

Course Code

1. Model I

HY1CRT01 to HY6CRT14 - Core Course
HY5OCT01 or HY5OCT02 or HY5OCT03 - Open Course
HY6CBT01 or HY6CBT02 or HY6CBT03 or HY6CBT04- Choice Based Core

2. Model II

HY1CRT01 to HY6CRT08 - Core Course
HY1CRT10 to HY6CRT13 - Core Course
HY5OCT01 or HY5OCT02 or HY5OCT03 - Open Course
HY6CBT01 or HY6CBT02 or HY6CBT03 or HY6CBT04- Choice Based Core
Communication and Publishing Science- Vocational - HY1VOT01 to HY6VOT06
Forestry and Environment - Vocational - HY1VOT07 to HY6VOT12
Archaeology and Museology - Vocational - HY1VOT13 to HY6VOT18

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 RESTRUCTURING / SEMESTERISATION

MODEL – 1

Sem	Title with Course Code	Course Category	Hours per week	Credit	Marks	
					Intl	Extl
I	Common English - 1	Common Course	5	4	20	80
	Common English - 2	Common Course	4	3	20	80
	Common Second Language - 1	Common Course	4	4	20	80
	Perspectives and Methodologies in Social Sciences – History - HY1CRT01	Core	6	5	20	80
	1 st Complementary - 1	Complementary	6	4	20	80
II	Common English - 3	Common Course	5	4	20	80
	Common English - 4	Common Course	4	3	20	80
	Common Second Language - 2	Common Course	4	4	20	80
	Understanding Early India: From Hunting Gatherers to Land Grants - HY2CRT02	Core	6	5	20	80
	1 st Complementary - 2	Complementary	6	4	20	80
III	Common English - 5	Common Course	5	4	20	80
	Common Second Language - 3	Common Course	5	4	20	80
	Polity, Society and Economy in Pre Colonial India - HY3CRT03	Core	4	4	20	80

	2 nd Complementary – 3	Complementary	6	4	20	80
	Cultural Trends in Pre Colonial Kerala - HY3CRT04	Core	5	4	20	80
IV	Common English – 6	Common Course	5	4	20	80
	Common Second Language – 4	Common Course	5	4	20	80
	Making of Modern Kerala - HY4CRT05	Core	4	4	20	80
	2nd Complementary – 4	Complementary	6	4	20	80
	Researching the Past - HY4CRT06	Core	5	4	20	80
V	Inheritance and Departures in Historiography - HY5CRT07	Core	5	4	20	80
	India: Nation in the Making - HY5CRT08	Core	5	4	20	80
	State and Society in Ancient and Medieval world - HY5CRT09	Core	5	4	20	80
	Environmental Studies and Human Rights in Historical Outline - HY5CRT10	Core	5	4	20	80
	Introducing Environmental History - HY5OCT01 OR Social Implications of Modern Revolutions - HY5OCT02 OR History and Folklore - HY5OCT03	Open Course	4	3	20	80
	Project	Project	1	0		
	Study Tour to Important Historic Sites					
VI	Making of Contemporary India - HY6CRT11	Core	5	4	20	80
	Understanding Modern World - HY6CRT12	Core	5	4	20	80
	Capitalism and Colonialism - HY6CRT13	Core	5	4	20	80

	Gender in Indian Perspectives - HY6CRT14	Core	5	4	20	80
	Archaeology in India (Not applicable for Model II Archaeology and Museology) - HY6CBT01 OR A Brief History of Indian Science and Technology - HY6CBT02 OR Gender Studies (Not applicable for Model I) - HY6CBT03 OR Introduction to Mass Communication - - HY6CBT04	Choice Based Core	4	3	20	80
	Project	Project	1	2		
	Total		150	120		

Project is a single paper spread over 5th and 6th Semester.

Internal and External evaluation will be done in the 6th semester only.

MODEL – 1

Core Courses

Semester I

HY1CRT01 - Perspectives and Methodologies in Social Sciences – History

Semester II

HY2CRT02- Understanding Early India: From Hunting Gatherers to Land Grants

Semester III

HY3CRT03–Polity, Society and Economy in Pre Colonial India

HY3CRT04-Cultural Trends in Pre Colonial Kerala

Semester IV

HY4C RT05- Making of Modern Kerala

HY4CRT06 -Researching the Past

Semester V

HY5CRT 07-Inheritance and Departures in Historiography

HY5CRT 08-India: Nation in the Making

HY5CRT09–State and Society in Ancient and Medieval World

HY5CRT 10- Environmental Studies and Human Rights in Historical Outline

HY2CMT03- Transition to the Modern World

OR

HY2CMT04-History of Freedom Movement in India

HY3CMT05- Pre Imperialist Britain (For BA English Literature)

HY4CMT06- Cultural Impact of British Imperialism (For BA
English Literature)

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COMMON CORE COURSE

SEMESTER - 1

HY1CRT01- PERSPECTIVES AND METHODOLOGIES
IN SOCIAL SCIENCES – HISTORY

Module I Introduction to Social Sciences

Social Science -Its historical setting. Relevance of the Social Sciences to understanding and solving contemporary problems at the regional, national and global levels. Discussion of basic principles and concepts Basic epistemology of Social Sciences

Core Readings

- Hunt, Elgin F, Social Science and its Methods, *in Social Science an Introduction to Study of Society*, Allyn and Bacon, 2008
- Perry, John, Through the Lens of Science, *in Contemporary Society: An Introduction to Social Science*, Allyn and Bacon, 2009.
- Porta, Donatella Della and Michael Keating, *Approaches and Methodologies in the Social Sciences: A pluralistic Perspective*, Cambridge University Press, Delhi, 2008, pp. 19-38.

Module II Survey of the Social Sciences

Social Sciences: How they are related how they are different Social Science disciplines Relation to other fields of knowledge. History and its relation with other social sciences- Differing nature of history as a social science- Multi disciplinary and inter disciplinary methodology- interdisciplinary approaches in history

Core Readings

- Perry, John, Through the Lens of Science, in *Contemporary Society: An Introduction to Social Science*, Allyn and Bacon, 2009.
- Natraj, V.K., et.al, Social Science: *Dialogue for Revival*, *Economic and Political Weekly*, August, 18, 2001, pp. 3128-3133.

Module- III- Nature of Social Sciences

Notions of objectivity and subjectivity in social sciences- objectivity and subjectivity in history- Use of theories in history.

Core Readings;-

- Weber, Max, *Objectivity in Social Science and Social Policy* in *The Methodology of Social Sciences*, Free Press, Illinois, 1949, pp. 49 – 112.
- Mark J Smith (Ed.) , *Philosophy and Methodology of Social Sciences*, Vol. II, Sage Publications, New Delhi 2005, pp. 3-49.
- Nagel, Ernest, *Problems of Concept and Theory Formation in Social Sciences*, *ibid* pp.301-390

Module IV- On History

Understanding History- Definitions of history- nature of history- scope of history- epistemologies relevant to history- kinds of history- political-social- economic- intellectual, gender- local- oral histories.

Core Readings

- E H Carr, *What is History*, Penguin, 2008.
- Arthur Marwick, *Nature of History*, Macmillan, 1989
- Arthur Marwick, *New Nature of History*, Palgrave, 2001.
- Marc Bloch, *Historian's Craft*, Manchester University Press, 1992.
- Shashibushan Upadhyaya, *Historiography in the Modern World*, OUP, 2016
- John Tosh, *Pursuit of History*. Rutledge, 2005.

SEMESTER 2

HY2CRT02- Understanding Early India: From Hunting Gatherers to Land Grants

Module 1

Prehistoric Cultures in India-Hunting gathering to settled agriculture-Palaeolithic-Neolithic Revolution-Pre Harappan Cultures and sites-Chalcolithic settlements- Proto History- Harappan Civilization.

Module 2

Age of early literatures-1500-600BCE- Sources-Literature- Pottery- Identity of Aryans- Debate- Early and Later Vedic Age- Social Stratification-Varna to Jati- Tribal Society- State Formation.

Module 3

Second Urbanization- Jana- Mahajanapadhas- Magadha-Heterodox Sects- Jainism-Buddhism- Ajivikas-Charvakas- Early Tamilakam-Literature and Polity.-Rise of Urban centers-Trade.

Module 4

Early State Formation- Mauryas-Sources-The first centralized Empire- Polity-Administration-diplomatic policy of Dhamma- Post Mauryan dynasties- Gupta Age- Age of land grants- Indian Feudalism-Debate-Development in Art and Architecture-Gandhara Mathura and Andhra School of art-Temple Architecture-Nagara-Dravida and Vesara

Essential Readings

- D. D. Kosambi, An Introduction to the Study of Indian History, Sangam Books, 2004.
- D. N. Jha, Economy and Society in Early India: Issues and Paradigms, Munshiram Manoharlal Publishers, 1993.
- D.N Jha, The Feudal Order: State, Society, and Ideology in Early Medieval India, Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2002
- Gamble Clive, Archaeology: The Basics, Routledge, 2007.

- Gregory L Possehl, *The Indus Civilization, A Contemporary Perspective*, Sage, 2010.
- Irfan Habib, *The Indus Civilization: A People's History Of India 2*, Tulika, 2002.
- Irfan Habib, *The Peoples History of India-1(Pre History)*, Tulika, 2002.
- Irfan Habib-Vivekanad Jha, *A People`s History of India 5 – Mauryan India*, Tulika, 2002.
- Kesavan Veluthat, *The Early Medieval in South India*, OUP, 2009.
- N. Karashima, *State and Society in South india*, OUP, 2001.
- Partha Mitter, *Oxford History of Indian Art*, Oxford, 2001.
- R. Champakalakshmi, *Trade, Ideology and Urbanization : South India 300 BC to AD 1300*, OUP, 1996.
- R. S. Sharma, *Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India*, Motilal Banarsidas, 2002.
- R.S Sharma, *Indian Feudalism*, MacMillan Publication, 2005.
- R.S Sharma, *India's Ancient Past*, Oxford, 2006.
- Raymond Allchin, *Archaeology of Early Historic South Asia*, Cambridge, 1995
- Romila Thapar, *From Lienage to State*, OUP, 1985.
- Romila Thapar, *Interpreting Early India*, OUP, 1999.
- Romila Thapar, *Cultural Past*, OUP, 2003.
- Romila Thapar, *The Mauryans Revisited*, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, 1987
- Romila Thapar, *The Penguin History of Early India*, Penguin Books, 2002.
- Shereen Ratnagar, *Understanding Harappa – Civilization in the Greater Indus Valley*, Tulika Books, 2002.
- Thomas R Trautmann, *The Aryan Debate: Debates in Indian History and Society*, OUP, 2007.
- Uma Chakravathi, *The Soicial Dimensions of Early Buddhism*, Munshiram Manoharlal Publishers, 1996.
- Upinder Singh, *A history of ancient and early medieval India*, Pearson, 2009.