

Scope and Outcome of the Course

The Masters (MA) Programme in Sociology at Kuvempu University is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills that will make them engaged citizens of the world capable of critical thinking and reflective action. The unique approach of the programme is its focus on orienting students to the relationship between text and context, self and society, and the past and present. Over the course of their programme students develop a reflexive awareness of the historicity of the society. And the ability to locate the history of the discipline within the sociology of knowledge production. The MA programme in Sociology envisages its students as compassionate, engaged researchers and active learners committed to principles of social justice. Graduates from our programme are thus taught to think across disciplines and to ask questions from multiple vantage points while maintaining a firm sociological ‘grounding’ when exploring specific research issues.

Further, Masters of Sociology would be able to orient themselves and contribute in making public policies in view development of Tribal, Women, Rural and Marginalised groups. Important outcome of the courses is that students of Sociology for understanding research, jobs in college/ University / Research institutions, various Government department and NGO,s as well as for various competitive examinations.

Outcome of each Course (Paper)

HC-1.1: Foundations of Sociological Traditions

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

After studying this course, the learners will be able to:

- Understand the linkage between the social changes in the economic and social systems and the emergence of discipline of Sociology.
- Know the theoretical foundations of Sociology on which edifice of modern Sociological theories are built; and develop insights for understanding the later developments in sociological theory.
- Develop critical thinking, analytical ability to interpret the social scenario around.
- Learn the historical, socio-economic and intellectual forces in the rise of Sociological Theory.
- Understand the selected Sociological Theories.

HC-1.2: Methods in Social Research

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

This course aims to provide;

- An understanding of the nature of social phenomena, the issues involved in social research and the ways and means of studying social reality.
- Study of research methods as a means of understanding social reality.
- Exposure to the fundamentals of various research techniques and methods.
- Introduction to the philosophical foundations of Social Research.
- Acquaintance with the quantitative and qualitative strategies of research.

HC-1.3: Perspectives on Indian Society

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

After studying this course, the learners will be able to:

- Understand the diversities and unity in Indian Society
- Know the major segments in society, the traditions, continuities and changes taking place in Indian society;
- Understand various theoretical perspectives to comprehend Indian Society.
- The sociological perspective on Indian society presented in this course will also enable students to gain a better understanding of their own situation and region.

SC-1.4: Society and Education

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

After completion of this course, learners will be able to:

- Understand the interface between education and society.
- Understand the major concepts, theoretical approaches and development of sociology of education.
- Get acquainted with the approaches and contributions in sociology of education
- Get acquainted with the alternative educational programmes in India

SC-1.5: Sociology of Social Movements

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

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

- Look at the Social Movements from Sociological Perspective.
- Understand the dynamics of social movements and their role in the social change and transformation in India.
- To introduce the students to the role of social movements in social transformation
- To help them understand the various approaches to the study of Social Movements.

SC-1.5: Society in Karnataka

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

After completion of the course one will be able to:

- Enhance Sociological knowledge about the Local and Regional context of Karnataka.
- Acquaint students with the changing trends in Karnataka with special reference to Development processes and caste politics
- Learn about the unique cultures in Karnataka

SC-1.5: Social Demography

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

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

- To acquaint the students with basic demographic concepts and theories of population growth.
- To understand the influence of Population on Social Phenomena.
- To acquaint students the demographic features and trends of Indian Society vis-a-vis world population.
- To understand population control in terms of social needs.
- To appreciate population control measures and their implementation.

HC-2.1: Development of Sociological Theories

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The course intends;

- To familiarise the students with the social, political, economic and intellectual contexts in which sociology emerged as a distinctive discipline.
- To help students gain an understanding of some of the classical contributions in sociology, and their relevance to its contemporary concerns.
- Know the theoretical foundations of Sociology on which edifice of modern Sociological theories are built; and develop insights for understanding the later developments in sociological Theory.
- Develop critical thinking, analytical ability to interpret the social scenario around.
- Learn the historical, socio-economic and intellectual forces in the rise of sociological theory.

HC-2.2: Social Statistics

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

After the completion of the course the student will be familiar with;

- The statistical values of the Numerical Data
- The methods of calculating the Central Tendencies of the data
- The Dispersion values of the data
- The Correlation between the variables
- The use of Computers in Social Research

HC-2.3: Social Stratification and Social Mobility

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

After the completion of this course the student will understand:

- The Nature of Inequalities in the Society
- The dynamics of Social Groupings and Discrimination
- The modes of Social improvement people use in their life time
- The theories behind the Social Stratification and Mobility

SC-2.4: Gender and Society

Scope and Outcome of the Programme:

After completion of this course, the learners will be able:

- To introduce the students to the debate on the determination of Gender Roles.
- To orient the students regarding theories of Gender relation in Indian society.
- To trace the evolution of Gender as a category of social analysis.
- To introduce the basic concepts of Gender and Gender Inequality
- To analyze the Gendered nature of major social institutions
- To understand the challenges to Gender Inequality

SC-2.5: Globalization and Society

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

After the completion of this course the student will;

- The students an overview of the emergence of Globalization from socio-historical and political - economic context.
- To understand the different socio-cultural consequences of Globalization.
- Know the agencies that promote the process
- Understand the impacts of Globalisation on different spheres of Social life
- Analyse the Indian experience of Globalisation

SC-2.5: Sociology of Tribes

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

After the completion of this course the student will;

- To provides a comprehensive history on categorization of the 'Tribal' society.
- To understand the demographic features, social structure and cultural patterns.
- To understand the problems of tribal people and the welfare policies.

SC-2.5: Crime and Society

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The course is designed to achieve the following objectives:

- To acquaint the students with the changing profile of crime and criminals
- To equip them with the emerging perspectives of crime causation with particular stress on sociological explanations
- To sensitize them to the emerging idea of correction, its types and measures to prepare them for professional roles of correctional agents in agencies of criminal justice administration system.
- To acquaint the students with recent advances in correctional measures and programmes; alternatives to imprisonment; and its implications for crime control and prevention
- To demonstrate knowledge about theoretical perspectives on crime.
- To sensitize the students about causes, social dimensions, consequences and measures to control crime.

EL- 2.6: Sociology of Social Disorganization

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The course is designed to achieve the following objectives:

- To equip the student the concept of deviant behavior leading to social disorganization, forms, theoretical foundations and criminal activities which he encounters in real life situations.
- To orient knowledge about theoretical perspectives on crime.
- To sensitize the students about causes, social dimensions, consequences and measures to control crime.

EL- 2.6: Invitation to Sociology

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The main objectives of this course are:

- To understand the basic principles in sociology
- To acquaint with the basic concepts in sociology
- To know the origin and development of sociology
- To understand the social processes in social relations

HC-3.1: Modern Sociological Theories

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

This course is intended

- To introduce the students to the schools and thought that has dominated Sociology in the later half of the 20th century.
- The course will examine the theoretical relevance and analytical utility.
- To develop the analytical abilities of the students.

HC-3.2: Sociology of Development

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The course is designed to achieve the following objectives:

- To provide conceptual and theoretical understanding of development as it has emerged in Sociological Literature.
- To offer an insight into the ways in which social structure impinges on development and development on social structure
- To address in particular in Indian experience of development with special focus on SE India.
- To prepare the students for professional careers in the field of development planning.
- To provide an understanding of the alternate trends and paths of development
- To understand the contemporary socio-economic framework of development in India

HC-3.3: Rural and Urban Sociology

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

This course is designed;

- To provide sociological understanding of rural and urban society in India
- To acquaint students with basic concepts in rural and urban studies
- To analyze rural and urban problems in India
- To provide knowledge of rural and urban governance.
- To impart sociological skills to reconstruct rural institution and rural development programmes to plan, monitor and evaluate rural development programmes.
- To develop the understanding of students regarding the linkages between urban and rural reality

HC-3.4: Sociology of Marginalized Groups

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

This course helps the student

- To focus on the segments of the population which have lived on the margins of society and which have not received adequate attention.
- To sensitize students to the significance of the sociological study of Dalits, tribal communities and nomadic castes and tribes.
- To focus on groups and communities which have suffered extreme poverty, deprivation and discrimination over a long period of time.

SC-3.5: Social Psychology

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

After the completion of this course a student will be able to

- Understand the basic concepts in social behavior
- Understand the dynamics of social behavior in relation to the social institutions
- Analyze the processes of motivation, perception and attitude formation
- Comprehend the forces behind the crowd and mob behavior
- Know the factors behind the social discrimination

SC-3.5: Sociology of Health and Sanitation

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The content of the course will enable the students:

- To sensitize students to health related issues
- To understand the issues related to public health and social medicine
- To understand the role of the State in the healthcare in India
- To make aware the health and sanitation conditions in India
- To understand the social aspects of sanitation and social ordering

SC-3.5: Sociology of Disaster and Social Crisis

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The main objectives of this course are;

- To introduce students to sociological examination of disasters.
- To understand the disasters are fundamentally social events that reflect the way that live and structure our communities and societies.
- To create awareness regarding the Natural Disasters and Disaster Management.
- To understand the historical development of India's Disaster Management policy.

EL-3.6: Contemporary Social Issues

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The course seeks

- To go beyond the commonsense understanding of the prevailing social issues and problems in order to project them into their structural context; to focus on the structural linkages and interrelationships.
- To sensitize the students to the emerging social issues and problems of contemporary India, to enable them to acquire sociological understanding of these issues and problems
- Empower them to deal with these issues and problems and to serve as change agents both in governmental and non-governmental organizations
- The sociological perspective on Indian society presented in this course will also enable students to gain a better understanding of their own situation and region.

EL-3.6: Social Entrepreneurship

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The course intends to provide

- Training to be an entrepreneur or to enlarge job prospects of the individual.
- Promoting the development of personal qualities specific training that are relevant to entrepreneurship,
- Offering early knowledge of and contact with the world of business, entrepreneurial attitudes and skills and some understanding of the role of entrepreneurs in the community
- Raising students' awareness of self-employment as a career option

HC-4.1: Modern Social Theories

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

This course is intended

- To introduce the students to the substantive, theoretical and methodological issues which have shaped the sociological thinking.
- To understand the theoretical relevance and analytical utility of the theoretical perspectives in understanding social structure and change.
- To develop the understanding of major sociological perspectives.
- To develop the analytical abilities of the students.
- To develop research orientation of the students with the understanding of major theoretical perspectives.

HC-4.2: Social Gerontology

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The objectives of this course are

- To study the profile of changes in the age composition of different societies and to study various implications of the increasing ageing population.
- To study and to know the ways of accommodating the aged population in the main streams of family and community life and to see how far they would be useful in modern society.
- To study various strategies, programmes and measures adopted in a modern society to bring about psychological, sociological and economic rehabilitation of elderly people.
- To make the members of incoming generations aware of stresses and strains created by economic dislocation and physical disabilities for elderly people and to generate in them positive and respectful attitudes towards them.

HC-4.3: Project Work

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

Research skills are very important for sociological analysis. Through this course, in addition to the theoretical input, an opportunity is given to the students to acquire research skills by undertaking a research project as a part of the academic activity. This project course will help to:-

- Develop the ability to conceptualize and conduct simple research projects.
- Learn to assess the research studies and findings.
- Develop the skills for library work and documentation for research.
- Develop favorable attitudes for the integration of research and theory.
- Develop logical thinking and critical analysis.

SC-4.4: Political Sociology

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The major objectives of teaching this course are:

- To acquaint the students with the nature and functioning of political system(s), and the political processes.
- To generate in the minds of students an awareness of their status and role as citizens of the state.
- To make the students aware of the prerequisites of sound democratic political system and its vulnerability.
- To study the relationship between society and polity
- To study the contemporary Socio-Political challenges in India

SC-4.5: Social Policy and Planning

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The course is designed to achieve the following objectives:

- The objectives of this paper are to Gain knowledge of policy analyses and the policy formulation process.
- To acquire skills in critical analysis of social policies and plans.
- To develop an understanding of social policy in the perspective of national goals as stated in the constitution, particularly with reference to Fundamental Rights and the Directive principles of state policy.

SC-4.5: Industrial Sociology

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The course is designed to achieve the following objectives:

- To understand the, human organization in the industry and how the work is being organized in an industrial organization
- How the labour is abstracted in the industrial work process
- How the issue between labour and management is constructed and how the labour welfare measures are implemented will be the rationale for the P.G. student of Sociology
- It also equips the students to prevent and to settle industrial problems.

SC-4.5: Sociology of Environment

Scope and Outcome of the Course:

The main objectives of the course are;

- To make the students aware of the meaning of Environment and its relationship with society.
- To understand the changing environment and modes of living in different ecological conditions.
- To develop holistic approach among students to feel man environment relationship taking into account technology and socio cultural facts.
- To acquaint students technological conditions and its impact on social organization of society.

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