1st Semester
CourseCode: SOC/H/C-1
<u>INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY - I</u>

Course Objective:

      The mandate of the course is to introduce the discipline to students from diverse trainings and capabilities. The course is intended to introduce the students to a sociological way of thinking. It also provides a foundation for the other more detailed and specialized courses in sociology.

Outline:

1. Sociology: Discipline and Perspective
a. Meaning of Sociology
b. Scope and Significance of Sociology
c. Thinking Sociologically
   d. Emergence of Sociology and Social Anthropology

2. Sociology and Other Social Sciences
a. Sociology & History
   b. Sociology & Psychology
c. Sociology & Economics
d. Sociology & Political Science

3. Basic Concepts
   a. Individual and Group
   b. Associations and Institutions
   c. Social Control and Change
   d. Status and Role

4. Social Institutions – Basic Concepts
a. Family
b. Religion
   c. Education
   d. Politics

5.Social Stratification – Basic Concepts
a. Caste
   b. Class
   c. Gender
   d. Ethnicity

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2nd Semester

NOTIFICATION

This is to inform all concerned that a minor modification has been made into the Department of Sociology UG Course, Course Code: SOC/H/C-3 (Introduction to Sociology-II). The revised syllabus was approved in the Academic Council meeting (AC 38:16.6, Sl. No. 4). The revised syllabus on the concerned paper is attached here for reference.

Course Code: SOC/H/C-3
Introduction to Sociology-II
(Revised)

Course Objective:

The course aims to provide a general introduction to sociological thought. The focus is on studying from the original texts to give the students a flavor of how over a period of time thinkers have conceptualized various aspects of society. This paper also provides a foundation for thinkers in the other papers.

Outline:

1. Introduction to Theories of Society
   a. Montesquieu and Rousseau   -   Emergence of Social Theory
   b. Herbert Spencer   -   Conceptualizing Society
   c. George Simmel   -   Sociability
   d. Saint Simon and August Comte - Origin of Positivism

2. Structuralism
   a. Emile Durkheim - Social Solidarity
   b. A.R. Radcliffe Brown - The Idea of Social Structure
   c. Edmund Leach – Social Structure

3. Functionalist Perspective
   a. Malinowski - Theory of Needs
   b. Talcott Parsons – Action Theory
   c. R. K. Merton – Strain Theory

4. Interpretive and Interactionist Perspective
   a. Max Weber – Concept of Social Action
   b. G.H. Mead - Pragamatism
   c. Herbert Blumer - Symbolic Interactionism

5. Conflict Perspective
   a. Karl Marx – Dialectical Materialism
   b. Lewis Coser - Functionalist Interpretation of Conflict
   c. Ralf Dahrendorf – Class Conflict in Modern Society

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3rd Semester
CourseCode: SOC/H/C-5
POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

Course Objective:

This course introduces the students to some major theoretical debates and concepts in Political Sociology, while situating these within contemporary political issues. A key thrust of the paper is towards developing a comparative understanding of political relationships through themes such as power, governance and state and society relationships.

Outline:

1. Contextualizing the study of Political sociology
 a. Meaning and Scope
 b. Subject matter
 c. Emergence of political sociology
 d. Relationship between politics and sociology

2. Basic Concepts
 a. Power
 b. Authority
 c. Political socialization
 d. Political culture

3. People and Polity
 a. Meaning of political participation
 b. Activities of political participation
 c. Public opinion
 d. Pressure group

4. Political System
 a. Political system and society
 b. Totalitarians system
 c. Democratic system
 d. Tribal governance among the Nagas

5. Political Institutions and Bureaucracy
 a. State; definition and origin of state.
 b. Local Structure; 73rd & 74th constitutional amendment and institution of Panchayati Raj,
 c. Village Councils; Nagaland village and area council act 1979.
 d. Bureaucracy

Readings*:*

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4th Semester
CourseCode: SOC/H/C-7
Sociology of Gender

Course Objective:
The course introduces gender as a critical sociological lens of enquiry in relation to various social fields. It also interrogates the categories of gender, sex, and sexuality.

Outline:

1. Gendering Sociology
   a. Why Gender Matters
   b. Understanding Gender
   c. Types of Gender
   d. The sociological views

2. Gender as a SocialConstruct
   a. Sexand Gender
   b. Nature and Culture
   c. Patriarchy
   d. Gender Socialization

3. Perspectives on Gender
   a. Functionalist
   b. Conflict
   c. Gandhian
   d. Subaltern

4. Gender: Differences and Inequalities
   a. Class and gender
   b. Caste and gender
   c. Family and gender
   d. Work and gender

5. Gender and Power
a. Women and decision making
b. Women's movement
 c. Gender mainstreaming
d. Emerging challenges

Readings:

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5th Semester
CourseCode: SOC/H/C-9
SOCIOLOGY OF KINSHIP

Course Objective

      This course aims to introduce general principles of kinship and marriage by reference to key terms and theoretical statements substantiated by ethnographies. The course looks at the trajectories and new directions in kinship studies.

Outline:

1. Introduction
a. Meaning and Definition
b. Significance of Kinship
c. History of Kinship studies
d. Types of Kinship

2. Kinship Terminology
   a. Descent and Lineage
   b. Clan and Filiation
   c. Incest Taboo
   d. Residence

3. Kinship Theories
a. Descent
b. Alliance
   c. Tetradic

4. Family Household and Marriage
a. Inter generational conflict and Youth unrest
b. Conflict and disunity in the family
c. Disintegration of the Traditional Indian Joint Family System
d. Changes in the Indian Marriage system

5. Recasting Kinship
  a. Relatedness
  b. Kinship and Gender
  c. Re-imagining Families
  d. Unisex Family

Readings:

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6th Semester
CourseCode: SOC/H/C-12
<u>Sociological Research Methods-I</u>

Course Objective:

   The course is a general introduction to the methodologiesof sociological research methods. It will provide the student with some elementary knowledge of the complexities and philosophical underpinnings ofresearch.

Outline:

1. The Logic of Social Research
   a. Science and Logic
   b. Characteristics of Scientific Research
   c. Objectivity in Social Science
   d. Value-neutrality

2. Types of Research
   a. Basic and Applied
   b. Historical
   c. Empirical
   d. Descriptive

3. Methodological Perspective
   a. Conflict
   b. Structural- Functionalism
   c. Symbolic Interaction
   d. Positivism

4. Techniques of Data Collection
   a. Observation
   b. Questionnaire and Interview schedule
   c. Survey
   d. Case study

5. Ethical Issues
   a. Research Ethics in Historical Perspective
   b. Regulations on the Research Process
   c. Ethical Codes
   d. Validity and truth

Readings:

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