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PREFACE

The Department of Sociology, The University of Burdwan, was founded in 1988. Since then, the MA syllabus of the Department has undergone major revisions several times. The syllabus revisions took into account the changing frontiers of knowledge in the discipline. The last major revision took place in 2014 when The University of Burdwan decided to introduce Choice Based Credit System at the Masters level. That time, the syllabus underwent major revisions, so as (1) to introduce *Urban Sociology* (2) to include *Political Sociology*, (3) to offer choice of alternative Elective Courses in the 3rd and 4th Semesters, (4) to include activities like extension outreach, term paper writing, seminar presentation, group discussion & viva-voce for internal evaluation of students along with written test, (5) to introduce Choice based Credit System for the first time, and (6) re-naming some of the papers. The contents of many of the papers are also updated. The syllabus has been again revised. This revised syllabus, incorporating three Major Electives in the Third Semester -Sociology of Work & Industry(SOC 303A) , Sociology of Environment(SOC 303B)and Political Sociology (SOC 303C)and including Minor Elective paper(SOC 304) , as required by The University of Burdwan , was passed on 9th September,2015 at a specially convened meeting of the Post-Graduate Board of Studies in Sociology . We are grateful to our external experts, Prof.Dikshit Sinha and Prof.Abhijit Mitra for devoting their valuable time to framing the syllabus. We also mailed our syllabus to a host of fellow sociologists , both in India and abroad , to upgrade it.We thank them for devoting their time to review our syllabus offer their advice .

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PREFATORY NOTES

1. This syllabus comes into effect from the 2015-16 academic session.
2. It will be of 85 Credits comprising 16 courses of 5 Credits each except the Project paper having 10 credits. A course of 5 credits shall be of 50 Marks in all.
3. It offers 14 Core and 4 Elective courses. The Core courses also include some popular optional papers offered to sociology students. But due to shortage of faculty and infrastructure, we are offering two pairs of Major Electives only in the 3rd and 4th Semester. Students of Sociology can choose between these alternatives.
4. A Sociology student opting for course(s) outside the department, shall have to take the permission of the HOD before the commencement of the session.
5. Students of other disciplines may also opt for our Minor Elective (Paper SOC 304) under the Choice Based Credit System.
6. To qualify for the MA degree, students are required to complete a total of 16 courses, out of which 14 are compulsory at present. The Department may offer more choice based optional courses if faculty strength and infrastructure improves.
A minimum of 75 credits shall have to be earned from Departmental Core/optional Courses. The minimum number of classes prescribed for a theoretical course of 5 Credit is 70.
7. In case of the Minor Elective Course to be offered to students of other departments, now titled "Sociology of Culture, Relationship & Everyday Life".(SOC 304) the number of credits is 4 and the minimum number of classes is 50. There will be no Internal Assessment for Paper SOC 304.
8. The syllabus has scope for continuous evaluation through Internal Assessment of 20% of credit done through term paper writing, seminar presentation, group discussion & viva-voce, and End-Semester Test (80% of credit). This is applicable only for MA Sociology students.
9. Question pattern and form of examination for both Internal Assessment and End-Term written Examination will be decided by the teacher(s) offering a course.
10. All other rules including grade points will be at par with the university rule/norm.

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF POST GRADUATE STUDIES
IN SOCIOLOGY, THE UNIVERSITY OF BURDWAN**

Dated 9/9/2015

Ref.No.FC/PG/BS(Arts)/Socio/M-1/15-16/82/9 dated 7/9/2015

Members Present

- 1) Dikshit Sinha
- 2) Abhijit Mitra
- 3) Anirban Banerjee
- 4)Biswajit Ghosh
- 5) Bibhas Bagchi
- 6) Ananta Kumar Biswas
- 7) Sourav Madhur Dey
- 8)Ananda Mohan Kar

Resolutions

- 1) The PGBS was called to discuss framing of a syllabus of Minor Elective and make adjustments in the structure of the syllabus.
- 2) 2) Political Sociology(Soc 302) was removed from Core to Major Elective.
- 3) 3) A new Minor Elective (Paper 304),tentatively titled “Culture & Everyday Life”was discussed and finalised.

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COURSE OUTLINE

First Semester						
Course No	Course Type	Course Title	Credit	Credit Distribution (L, T & P)		
SOC 101	Core	Sociological Thought - I	5	4	1	0
SOC 102	Core	Society and Culture in India	5	4	1	0
SOC 103	Core	Population and Society	5	4	1	0
SOC 104	Core	Research Methodology - I	5	3	1	1
Total Credit			20	15	4	1
Second Semester						
Course No	Course Type	Course Title	Credit	Credit Distribution		
SOC 201	Core	Sociological Thought - II	5	4	1	0
SOC 202	Core	Sociology and Social Anthropology in India	5	4	1	0
SOC 203	Core	Research Methodology- II & Social Statistics	5	3	1	1
SOC 204	Core	Gender and Society	5	4	1	0
Total Credit			20	15	4	1
Third Semester						
Course No	Course Type	Course Title	Credit	Credit Distribution		
SOC 301	Core	Sociological Theory – I	5	4	1	0
SOC 302	Core	Rural & Urban Sociology	5	4	1	0
SOC 303A	Major Elective*	Sociology of Work and Industry	5	4	1	0
SOC 303B	Major Elective*	Sociology of Environment	5	4	1	0
SOC 303C	Major Elective*	Political Sociology	5	4	1	0
SOC 304	Minor Elective**	Sociology of Culture, Relationship & Everyday Life	4	4	0	0
Total Credit			20	16	4	0
Fourth Semester						
Course No	Course Type	Course Title	Credit	Credit Distribution		
SOC 401	Core	Sociological Theory – II	5	4	1	0
SOC 402	Core	Sociology of Development	5	4	1	0
SOC 403A	Elective*	Sociology of Medicine and Health	5	4	1	0
SOC 403B	Elective*	Cultural Studies and Everyday Life	5	4	1	0
SOC 404	Core	Project Work & Extension Outreach	10	0	2	8
Total Credit			25	16	5	8
All Total Credit			85	20	17	8

***Note:**

- Sociology students shall have to opt either between 304A or 304B or 304C in 3rd Semester and 403A and 403B in 4th Semester.
- Students from other Humanities and Social Science branches may opt for Minor Elective Course 304 subject to availability of seats.
- Credits in the Lecture (L) mode shall be decided through end-semester written test. Credits in the Tutorial (T) mode shall be decided by internal tests. Finally, credits in the Practical (P) mode will be decided by the extent and quality of field work/extension outreach report.

FIRST SEMESTER

Course: SOC 101

Sociological Thought – I

(Credit: 5, Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Nature of Sociology: Substantive and thematic concerns; Modernity
2. Emile Durkheim
3. Karl Marx
4. Max Weber
5. George Herbert Mead
6. George Simmel

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Course: SOC 102

Society and Culture In India

(Total Credit: 5, Total classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Caste and its Interpretations
2. Family, Kinship and Marriage in India
3. Tradition and Modernity in India, Impact of Globalization on Society and Culture in India
4. Secularism and Nation Building, Religion, Community and Development
5. Dalit Identity & Dalit Movement
6. Regionalism, Ethnicity and Communalism, Issues of Tribal Development

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Course: SOC 103

Population and Society

(Total Credit: 5; Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Demography: Nature & Scope, Basic Concepts
2. Fertility & Mortality: Determinants, Consequences.
3. Population Structure & Characteristics: Age-Sex Composition & Its Consequences.
4. Theories of Population Growth: Malthusian, Classical & Neo-classical Schools of Thought, Marxist & Socialist Views, Demographic Transition.
5. Migration, Modernity & Social Transformation.
6. Population, Socio-Economic Development and its impact on Health and Environment.
7. Population Growth & Distribution, Control and Policy Measures.

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Course: SOC 104

Research Methodology - I

(Total Credit 5; Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Social Science Research: Epistemological and Ontological Considerations; Philosophy of Research.
2. Beginning Research-Role of Survey of Literature, Conceptualization, Hypothesis
3. Qualitative Research and Quantitative Research: Comparison, Integration; Feminist views on Research Methodology
4. Theory and Research, Deductive and Inductive Method, Grounded Theory Research
5. Research Designs, Levels of Measurement and scaling technique; Causality, Validity and Reliability
6. Ethical aspects of Social Research
7. Sampling

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SECOND SEMESTER

Course: SOC 201

Sociological Thought – II

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2. Claude Levi- Strauss.
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4. Robert Merton
5. Alfred Lewis Coser
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Course: SOC 202

Sociology & Social Anthropology in India.

(Total Credit 5; Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Growth of Sociology and Social Anthropology in India
2. Indological/Textual Perspective: G.S. Ghurye & Louis Dumont
3. Marxian Perspective: D.P. Mukerji & A. R. Desai,
4. Civilisational Perspective: N.K. Bose & Surajit Sinha.
5. Structural-Functional Perspective: M.N. Srinivas & S. C. Dube
6. Subaltern Perspective: B.R. Ambedkar & David Hardiman.

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Course: SOC 203

Gender and Society

(Total Credit = 5, Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Sex-Gender system, Theorizing Patriarchy, Theories of Gender Relations: Black, Liberal, Radical, Socialist, Post-Modernist.
2. Sexual politics in family & workplace
3. Women in Politics: Women's Movement.
4. Gender and State
5. Gender & Health
6. Women and Empowerment

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Course: SOC 204

Research Methodology – II & Social Statistics

(Total Credit 5; Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Methods of Data Collection: Observation, Structured Observation, Interview, Focus Group Discussion, Life History, Oral History, Questionnaire.
2. Document Study, Content Analysis, Official Statistics, Visual Data, Discourse Analysis.
3. Participatory research Appraisal,
4. Data Processing and Analysis: Role of statistics in social science research, Writing Research Report; Referencing & Bibliography, Writing a Project Proposal.
5. Statistics: Organising the Data, Graphical Representation of Data; Percentaging Contingency Table Central Tendency: Mean, Median, Mode; Combined Mean; Measures of Dispersion
6. Correlation and Regression
7. Hypothesis testing.

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THIRD SEMESTER

Course: SOC 301
Sociological Theory – I

(Total Credit: 5, Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Herbert Blumer
2. Erving Goffman
3. Neo-Functionalism of Jeffrey Alexander.
4. Western Marxism: Antonio Gramsci; Frankfurt School
5. Critical Theory of Jurgen Habermas.
6. Structural Marxism of Louis Althusser.

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Course: SOC 302 (Core Course)

Course: SOC 303

Rural & Urban Sociology

(Total Credit: 5, Total classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Scope and Subject Matter of Rural and Urban Sociology
2. Globalisation and Indian Peasantry, Agrarian Unrest and Peasant Movements in India,
3. Panchayati Raj and Empowerment of People; Village Cooperatives
4. Rural Development and Social Change in India.
5. Origin and Growth of Cities; Indian Experience
6. Urbanism and Urbanization with special reference to India
7. Urban Ecology, Changing Urban space; Urban Planning and Urban Future

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Course: SOC 303 A (Major Elective)

Sociology of Work and Industry

(Total Credit: 5, Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Industrial Society in the Classical Sociological Tradition
2. Industrialization and Social Change in India, Technology and organization
3. Sociology of Entrepreneurship and Management
4. Rise of informal sector
5. Changing profile of working class in India, Trade-unionism and labour relations
6. Sociology of work

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Course: SOC 303 B (Major Elective)

Environmental Sociology

(Total Credit 5; Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Concerns of Environmental Sociology
2. Gender and Environment.
3. Environmental Degradation, Pollution;
4. Environment and Development; Sustainable Development
5. Environmental Ethics, Conservation: Community-based Conservation, Common Property Resources;
6. Environment and Power: Global Warming and International Politics
7. Environmentalism, Environmental Movements in India: Issues, Ideologies, Methods

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SOC 303C(Major Elective)

Political Sociology

(Credit: 5, Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Approaches to the study of Politics
2. Political power, authority and social stratification
3. Major political ideologies: nationalism, liberalism, radicalism, socialism, multiculturalism
4. Grassroots democracy and progressive social change in India
5. The role of the state in Contemporary India
6. Major political issues in contemporary India: caste, regionalism, corruption, communal violence, terrorism

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Course SOC 304 (Minor Elective)
Sociology of Culture, Relationship & Everyday Life

(Credit: 4, Total Classes: 50 Minimum)

1. Culture in Human Society, Elements of Culture: Symbolic and Non-Symbolic dimensions-
2. Introduction to Cultural Studies: Theoretical perspectives
3. Cultural construction of gender, gender and sexuality
4. The Bases of Indian culture, Cultural Globalisation
5. Popular Culture:, Films, Literature, Music
6. Sociology of Everyday Life: social relationship, object, emotion, technology, consumption

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FOURTH SEMESTER

Course: SOC 401

Sociological Theory – II

(Total Credit: 5, Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Discourses on Modernity & Post-Modernity
2. Social phenomenology of Alfred Schutz
3. Peter Berger & Thomas Luckmann
4. Harold Garfinkel
5. Jacques Derrida.
6. Michel Foucault
7. Anthony Giddens

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Course: SOC 402

Sociology of Development

(Total Credit 5; Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

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3. Indian Alternatives to Development: Vision of Vivekananda, Tagore, and Gandhi
4. Gender and Development
5. Science, Environment and Development
6. State, Market and Civil Society
7. Society, Community and Development.

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Course: SOC 403 A (Elective)

Sociology of Medicine and Health
(Total Credit 5; Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Medical Sociology: Emergence & Theoretical Perspectives.
2. The Body & Society: Representations, Regulations & Embodiments.
3. Medicine, State & Society: Power Contestations.
4. Health, Disease & Illness: Social & Cultural Determinants.
5. Sexuality, Health & Human Rights.
6. Public Health Care Interventions: Social Perspectives, Health Policies—Nature & Scope, Doctor-Patient Relationship, Medical Ethics.
7. Sociology of Mental Health; Counselling Strategy: Fundamentals, Techniques & Key Areas.

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Course: SOC 403 B (Elective)

Cultural Studies and Everyday Life
(Total Credit 5; Total Classes: 70 Minimum)

1. Cultural Studies: An introduction, Theoretical Perspectives of Stuart Hall, Raymond Williams, Pierre Bourdieu
2. Indian thoughts on Culture: Tagore and Gandhi
3. Popular Culture and the Indian context
4. What is Sociology of everyday life? How to study Everyday Life;
5. Identity and Social Differentiation, Social Relationship and Interaction, Communication technology and social interactions in everyday life.
6. Consumption and everyday life.
7. Gender and everyday life

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Course: SOC 404

Project Work and Extension Outreach

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1. Text of the Dissertation = 40 % of Marks
2. Extension Outreach Activity = 40 % of Marks
3. Viva voce test = 20 % of Marks

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