

Sociology
Generic Elective (GE) 20
Sociology of Globalization

GENERIC ELECTIVE COURSE-20 (GE-20) : Sociology of Globalization

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
GE-20: Sociology of Globalization	4	3	1	0	12th Class Pass	Nil

Learning Objectives:

1. To provide students across disciplines with a comprehensive understanding of globalization as a multidimensional concept.
2. To develop critical thinking about the causes, nature and consequences of globalization.
3. To improve analytical skills by examining the assumptions and consequences of a globalized world.
4. To understand the challenges and transformations driven by global processes by linking them to **SDG 8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth, SDG 13 – Climate Action and SDG-17 Partnership for the Goals**

Learning outcomes:

By the end of this course, student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate understanding of globalisation and contending definitions of it.
2. Analyse the relationship between economic, political, and cultural dimensions of globalization.
3. Evaluate the interactions between the local and the global.
4. Demonstrate the ability to connect global processes to local experiences through case-based or media analysis.
5. Critically engage with an understanding of globalization critical to pursuit of **SDG 8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth, SDG 13 – Climate Action and SDG-17 Partnership for the Goals**

SYLLABUS OF GE:

Unit I. What is Globalization? (3 Hours)

This unit introduces and problematizes globalization as a process and a category of sociological enquiry.

- a. Defining Globalization**
- b. The Makings of Globalization**

Unit II. Globalization: Theories and Debates (12 Hours)

This unit looks at the historical accounts of emergence of globalisation, its key impact on social experience of space, time, homogenization and heterogeneity and various attempts at theorizing it.

- a. Theories of Globalization**
- b. Globalization Debate**

Unit III. Globalization: Processes and Experiences (24 Hours)

This unit examines some of the key aspects globalization such as migration, culture, identities, inequities, development and environment.

- a. Migration and Culture**
- b. Identities and Inequities**
- c. Development and Environment**

Unit IV. Futures of Globalization. (6 Hours)

This unit critically examines the emerging tensions of globalisation in the contemporary world.

- a. Deglobalization**
- b. Challenges and Emerging Trends**

Practical Component: NIL

Essential/Recommended Readings:

Unit I. What is Globalization?

- a. Defining Globalization**

Eriksen, Thomas Hylland. *Globalization: The Key Concepts*. Taylor & Francis, 2020. Pp. 1-31.

- b. The Makings of Globalization**

Stearns, Peter N. *Globalization in World History*. United Kingdom, Taylor & Francis, 2009. Pp. 1-10, 124-156.
Holton, R. J. *Making Globalization*. Macmillan, 2005. Chapter 2. When did Globalization Begin? Pp. 28-54.

Unit II. Globalization: Theories and Debates

a. Theories of Globalization

Ritzer, George, Paul Dean. *Globalization: The Essentials*. Wiley, 2011. Chapter 2 Theorizing Globalization. Pp. 28-51

b. Glocalization Debate

Robertson, Roland 1995. "Glocalization: Time-Space and Homogeneity-Heterogeneity" in Mike Featherstone et al (ed) *Global Modernities*. Sage. Pp. 25-44

Unit III. Globalization: Processes and Experiences

a. Migration and Culture

Lewellen, Ted C. *The Anthropology of Globalization: Cultural Anthropology Enters the 21st Century*. West Port: Bergin. 2002. Pp. 123-145.

Levitt, Peggy. Transnational migration: taking stock and future directions. *Global Networks*, 2001. 1. Pp. 195-216.

Appadurai, Arjun. *Modernity At Large: Cultural Dimensions of Globalization*. India, University of Minnesota Press, 1996. Chapter 2. Disjuncture and Difference in the Global Cultural Economy. Pp. 27-47.

Hannerz, Ulf. 1990. "Cosmopolitans and Locals in World Culture" *Theory, Culture and Society*, 1990. Vol.7. Pp. 237-51.

b. Identities and Inequities

David Batstone, *Religions/Globalizations: Theories and Cases*. Duke University Press, 2001. Chapter 1. The Religion of Globalization. Pp. 7-29.

Jaggar, Alison M. 2001. Is Globalization Good for Women? *Comparative Literature*, Vol. 53, No. 4. (Autumn, 2001). Pp. 298-314.

c. Development and Environment

Rothstein, Frances A. *Globalization in Rural Mexico: Three Decades of Change*. University of Texas Press, 2009. Chapter 7. Still Struggling: Development and Globalization in Rural Mexico. Pp. 141-160.

Yearley, Steven. *Sociology, Environmentalism, Globalization: Reinventing the Globe*. United Kingdom, SAGE Publications, 1996. How do the World's Environmental Problems come to

be 'Global!?' Pp. 62- 98.

Unit IV. Futures of Globalization.

a. Deglobalization

Ashbee, Edward. *Deglobalization*. Agenda Publishing. 2024. Chapter 4. Globalization Stalled? Pp. 67-80.

b. Challenges and Emerging Trends

Turner, Bryan S. (Ed.) *The Routledge International Handbook of Globalization Studies*. United Kingdom, Taylor & Francis, 2013. Chapter 34, Globalization and its possible futures. Pp. 653-666.

Glissant, Edouard. "The Unforeseeable Diversity of The World" in Mudimbe-boyi, Elisabeth, *Beyond Dichotomies: Histories, Identities, Cultures, and the Challenge of Globalization*. United States, State University of New York Press, 2012. Pp. 287-295.

Suggested Readings:

Bauman, Zygmunt. *Globalization: The Human Consequences*. Polity Press, 2013.

Bello, Walden. *The Multiple Crises of Global Capitalism in Deglobalization: Ideas for a New World Economy*. Zed Books, 2004.

Cowen, Tyler. *Creative Destruction: How Globalization is Changing the World's Cultures* Princeton University Press. 2002.

Gregory, Steven. *The Devil Behind the Mirror: Globalization and Politics in the Dominican Republic*. United States, University of California Press, 2014.

Held, David. *Debating Globalization*. United Kingdom, Polity Press, 2005.

Held, David. *Global Transformations: Politics, Economics and Culture*. United Kingdom, Stanford University Press, 1999.

Jonathan Freidman (ed) *Globalization, the State and Violence*. Altamira Press. 2003.

Mooney, Annabelle. Betsy Evans *Globalization: The Key Concepts*. Taylor & Francis, 2007.

Nash, June C. *Mayan Visions: The Quest for Autonomy in an Age of Globalization*. Taylor & Francis, 2002.

Savage, Michael, et al. *Globalization and Belonging*. SAGE Publications, 2005

Scheper-Hughes, Nancy. "The Global Traffic in Human Organs." *Current Anthropology*, vol. 41, no. 2, 2000, pp. 191–224.

Stearns, Peter N. *Globalization in World History*. United Kingdom, Taylor & Francis, 2009.

Mark Juergensmeyer (ed) *Thinking Globally: A Global Studies Reader*, Berkeley: University of California Press.

Michael Weinstein (ed) *Globalization: What's New*. Columbia University Press. New York. 2004

Trouillot, Michel-Rolph 2001. The Anthropology of the State in the Age of Globalization: Close Encounters of the Deceptive Kind. *Current Anthropology*, Vol. 42, No. 1 (February 2001), pp. 125-138.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.