

**ANDHRA UNIVERSITY**  
PROGRAM PROJECT REPORT  
**M.A. Sociology**



**School of Distance Education**

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## **MASTER OF ARTS MA (SOCIOLOGY)**

### **INFORMATION ON RELEVANCE OF PROGRAM:**

#### **Introduction:**

Sociology is the science of society and social interaction taking place among individuals in a social group. It focuses all kinds of social Interaction, social acts, social relationships, social organisations and social processes. It is concerned with the recurrent repetitive forms of behaviours, attitudes, values, beliefs, norms and social institutions which make up the social order.

Andhra University is offering MA (Sociology) program to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the theoretical and empirical foundations of sociology, to equip students with critical thinking and analytical skills that are essential for the study of society and social phenomena. Also, this program develops an understanding of the various social structures, processes and institutions that shape the human behavior.

#### **Objectives of the program:**

- M.A.(Sociology) would provide a sense of understanding to a social worker towards achieving systematic way of studying the forms of social organizations and its patterns within the social life.
- To have an understanding on the concept of sociology.
- Acquire factual information on the society and the various special phenomena and aspects of one's social life.
- Understand the interplay of Man and Society.
- Study the various factors like family, gender, Social Class, Economic, political religious and culture that influence's one's behavior.

### ***INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN:***

#### **Eligibility& Admission Criteria:**

Passed any Bachelor Degree of minimum 3 years duration. Obtained at least 50% marks (45% in case of Candidates belonging to reserved category) in the qualifying examination.

#### **Medium and Method of instruction:**

The medium of instruction shall be English. The method of instruction shall comprise online/ offline mode.

#### **Course Material:**

Comprehensive printed course material, specially designed for self-study, shall be provided to every

learner, Softcopy of the Self Learning Material (SLM) will be supplied to all the learners after confirmation of admission. In addition to the course material, the learners are required to read suggested textbooks and articles published in journals.

### **Academic Counseling:**

Online/ offline counseling sessions are conducted at designated centers in all programs to enable the learners to have interaction with resource persons for clarification of doubts.

### **Examinations:**

Each paper carries 70 marks for theory examinations and 30 marks internal assessment in the form of assignments. Exams are conducted at different affiliated colleges of the University by sending observers from the University.

### **Duration:**

The duration of each theory examination shall be three hours.

### **PROCEDURE OF EVALUATION:**

The theory papers of end examinations will be evaluated by different faculty members drawn from University and affiliated colleges.

### **Internal Evaluation:**

Internal evaluation shall be made on the evaluation of the assignments submitted by the learners for 30 marks.

### **Grading System:**

S. No.	Range of marks %	Grade	Grade Points	
1	>90      <= 100	O	10	Outstanding
2	>80      <= 90	A <sup>+</sup>	9	Excellent
3	>70      <= 80	A	8	Very Good
4	>60      <= 70	B <sup>+</sup>	7	Good
5	>55      <= 60	B	6	Above Average
6	>50      <= 55	C	5	Average
7	>40      <= 50	P	4	Pass
8	< 40	F	0	Fail

### **Reappearance:**

A learner who has failed in any theory paper of any year shall have to reappear for the examination of

that course in the following end examinations.

**Betterment:**

Learners who have passed in all the courses of a program and who have obtained a Passor Second Class are eligible for attempting for Betterment of Grades. Learners who have already secured a First Class are not eligible for betterment of Grade. Betterment of Grades is permitted only once and that too with in two years of passing. Learners can appear for betterment of all papers in a year. New Marks list/Provisional Certificate shall be issued to candidates who have improved their Class after submitting the old Marks List/Provisional Certificate only.

**ELIGIBILITY FOR THE AWARD OF M.A. SOCIOLOGY DEGREE:**

**DURATION OF THE PROGRAM:**

The course of study for M.A Sociology Program through Distance Learning shall be extended over aperiod oftwo academic years. However, a learner may complete the program in not more than four years including the study period.

**A learner shall be eligible for the award of *M.A. SOCIOLOGY*, if he/she fulfils the following conditions:**

Registered and successfully completed all the courses.

Successfully acquired the minimum required marks as specified in the curriculum.

The learners should not have any dues to the University, and

No disciplinary action is pending against the learner.

***GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:***

The academic regulations should be read as a whole for purpose of any interpretation.

In case of any doubt or ambiguity in the interpretation of the above rules,  
thedecisionoftheViceChancellorisfinal.

The University may change or amend the academic regulations, scheme of instructions and syllabus at anytime and the changes and amendments made shall be applicable to all the learners with effect from a date notified by the University.

***FEE STRUCTURE:*** Rs.5,200/-per annum.



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## CENTRE FOR DISTANCE AND ONLINE EDUCATION M.A. SOCIOLOGY

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In each paper 70 marks for theory & 30 marks for assignments

### Semester I

S. No.	Title of the Paper	Credits
1	SOCIOLOGICAL CONCEPTS	4
2	RESEARCH METHODOLOGY	4
3	CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES	4
4	INDIAN SOCIETY	4
Semester Total		16

### Semester II

S. No.	Title of the Paper	Credits
1	SOCIAL STRUCTURE AND CHANGE	4
2	SOCIAL STATISTICS	6
3	MODERN AND POST-MODERN SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES	6
4	SOCIETY, ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT	5
Semester Total		21

### Semester III

S. No.	Title of the Paper	Credits
1	RURAL SOCIOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT	6
2	SOCIOLOGICAL FOUNDATION OF EDUCATION	4
3	GENDER STUDIES	5
4	CRIMINOLOGY	6
Semester Total		21

### Semester IV

S. No.	Title of the Paper	Credits
1	URBAN SOCIOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT	6
2	CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY AND EDUCATION	6
3	WOMEN AND SOCIETY IN INDIA	4
4	SOCIAL DEMOGRAPHY	6
Semester Total		22

Grand Total Credits

80

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