

JYOTI NIVAS COLLEGE AUTONOMOUS
PROGRAMME: B.A
SEMESTER – II - FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

CREDITS: 3

NO OF HOURS: 45

COURSE PRE-REQUISITE(S):

Mention only course titles from the curriculum that are needed to be taken by the students before registering for this course.

COURSE OUTCOMES (COS):

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

(Write 3-7 course outcomes. Course outcomes are statements of observable student actions that serve as evidence of knowledge, skills and values acquired in this course)

1. Contextualise the social and intellectual background of classical sociologists
2. Appreciate the contemporaneity of classical sociological thought
3. Appreciate the need for thinking in theoretical terms and concepts
4. Demonstrate Basic Understanding of Theory and Research

UNIT – 1: A COMTE AND H SPENCER

12 HOURS

Chapter 1: Auguste Comte: Intellectual context, Positivism, Law of Three Stages, Classification of Sciences

Chapter 2: Herbert Spencer: Theory of Social Evolution, Organic Analogy, Types of Society

UNIT – 2: K MARX AND G SIMMEL

14 HOURS

Chapter 3: Karl Marx: Dialectical Materialism, Economic Determinism, Class Struggle, Alienation

Chapter 4: Georg Simmel: Formal Sociology, Theory of Sociation, and Theory of Conflict

UNIT – 3: E DURKHEIM AND M WEBER

16 HOURS

Chapter 5: Emile Durkheim: Social Facts, Division of Labour in Society, Suicide, Sociology of Religion

Chapter 6: Max Weber: Social Action, Ideal Types, Bureaucracy, Types of Authority, Protestant Ethics and Spirit of Capitalism

TEXT BOOKS

Abraham, Francis 1984, Modern Sociological Theory, Orient Longman, Delhi Berger, P L 1963, Invitation to Sociology: A Humanistic Perspective, Doubleday, Garden City, N.Y

Bruce, Steve, 2018, Sociology: A Very Short Introduction, 2nd edition, Oxford University Press, New York

Collins, Randall 1997, Sociological Theory, Rawat Publications, Jaipur Corrigan-Brown, Catherine 2020, Imagining Sociology: An Introduction with Readings, 2nd Edition, Oxford University Press, Canada

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Davis, Kingsley 1949, Human Society, Macmillan, Delhi

Ferrante, Joan 2013, Seeing Sociology: An Introduction, 3rd Edition, Cengage Learning, USA

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Harlambos, M and R M Heald, 1980, Sociology: Themes and Perspectives, Oxford University Press, Delhi

Inkeles, Alex 1987, What is Sociology? Prentice-Hall of India, New Delhi

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Macionis, John 2018, Sociology Global Edition, Pearson, England

Morrison, Ken 1995, Marx, Durkheim, Weber: Formation of Modern Social Thought, Sage Publications, London

Turner, Jonathan 1987, The Structure of Sociological Theory, Rawat Publications, Jaipur

Zeitlin, Irving M 1998, Rethinking Sociology: A Critique of Contemporary Theory, Rawat Publications, Jaipur