

## **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY**

Sudhiranjan Lahiri Mahavidyalaya has been teaching Sociology since the 1980s. The institution adopted the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 in July 2023, introducing reforms for undergraduate (UG) programs, including Sociology Courses. NEP 2020 emphasizes ongoing evaluation, curriculum flexibility, credit transfer and trans-disciplinary learning. The revised UG Sociology curriculum spans eight semesters, allowing students to study Major and Minor courses, as well as Multi-Disciplinary Courses. Each semester, lasting six months, includes internal tests and final university-level examinations, along with student presentations based on course curriculum and field findings.

### **### Program Outcomes (POs)**

1. **\*\*PO1 - Sociological Understanding:\*\*** Graduates will understand and apply sociological theories to analyze societal structures, dynamics, and changes.
2. **\*\*PO2 - Research Skills:\*\*** Graduates will be proficient in designing and conducting sociological research using both qualitative and quantitative methods.
3. **\*\*PO3 - Critical Thinking:\*\*** Graduates will develop critical thinking skills to evaluate social phenomena, policies, and practices from a sociological perspective.
4. **\*\*PO4 - Ethical Awareness:\*\*** Graduates will recognize and apply ethical considerations in sociological research and practice, respecting diversity and promoting social justice.
5. **\*\*PO5 - Communication Skills:\*\*** Graduates will effectively communicate sociological concepts, findings, and analyses to a variety of audiences, both orally and in writing.
6. **\*\*PO6 - Global Perspective:\*\*** Graduates will appreciate the impact of globalization on societies and understand the interconnections between local and global social processes.
7. **\*\*PO7 - Social Policy Analysis:\*\*** Graduates will be capable of analyzing and evaluating social policies and their impact on different social groups.
8. **\*\*PO8 - Professional Development:\*\*** Graduates will be prepared for careers in academia, public service, non-profit organizations, and the private sector, where sociological knowledge is applicable.

### **### Course Outcomes (COs)**

For a course in **Contemporary Sociological Theories**:

1. **CO1:** Analyze contemporary sociological theories and apply them to understand current social issues.
2. **CO2:** Evaluate the contributions of contemporary sociological theorists to the field of sociology.

For a course in **Social Research Methods**:

1. **CO1:** Design sociological research projects, employing appropriate qualitative and quantitative research methods.
2. **CO2:** Analyze and interpret data using statistical software, adhering to ethical research practices.

### **### Program Specific Outcomes (PSOs)**

1. **PSO1 - Applied Sociological Analysis:** Graduates will be able to apply sociological theories and research methods to analyze social problems and suggest evidence-based solutions.
2. **PSO2 - Community Engagement:** Graduates will engage with communities, understand their social dynamics, and contribute to social change and development initiatives.
3. **PSO3 - Interdisciplinary Integration:** Graduates will integrate sociological perspectives with insights from other disciplines to address complex social issues comprehensively.

These outlined POs, COs, and PSOs provide a structured framework for the Sociology program, ensuring that the curriculum not only meets educational standards but also prepares students for real-world challenges and opportunities.