

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

Title: Rural Sociology and Human Psychology

Course No. : Soc 100

Cr. Hrs. : 2 (2+0)

Instructors: Dr. Rashmi Tyagi (5th/6 year Prog., COHS)

Dr. Subhash Chander (3rd/4 year Prog. COHS)

Part-A (Rural Sociology)

Month	Topic/chapter covered
January	Sociology: meaning, definition and nature Rural sociology: meaning, definition and nature Relationship of rural sociology with home science <u>Basic sociological concepts:</u> Society, Community, Association, Institution, Group and Culture
February	Family: definition, functions and types Differences between rural and urban communities Social change: definition, nature and factors Social stratification: meaning and definition, forms, characteristics and differences between class and caste system Social control: definition, importance and agencies

Part-B (Human Psychology)

March	Origin of scientific psychology : meaning, definition and nature. Biological basis of behaviour : nervous system and glandular system. Sensation : meaning, definition and nature. Attention : meaning, definition and nature.
April	Perception : meaning, definition and nature Memory : meaning, definition and types Learning : meaning, definition and factors affecting learning. Personality : meaning, definition, types and factors affecting its development.

Tests and assignments will be given to the students.

Instructor : Dr. Rashmi Tyagi, Asstt. Professor
Course Title : Theoretical Perspectives in Sociology.
Course No. : Soc 502 (3+0)

Course Outline

Month	Topic/chapter covered
January	Level of theorization in Sociology, relationship between theory and research.
	Structural functionalism – S.F. Nadel, T. Parsons, R.K. Merton, C. Leirs Strauss.
February	Post structuralism.
	Conflict theory – Karl Marx, R. Dahrendorf, R.L. Coser.
	The critical theory of Neo Marxism.
March	Interactionist Perspective Symbolic interactionism.
	Phenomenological sociology
	Ethnomethodology.
April	Recent trends in Sociological theory.

Tests and assignments will be given to the students.

Instructor : Dr. Vinod Kumari and Dr. Subhash Chander
 Course Title : Methodology of Social Research
 Course No. Soc 503 (3+0)

Course Outline

Month	Topic/chapter covered
January	Social Research, positivism, phenomenology, ethnomethodology and symbolic interactionism, interpretative understanding
	Logic of inquiry in social science research, inductive and deductive, theory building, objectivity/value neutrality and hypothesis
	Quantitative methods and survey research: Assumptions of quantification and measurement, survey techniques, limitations of survey
	Operationalisation and research design, sampling design
February	Questionnaire construction
	Interview schedule, measurement and scaling
	Reliability and validity
	Qualitative research techniques: Technique and methods of qualitative research
	Participant observation/ethnography
March	Interview guide
	Case study method
	Content analysis, oral history, narratives, life history, genealogy
	Methodological dilemmas and issues in qualitative research
	Encounters and experiences in field work
	Qualitative data format and processing, validity and reliability in qualitative research
April	Methods and use of micro-statistics and secondary source (Durkheim's suicide, Census, NSS) : Triangulation-Mixing qualitative and quantitative methodologies
	Action research, participatory research
	Application of computers in social research e.g. SPSS
	Ethical issue in social research

Tests and assignments will be given to the students.

Instructor : Dr. Vinod Kumari

Course Title : Community Development and Leadership

Course No. Soc 503 (3+0)

Course Outline

Month	Topic/chapter covered
January	Concept of Community Development.
	Principles of Community Organization.
	Process of Community Organization.
	Decision making : Elements and types of decision maker.
February	Art of making decision
	Agricultural and modern institutional policies and programmes of community development and process of achieving them.
	Socio-cultural obstacles in community development programme.
	Social groups : Nature, types and characteristics.
March	Rural Groups : Structure and Function.
	Functions and forms of interaction in small groups.
	Leadership: Concept, types and characteristics.
	Theories of leadership.
April	Relationship between leadership and community development.
	Patterns of leadership and group relationships.
	Women empowerment and community development.
	Changing pattern of rural leadership.

Tests and assignments will be given to the students.

Instructor : Dr. Jatesh Kathpalia, Asstt. Scientist

Course Title : Science, Technology and Society

Course No. : Soc 508 (3+0)

Course Outline

Month	Topic/chapter covered
January	Introduction of science, study and importance of science.
	Relationship between society and science and vice-versa.
	Science as a social system, norms of science.
	Relationship between science and technology
	Concept of innovation, dispersion, succession and convergence.
February	Meaning of technology, culture relationship and problems between technology and culture.
	Dynamics of technology affecting agriculture, industry, family, communication.
March	Cultural lag, problems of human adjustment and mental health.
	Impact of technology on rural social life.
April	Globalization and liberalization
	Impact of globalization and liberalization on Indian science and technology.
	WTO and issues related to intellectual property rights.
	MNCs and Indian industry.
	Political economy of science and technology at the national and international level.

Tests and assignments will be given to the students.

Instructor : Dr. Subhash Chander.

Course Title : Social Psychology.

Course No. Soc 509 (3+0)

Course Outline

Month	Topic/chapter covered
January	Development of social psychology as a modern discipline
	Trends/traditions of social, psychological, sociological, societal and applied
	Culture and social psychology
	Relationship with social science
	Theoretical perspectives
February	Relationship and Group Processes: Human relationship
	Social motivation
	Pro-social behaviors; Aggression
	Social emotions
	Group dynamics: Meaning and formation of group, decision making and problem solving, group level behaviour
	Personality and culture: Meaning and nature of personality
Meaning and nature of culture; Relationship of personality with culture; Personality assessment	
March	Influence Processes: Social perception and social cognition
	Social power and political process
	Mass Media communication and attitude change in Indian context Propaganda and brain washing
	Leadership styles and effectiveness
	Applied Social Psychology: Inter group relationship
	Poverty and Gender issues
April	Social institutions
	Problems of social change
	Population issues
	Social movement (urban-rural)
	Society and technology

Tests and assignments will be given to the students.

Instructor : Dr. Subhash Chander.

Course Title : Society in India

Course No. Soc 510 (3+0)

Course Outline

Month	Topic/chapter covered
January	Indian Society : Unity in Diversity
	Varnashrama System, Caste-features, functions and changing aspects.
	Caste and class, casteism.
February	Marriage, family and kinship : Tradition and change.
	Rural and urban society, rural-urban interaction.
	Tribal Society: Geographical distribution of tribes, clan, totemism, taboos, witchcraft, magic and tribal development.
	Religion, law and polity : Technology and Economy
March	Village Community – Tradition and change, rural economy.
	Rural power structure : Panchayati Raj, Rural Development
	Urban Society : Urban centres, traditional and modern, urban ecology and demography, urbanization and urbanism, urban renewal.
	Urban planning and development, urban government.
April	Social background of Indian Nationalism, Nation-building and its problems.
	Political parties and new elites, problems of minorities:
	Underprivileged sections in India : Women, scheduled castes and other backward groups.
	Role of social legislation.

Tests and assignments will be given to the students.

Instructor : Dr. Vinod Kumari, Professor

Course Title : Fundamentals of Rural Sociology

Course No. : Soc 511 (2+0)

Course Outline

Month	Topic/chapter covered	
January	Sociology	Meaning, Nature & Scope
	Rural Sociology	Concept, Scope, Importance, Origin & Development, Relationship with Extension Education.
	Basic Sociological Concepts	Society, Community, Associations, Institutions, Social systems, Social action, Rural Social Control & other Sociological Terms.
February	Social Change	Meaning & Process of social change, Theories of social change.
	Culture	Concept, Types, Structure, Patterns, Problems, Cultural Relativism and Cultural Lag, Cultural Integration and its role in Development.
March	Social Stratification	Concept, Structure, Caste & Class, Role.
	Social Group	Concept, Types and Dynamics, Role in Extension Work.
	Leadership	Concept, Types, Styles, Theories & Principles and its Implication for Development.
April	Social Structure, Social Organization & Social System	Concept, Differences, Types, Their Role in Development, Social Sanctions & Deviance.

Tests and assignments will be given to the students.

Instructor : Dr. Rashmi Tyagi

Course Title : Sociological Theory of Today

Course No. Soc 601 (3+0)

Course Outline

Month	Topic/chapter covered
January	Nature, type and scope of sociological theory, relationship between theory and research
	Structuralism and post-structuralism: M. Foucault, Neo-functionalism: J. Alexander
February	Conflict and social change: R. Collins- The critical theory and Neo-Marxism- The Frankfurt school, structuralism Marxism: L. Althusser- Hegemony: A. Gramsci.
March	Advances in symbolic interactionism- Phenomenological sociology- Ethnomethodology.
April	Recent trends in sociological theorizing structuration – Anthony Giddens- Habitus and field: Bourdieu- Postmodernism – Semiotics- Congerence

Tests and assignments will be given to the students.

Instructor : Dr. Vinod Kumari
 Course Title : Advanced Analytical Social Psychology
 Course No. Soc 603 (3+0)

Course Outline

Month	Topic/chapter covered
January	Social Psychology & Advanced Analytical Social Psychology
	Evolution and expansion of Advanced Analytical Social Psychology
	Psychoanalytical theory of S. Freud
	Individual psychology of Adler
	Individual psychology of Jung
	Analytical theory of Jung
February	Foundations of human behavior
	Psychodynamics of behavior; Id, Ego, Superego
	Defense mechanisms of behaviour
	Various major and minor mental mechanisms
	Meaning, nature, causes & symptoms of psychological disorders
March	Psychosis – its causes, symptoms, treatment and solution of disorder
	Neurosis - its causes, symptoms, treatment and solution of disorder
	Stress and stress management in modern life.
	Process of socialization
	Personality development – its assessment and factors affecting it.
April	Prevention and reformation of juvenile delinquency
	Group dynamics
	Social groups
	Social perception
	Social interaction
	Mass behavior
	Rural and urban society
	Technology and changes in groups and group dynamics

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