



Indraprastha College for Women

University of Delhi

Work Plan for ODD SEMESTER – 2026

Course Name:	BA(H) Sociology
Paper Title:	Introduction to Sociology
Unique Paper Code:	2302101101
Semester:	I
Faculty(s):	Dr. Pratichi Majumdar
Year:	2026-27

Work Plan			
Unit No.	Learning Objective	Lecture No.	Topics to be Covered
I,II,III,	Introduction to the course	1	Sociology – What, Why and How?
II	To know the history of the discipline	2-3	Emergence of Sociology as a discipline
II	To understand the early philosophical and scientific roots of sociology	4-6	Classical Scholarship in Sociology – Durkheim, Weber, Marx
II	To examine newer possibilities for the discipline	7-9	Contemporary trends in Sociology
II	Relationship between sociology and related disciplines in the study of human beings	10-12	Sociology and Social Anthropology
I	To understand the concept of sociological imagination	13-15	Sociological Imagination
I	To understand the nature and scope of sociology as a discipline	16-17	The promise of Sociology
I	To apply the sociological perspective in understanding how society shapes our individual lives.	18-21	Sociology as a form of consciousness
I	To understand the technical contours of the discipline	22-24	Common sense and Sociology
III	To understand Basic Concepts in Sociology. This provides a foundation for the other more detailed and specialized courses in sociology	25-29	a. Social Groups
III	To understand Basic Concepts in Sociology. This provides a	30-33	b. Social Institutions

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III	To understand Basic Concepts in Sociology. This provides a foundation for the other more detailed and specialized courses in sociology	34-38	c. Culture
III	To understand Basic Concepts in Sociology. This provides a foundation for the other more detailed and specialized courses in sociology	39-43	d. Social Change
I, II, III	Summing up the course and the path ahead...	44-45	Final Revision

Unit	TOPICS
I	Thinking Sociologically
II	Emergence of Sociology and Social Anthropology
III	Basic Sociological Concepts a. Social Groups b. Social Institutions c. Culture d. Social Change
S. No.	Name of Authors/ Books/ Publishers
1.	Mills, C. W. (1959). 'The Promise' in <i>The Sociological Imagination</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press, 6111 Edition (2000). Pp. 3-24.
2.	Berger, Peter L. (1963). 'Sociology as Consciousness' in <i>Invitation to Sociology: A Humanistic Perspective</i> . Anchor Books: New York, Pp. 25- 53.
3.	Beteille, Andre. (2009). ' Sociology and Common Sense' in <i>Sociology: Essays in Approach and Method</i> . Delhi: Oxford University Press, Chapter I. Pp. 13-27.
4.	Giddens, Anthony, & S. Griffiths, (2006). 'What is Sociology?' in <i>Sociology</i> . Cambridge: Polity (5th Edition). Pp. 2-29.
5.	Beteille, Andre. (1985). 'Sociology and Social Anthropology' in <i>Six Essays in Comparative Sociology</i> . New Delhi: Oxford University Press, Chapter I. Pp 1-20.
6	MacIver, Robert M., & C. H. Page, (1962). 'Types of Social Groups' in <i>Society: An Introductory Analysis</i> . New York: Holt, Rinehart and Winston, Chapter 10. Pp. 213-237
7	Horton, Paul B., & Chester L. Hunt, (2004). 'Social Institutions' in <i>Sociology</i> . New Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill. Chapter 9, Pp. 210-229.
8	Firth, Raymond. (1956). 'Work and Wealth of Primitive Communities' in <i>Human Types</i> . Thomas Nelson & Sons, Chapter 3, Pp. 71-97.
9	Neubeck, K. J., & D.S. Glasberg, (2005). 'Culture' in <i>Sociology: Diversity, Conflict, and Change</i> . McGraw-Hill, Chapter 5.
10	Rege, Sharmila. (2002). Conceptualising Popular Culture: 'Lavani' and ' Powada' in Maharashtra. <i>Economic and Political Weekly</i> , 37(11), 1038- 1047.

11	Horton, Paul B., & Chester L. Hunt, (2004). 'Social and Cultural Change' in Sociology. New Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill. Chapter 9, Pp. 510- 539.
12	Ritzer, G. (1993). The McDonaldization of Society: An Investigation into the Changing Character of Contemporary Social life. Chapter I. Pine Forge Press. 5th Edition. Pp 1- 21.

Paper Components			
Credits	Lecture (L)	Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)
4	3	1	NIL
Assessment Scheme			
S. No.	Component	Marking Scheme	Total Marks
1.	Internal Assessment (Lecture)	30	30
	• Assignment/Quiz/Project/Presentation	12	
	• Class Test	12	
	• Attendance	6	
2.	Continuous Assessment (Tutorial)	40	40
	• Activity 1 (Critical Reading and group discussion)	15	
	• Activity 2 (Photo/video essay on Sociological Imagination)	20	
	• Attendance	5	
3.	Practical • Continuous Assessment • End Term Written/Practical Exam • Viva	NA	NA
4.	End Semester Examination		90