

Learning Objectives:

After completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. correctly identify causes of critical social issues through a systematic study of social behavior and social change;
2. demonstrate comprehension of roles and functions of various social institutions and relationships among them;
3. demonstrate understanding of several sociological theories and apply them to explain social phenomena or situations; and
4. use sociological imagination to explain their life experience in a broader social context.

Contents:**1. Social Stratification**

- 1.1. Systems of Stratifications
- 1.2. Dimensions of Stratification
- 1.3. Social Mobility: Brief Explanation
- 1.4. Poverty

2. Social Institutions

- 2.1. Definitions, types, functions, and transitions in the following institutions:
- 2.2. Family
- 2.3. Education
- 2.4. Religion
- 2.5. The Economy and Work
- 2.6. Politics and Government
- 2.7. Health and Medicine
- 2.8. Mass Communication

3. Social Change

- 3.1. Demographic Aspects
- 3.2. Environmental Aspects
- 3.3. Collective Behavior
- 3.4. Social Movements
- 3.5. Sources of Social Change
- 3.6. Modernity & Post Modernity

Teaching-Learning Strategies:

Teaching will combine class lectures, class discussions, and group work.

Assignments:

The sessional work will be a combination of written assignments, class quizzes, presentations, and class participation/attendance.

Assessments and Examination:

Sr. No.	Elements	Weightage	Details
1.	Midterm Assessment	35%	It is a written examination that takes place at the mid-point of the semester.
2.	Formative Assessment	25%	It is a continuous assessment. It includes variety of activities mentioned above.
3.	Final Assessment	40%	It is a written examination that takes place at the end of the semester.

Suggested Readings

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