DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY Liberal college

PROGRAM OUTCOME:

The learning of Sociology provides basic knowledge about Society, social life, social interactions, man's behaviours in groups or of the inter-action among human beings, of social relationships and the processes by which human group activity takes place. Sociology makes us to understand all aspects of human social behaviours of individuals, small groups, large organizations, communities, institutions and the entire societies. Sociology keeps us up to-date on modern situations, contributes in making good citizens, solution of community problems, adds to the knowledge of the society, identifies good government with community and helps one to understand causes of things & so on.

A graduate student of sociology will be able to develop:

- The sociological knowledge and skills among the students that will enable them to judge about society, social issues, social structure and social relationships.
- The sociological understandings on how individuals are built by social structures, social institutions, cultural practices and inequality.
- A logical thinking is developed and enhanced the qualitative and quantitative skills of the individuals.
- The concepts about institutions, society, culture, social control & inequality, folkways, mores, population composition and policy etc. All these concepts help todevelop among the students of sociology a sense of social responsibility.
- The opportunity to join professional careers and allied fields. It provides a background for good careers in business, social services, government services, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) etc.
- The idea and knowledge of competing for the higher examination such as I.A.S. and the like. Without the study of sociology, the training and knowledge of the candidates aspiring to hold high post in administration set up of their country will be incomplete and imperfect.
- The ability to develop communication skills, social interaction power, sociological concepts and theories for a better understanding of real-life situation.

COURSE OUTCOME: SOC 101, INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY (HONOURS)

The aim of this course is to introduce the students a sociological way of thinking i.e., human inter-actions and inter-relations among human beings. After finishing this course, the students will be able to: -

- Define sociology, origin and history of the discipline, nature, scope and subjectmatter of sociology.
- Shows how Sociology differ from and similar to other social sciences- Social Anthropology, History, Psychology, Political Science and Economics.
- Familiar themselves with the basic concepts and Institutions like Society, Community, Institutions, Association, Group, Social Structure and function, Status and Role.
- Realize the basic social processes like cooperation, competition, conflict, accommodation and assimilation.
- Acquire themselves with the basic social institutions like marriage, family, kinship, religion and social stratification.
- Make known about the individual and society like society, culture and socialization, relationship between individual and society, social control, norms, values and sanctions.

COURSE OUTCOME: SOC 202, SOCIOLOGY IN INDIA (HONOURS)

After the completion of this course, the students will become more clearer about the basic conceptsof the institutions of the Indian society and also will be able to: -

- Examine the basic institutions of Indian society like the Family, Kinship, Marriage-Hindu, Muslim, Christian, Caste, Class and changing dimensions.
- Specify and demonstrate social problems in India like poverty, Dowry, Domestic violence, Divorce, illiteracy, child abuse, youth unrest, drug abuse and corruption.
- Acquire knowledge of convergence and Integration like the sharing of material traits, cultural space, language and regional ethos, the evolution of composite cultural legacy, change and transformation in Indian society, Nation building and national identity.

COURSE OUTCOME: SOC 303, SOCIOLOGICAL THOUGHT (HONOURS)

This course provides an understanding of the sociological thoughts of different western thinkers.

By it, the students will be able to: -

- Acquire knowledge of founding father of sociology like Auguste Comte and his different contributions on various thoughts like the law of three stages, social statics, social dynamics, Cybernetic hierarchy of sciences, positivism etc.
- Familiar with Herbert Spencer's different contributions on sociological thought like Biological Analogy, Evolutionism, social types, simple and compound, militant and industrial, non-intervention and survival of the fittest.
- Recognize Karl Marx's contributions on infrastructure & superstructure, historical materialism, Class conflict and alienation.
- Develop the idea of Emile Durkheim's different thoughts on sociology: social facts, suicide, division of labour and elementary forms of religious life.
- Realize Max Weber's social action, ideal types, ideology& economy, bureaucracy, capitalism, power and authority.

COURSE OUTCOME: SOC 404, INDIAN SOCIOLOGICAL TRADITION (HONOURS)

This course provides a general introduction to development of sociological thoughts of different Indian thinkers and influence of ancient and medieval philosophy of social thought in India, western influence on sociological development, pre-independence, post-independence and contemporary social thought in India. In completion of the course, the student will be able to: -

- Acquire important contributions on Indian social thought from Swami Vivekananda,
- M.K. Gandhi, Sri Aurobindo Ghose and B.R. Ambedkar.
- Understand Indological perspective from RadhaKamal Mukherjee, G.S. Ghurye & Louis Dumont.
- Realize the structural& functional perspective of M.N. Srinivas, S.C. Dube & McKim Marriott.
- Learn the Marxist perspective from D.P. Mukherji, A.R. Desai and Ramkrishna Mukherjee.

COURSE OUTCOME: SOC 505, SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH (HONOURS)

This course provide knowledge on sociological research and help in providing theoretical framework and narrowing down the areas to be studied. By this course, the students will be able to: -

- Realize the meaning, scope, types and significance of social research, its scientific methods and the research processes.
- Aware of conceptualization and formulation of hypothesis, role of theory and fact, problems of conceptualization, formulation of hypothesis, types & characteristics of hypothesis, testing of hypothesis etc.
- Discuss about the different types of research like Basic and Applied, Historical, Descriptive, Explanatory and Experimental.
- Learn the techniques of data collection like survey and sampling techniques, observation, questionnaire and interview, primary and secondary sources of data.
- Know the importance of research design in social research, to collect and analyze data both qualitative and quantitative, presentation and interpretation of data, field report writing with different statistical analysis, classification and tabulation etc.

COURSE OUTCOME: SOC 506, POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY (HONOURS)

This course provide knowledge on the relationship between sociology and politics and the interaction between society and political structures. After completing the course, the students will be able to: -

- Realize the definition, nature and scope of political sociology, various approaches to political analysis and types of states- Liberal democratic, Totalitarian, Autocratic and welfare state.
- Familiar with the concept of political system, its nature, properties & characteristics, structures and functions, similarities and differences of political system.
- Understand the concepts of political culture, political socialization& political elites, meanings, components, agents and implications.
- Understand the leading elite theories of Mosca, Mills and Pareto.
- Discuss the concept of party system, pressure groups, bureaucracy- its features and its relation to politics and society.
- Analyze political participation: -representation- meaning, nature, role and typologies, electoral participation and electoral process.
- Know the concept of Functional federalism- meaning & implication, conditions for a successful Federal government, utilitarian and co-operative Federalism.

COURSE OUTCOME: SOC 507, SOCIAL DEMOGRAPHY (HONOURS)

This course provides an idea about the relation between population and society. It also provides an idea about population changes taking place over a period of time and its impact on society. After the completion of the course, the students will be able to: -

- Analyze population growth and distribution of the world & India & development of population studies.
- Know the concept of demographic theories like Pre-Malthusian theories, Malthusian theory, Optimum population theory and Demographic transition theory.
- Develop specific idea on Indian population structure and characteristics: Age and sex structure, marital status, literacy and religion.
- Understand the idea of fertility, mortality & migration- its concepts, determinants, differentials and measures.
- Learn about the different population planning, National population policy 2000, National Rural Health Mission, implementation and control measures in the country.

COURSE OUTCOME: SOC 608, SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY (HONOURS)

This course provides the students an idea of the origin, development and foundations of sociological theories. After the completion of the course, the students will be able to: -

- Familiar with the philosophical roots of sociological theory, transition from social philosophy to sociology.
- Develop the idea of the industrial and French Revolutions and other various contexts that led to the emergence of sociology as a distinctive discipline.
- Explain the contributions of Talcott Parsons and R.K. Merton to functionalism.
- Analyze the origin of conflict theories of Karl Marx, Ralf Dahrendorf and Lewis Coser.
- Know the contributions of George Homans, Peter Blau&Richard Emerson on Exchange theory.

COURSE OUTCOME: SOC 609, SOCIOLOGY OF MARGINAL GROUPS (HONOURS)

This course is useful to group and communities who have suffered from poverty, inequality, exclusion, deprivation and discrimination over a long period of time. This course is mainly focus on the socio-economic life of the backward sections of Indian society. After the completion of the course, the students will be able to: -

- Familiar with the concept of marginalization, stereotype, prejudice, transgender and vulnerable groups.
- Able to analyze the significance of the sociological study of Scheduled castes, Scheduled tribes, Dalits/untouchable and Adivasis.
- Learn about women and Girl child like the division of labour, Sex-Gender distinction, Gender as a social construct, Gender socialization and measures.
- Understandthe characteristics and problems of differently Abled, fighting for recognition, role of the family, legislative measures etc.
- Know about discrimination, social exclusion of the HIV infected women and children, role of the family & NGOs and preventive measures.

COURSE OUTCOME: SOC 610, SOCIAL CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT (HONOURS)

This course provides a significant idea to the students about the process, theories and factors of social change. By this course, the students will be able to: -

- Understand the concept, nature, forms, patterns of change and development.
- Get an idea about the theories of social change such as Linear of Herbert Spencer, Cyclical of Pareto, Conflict theory of Karl Marx and Cultural Lag of Ogburn.
- Familiar about the factors of social change such as Demographic, Economic, Political, Cultural and Technological.
- Learn about the development programs in India like the Five-year plan-its success and failure.
- Analyze about development issues of ecology and environment, displacement & Rehabilitation, commodification and consumerism etc.
