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**University of Mumbai**

*V.E.S.  
Since 1962*

*Syllabus for*

**Program: B.A. (Sociology)**

**(Program code: VESUASO101/201)**

**As per Choice Based Semester and Grading System (CBSGS)**

with effect from Academic Year 2024 - 2025

### **Program Outcomes (PO):**

A learner completing B.A. will be able to:

- PO1 Demonstrate analytical skills in applying appropriate arts principles and methodologies to solve a wide range of problems.
- PO2 Design, carry out research and analyze results by accounting for uncertainties in different quantities measured using various social/ scientific instruments.
- PO3 Demonstrate professional behavior of being unbiased, and truthful in all aspects of work as an individual as well as team.
- PO4 Be generally imbued with realization of human values.
- PO5 Develop a sense of social service.
- PO6 Become a responsible and dutiful citizen.
- PO7 Develop a critical temper and creative ability
- PO8 Acquaint the learner with knowledge of subjects like Economics, Psychology, Sociology, Business and Commerce

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### **Program Specific Outcomes (PSO's)**

On completion of BA Sociology program, learners will be enriched with knowledge and be able to

- PSO1 Understand the emergence of Sociology and its relationship with other sciences
- PSO2 Define the nature and importance of Social Institutions.
- PSO3 Analyze the influence of Culture on the society.
- PSO4 Critically examine the process of Socialization in the development of individuals in the society.

**MAJOR-I**  
**(SEMESTER III)**

(SEMESTER III) Course Code	Title	Credits & Lectures per Semester	Lectures per Week
UMMSOS3-201	<b>INDIAN SOCIETY: STRUCTURE AND CHANGE</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>04hrs</b>
	<b>Unit I: Indian Sociological Perspectives</b>	<b>10 Lectures</b>	
	<b>Unit II: Contemporary Sociologists</b>	<b>10 Lectures</b>	
	<b>Unit III: Contemporary Challenges in Indian Society</b>	<b>10 Lectures</b>	
	<b>Unit IV: Socio- Cultural Landscape of Maharashtra</b>	<b>10 Lectures</b>	

**Detailed Syllabus: Unit wise / Module wise with number of lectures**

**Course title: INDIAN SOCIETY: STRUCTURE AND CHANGE**

**Course code: UMMSOS3-201**

**Objective:** 1. To introduce students to the Indian Sociological Traditions.  
2. To familiarize students with the Research traditions in Indian Sociology.  
3. To acquaint students with the emerging Issues in Indian society

**Learning Outcomes (LO):** *Since 1962*

On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

- LO1 After learning this course students will understand complex social structure of Indian Society
- LO2 Students shall develop understanding co-existence of different groups and communities.

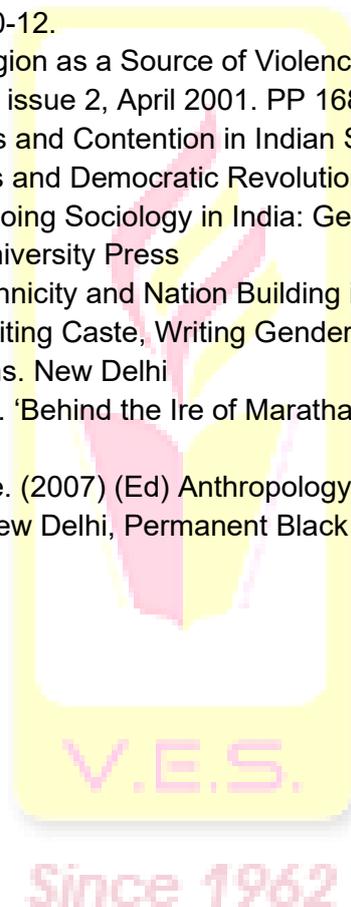
**MAJOR I**  
**COURSE TITLE: INDIAN SOCIETY STRUCTURE AND CHANGE**  
**COURSE CODE -UMMSOS3-201[CREDITS-04]**

<b>Unit no.</b>	<b>Details of topics</b>	<b>No of lectures</b>
1	<p><b><u>Indian Sociological Perspectives</u></b></p> <p>a Orientalist Approach/Indology and Structure--functionalism (G. S. Ghurye &amp; M.N.Srinivas)  b. Dialectical approach to Sociology (A. R. Desai)  c. Non- Brahmanical Approach (Dr.B.R.Ambedkar)</p>	10 Lectures
2	<p><b><u>Contemporary Sociologists</u></b></p> <p>a.Sharmila Rege (Caste and Gender)  b.Leela Dube (Kinship)  c. T. K. Oommen (Religion)</p>	10 Lectures
3	<p><b><u>Contemporary Challenges in Indian Society</u></b></p> <p>a. Current Trends in Dalit Movement  b. Resurgence of Ethnic identities  c. Gender and Marginalization</p>	10 Lectures
4	<p><b><u>Socio– Cultural Landscape of Maharashtra</u></b></p> <p>a. Regional diversity and communities in Maharashtra  b. Tourism in Maharashtra – Economy and Society  c. Food Culture intertwined with different cultural identities</p>	10 Lectures

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**MAJOR-II**  
**(SEMESTER III)**

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credits &amp; Lectures per Semester</b>	<b>Lectures per Week</b>
<b>UMMSOS3-202</b>	<b>EMERGING ISSUES AND CONCERNS IN INDIAN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>04hrs</b>
	<b>Unit I: Changing population pattern: Impact and concern</b>	<b>10 Lectures</b>	
	<b>Unit II: Environment and sustainability</b>	<b>10 Lectures</b>	
	<b>Unit III: Health and Disease</b>	<b>10 Lectures</b>	
	<b>Unit IV: Crime and Justice</b>	<b>10 Lectures</b>	

**Detailed Syllabus: Unit wise / Module wise with number of lectures**

**Course title: EMERGING ISSUES AND CONCERNS IN INDIAN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY**

**Course code: UMMSOS3-202**

**Objective:**

1. To familiarize the emerging socio- economic issues in contemporary society.
2. To critically evaluate and bring awareness among the students.

**Learning Outcomes (LO):**

On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

- LO1 The demographic variable that influence structure of the Society.
- LO2 The environmental concerns of the society today.
- LO3 Sensitization and create awareness with regards to health care system
- LO4 Critically evaluate the meaning of justice and the role of the criminal justice system of the country.

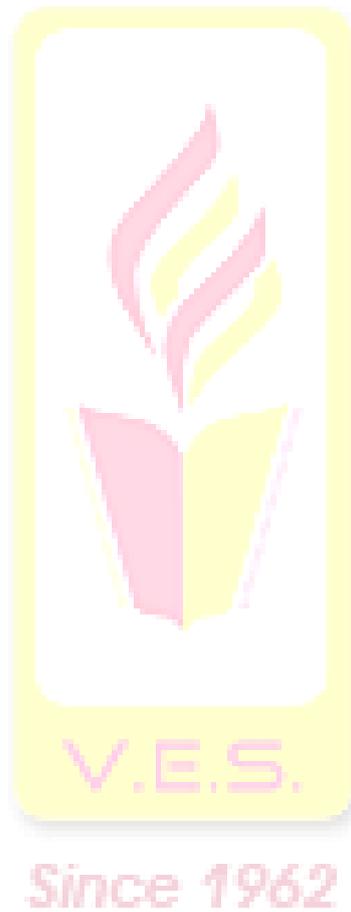
**MAJOR II**  
**COURSE TITLE: EMERGING ISSUES AND CONCERNS IN INDIAN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY**  
**COURSE CODE -UMMSOS3-202 [CREDITS-04]**

<b>Unit no.</b>	<b>Details of topics</b>	<b>No of lectures</b>
1	<b><u>Changing population pattern: Impact and concern</u></b> a. The Right to the city- Henry Lefebvre b. Pattern of Migration: Case study on Mumbai c. Migrant and labour concerns	10 Lectures
2	<b><u>Environment and sustainability</u></b> a. Carbon footprints and Sustainable development b. Eco- feminism and Feminist Environmentalism c. Digital activism	10 Lectures
3	<b><u>Health and Disease</u></b> a. Right to Public health b. Disability Act 2016 (Differently abled) c. Social epidemiology	10 Lectures
4	<b><u>Crime and Justice</u></b> a. Rights and duties of the people b. An overview of the criminal Justice system in India: Police, Court and Law c. Need for reforms in the criminal justice system	10 Lectures

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## COURSE STRUCTURE

### MINOR

#### (SEMESTER III)

Course Code	Title	Credits & Lectures per Semester	Lectures per Week
UMNSOS3-216	<b>Contemporary Issues in Indian society</b>	4	04hrs
	<b>Unit I: Gender issues</b>	10 Lectures	
	<b>Unit II: Infrastructure Issues</b>	10 Lectures	
	<b>Unit III: Education</b>	10 Lectures	
	<b>Unit IV: Issues in Agrarian sector</b>	10 Lectures	

#### **Detailed Syllabus: Unit wise / Module wise with number of lectures**

**Course title: Contemporary Issues in Indian society**

**Course code: UMNSOS3-216**

#### **Objective:**

1. Understand the complexities of contemporary Indian society.
2. Analyze critical issues affecting India's social fabric.
3. Develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

#### **Learning Outcomes (LO):**

On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

- LO1. Appreciate diversity and inclusivity.
- LO2. Recognize social justice and human rights.
- LO3. Value critical thinking and intellectual curiosity.
- LO4. Develop empathy and understanding.

**MINOR**  
**COURSE NAME-CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN INDIAN SOCIETY**  
**COURSE CODE – UMNSOS3-216 [CREDITS-04]**

Unit no.	Details of topics	No of lectures
1	<p><b><u>Gender issues</u></b></p> <p>a. Reproductive Debates-Surrogacy  b. Violence in Virtual space  c. Gender discrimination at workplace</p>	10 Lectures
2	<p><b><u>Infrastructure issues</u></b></p> <p>a. Displacement and rehabilitation  b. Lack of infrastructure planning- Open space and green space  c. Lack of solid waste management in cities</p>	10 Lectures
3	<p><b><u>Education</u></b></p> <p>a. Technology and digital divide  b. Issues with quality and equity of education-Girl child, weaker sections, minorities and disabled  c. Privatization of education-Inequality in schooling</p>	10 Lectures
4	<p><b><u>Issues in the agrarian sector</u></b></p> <p>a. Problem in agrarian sector due to globalization  b. Farmer protest &amp; unrest  c. Farmer Suicide-Case study of Vidarbha &amp; Marathwada</p>	10 Lectures

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**COURSE STRUCTURE**  
**VOCATIONAL SKILL COURSE**  
**(SEMESTER III)**

Course Code	Title	Credits & Lectures per Semester	Lectures per Week
UVSSOS3-226	Religion and society-III	2	2 hrs.
	Unit I: Theorizing concepts	10 Lectures	
	Unit II: Theories of religion	10 Lectures	
	Unit III: Contemporary debates	10 Lectures	

**Detailed Syllabus: Unit wise / Module wise with number of lectures**

**Course title: Religion and society-III**

**Course code: UVSSOS3-226**

**Objective:**

1.To understand the genesis and function of religion in society

**Learning Outcomes (LO):**

On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

LO1. Understand the history and genesis of religion

LO2. Understand the way religion exerts control as a strong agent of socialization

LO3. Think critically about the practice and power of religion

**VOCATIONAL SKILL COURSE**  
**COURSE TITLE: RELIGION AND SOCIETY**  
**COURSE CODE –UVSSOS3-226 [CREDITS-02]**

<b>Unit no.</b>	<b>Details of topic</b>	<b>No of lectures</b>
1.	<p><b><u>Theorizing concepts</u></b></p> <p>a. Religion, culture and system of collective representation  b. Religion and social change (Role in promoting or resisting social movements)  c. Religious Organization: Nature, Types, Functions, Religion pluralism</p>	10 lectures
2.	<p><b><u>Theories of religion</u></b></p> <p>a. Rites of passage  b. Ghost theory  c. Soul theory or Animism</p>	10 lectures
3.	<p><b><u>Contemporary debates</u></b></p> <p>a. Religion and Identity (race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality and nationality)  b. Religion and Globalization  c. New religious movement</p>	10 lectures

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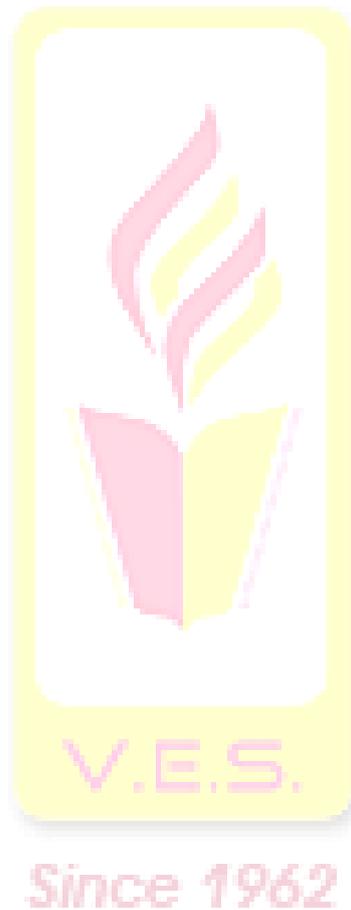
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**COURSE STRUCTURE**  
**O.E (OPEN ELECTIVE)**  
**(SEMESTER III)**

Course Code	Title	Credits & Lectures per Semester	Lectures per Week
UOESOS4-252	Introduction to social research	2	2 hrs.
	Unit I: Introduction and definition of pop culture	7 Lectures	
	Unit II: Emergence and evolution of pop culture	8 Lectures	
	Unit III: Reflection of pop culture in rituals	7 Lectures	
	Unit IV: Changing tradition of pop culture due to globalization	6 lectures	

**Detailed Syllabus: Unit wise / Module wise with number of lectures**

**Course title: POPULAR CULTURE**

**Course code: UOESOS3-252**

**Objective:**

1. Evaluate the cultural significance of pop culture phenomena.
2. Analyse the representation of marginalized groups in pop culture.
3. Critique the commercialization of pop culture.
4. Examine the intersection of pop culture and social justice.
5. Develop informed opinions on pop culture trends.

**Learning Outcomes (LO):**

On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

1. Recognition of cultural diversity and Assimilation
2. Understanding of social inequality and power dynamics
3. Understanding of how pop culture reflects and shapes social values

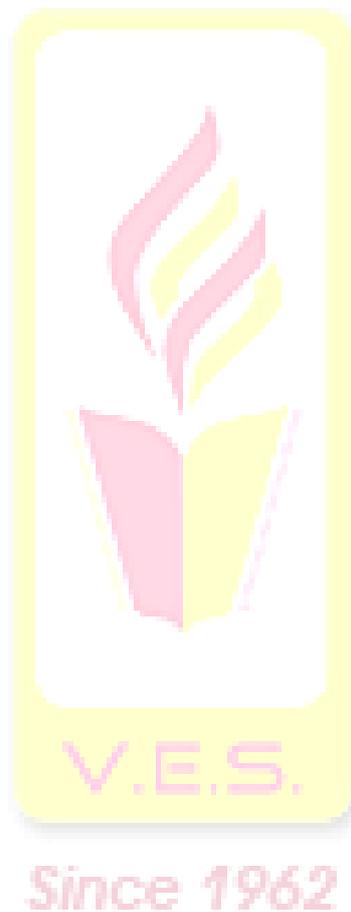
**O.E (OPEN ELECTIVE)**  
**COURSE TITLE: - POPULAR CULTURE**  
**COURSE CODE – UOESOS3-252[CREDITS-02]**

Unit no.	Details of topic	No of lectures
1.	<p><b><u>Introduction and definition of Popular culture</u></b></p> <p>A) Introduction to Pop culture            B) Definition &amp; examples (Inspiration from various cultures)            C) Case study (Film &amp; TV, social media, consumer behaviour etc)</p>	7 lectures
2.	<p><b><u>Emergence and evolution of pop culture</u></b></p> <p>A) Folklore &amp; oral traditions of Kathas (Bhagwat purana Kathas) (Understanding Folk culture &amp; Proverbs)            B) Narratives (Kissagoi)            C) Legends (Urban legends)</p>	8 lectures
3.	<p><b><u>Reflection of pop culture in rituals</u></b></p> <p>A) Festivals            B) Fairs (Pushkar mela &amp; Kumbh mela)            C) Rituals (Case study of Navratri in Madras)</p>	7 lectures
4.	<p><b><u>Changing tradition of pop culture due to globalization</u></b></p> <p>A) Neo- Liberalism (Privatization, Commodification-rise in consumerism due to pop culture)            B) Globalization &amp; Pop culture</p>	6 lectures

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**COURSE STRUCTURE  
MAJOR-1  
(SEMESTER IV)**

Course Code	Title	Credits & Lectures per Semester	Lectures per Week
UMMSOS4-202	<b>SOCIOLOGY OF DEVELOPMENT</b>	4	04hrs
	<b>Unit I: Understanding Development</b>	10 Lectures	
	<b>Unit II: Measuring Development</b>	10 Lectures	
	<b>Unit III: Globalization and Development</b>	10 Lectures	
	<b>Unit IV: Alternative approaches to Development</b>	10 Lectures	

**Detailed Syllabus: Unit wise / Module wise with number of lectures**

**Course title: SOCIOLOGY OF DEVELOPMENT**

**Course code: UMMSOS4-201**

**Course Objective:**

1. To introduce students to the concept of development in general and in the context of India in particular.
2. To help students to gain an insight into emerging issues and contemporary debates within the development discourse

**Learning Outcomes (LO):**

On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

- LO1 Students shall be able to understand what is economic development and social development.
- LO2 Students will understand development in Indian Context.

**MAJOR 1**  
**COURSE TITLE: SOCIOLOGY OF DEVELOPMENT**  
**COURSE CODE -UMMSOS4-201[CREDITS-04]**

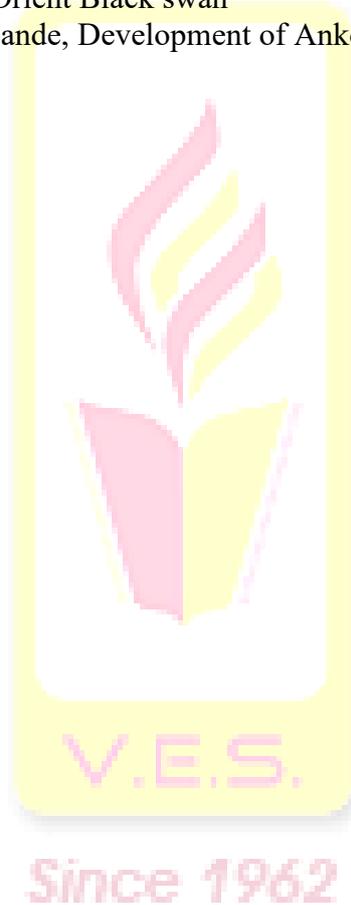
<b>Unit no.</b>	<b>Details of topics</b>	<b>No of lectures</b>
1	<p><b><u>Understanding Development</u></b></p> <p>a. Concept of Development and theories of Modernization  b. Dependency Theory- (Samir Amin), World System Theory-Wallerstein  c. Neo-Liberal approach-David Harvey</p>	15 Lectures
2	<p><b><u>Measuring Development</u></b></p> <p>a. Indicators of Development – Human Development Index (HDI)  b. Social Inequality and development (caste, class and gender)  c. Regional disparity and development</p>	15 Lectures
3	<p><b><u>Globalization and Development</u></b></p> <p>a. Globalization and Industry (Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC))  b. Globalization and Environment (Jaitapur (Nuclear power))  c. Globalization and Agriculture (Farmers Mobilization)</p>	15 Lectures
4	<p><b><u>Alternative approaches to Development</u></b></p> <p>a. Millennium Development Goals and Sustainable Development Goals  b. Forest Rights Act (2006) and its impact on the Tribal Community  c. People - Centric Development –Menda Lekha (Gadchiroli), Adarsh Gaon (Hiware Bazaar)</p>	15 Lectures

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## COURSE STRUCTURE

### MAJOR-2

### (SEMESTER IV)

Course Code	Title	Credits & Lectures per Semester	Lectures per Week
UMMSOS4-202	<b>EMERGING FIELDS IN SOCIOLOGICAL STUDIES</b>	4	04hrs
	<b>Unit I: Communication, Media and Society</b>	10 Lectures	
	<b>Unit II: Contemporary Issues in Education</b>	10 Lectures	
	<b>Unit III: Urban Governance</b>	10 Lectures	
	<b>Unit IV: Geriatric Care</b>	10 Lectures	

#### Detailed Syllabus: Unit wise / Module wise with number of lectures

**Course title: EMERGING FIELDS IN SOCIOLOGICAL STUDIES**

**Course code: UMMSOS4-202**

#### **Course Objective:**

1. To introduce students to the emerging and relevant fields in Sociology.
2. To sensitize students with in-depth understanding of struggle and survival in today's competitive scenario.

#### **Learning Outcomes (LO):**

On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

LO1 To create awareness among the students about various media challenges

LO2 To critically analyze the new trends in Education.

LO3 To provide information to the students about the laws and policies of urban governance.

LO4 To understand the growing numbers and concerns of the ageing community.

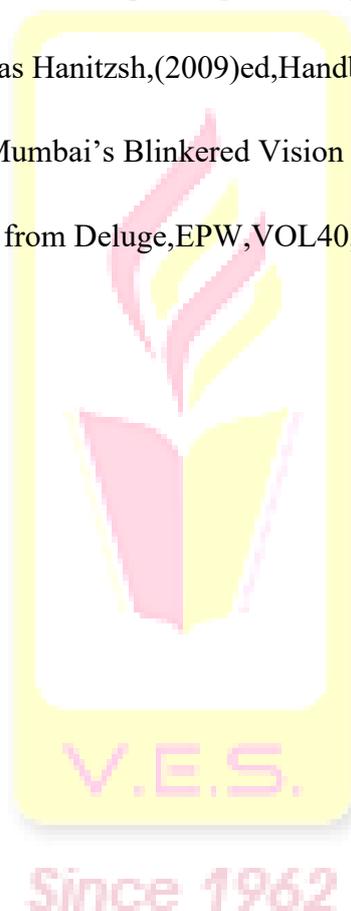
**MAJOR 2**  
**COURSE TITLE: EMERGING FIELDS IN SOCIOLOGICAL STUDIES**  
**COURSE CODE -UMMSOS4-202 [CREDITS-04]**

<b>Unit no.</b>	<b>Details of topics</b>	<b>No of lectures</b>
1	<b><u>Communication, Media and Society</u></b> a. Media Theories: Functionalist, Conflict, Interactionist & Feminist b. Advertising and New Social Media- objectification of women c. Gatekeepers of media/journalism	15 Lectures
2	<b><u>Contemporary Issues in Education</u></b> a. Right To Education b. New trends in education system: Concept based learning, Personalized learning (MOOCs) c. Critique- NEP: Privatization of Higher education	15 Lectures
3	<b><u>Urban Governance</u></b> a. Disaster Management: Mithi mitigation in Mumbai, Drought in Vidharba b. Lack of availability of Open Space- Consumerist spaces and Green spaces c. Street Vendors and Hawkers- The Street Vendors Act 2014	10 Lectures
4	<b><u>Geriatric Care</u></b> a. Phenomenon of Population Ageing b. Old Age Home, Senior Citizens Association, Day care center c. Geriatric care: Government and non-governmental initiatives in India	10 Lectures

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## COURSE STRUCTURE

### MINOR

### (SEMESTER IV)

Course Code	Title	Credits & Lectures per Semester	Lectures per Week
UMNSOS4-216	Contemporary challenges in Indian society	4	04hrs
	Unit I: Forest policies	15 Lectures	
	Unit II: Protest against infrastructure development	15 Lectures	
	Unit III: Social exclusion	15 Lectures	
	Unit IV: Social Justice	15 Lectures	

#### Detailed Syllabus: Unit wise / Module wise with number of lectures

**Course title:** Contemporary challenges in Indian society

**Course code:** UMNSOS4-216

#### Objective:

1. Understand the complexities of contemporary Indian society.
2. Analyze critical issues affecting India's social fabric.
3. Develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

#### Learning Outcomes (LO):

On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

- LO1. Appreciate diversity and inclusivity.
- LO2. Recognize social justice and human rights.
- LO3. Value critical thinking and intellectual curiosity.
- LO4. Develop empathy and understanding.

**MINOR**  
**COURSE TITLE: CONTEMPORARY CHALLENGES IN INDIAN**  
**SOCIETY**  
**COURSE CODE – UMNSOS4-216 [CREDITS-04]**

Unit no.	Details of topics	No of lectures
1.	<p><b><u>Forest Policies</u></b></p> <p>a. Forest policies (tribals and Exclusion)  b. Land Alienation of tribals  c. Debt Bondage and Problems with Education and health</p>	15 lectures
2.	<p><b><u>Protest against Infrastructure development</u></b></p> <p>a. Jaitapur Nuclear Energy project  b. Coastal Road Project  c. New Airport at Navi Mumbai</p>	15 lectures
3.	<p><b><u>Social Exclusion</u></b></p> <p>a. Discrimination with LGBTQIA+  b. Differently abled and social exclusion  c. Geriatric Care - Problem of Elderly</p>	15 lectures
4.	<p><b><u>Unit 4 - Social Justice</u></b></p> <p>a. Transgender Act 2019  b. Sexual harassment Act 2013(Prevention, prohibition and Redressal)  c. Domestic violence Act 2005</p>	15 lectures

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**COURSE STRUCTURE**  
**SEC (SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE)**  
**(SEMESTER IV)**

Course Code	Title	Credits & Lectures per Semester	Lectures per Week
USESOS4-231	<b>Social research skills – I</b>	2	2 hrs.
	<b>Unit I: Introduction of social research</b>	10 Lectures	
	<b>Unit II: Data Analysis and collection techniques</b>	10 Lectures	

**Detailed Syllabus: Unit wise / Module wise with number of lectures**

**Course title: Social research skills -I**

**Course code: USESOS4-231**

**Objective:**

1. Understand the fundamentals of social research.
2. Develop critical thinking and analytical skills.
3. Apply research methods to social issues.

**Learning Outcomes (LO):**

On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

- 1.To appreciate the nature and significance of social research
- 2.To learn about the basic tools and techniques in social research
- 3.To equip themselves to conduct and analyze simple research projects

**SEC (SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE)**  
**COURSE TITLE: SOCIAL RESEARCH SKILLS-I**  
**COURSE CODE - USESOS4-231 [CREDITS-02]**

<b>Unit no.</b>	<b>Details of topic</b>	<b>No of lectures</b>
<b>1.</b>	<p><b><u>Introduction of research</u></b></p> <p>a) Meaning, Objectives and Importance of research  b) Selection and formulation of research design  c) Difference between Qualitative and Quantitative research  d) Ethics in Social research</p>	<b>10 lectures</b>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b><u>Unit 2 – Data Analysis and collection techniques</u></b></p> <p>A) Visual Ethnography  B) Focus group discussion (nature, methods and significance)  C) Sampling Techniques (Types and application in social research)  D) Mean, Median and Mode (Definitions, Calculations and Applications in social research)</p>	<b>10 lectures</b>

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**COURSE STRUCTURE**  
**O.E (OPEN ELECTIVE)**  
**(SEMESTER IV)**

Course Code	Title	Credits & Lectures per Semester	Lectures per Week
UOESOS4-252	Introduction to social research	2	2 hrs.
	Unit I: Introduction and definition of pop culture	7 Lectures	
	Unit II: Emergence and evolution of pop culture	8 Lectures	
	Unit III: Reflection of pop culture in rituals	7 Lectures	
	Unit IV: Changing tradition of pop culture due to globalization	6 lectures	

**Detailed Syllabus: Unit wise / Module wise with number of lectures**

**Course title: POPULAR CULTURE**

**Course code: UOESOS4-252**

**Objective:**

1. Evaluate the cultural significance of pop culture phenomena.
2. Analyse the representation of marginalized groups in pop culture.
3. Critique the commercialization of pop culture.
4. Examine the intersection of pop culture and social justice.
5. Develop informed opinions on pop culture trends.

**Learning Outcomes (LO):**

On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

1. Recognition of cultural diversity and Assimilation
2. Understanding of social inequality and power dynamics
3. Understanding of how pop culture reflects and shapes social values

**O.E (OPEN ELECTIVE)**  
**COURSE TITLE: - POPULAR CULTURE**  
**COURSE CODE – UOESOS4-252[CREDITS-02]**

<b>Unit no.</b>	<b>Details of topic</b>	<b>No of lectures</b>
<b>1.</b>	<p><b><u>Introduction and definition of Popular culture</u></b></p> <p>A) Introduction to Pop culture            B) Definition &amp; examples (Inspiration from various cultures)            C) Case study (Film &amp; TV, social media, consumer behaviour etc)</p>	<b>7 lectures</b>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b><u>Emergence and evolution of pop culture</u></b></p> <p>A) Folklore &amp; oral traditions of Kathas (Bhagwat purana Kathas) (Understanding Folk culture &amp; Proverbs)            B) Narratives (Kissagoi)            C) Legends (Urban legends)</p>	<b>8 lectures</b>
<b>3.</b>	<p><b><u>Reflection of pop culture in rituals</u></b></p> <p>A) Festivals            B) Fairs (Pushkar mela &amp; Kumbh mela)            C) Rituals (Case study of Navratri in Madras)</p>	<b>7 lectures</b>
<b>4.</b>	<p><b><u>Changing tradition of pop culture due to globalization</u></b></p> <p>A) Neo- Liberalism (Privatization, Commodification-rise in consumerism due to pop culture)            B) Globalization &amp; Pop culture</p>	<b>6 lectures</b>

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## Modality of assessment

The performance of the learners shall be evaluated into two parts. The learner's performance shall be assessed by Internal Assessment with 40% marks in the first part & by conducting the Semester End Examinations with 60% marks in the second part. Practical Examination will consist of End Sem examination.

**Student will have to score 40% of marks in Internal assessment as well as End Sem examination to pass the course.**

The allocation of marks for the Internal Assessment and Semester End Examinations are as shown below: -

Internal Assessment: It is defined as the assessment of the learners on the basis of internal evaluation as envisaged in the Credit & Choice based system by way of participation of learners in various academic and correlated activities in the given semester of the programme.

Semester End Assessment: It is defined as the assessment of the learners on the basis of Performance in the semester end Theory/ written/ Practical examination.

### QUESTION PAPER PATTERN

<b>External Evaluation Paper pattern (Total 60 Marks, Duration 2 Hours)</b>	
Attempt all questions (Short notes can be asked in any two out of the four questions in Part B)	

Q.1 Essay Type: A or B (based on Module 1)	<b>10 marks</b>
Q.2 Essay Type: A or B (based on Module 2)	<b>10 marks</b>
Q.3 Essay Type: A or B (based on Module 3)	<b>10 marks</b>
Q.4 Essay Type: A or B (based on Module 4)	<b>10 marks</b>
Q.5 Short Notes any 4 out of 8 (two from each module)	<b>20 marks</b>

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<b>External Evaluation Paper pattern (Total 30 Marks, Duration 75 Minutes)</b>	
Attempt all questions (Short notes can be asked in any two out of the four questions in Part B)	

Q.1 Essay Type: A or B (based on Module 1)	<b>10 marks</b>
Q.2 Essay Type: A or B (based on Module 2)	<b>10 marks</b>
Q.3 Short Notes any 2 out of 4 (two from each module)	<b>10 marks</b>

**Theory - Mode of assessment-Continuous Internal Assessment [40%]**

Evaluation type
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Assignments.</li><li>2. Project based learning activities (Group Discussion Research/ Case studies/ Reports / Assignments / Presentations / Skit / Poster / etc.).</li><li>3. Class Test (Objective - Multiple Choice Questions/ Subjective).</li><li>4. Active participation in class activities.</li><li>5. Overall conduct as a responsible student with respect to good behaviour, leadership qualities, interpersonal skills etc.</li></ol>

**Overall Examination and Marks Distribution Pattern****SEMESTER III**

Course	VESUASO101	Grand Total
Theory	60	100
Internal Assessment	40	

**SEMESTER IV**

Course	VESUASO201	Grand Total
Theory	60	100
Internal Assessment	40	