



**SOCIOLOGY**  
**Sociology of Gender**  
**[Elective Course]**

<b>Semester III</b>	<b>Credits:4</b>	<b>Subject Code: MSL32004</b>	<b>Lectures: 60</b>
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**Course Outcomes:**

At the end of this course, the learners will be able to:

- Comprehend the basic concepts of gender and gender inequality.
- Analyze the gendered nature of major social institutions.
- Understand the challenges to gender inequality.

<b>Unit 1: Introduction to sociology of Gender</b>	<b>14</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Basic concepts<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Concept of gender fluidity</li><li>○ Engendering Discipline /Gender- As an analytical Category</li><li>○ Patriarchy – Multiple/Overlapping</li><li>○ Intersectionality</li><li>○ Sexual Division of Labour- Public /Private debate</li></ul></li><li>• Understanding Gender Inequalities in India<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Gender, and Caste</li><li>○ Gender and Ethnicity</li><li>○ Gender and Class</li><li>○ Gender and Community</li></ul></li><li>• Various bases of feminisms<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Liberal</li><li>○ Marxist</li><li>○ Socialist</li><li>○ Radical</li><li>○ Dalit</li><li>○ Post-modernist</li><li>○ Black</li></ul></li></ul>	

<b>Unit 2: Major Themes I</b>	<b>12</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Violence<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Conceptualization of violence</li><li>○ Different sites of violence</li></ul></li><li>• Health<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Women/Gender health</li></ul></li></ul>	

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○ From reproductive health to comprehensive health	
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<b>Unit 3: Major Themes II</b>	12
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Gender, Nation and Community<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ From Gender to Nation</li><li>○ Women in the project of nation building</li><li>○ Nation, Nation-State and Community</li></ul></li><li>● Sexuality<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Political economy of sexuality</li><li>○ Critique of masculinity, femininity and heteronormative</li></ul></li></ul>	

<b>Unit 4: New ways of resistance</b>	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Organizing for change<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Women's Movement since independence</li><li>○ Challenges in post liberalization period</li></ul></li><li>● New Forms and Ways of Organizing<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Organizing the un-organized</li><li>○ Beyond NGOs</li></ul></li></ul>	

# 12 hours for Library work, practical or field work or research purposes

<b>Recommended Text Books:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Bhasin, Kamala: 2000, <i>Understanding Gender</i>, New Delhi: Kali for Women.</li><li>● Basu, Aparna: (1999) <i>Women's Education in India</i> in Ray and Basu (ed): From Independence Towards Freedom, OUP.</li><li>● Chakravarty, Uma: (2003) <i>Gendering Caste through a Feminist Lens</i>, Calcutta: Stree,</li><li>● Davis Kathy, Evans Mary, Lorber, J. (ed) (2006): <i>Handbook of Gender and Women's Studies</i>, UK: Sage Publication.</li><li>● Delamont Sara (2003) <i>Feminist Sociology</i>, UK : Sage Publication</li><li>● <i>Feminist Concepts, Contributions to women's studies series</i>, Part-I, II, III, RCWS, Mumbai.</li><li>● Freedman Jane (2002) <i>Feminism</i>, New Delhi: Viva Book.</li><li>● Geetha V. (2007) <i>Patriarchy</i>, Calcutta: Stree. 11. Geetha V. (2002) <i>Gender</i>, Calcutta: Stree.</li><li>● IGNOU Kits on Women in Indian Contexts, Delhi.</li><li>● Karat Brinda (2005) <i>Survival and Emancipation</i>, Three essays Collective, Delhi,.</li><li>● Khullar Mala (ed) (2005) <i>Writing the Women's Movements- A Reader</i>, New Delhi: Zubaan.</li></ul>

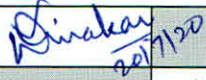
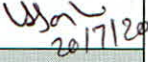


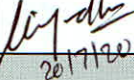


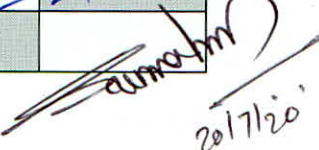
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- Radha Kumar (1992) *History of Doing*, New Delhi: Kali for women.
- Uberoi Patricia (1994) *Family, Kinship and Marriage in India*, Oxford, New Delhi.
- Wharton A.S. (2005) *Sociology of Gender*, Blackwell. 22.

**Reference Books:**

- Kimmel Michael (2008) *The Gendered Society*, NY, Oxford.
- Rege Sharmila (2003) *Sociology of Gender*, New Delhi: Sage Publication
- Ghadially, Rehana (ed) (2007) *Urban Women in Contemporary India*, New Delhi: Sage Publication.
- Chodhuri, Maitreyee (2004) *Feminism in India*, New Delhi: Women Unlimited

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