

BS Geography 4 Years Programme, University of the Punjab, Lahore

Objective:

The course is designed to introduce the students with sociological concepts and the discipline. The focus of the course shall be on significant concepts like social systems and structures, socio-economic changes, and social processes. The course will provide due foundation for further studies in the field of sociology.

Course Outline

1. Introduction

- a. Definition, Scope, and Subject Matter
- b. Sociology as a Science
- c. Historical back ground of Sociology

2. Basic Concepts

- a. Group, Community, Society
- b. Associations
 - i. Non-Voluntary
 - ii. Voluntary
- c. Organization i. Informal ii. Formal
- d. Social Interaction
 - i. Levels of Social Interaction
 - ii. Process of Social Interaction
- a) Cooperation

- b) Competition
- c) Conflict
- d) Accommodation
- e) Acculturation and diffusion
- f) Assimilation
- g) Amalgamation

3. Social Groups

- a. Definition & Functions
- b. Types of social groups
 - i. In and out groups
 - ii. Primary and Secondary group
 - ii. Reference groups
 - iii. Informal and Formal groups
 - iv. Pressure groups

4. Culture

- a. Definition, aspects and characteristics of Culture
 - i. Material and non material culture
 - ii. Ideal and real culture
- b. Elements of culture
 - i. Beliefs
 - ii. Values
 - iii. Norms and social sanctions
- c. Organizations of culture
 - i. Traits
 - ii. Complexes
 - iii. Patterns
 - iv. Ethos
 - v. Theme
- d. Other related concepts
 - i. Cultural Relativism
 - ii. Sub Cultures
 - iii. Ethnocentrism and Xenocentrism
 - iv. Cultural lag

5. Socialization & Personality

- a. Personality, Factors in Personality Formation
- b. Socialization, Agencies of Socialization
- c. Role & Status

6. Deviance and Social Control

- a. Deviance and its types
- b. Social control and its need
- c. Forms of Social control
- d. Methods & Agencies of Social control

7. Collective Behavior

- a. Collective behavior, its types
- b. Crowd behavior
- c. Public opinion
- d. Propaganda
- e. Social movements
- f. Leadership

Recommended Books:

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8. Kerbo, Harold R. 1989. Sociology: Social Structure and Social Conflict. New York: Macmillan Publishing Company.
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McGraw-Hill Book Company.
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