

Course Title	INVITATION TO SOCIOLOGY				
Semester	I				
Academic Level	100 - 199				
Course Details	Credit	Lecture per week	Tutorial per week	Practical per week	Total Hours
	4	4	-	-	60
Pre-requisites	Basic knowledge in Social Sciences				
Course Summary	"Invitation to Sociology" provides a nuanced understanding of social structures, cultural norms, and individual interactions within society. The course meticulously unpacks the relationship between sociology and other academic disciplines, equipping students with the analytical tools necessary to critically examine and interpret the multifaceted nature of contemporary social issues.				

Course Outcomes (CO):

CO	CO Statement	Cognitive Level*	Knowledge Category#	Evaluation Tools used
CO1	Summarize the key principles and domains of sociology, demonstrating foundational knowledge of the discipline.	U	C	Semester exam/ Instructor-created exams / Quiz

CO2	Discover the significance and influence of society, socialization and social control, predicting their impact on individual behaviour.	Ap	P	Semester exam/ Assignment / Observation of Practical Skills
CO3	Summarize the relationship between culture and society, explaining how cultural norms and values influence societal structures.	U	C	Semester exam/ Seminar / Group Tutorial Work
CO4	Examine the structures of stratification and patterns of inequality in contemporary Indian society, formulating strategies to address these social challenges.	An	C	Semester exam/ Instructor-created exams / Home Assignments
CO5	Use sociological concepts to effectively analyze and interpret their own cultural immersion experiences, media content, and personal life stories	Ap	P	Assignments/ Group discussion
* - Remember (R), Understand (U), Apply (Ap), Analyse (An), Evaluate (E), Create (C) # - Factual Knowledge(F) Conceptual Knowledge (C) Procedural Knowledge (P) Metacognitive Knowledge (M)				

Detailed Syllabus:

Module	Unit	Content	Hours (48)	Marks (70)
I	INTRODUCING SOCIOLOGY		12	20
	1	Origin and development of Sociology	2	5
	2	Sociology as a science: Nature, scope and relevance	2	5
	3	Relation with other disciplines: History, Political Science, Anthropology, Economics, Psychology	2	3
	4	Sociology Vs common sense	2	2
	5	Sociological Imagination	2	2
	6	Branches of Sociology: Medical Sociology, Rural Sociology, Industrial Sociology, etc.	2	3
Sections from References: 1. Abraham, Francis and Morgan Henry John. (2010). Sociological Thought, MacMillan Publishers India Ltd. 2. Abraham, Francis. (2006). Contemporary Sociology, Oxford University Press. 3. Abercrombie, Nicholas. (2004). Sociology, Cambridge Polity Press. 4. Bottomore, Tom (1986), Sociology: A Guide to Problems and Literature, Blackie and Son India (Ltd) 5. Perry, John and Perry, Erna. (2010). Contemporary Society, Dorling Kindersley India Pvt.Ltd. 6. Beteille, Andre (2002) Sociology, New Delhi, Oxford University Press 7. Bottomore, Tom and Robert, Nisbet. (1978). A History of Sociological analysis, Heineman. 8. Giddens, Anthony and Sutton Philip W. (2017). Sociology, Wiley India, New Delhi 9. Giddens, Anthony. (1998) Sociology, Polity Press, Cambridge.				

INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY: BASIC CONCEPTS		16	20
7	Society, community, association	3	2
8	Social Interaction: Types	3	3
9	Social Groups: Types	3	3
10	Socialization: Types and agents	2	5
11	Social Control: Types and agents	2	5
12	Social Structure: Status and Role	3	2
II	Sections from References: 1. Abraham, Francis. (2006). Contemporary Sociology, Oxford University Press. 2. Abercrombie, Nicholas. (2004). Sociology, Cambridge Polity Press. 3. Bottomore, Tom (1986), Sociology: A Guide to Problems and Literature, Blackie and Son India (Ltd) 4. Perry, John and Perry, Erna. (2010). Contemporary Society, Dorling Kindersley India Pvt.Ltd. 5. Beteille, Andre (2002) Sociology, New Delhi, Oxford University Press 6. Bottomore, Tom and Robert, Nisbet. (1978). A History of Sociological analysis, Heineman. 7. Giddens, Anthony and Sutton Philip W. (2017). Sociology, Wiley India, New Delhi 8. Giddens, Anthony. (1998) Sociology, Polity Press, Cambridge.		
III	CULTURE AND SOCIETY		10 15
	13	Meaning, characteristics and elements of culture	2 3
	14	Sub-culture, High Culture and Popular Culture	2 3
	15	Ethnocentrism and Cultural Relativism	2 2
	16	Cultural lag, Multi-culturalism	2 5
	17	Digital Culture and Social Media	2 2
	Sections from References: 1. Kroeber, A. L., & Kluckhohn, C. (1952). <i>Culture: A Critical Review of Concepts and Definitions</i> . Peabody Museum. 2. Kottak, C. P. (2019). <i>Mirror for Humanity: A Concise Introduction to Cultural Anthropology</i> . 11th Edition. McGraw-Hill Education. 3. Hofstede, G., Hofstede, G. J., & Minkov, M. (2010). <i>Cultures and Organizations: Software of the Mind</i> . 3rd Edition. McGraw-Hill. 4. Hall, E. T. (1976). <i>Beyond Culture</i> . Anchor Books. 5. Harris, M., & Johnson, O. (2020). <i>Cultural Anthropology</i> . 11th Edition. Routledge. Kendall, Diana. (2007). <i>Sociology in our Times</i> , Thomson Learning Inc., 6. Ogburn, W. F. (1966). <i>On Culture and Social Change</i> . University of Chicago Press. (Chapter on cultural lag) 7. Storey, J. (2018). <i>Cultural Theory and Popular Culture: An Introduction</i> . Routledge. 8. Van Dijck, J. (2013). <i>The Culture of Connectivity: A Critical History of Social Media</i> . Oxford University Press.		

IV	STRATIFICATION AND INEQUALITIES IN CONTEMPORARY INDIAN SOCIETY		10	15
	18	Stratification: Definition and types	2	3
	19	Caste: Definition and Characteristics	2	3
	20	Class: Definition and Characteristics	2	3
	21	Gender disparities in various domains	2	3
	22	Urban-Rural Divide in India	2	3
Sections from References: 1. Beteille, A. (2012). <i>Caste, Class, and Power: Changing Patterns of Stratification in a Tanjore Village</i> . Oxford University Press. 2. Chakravarti, U. (2003). <i>Gendering Caste Through a Feminist Lens</i> . Popular Prakashan. 3. Desai, S., & Dubey, A. (2012). <i>Caste in 21st Century India: Competing Narratives</i> . Cambridge University Press. 4. Deshpande, S. (2003). <i>Contemporary India: A Sociological View</i> . Viking. 5. Harriss-White, B., & Janakarajan, S. (2004). <i>Rural India Facing the 21st Century: Essays on Long Term Village Change and Recent Development Policy</i> . Anthem Press. 6. Menon, N. (2012). <i>Seeing like a Feminist</i> . Penguin Books India. 7. Singh Y. (1977a). <i>Social stratification and social change in India</i> . Manohar Publications				