Course: Major Title of the Course: Foundations in Sociology

Semester: I Credits: 4 Subject Code: AMAJSOC123104 Lectures: 60

Course Outcomes:

At the end of this course, the learner will be able to:

- CO1 Develop a sociological imagination and foster critical, reflexive, and analytical thinking skills.
- CO2- Gain basic knowledge of sociological concepts.
- CO3- Discuss various forms of social inequality and respect social diversity and pluralism and help students comprehend their position on social issues.
- CO4- Recognize the scope of Sociology in terms of career opportunities, employment, and life skills.
- CO5- Apply sociological knowledge to recognize social problems.
- CO6- Develop a strong sense of moral and ethical standards in social behaviour and in comprehending reality.

Unit 1: Introduction to Sociology	15
 Definition, nature, and scope: Sociology and common sense, Sociology and social sciences 	
 Sociological imagination Sociological Perspective: Application of sociological perspectives: Functionalist, 	
Conflict, Interactionist, Feminist	

Unit 2: Culture and Society	15	
 What is culture? Beyond binaries: Culture spectrum Components of culture-symbols, language, values and beliefs, norms, sanctions Types of culture- high, folk, popular, mass, sub, counter Attitudes towards cultural variation: Ethnocentrism, Cultural relativism Culture and globalization: Cultural hybridization and Glocalization Assignment: Understanding cultural concepts through food lens- chart/posters making, photo essays, hybrid food stall, Youtube video 		



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Unit 3: Inequality and Society	15
 What is Social Stratification? Social division, social stratification, and social inequality Bases of stratification: Caste, Class, Gender, Ethnicity Strategies for persistence of inequality: Ideology, Habituation, Violence, Coercion Strategies to deal with the inequality: Affirmative action in terms social justice and inclusion 	

Unit 4: Careers in Sociology	15
Uses of sociology	
Careers in sociology: Research, Media practice, NGOs, Social welfare, HR,	
Marketing, Business/social entrepreneurship, Care and policy making, Public	
service	
New interdisciplinary areas: Development studies, women's studies, film studies,	
cultural studies, sociobiology	
Public Sociology	
Activities	
Panel discussion on careers in sociology	

Recommended Text Books:

- Macionis John, (2006) Sociology, Pearson, New Delhi.
- Johnston J., Cairns K., Bauman S.(2017) *Introducing Sociology Using the Stuff of Everyday Life*, Routledge, NY.
- Schaefer Richard (2006) Sociology- A Brief Introduction, Tata McGraw Hills, NY.
- Livesey (2014) Sociology Coursebook, Cambridge University Press, UK.

Reference Books:

- Allan Kenneth (2005) Explorations in Classical Sociological Theory; Pine Forge Press, N. Delhi.
- Calhoun Craig et.al (2005) The Sage Handbook of Sociology, Sage, Publications, UK.
- Deshpande Satish (2003) Contemporary India- a Sociological Review; Penguin Viking, New Delhi.
- Giddens Anthony (1993) Sociology; Polity Press, UK. Giddens Anthony Sociology; Polity Press, UK, 1993.



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