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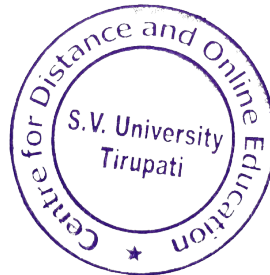
PPR for M.A. Sociology

Choice Based Credit System (CBCS)

Amended as per NEP-2020

(w.e.f.the Academic Year 2024-2025)


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Master's Degree in Sociology

Post Graduation Course

(Revised Scheme of Instruction and Examination, Syllabus etc., under CBCS Regulations -2016 is Amended as per NEP-2020)

(With effect from the batch admitted in the academic year 2024-25)

Mission: The mission of the PG Sociology course is to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of sociological theories, methodologies, and practices to critically analyse social structures, institutions, and processes. It aims to foster a deep appreciation for diversity, social justice, and ethical responsibility within the global context.

Program Vision:

The PG Sociology program envisions becoming a global leader in distance education, pioneering innovative pedagogical approaches, and fostering a vibrant virtual community of scholars dedicated to advancing sociological knowledge and promoting social justice and equity worldwide.

Goals:

1. To equip students with advanced theoretical frameworks in sociology.
2. To develop critical thinking skills necessary for analysing social phenomena.
3. To cultivate research skills for conducting independent sociological inquiries.
4. To promote interdisciplinary perspectives in understanding complex social issues.
5. To prepare students for careers in academia, research, policy analysis, and social advocacy.

Objectives:

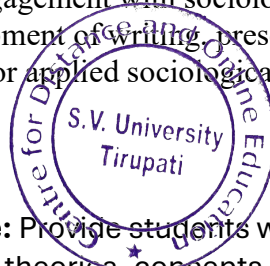
1. To provide a thorough grounding in classical and contemporary sociological theories.
2. To familiarize students with various research methodologies and techniques.
3. To encourage active engagement with sociological literature and debates.
4. To facilitate the development of writing, presentation, and analytical skills.
5. To offer opportunities for applied sociological research through internships or projects.

Program Objectives:

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1. **Advanced Knowledge:** Provide students with a comprehensive understanding of advanced sociological theories, concepts, and debates.



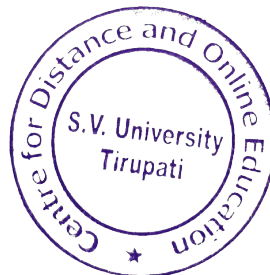
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2. **Research Skills:** Develop students' proficiency in qualitative and quantitative research methods, data analysis, and interpretation.
3. **Critical Analysis:** Foster critical thinking skills to evaluate social structures, institutions, and processes from diverse perspectives.
4. **Communication Skills:** Enhance students' ability to articulate sociological insights effectively through oral presentations, written reports, and academic publication .
5. **Professional Ethics:** Install ethical principles and values in sociological research and practice, emphasizing integrity, objectivity, and social responsibility.

Importance:

1. **Accessible Education:** The distance mode of the program increases accessibility to quality education, reaching students from diverse geographical locations and backgrounds.
2. **Lifelong Learning:** The program fosters a culture of lifelong learning by providing flexible learning pathways and opportunities for continuing education and professional development.
3. **Skill Enhancement:** Graduates acquire a diverse set of skills, including critical thinking, research proficiency, communication, and digital literacy, enhancing their employability and adaptability in a rapidly changing world.
4. **Inclusive Pedagogy:** The program adopts inclusive pedagogical approaches, accommodating diverse learning styles, preferences, and needs, including those of working professionals, caregivers, and differently abled individuals.
5. **Alignment with NEP 2020:** The program aligns with the vision and principles of the New Education Policy 2020, promoting holistic development, flexibility, innovation, and internationalization in higher education.
6. **Social Impact:** Graduates are empowered to contribute meaningfully to social transformation, sustainable development, and the promotion of democratic values and human rights in diverse societal contexts.
7. **Intellectual Growth:** Encourages intellectual curiosity and engagement with complex social issues.
8. **Career Advancement:** Provides specialized knowledge and skills for pursuing careers in academia, research, policy analysis, social work, NGOs, and international organization
9. **Social Impact:** Equips graduates with tools to contribute meaningfully to addressing societal challenges and promoting social justice and equality

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Distance Learning Mode:

- Utilizes online platforms, virtual classrooms, and multimedia resources for course delivery, assignments, and interactions.
- Offers flexibility for working professionals and students with other commitments to access education remotely.

Semester System:

- Divided into four semesters, each typically spanning six months.
- Structured to cover foundational and specialized courses progressively, allowing for in-depth learning and skill development.

Individual Development:

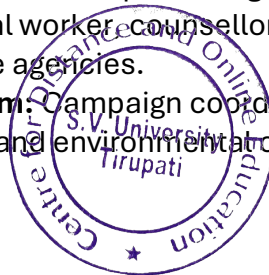
- Encourages self-directed learning and independent inquiry through research projects, thesis writing, and reflective assessments.
- Provides personalized academic support, mentorship, and guidance to facilitate students' intellectual and personal growth.

Professional Development:

- Offers opportunities for practical training, internships, and fieldwork to apply theoretical knowledge in real-world contexts.
- Organizes seminars, workshops, and conferences to enhance students' professional networks, collaboration skills, and exposure to current trends in sociology.

Job Opportunities:

- **Academia:** Teaching and research positions in universities, colleges, and research institutes.
- **Research:** Research analyst, consultant, or project manager in social research organizations, think tanks, and consulting firms.
- **Policy Analysis:** Policy researcher, advisor, or analyst in government agencies, NGOs, and international development organizations.
- **Social Services:** Social worker, counsellor, or community organizer in healthcare, education, and welfare agencies.
- **Advocacy and Activism:** Campaign coordinator, advocate, or lobbyist for social justice, human rights, and environmental causes.



Overall, the PG Sociology course aims to empower students with the knowledge, skills, and ethical values necessary to become informed and engaged citizens, scholars, and professionals contributing to positive social change.

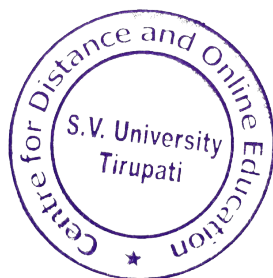
Curriculum is Designed in Semester System : The PG Sociology course follows a four-semester system, with each semester spanning approximately 16 weeks of instruction. The curriculum is designed to provide a balanced distribution of core courses, electives, and practical components across the four semesters. Assessment methods include examinations, research projects, assignments, presentations, and participation in online discussions and collaborative activities. The semester system allows for progressive learning, skill development, and continuous evaluation, ensuring the holistic development of students throughout the program.

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SEMESTER-I**

S. No	Code	Title of the Course	Credit Hrs / Week	No. of Credits	Core / Elective	IA	SEE	Total Marks
1	MASO 101	Classical Sociological Theories	6	4	Core-Theory	20	80	100
2	MASO 102	Sociological Research Methods and Statistics	6	4		20	80	100
3	MASO 103	Indian Society and Inclusive Growth	6	4		20	80	100
4	MASO 104	Participatory Research	6	4		20	80	100
5	MASO 105	A Principles of Sociology	6	4	CF	20	80	100
		B Social Movements in India						
		C Sociology of marginalized communities						
6	MASO 106	A Nature Agriculture and Rural Livelihood	6	4	EF	20	80	100
		B Globalization and Educational and pursuits						
Total			36	24		120	480	600
7	MASO107	Human Values and Professional Ethics – I	0	0	Audit Course	100	0	0

- All core papers are Mandatory
- Compulsory foundation – Choose any one
- Elective Foundation - Choose any one Paper
- Audit course – 100 Marks (Internal) – Zero Credit under self-study
- ** Interested student may register for MOOCS with the approval of DDC

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SEMESTER - II

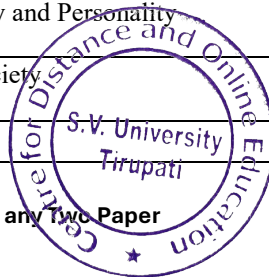
S. No	Code	Title of the Course		Credit Hrs / Week	No. of Credits	Core / Elective	IA	SEE	Total Marks
1	MASO201	Applied Sociology		6	4	Core-Theory	20	80	100
2	MASO202	Social Demography		6	4		20	80	100
3	MASO203	Rural Sociology and Development		6	4		20	80	100
4	MASO204	Extension Work		6	4		20	80	100
5	MASO205	A	Environmental Sociology	6	4	CF	20	80	100
		B	Social Imagination						
		C	Sociology of Tourism Development						
6	MASO206	A	Media Education and Society	6	4	EF	20	80	100
		B	Sociology of Education						
Total				36	24		120	480	600
7	MASO 207	Human Values and Professional Ethics – II		0	0	Audit Course	100	0	0

- All core papers are Mandatory
- Compulsory foundation – Choose any one
- Elective Foundation - Choose any one Paper
- Audit course – 100 Marks (Internal) – Zero Credit under self-study
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SEMESTER-III

S. No	Code	Title of the Course		Credit Hrs / Week	No. of Credits	Core / Elective	IA	SEE	Total Marks
1	MASO301	Medical Sociology		6	4	Core-Theory	20	80	100
2	MASO 302	Placement Field work and Extension work (village)		6	4		20	80	100
3	MASO 303	A	Urban Sociology and Development	6	4	Generic Elective	20	80	100
		B	Human Rights						
		C	Sociology of Gender						
		D	Sociology of Andhra Pradesh						
4	MASO 304	Personality Development and Employment		6	4	Skill Oriented	20	80	100
6	MASO 305	A	Social Psychology and Personality Development	6	4	Open Elective	20	80	100
		B	Business And Society						
Total				36	24		120	480	600

- All core papers are Mandatory
- Generic Elective – Student has to choose any Two Paper
- Skill oriented Course is mandatory



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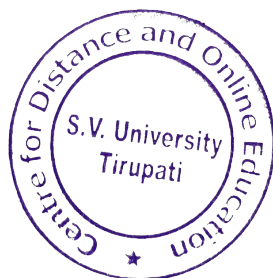
- Open Elective are for the students of other Departments, Minimum one paper should be opted, extra credits may be earned by opting for more number of open electives depending on the interest of the student through self-study
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SEMESTER-IV

S. No	Code	Title of the Course		Credit Hrs / Week	No. of Credits	Core / Elective	IA	SEE	Total Marks
1	MASO 401	Industrial Dynamics		6	4	Core-Theory	20	80	100
2	MASO 402	DISSERTATION AND VIVA-VOCE		6	4		20	80	100
3	MASO 403	A	Globalization and society	6	4	Generic Elective	20	80	100
		B	Social Welfare and Welfare Administration						
		C	Sociological Perspectives	6	4		20	80	100
		D	Gerontology						
4	MASO 404	Criminology		6	4	*MDC	20	80	100
6	MASO 405	A	Social Entrepreneurship Innovation and Start-ups (New Paper)	6	4	Open Elective	20	80	100
		B	Visual Sociology						
Total				36	24		120	480	600

- All core papers are Mandatory
- Generic Elective – Student has to choose any Two Paper
- Multidisciplinary Course/ Project work is Mandatory
- Open Elective are for the students of other Departments, Minimum one paper should be opted, extra credits may be earned by opting for more number of open electives depending on the interest of the student through self-study
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