

**ANDHRA UNIVERSITY**

**PROGRAM PROJECT REPORT**

**M.A. Sociology**



**Centre for Distance and Online Education**

Visakhapatnam-530 003, A.P., India  
Mail id : sdeauvsp@andhrauniveristy.edu.in

## **Master of Arts MA (Sociology)**

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

#### **Introduction:**

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 program develops an understanding of the various social structures, processes and institutions that shape human behavior.

### **2. Objectives of the program:**

M.A.(Sociology) would provide a sense of understanding to a social worker towards achieving a systematic way of studying the forms of social organizations and its patterns within the social life.

### **3. INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN:**

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

Any Graduation

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

The medium of instruction shall be English. The method of instruction shall comprise print and face to face interaction.

**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:** Face-to-face classes are conducted at designated centres in all programs to enable the learners to have interaction with resource persons for clarification of doubts.

**Examinations:**

Each paper carries 80 marks end theory examinations and 20 marks internal assessment in the form of assignments. Exams are conducted at different affiliated colleges of the University by sending observers from University

**Duration:** The duration of each theory examination shall be three hours.

**4. PROCEDURE OF EVALUATION**

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

FOR PASS MINIMUM CGPA/SGPA REQUIRED – 4 SCALE

Range of Marks	91-100	81-90	71-80	61-70	56-60	50-55	40-49	0-39	ABSENT
Grade	O	A+	A	B+	B	C	P	F	AB
Points	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	0	

**Internal Evaluation:**

Internal evaluation shall be made on the evaluation of the assignments submitted by the learners for 20 marks.

**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 Pass or SecondClass 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 within 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 aftersubmitting the old Marks List/Provisional Certificate only.

## **5. Eligibility for the Award of Master of Commerce (M.Com.) Degree:Duration of the program:**

The course of study for M.Com Program through Distance Learning shall be extended over a period of two 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.Com, 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.

## **6. 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, the decision of the Vice Chancellor is final.
- The University may change or amend the academic regulations, scheme of instructions and syllabus at any time and the changes and amendments made shall be applicable to all the learners with effect from a date notified by the University.

7. **FEE STRUCTURE:** Rs. 8,000/- per annum

## 8. PROGRAM STRUCTURE:

Semester I			Semester II		
S. No.	Title of the Paper	Credits	S. No.	Title of the Paper	Credits
1	SOCIOLOGICAL CONCEPTS	4	1	SOCIAL STRUCTURE AND CHANGE	4
2	RESEARCH METHODOLOGY	4	2	SOCIAL STATISTICS	6
3	CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES	4	3	MODERN AND POST MODERN SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES	6
4	INDIAN SOCIETY	4	4	SOCIETY, ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT	5
Semester Total		16	Semester Total		21

Semester III			Semester IV		
S. No.	Title of the Paper	Credits	S. No.	Title of the Paper	Credits
1	RURAL SOCIOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT	6	1	URBAN SOCIOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT	6
2	SOCIOLOGICAL FOUNDATION OF EDUCATION	4	2	CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY AND EDUCATION	6
3	GENDER STUDIES	5	3	WOMEN AND SOCIETY IN INDIA	4
4	CRIMINOLOGY	6	4	DEMOGRAPHY	6
Semester Total		21	Semester Total		22
<b>Grand Total Credits</b>					<b>80</b>