# BACHELOR OF ARTS

# COURSE OF VSK UNIVERSITY

**BA Sociology:** Semester I

# **BASOS 101: Fundamentals of Sociology**

Sub Code: BASOS 101	No of Lecture Hours per week: 04
Maximum Marks: 100	Internal Marks: 30 and EE: 70

# **Objectives:**

- To familiarize the students with the micro-foundations of the society;
- Discuss the development of sociology as a science and differentiate it from the other social science

# Module I Introduction to Sociology

12 Hours

- a. Origin and Development of Sociology
- b. Meaning, Subject-matter and scope
- c. Relationship of Sociology with History, Anthropology, Economics and Political science
- d. Uses of Sociology

# Module II Basic Concepts and Social structure

12Hours

- a. Society: Meaning, characteristics, importance and types
- b. Community: Meaning, characteristics and types
- c. Association and Institution: Meaning, features and types
- d. Social Structure: Meaning, Status and role, values

#### Module III Socialization

12 Hours

- a. Meaning, Characteristics and Importance
- b. Agencies of Socialization –Family, School, State, Religion and Mass media
- c. Types of Socialization : Primary , anticipatory and negative socialization

## Module IV Social Interaction and Social processes

12 Hours

- a. Significance of Social Interaction
- b. Social Processes- Meaning, Characteristics and Types
- c. Major Social processes- Cooperation, Competition, Conflict, Accommodation and Assimilation (Meaning, Types, Features and their role in social life)

#### Module V Culture and Civilization

12 Hours

- a. Culture-Meaning, Characteristics, Types and Importance
- b. Culture and Civilization: Interdependence and interrelation
- c. Theory of Cultural Lag and Cultural Diffusion

## **Text Books:**

**Gisbert Pascual (1983):** Fundamentals of Sociology, Orient Longmans, Bombay, 1983.

Jayaram N 1988: Introductory Sociology, MacMillan India, Madras.

Johnson Harry M 1995: Sociology: A Systematic Introduction, New Delhi : Allied Publishers

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**Bottomore, TB:** Sociology: A Guide to Proglems and Literature, Bombay: George Allen and Unwin (India)

Davis Kingsley (1982): Human Society, Surfeit Publications, New Delhi.

Giddens Anthony (2001): Sociology (4th Edn), Blackwell Publishers, Cambridge, UK

Green A W (1964): Sociology – Analysis of Life in Modern Society (4th Edn.),

**Haralambos Michael (1997):** Sociology – Themes and Perspectives, Oxford University Press, Delhi

Horton Paul and Hunt Chester (1984): Sociology, McGraw Hill Co, New Delhi

Ian Robertson (1980): Sociology, Worth Publishers, INC. New York 1980

**Leslie Gerald, Richard Larson, Benjamin Gorman, (1994):** Introductory Sociology – Order and Change in Society (3rd Edn), Oxford University Press, Delhi