in Bengali). Sandhya Prakashani.
- 8. Marx, Karl. (1990). Selected Writings in Sociology and Social Philosophy. Penguin Books Limited.
- 9. Radcliffe Brown, A.R. (1976). Structure and Function in Primitive Society. Free Press.
- 10. Ritzer, George. (2021). Classical Sociological Theory. 11th Ed. McGraw Hill.
- 11. Turner, J. H. (2012). Contemporary Sociological Theory. SAGE.
- 12. Wallace, R. A., & Wolf, A. (1998). *Contemporary Sociological Theory: Expanding the Classical Tradition*. Prentice-Hall.

Major A6/B6: INDIAN SOCIETY: ISSUES AND PROBLEMS Credits 04

Major A6/B6T: INDIAN SOCIETY: ISSUES AND PROBLEMS Full Marks: 75

Course contents:

1. Social Problem

- 1.1 Concept
- **1.2** Characteristics and Types

2. Socio-Economic Issues

- **2.1** Unemployment: Causes, consequences and Policies
- 2.2 Poverty: Causes, Measures, Consequences and Policies
- 2.3 Illiteracy: Causes, Consequences And Policies

3. Women, Children and The Aged

- 3.1 Violence Against Women: Public and Private sphere
- 3.2 Child Abuse
- **3.3** Child Labour and Child Rights
- **3.4** Elderly Abuse and Ageing

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- 1. Agarwal, A. G. (2017). *Indian Economy*. New Age International Pvt. Ltd.
- 2. Ahuja, R. (2003). Violence Against Women. Rawat Publications.
- 3. Ahuja, R. (2012). Social Problems in India. Rawat Publications.
- 4. Ashwani, D. G. &. M. (2017). Indian Economy, 72nd Edition. S. Chand Publishing.
- 5. Atal, Y. (2002). The Poverty Question: Search for Solutions. Rawat Publications.
- 6. Beteille, A. (2003). Poverty and Inequality. *Economic and Political Weekly*, *38*(42), 4455–4463. http://www.istor.org/stable/4414161
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- 8. Chand, P. (2007). Status of adult literacy in India: A Database for Literacy Programmes.
- 9. Chossudovsky, M., Fund, I. M., & Bank, W. (1997). *The globalisation of poverty: Impacts of IMF and World Bank Reforms*. London, England; Atlantic Highlands, NJ: Zed Books.
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- 11. Dornbusch, R., Fischer, S., & Startz, R. (2018). Macroeconomics (13th ed.). McGraw Hill.
- 12. Henry, K. (1978). *Social problems: Institutional and Interpersonal Perspectives*. Pearson Scott Foresman.
- 13. Merton, R. K., & Nisbet, R. A. (1971). *Contemporary Social Problems*. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt
- 14. Nelson, T. D. (2004). Ageism: Stereotyping and Prejudice Against Older Persons. MIT Press.
- 15. Shankardass, M. K. (2020). International Handbook of Elder Abuse and Mistreatment. In *Springer eBooks*. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-13-8610-7
- 16. Sinha, N. (1989). Women and Violence. Vikas Publishing House.

MAJOR ELECTIVE

(To be studied by students taken Sociology as Discipline- A)

Major Elective (MJE)-02:

Major Elective -02: SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION Credits 04

Major Elective -02T: SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION Full Marks: 75

Course contents:

1. Understanding Religion

- 1.1 Sociology of Religion: Meaning and Scope
- 1.2 Concepts and Definitions of Religion
- 1.3 Functions of Religion

2. Theoretical Perspectives on Religion

- 2.1 Emile Durkheim
- 2.2 Max Weber
- 2.3 Karl Marx

3. Religion and Society: Contemporary Issues

- 3.1 Globalization and Religion
- 3.2 Religion and Women
- **3.3** New Religious Movements
 - ISKCON Movement: Re-interpretation of Hindu Philosophy
 - Bahá'í Faith

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- Dey, P. S. (2011). Samajtotter Itibritya. (Bengali) Dorling Kindersley.
- Dumont, L. (1970). *Religion, politics and history in India: Collected Papers in Indian Sociology.* Mouton Publishers.
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Major Elective -02: SOCIOLOGY OF WORK Credits 04

Major Elective -02T: SOCIOLOGY OF WORK Full Marks: 75

Course contents:

1. Basic Concepts

1.1 Work – Paid and Unpaid, Formal and Informal work

1.2 Classical Approaches to Work: Karl Marx, Emile Durkheim, Max Weber

2. Work and Industry

- **2.1** Industry and Labour
- 2.2 Industrialism

3. Dimensions of Work

- **3.1** Alienation
- 3.2 Gender, Glass Ceiling, Pink Collar Workers
- **3.3** Formal and Informal Economy

4. Modern and Post- Modern Approaches to Work

- 4.1 Frederick Taylor's Scientific Management
- 4.2 Fordism and Post Fordism
- **4.3** Post-modernist approaches to work
- **4.4** Information Society
- 4.5 Risk and Hazard

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- Bell, D. (1976). The Coming of Post-Industrial Society. Basic Books.
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Major Elective (MJE)-03:

Major Elective -03: SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH AND MEDICINE Credits 04

Major Elective -03T: SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH AND MEDICINE Full Marks: 75

Course contents:

1. Introduction to the Sociology of Health and Medicine

- 1.1 Origins and Development
- 1.2 Conceptualizing Disease, Sickness and Illness
- 1.3 Social and Cultural Dimensions of Illness and Medicine

2. Approaches to Health and Illness

- 2.1 Functional Approach
- 2.2 Conflict Approach
- 2.3 Discourse and Power
- 2.4 Feminist Approach

3. Negotiating Health and Illness

- 3.1 Medical Practices Indigenous and Modern Medicine
- **3.2** Health Policy in India (1983, 2002, 2017)

4. Sociology of Disability

- **4.1** Social Model of Disability (Disability Rights Movement globally and in India)
- **4.2** Disability and Public Policy with Special Reference to India (The National Policy for Persons with Disabilities, 2006)

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- Akram, M. (2014). Sociology of health.
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OR

Major Elective -03: POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

Major Elective -03T: POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY Full Marks: 75

Credits 04

Course contents:

1. Contextualising the study of Politics

1.1 Origin, scope and subject matter of Political Sociology

2. Basic Concepts

- 2.1 Power, Authority and Hegemony
- 2.2 Nation, State, Sovereign, Governance, Citizenship, Rights
- 2.3 Elite and the Ruling Class: Mosca, Mitchell, and C.W. Mills

3. Political Systems

- 3.1 Segmentary
- **3.2** Totalitarian
- **3.3** Democratic Types and Features

4. Everyday State and Local Structures of Power

- **4.1** Nature of Indian Democracy
- 4.2 Panchayati Raj System in India

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MINOR (MI)

(To be studied by students taken Sociology as Discipline- C)

MI-5/C-5: Same as Minor-5 (SOCMIN-05) of Sociology (Hons.) Prog. Credits 04

Full Marks: 75

MI-6/C-6: Same as Minor-6 (SOCMIN-06) of Sociology (Hons.) Prog. Credits 04

Full Marks: 75