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COURSE INTRODUCTION : FOUNDATION COURSE- SOCIOLOGY

This course is for the second semester of Bachelor of Social Work (BSW). It lays the foundation of basic concepts of sociology and psychology necessary for the knowledge of social work trainees. This course depicts the relationship between sociology and social work. Sociology is the scientific study of society and psychology helps in understanding the factors affecting behaviour. Thus, this course closely examines human interactions and socio-cultural phenomena and the effects of these on groups and individuals. This course is designed to introduce you to a range of basic sociological principles so that you can develop your own sociological imagination. It will also help in understanding the factors contributing to the development personality, the concepts that will be beneficial to social workers in understanding the social problems.

In this course, the First Unit discusses the importance of sociology in social work and helps in understanding the theories of society. The Second Unit deals with the meaning, concept of society, its components, the demographic variables, Malthusian Theory and demographic complexities in the Indian society. The Third Unit discusses the theories of society to bring about an understanding of the theoretical bases of human society. The Fourth Unit explains the concept of culture and the role of various social institutions. The Fifth Unit deals with the concept of social stratification and explains how caste and class divide the Indian society. Sixth Unit discusses the process of socialization and how social control is executed in the society. The Seventh Unit focuses on the concept of social change and the significance and forms of social movement. In the Eight Unit, a discussion on various social problems with focus on Indian society and issue of immigration and human trafficking in North-east India is being done.