

B.A. (VS) Tourism Management
Semester V
DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE COURSE (DSE- 5.3)

Geography of Travel and Tourism

Credit Distribution, Eligibility and Pre-Requisite of the Course

Course Title and Course Code	No. of credits	Components of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-requisites of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical		
Geography of Travel and Tourism DSE- 5.3	4	3	1	-	Pass in Class 12th	-

Learning Objective:

The course approaches Indian geography with the primary goal of assisting students in comprehending the environment in which tourism takes place. An introduction and inter-relationship between geography and tourism is given first. Future tourism graduates will be able to use the information in this course to advance their professional careers because geography and destinations are significant factors in the tourism industry. Knowledge of geography shall also give an extra edge to the students in designing the itineraries for the travelers, suggesting them various destinations.

Learning Outcomes

After completing this course, the learners would be able to:

1. comprehend the fundamentals of geography, its importance in tourism as well as recent trends in tourism geography.
2. discuss factors affecting global and regional tourist movements. Analyze the impact of a particular demography on destination choice.
3. develop an insight into the physical and climatic characteristics of Indian geography. Further students would be able to examine the role of Relief, Climate, Vegetation, Wild life, Water Bodies in tourism.
4. demonstrate skills of reading maps. Distinguish between the physical and cultural landscape of Kashmir, Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala, Orissa, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim.

Unit-1

Introduction to Geography and Tourism

12 Hours

Fundamentals of geography, Globe, latitude and longitude, International Date Line, Geographical components of tourism, Importance of geography in tourism, Recent trends in tourism geography.

Unit-2

Geography of Travel

10 Hours

Factors affecting global and regional tourist movements, Demand and origin factors, Destinations and resource factors, Cross-regional travel across continents, The impact of a particular demography on destination choice.

Unit-3

Indian Geography

11 Hours

A study on the climate and geography of India, An overview of India's rivers, animals, Deserts, and hill stations, Physical and climatic features of Indian Subcontinent. Physical factors affecting tourism development in India - Relief, Climate, Vegetation, Wild life, Water Bodies.

Unit - 4

Geographical Features of Major Tourist Destinations of India

12 Hours

Understanding and reading maps of India showing major tourist destinations, Physical and cultural landscape of Kashmir, Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, Gujrat, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala, Orissa, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim.

Exercises

The learners are required to:

1. locate the imaginary lines on the world map. Group discussion on importance of geography in tourism. Make a chart on the recent trends in tourism geography.
2. assess the understanding of factors affecting global and regional tourist movements and the impact of a demography on destination choice by objective and subjective evaluation (Class tests, assignments, MCQs, Fill in the blanks and quizzes).
3. case study of two different climatic regions with special reference to their vegetation, wild life and water bodies.
4. demonstrate map reading skills and locate major tourist destinations of India on the blank map; also make a detailed report on these destinations' culture, folk dance, language and handicrafts.

Suggested Reading:

- Baghla, S. (2017). *Tourism Geography*. India: Book Enclave.
- Boniface, B., Cooper, R. & Cooper, C. (2020). *Worldwide destinations. The Geography of Travel and Tourism* (8th edition). London: Routledge.
- Geethanjali. (2010). *Tourism Geography* (1st Edition). New Delhi: Centrum Press.
- Hall, C. M., Page, S. (2014). *The Geography of Tourism and Recreation: Environment, Place and Space*. United Kingdom: Routledge.
- Husain, M. (2012). *World Geography: Fourth Edition* (Revised and Enlarged). India: Rawat Publications.

- Lew, A. A., Williams, S. (2014). *Tourism Geography: Critical Understandings of Place, Space and Experience*. United Kingdom: Taylor & Francis.
- Mason, P. (2012). *Tourism Impacts, Planning and Management*. Netherlands: Taylor & Francis.
- Nelson, V. (2017). *An Introduction to the Geography of Tourism*. United States: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers.
- Saleem, M. M. (2016). Geography of Tourism in India in L. S. Bhat, H. Ramachandran, and R. N. Vyas (eds), *Economic Geography: Volume 2: Urbanization, Industry, and Development*, ICSSR Research Surveys and Explorations.

Notes:

- 1. Suggested Readings will be updated and uploaded on college website from time to time.**
- 2. Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.**