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B.A. Anthropology
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BAANT HRO 201	Minor/ Major	Anthropology of Kinship	60	20	20	0	0	3	0	0	3

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BAANT HRO 201 MAJOR/MINOR: ANTHROPOLOGY OF KINSHIP

Course Educational Objectives (CEOs):

CEO 1: To provide an Anthropological Understanding of Family, Marriage, and Kinship

CEO 2: To Provide an understanding of the Kinship System

CEO 3: To provide an understanding of the concept of Race and Ethnic Relations

CEO 4: To provide an understanding of the meaning of Caste and Class.

CEO 5: To provide knowledge about the process of Anthropological Interpretation and Representation.

Course Outcomes (COs): The students are expected to

CO 1: Understand the nature of Kinship and the Genealogical Basis of Society

CO 2: Explain the background of marriage that is a major Social Institution, its definitions and Anthropological explanations

CO 3: Analyze the changing Structure of Marriage and Family

CO 4: Discuss the concept of Race and Ethnic Relations

CO 5: Differentiate between Caste and Class

Course Contents:

UNIT I: Kinship:

Definition, Types and Functions, Endogamy and Exogamy, Principles of Descents, Kinship Terminology, and Typology.

UNIT II: Marriage:

Definitions, Types and Functions, Alliance and Descents, Regulations of Marriage, Types and Forms of Marital Transactions.

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UNIT III: Family:

Definitions and Types, Basic structure and Types, Theories of Family, Rules of Residence, Change in Structure and Function of Family.

UNIT IV: Race and Ethnic Relations:

Meaning and Definition of Race, Classification of Race, Lineage, Clan, Phraatry, Moities, Ethno- centricism, Xenocentricism,

UNIT V: Caste and class:

Meaning and Characteristics, Gotra, Pravar, Sapind, Sub caste, Merits, and Demerits, Sanskritization, Estate and class, Criteria of class, Difference between caste and Class.

Suggested Readings:

Text Books:

- Majumdar, D.N (2020). *An Introduction to Social Anthropology*. Bombay: Asia Publishing House.
- Rao, Shankar C.N. (2006). *Principles of Sociology*. New Delhi: S. Chand and Co. PVT Ltd.
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BAANTHRO 202: INTRODUCTION TO BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Course Educational Objectives (CEOs):

CEO 1: To introduce the students to Biological Anthropology, its historical background, how it evolved as a science, its important branches, scope and applications to the welfare of mankind.

CEO 2: To provide knowledge about the fundamentals of Biological Anthropology.

CEO 3: To provide an understanding of the theories of organic evolution and key developments in human evolution.

CEO 4: To provide an understanding about how human being acts as the central figure of Anthropology.

CEO 5: To provide an understanding of the concept of biological biodiversity and concept of race; and human genetics.

Course Outcomes (COs): The students are expected to

CO 1: Learn about the genesis and development of Biological Anthropology.

CO 2: Explain the fundamentals of Biological Anthropology.

CO 3: Explain human variation and evolution pre-19th and post 19th century.

CO 4: Describe the place of humans in the natural world and explain why humans are considered a primate.

CO 5: Interpret why humans vary biologically in the patterns that we see.

Course Content

UNIT I: History and subject matter of Physical/Biological Anthropology; Relationship of Physical/Biological anthropology with other disciplines: medical and health sciences, life sciences, earth sciences, and environmental sciences.

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UNIT II: Fundamentals of Physical/Biological anthropology:

- a. Human Evolution;
- b. Human Variation;
- c. Human Genetics;
- d. Human Growth and Development

UNIT III: Theories of Organic Evolution (Lamarckian, Darwinian, Mutational, and Synthetic).

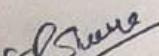
UNIT IV: Position of Man in the Animal Kingdom: living primates, distribution, characteristics, phylogeny, classification; comparative anatomy of man and apes; Primate Behaviour.

UNIT V: Great Divisions of Humanity

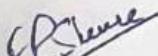
- A comparative account of various racial classifications (Hooton, Deniker, Risley and Guha)
- UNESCO Statement on Race.

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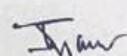
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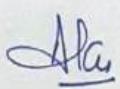
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