

BSW Sem I
MDC: Society and Social Work, Credits: 3
(Internal: 30, End-Semester : 45, Total : 75 Marks)

Course Objectives:

1. To provide basic understanding of sociological concepts relevant for social work practice
2. To develop an understanding of Indian society
3. To relate sociological perspectives to social work practice

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit I: Introduction to Sociology

- a. Sociology: Definition, Scope and Relevance for Social Work
- b. Sociological Concepts: Society, Socialization, Social Groups, Role and Status
- c. Sociological Perspectives: Functionalism, Structuralism-Functionalism, Conflict, Symbolic Interactionism

Unit II: Indian Society: Nature and Characteristics

- a. Social Structure: Social Systems, Culture, Diversity and Multiculturalism
- b. Social Stratification: Caste, Class, Gender and Race
- c. Basic Social Institutions: Family, Marriage, Religion and Education

Unit III: Sociological Perspectives for Social Work Concerns

- a. Social Change and Social Mobility: Concept and Theories
- b. Social Deviance and Social Control: Nature, Concept and Types
- c. Social Conflicts: Concept and Types

Essential Readings

1. Dominelli, L. (1997). Sociology for Social Work. Red Globe Press.
2. Giddens, A. (2013). By Anthony Giddens—Sociology (7th Edition). Polity Press.
3. Gisbert, P. (2010). Fundamentals of Sociology. Orient Blackswan Private Limited.
4. Haralambos, M., & Holborn, M. (2013). Sociology: Themes and Perspectives. HarperCollins Publishers Limited.
5. Heraud, B. J. (2016). Sociology and Social Work: Perspectives and Problems (1st edition). Pergamon.

Desirable Readings

1. Bottomore, T. B. (1971). Sociology: A Guide to Problems and Literature. George Allen & Unwin.
2. Deshpande, S. (2003). Contemporary India: A Sociological View. Penguin Books.
3. Dirks, N. B. (2001). Castes of Mind: Colonialism and the Making of Modern India. Princeton University Press.
4. Dumont, L. (1981). Homo Hierarchicus: The Caste System and Its Implications (2nd ed.). University of Chicago Press.
5. Kar, P. B. (1985). Sociology: The Discipline and its Dimensions. New Central Book Agency.