

**Department of Sociology
Jamia Millia Islamia**

Four Year Undergraduate Course -Sociology

Invitation to Sociology (Minor)

Semester I

Code: BSO-MN-01

Total credits: 4

Marks Breakup:

Internal Assessment: 25

Theory: 75

Total Marks: 100

Course Objective:

This is an introductory course that seeks to offer an introduction to the discipline of sociology, focusing on key concepts and theories to understand human behaviour and society. Through readings, discussions, and practical exercises, students will explore various sociological perspectives and apply them to analyse social phenomena in everyday life.

Learning Outcomes: Students will be able to:

1. To familiarize students with the basic concepts of sociology.
2. To explore the role of culture, socialization, and social institutions in shaping individual and collective behaviour.
3. To examine the intersections of power, inequality, and social change.

Unit I: Exploring the Social World

- Context and Emergence of Sociology
- Thinking Sociologically
- Society and Culture

Unit II: Key Concepts

- Social Group, Community and Association
- Status and Role
- Organization and Institutions

Unit III: Social Processes



- Deviance and Social Control
- Social Change
- Networks

Readings:

14. Bauman, Zygmunt and May, Tim. (2019). *Thinking Sociologically*. (3rd edition). Wiley-Blackwell.
15. Berger, Peter L. (1988). 'Invitation to Sociology' in James M. Henslin (ed.) *Down to Earth Sociology: Introductory Readings*. New York: The Free Press.
16. Beteille, Andre. (2009). *Sociology: Essays in Approach and Method*, Delhi: Oxford University Press.
17. Fulcher, James & Scott, John. (2003). *Sociology*. New York: Oxford University Press.
18. Giddens, Anthony. (2021). *Sociology*. (9th edition). Cambridge Polity Press.
19. Ritzer, George. (2017), *Introduction to Sociology*. (4th edition), Sage Publications.

Readings in Urdu:

1. Abidi, Azra: *Samajyat ka Tarruf* (Introduction to Sociology) 2017, Noor Publications Daryaganj, New Delhi