

**GONDWANA UNIVERSITY, GADCHIROLI**

***Faculty of Social Science***

**Semester Pattern**

**Choice Based Credit System**

**Syllabus for M.A. II Sociology**

**Semester III**

**w.e.f. 2016-17**

**Scheme of Examination for  
M.A. II(Sociology)**

Gondwana University, Gadchiroli  
Semester wise Papers shall be  
as following:

**M.A.II Sociology  
Semester – III  
Core Papers**

**Paper 09**

Theoretical Perspectives in Sociology – I

**Paper 10**

Sociology of Change and Development – I

**Paper 11**

**Core Elective Papers.**

- A) Industry and Society in India – I
- B) Education and Society in India
- C) State Society and Human Rights

**Paper 12**

**Core elective Paper.**

- A) Political Sociology – I
- B) Sociology of Environment and Society
- C) Labour in Global Economy

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**Paper - 0 9**  
**Theoretical Perspectives in Sociology-I**

**Objectives of the Paper:**

1. To make students to understand the basic theoretical approaches and to develop their sociological thinking.
2. To provide the students with the basic understanding of sociological theories in order to prepare them to pursue advanced courses in Sociology.

**Unit 1. Introduction:**

Meaning, Nature and Characteristics of Sociological theory,

Key problems of sociological theory ,

Problem of verification of Sociological theory.

**Unit II. Structural – Functionalism and Post-Structuralism :**

The idea of social structure of A.R. Radcliff Brown,

Talcott Parsons Functional Dimensions of Social System,

Structuralism and Post Structuralism – M.Foucault's

**Unit III. Conflict Theory:**

Concept of conflict, Characteristics of conflict ,

Causes of conflict, Origin background of conflict theory,

Randall Collins Theory of conflict and Social Change.

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#### Unit IV. Interactionist Perspectives :

Symbolic Interactionism : G.H. Mead and Herbert Blummer.

Phenomenological Sociology : Alfred Schutz.

#### Book Recommended:

1. Alexander, Jeffrey C. 1987, Twenty Lectures : Sociological Theory since World War II, New York, Columbia University Press.
2. Craib, Ian, 1992, Modern Social Theory : From Parsons to Habermas (2<sup>nd</sup> edition), London, Harvester Press.
3. Collins Randall, 1997 (Indian edition), Sociological Theory, Jaipur and New Delhi, Rawat Publications.
4. Abraham M. Francis : Modern Sociological theory, An Introduction , Oxford University Press, Bombay 1992.
5. Sharma Ramnath & Sharma Rajendra K : Contemporary Sociological theories (1<sup>st</sup> edition), media promoters and publishers, Bombay 1988.
6. Giddens Anthony, 1983, Central Problems in Social Theory : Action Structure and Contradiction in Social Analysis, London, Macmillan.
7. Kuper Adam, 1975, Anthropologists and Anthropology : The British School, 1922-72, Harmondsworth, Middlesex, Penguin Books.
8. Kuper Adam and Jessica Kuper (ed.), The Social Science Encyclopedia, London and New York, Routledge.
9. Ritzer George, 1992, Sociological Theory; New York, McGraw-Hill.
10. Sturrock John, (ed.), 1979, Structuralism and since : From Levi-Strauss to Derida, Oxford, OUP.

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