

B.A. HONOURS (SOCIOLOGY)

FIRST YEAR - 2014-15

There will be FOUR Theory papers of 100 Marks each.

Paper-I : Introduction to Sociology (1691)

Paper-II : Society in India : Structure and Change (1692)

Paper-III : Sociology of Crime and Deviance (1693)

Paper-IV : Kinship, Marriage and Family (1694)

Detailed contents of papers :-

Paper IV : Kinship, Marriage and Family (1694)

M.M:- 100

Unit – A

Basic Concepts: Incest, Affiliation, Consanguinity, Affinity, Clan, Lineage, Kindred.

Kinship and Descent: Unilineal, Double and Cognatic Descent

Complimentary Filiation

Unit – B

Kinship Terminology. The Genealogical Method. Kinship Organization in India: Regional Variations

Unit – C

Rules of Marriage: Endogamy, Exogamy, Prescriptive and Preferential Marriage, Monogamy, Polygamy, Levirate and Sororate, Hypogamy and Hypergamy.

Unit - D

Marriage Transaction: Dowry and Bride Price.

Changing Patterns of Marriage among Hindu, Muslim and Christian.

Unit – E

Family Structure and Composition. Changes in Family in India. Family and Gender Issues.

Essential readings:

Dube, Leela 1997 Women and kinship : Comparative Perspectives on Gender in South and South East Asia. New Delhi Sage Publications.

Fox, Robin, 1967 Kinship and Marriage: An Anthropological Perspective. Harmondsworth Penguin.

International Encyclopedia of Social Science, 1968

Keesing R.M. 1975 Kin Groups and Social Structure : New York Holt Rinehart and Winston.

Kapadia, K.M. Marriage and Family in India (in Hindi also)

Radcliffe Brown, A.R. and Daryll Forde (eds) 1950 African Systems of kinship and Marriage. London OUP (Introduction)

Shah, A.M. 1998 The Family in India . Critical Essays, New Delhi Orient Longman.

Uberoi, Patricia, 1993 Family , Kinship and Marriage in India, New Delhi. OUP.

Karve, Iravati :Kinship Organization in India.

References:

Goody, Jack(ed) 1958 The Developmental Cycle in Domestic Groups Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Graburn, N. (ed) 1971. Readings in Kinship and Social Structure, New York, Harper and Row.

Madan , T.N. 1965 Family and Kinship A Study of the Pandits of Rural Kashmir Bombay Asia Publishing House.

Radcliffe Brown - 1952 Structure and Function in Primitive Society. London. Cohen and West , Reprinted.

Pedagogy:

Students should be exposed to the vast similarities and differences in Kinship systems across cultures. They could be involved in analyzing Kinship, Marriage and Family as depicted in feature films and popular literature. Students may also be encouraged to draw genealogies.