

ANTHROPOLOGY : SEMESTER - VIII

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE–(DSC) Demographic Anthropology

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course Title and Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
DSC – 20: Demographic Anthropology	4	3	0	1	Class XII pass	NIL

Course Objectives :

To acquaint the students with the importance of demography in anthropology and give them a foundational understanding of population structure, growth and its implications.

To familiarize the students with the sources of demographic data and population policies in the country.

Learning Outcomes :

Students will be able to apply the demographical anthropological approaches to understand the bio-social determinants of demographic processes in human populations.

They will be able to discern how human population growth is affected by human behavioural and non-genetic factors.

The students will know about the rich repository of governmental demographic sources for research and in the formulation of several national policies.

Syllabus :

45 Hours

Unit 1 : Introduction to Demographic Anthropology

10 Hours

Demographic anthropology- Scope and basic concepts, Relationship between demography and anthropology, Importance of demography in anthropology, Population thought in view of its growth and decline.

Unit 2 : Theoretical Developments

12 Hours

Biological and Socio-economic population theories. Contributions of John Graunt and T. R. Malthus in demography. Theory of demographic transition.

Unit 3 : Demographic Structure

12 Hours

Population structure and sources of demographic data- Age and sex composition, demographic distribution of Indian population. Estimates of different demographic rates and ratios. Census, CRS, NSSO, SRS, NFHS-IIPS,

Unit 4 : Population Processes and National Policies

11 Hours

Fertility, Mortality, Morbidity, Marriage and Migration. Bio-social factors affecting population processes, Case Studies. National Population Policy and National Health Policy.

Practical:

30 Hours

1. Estimation of Rates and Ratios
2. Plotting of population pyramid and its significance
3. Formulation of household schedule and interview of respondents
4. Analysis of governmental demographic data and submission of project report for evaluation.

Core Readings

1. Bhende, A. and Kanitkar, T. (2019). 19th Eds. *Principles of Population Studies*. Himalaya Publishing House. Mumbai.
2. Bogue, D. J., 1969. *Principles of Demography*. Cambridge, UK
3. Howell, N. (1986). Demographic Anthropology. *Ann. Rev. Anthropology*. 15: 219-246
4. Malthus, T R .Essay on Principles of Population (Online Book)

Suggested Readings

1. Srivastava, O.S. (1996). *Demographic and Population Studies*. Vikas Publishing House, India
2. National Family Health Survey, India (<https://rchiips.org/nfhs/>)
3. Bernadi, Laura, 2007. *An Introduction to Anthropological Demography*. Germany: Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research
4. Patel, T. 1994. *Fertility Behavior: Population and Society in a Rajasthan Village*. Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Examination and Assessment : Examination and assessment will be carried out as per the University of Delhi guidelines and notifications issued from time to time.