

GENERAL FOUNDATION COURSES (7): UG (to be implemented from July 2017)

Code and No	Courses	Credits	Marks
HUR-UG-F101	Human Rights	4	100
PAD-UG-F102	Public Administration	4	100
IPR-UG-F103	Intellectual property Rights	4	100
GEN-UG-F104	Gender Studies	4	100
ENV-UG-F105	Environmental Studies	4	100
EHS-UG-F106	Eastern Himalayan Studies	4	100
ENG-UG-F107	Communicative English	4	100

HUR-UG-F101: HUMAN RIGHTS

Unit I: Concept of Human Rights

Historical Development of Concept of Human Rights; Nature and Classification of Human Rights; Social, Economic, Civil and Political aspects of Human Rights.

Unit II: Theories of Rights

Natural Rights theory, Liberal theory of Rights, Legal theory of Rights, Marxist theory of Rights.

Unit III: United Nations and Human Rights

UN system and human rights; Universal Declaration of Human Rights 1948; International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights 1966; International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights 1966; UN Declaration and Duties and Responsibilities of Individuals 1997.

UNIT IV: Human Rights in India

Evolution; Concept of Dharma in Ancient India; Fundamental Rights; Directive Principles of State Policy; Fundamental Duties; National Human Rights Commission.

Essential Readings

- Alston, Phillip (1992). *The United Nations and Human Rights: A Critical Appraisal*. Oxford: Clarendon Press.
- Basu, D.D. (1994). *Human Rights in Constitutional Law*. New Delhi: Prentice Hall.
- Begum, S.M. (2000). *Human Rights in India: Issues and Perspectives*. New Delhi: APH Publishing.
- Cassese, J. (1990). *Human Rights in Changing World*. Philadelphia: Temple University Press.
- Chandra, Shailja (1998). *Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer on Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles*. New Delhi: Deep and Deep.
- Davidson, Scot (1990). *Human Rights*. Buckingham: Open University Press.
- Macfarlane, L.J. (1985). *The Theory and Practice of Human Rights*. London: Maurice Temple Smith.
- Mehta, P.L., and Verma, Neena (1995). *Human Rights under the Indian Constitution*. New Delhi: Deep and Deep.
- Nirmal, C.J. (1999). *Human Rights in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- Waldron, Jeremy (1990). *Theories of Rights*. New York: Oxford University Press.

PAD-UG-F102: PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**Unit I: Introduction**

Meaning, Nature and Significance; Public and Private Administration; An Art or a Science; Evolution of the Discipline; New Public Administration.

Unit II: Theories of Administration

Scientific Management; Classical Theory; Bureaucratic Theory and Human Relations Theory.

Unit III: Principles of Organisation

Hierarchy, Unity of Command, Span of Control, Authority and Responsibility, Coordination, Supervision, Centralisation and Decentralisation, Delegation, Line and Staff.

Unit IV: Personnel and Financial Administration

Personnel Administration: Recruitment; Training and Promotion of Public Personnel, Minister-Civil Servant Relationship; Administrative Ethics.

Financial Administration: Concept of Budget, Formulation and Execution of the Budget, Account and Audit.

Essential Readings

Arora, Ramesh K. (2004). *Public Administration: Fresh Perspectives*. Jaipur: Aalekh Publishers.

Basu, Rumki. (2007). *Public Administration: Concepts and Theories*. New Delhi: Sterling.

Chakravarty, Bidyut & Bhattacharya, Mohit. (2003). *Public Administration: A Reader*. New Delhi: OUP.

Etzioni, Amitai. (1970). *A Sociological Reader on Complex Organizations*. Canada: Rinehart & Winston.

Golembiewski, Robert A. (1977). *Public Administration as a Developing Discipline*. New York: Routledge.

Guy, Mary E. & Rubin, Marilyn M. (2015). *Public Administration Evolving*. London: Routledge.

Holzer, Marc & Schweser, Richard W. (2003). *Public Administration: An Introduction*. London: Routledge.

Nigro, Felix & Nigro, Lloyd D. (2000). *Modern Public Administration*. New York: Harper and Row.

Shafritz, Jay M. & Russell, E.W. (2001). *Introducing Public Administration*. New York: Longman.

Verma, S. P. & Swaroop, S. N. (1993). *Personal Administration*. New Delhi: EROPA.

IPR-UG-F103: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Unit I. Concept of Intellectual Property: National and International Perspectives

Concept of Intellectual Property: meaning and nature

International Dimension of Intellectual Property Rights: WIPO and TRIPS

Unit II. Types of Intellectual Property:

Patents: Basic Legal Framework/Salient Features of Indian Law

Copy Right: Basic Legal Framework/ Salient Features of Indian Law

Trade Marks: Basic Legal Framework/ Salient Features of Indian Law

Geographical Indication and Trade Secrets/ Undisclosed Information

Industrial Designs

Unit III. Enforcement of IPRs:

Enforcement: Its different modes in different Intellectual Property Rights

Unit IV. Emerging Areas of IPRs:

IPRs and Biotechnology

IPRs and Computer Software

IPRs and Biodiversity

IPRs, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore

Protection of Plant Variety

Reading List:

- Anne-Marie Mooney Cotter (2003) Intellectual Property Law. Routledge Cavendish
- Torremans, Paul (2008) Intellectual Property Law. Oxford: Oxford University Press

- Tina Hart, Linda Fazzani, Simon Clark (2006) *Intellectual Property Law*, Palgrave Macmillan
- Kluwer, (1998) *Patent Co-Operation Treaty Hand Book*. Sweet and Maxwell
- Cornish, W.R, (1999) *Intellectual Property Law* .Sweet and Maxwell
- Special attention should be given to literature of the U.N. System, WIPO and the UNESCO

GEN-UG-F104: GENDER STUDIES

Unit-I: Concepts in Gender Studies:

Difference between Sex and Gender,
 Gender Socialisation – Masculinity and Femininity
 Gender Role and Identity,
 Gender Stereotyping and Sexism,
 Patriarchy and Androcentrism
 Sexual Orientation and LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer)
 Feminism

Unit-II: Gender, Family and Society:

Social Construction of Gender
 The Family as a Site of Inequality
 Gender and Work
 Patriarchy and the Subordination of Women

Unit-III: Perspectives on Gender:

Waves of Feminism
 Feminist Perspectives – Liberal, Conservative, Marxist/Socialist, Radical, Post-Modernist.
 Sociological Approaches to Gender - Functionalism, Conflict Theory and Symbolic Interactionism.

Unit-IV: Gender, Society and State (with reference to India):

Women's Movement in India,
 Customary/Personal Laws,
 State's Response:

- Violence Against Women (sexual harassment, rape, domestic violence, dowry)
- Entitlement and Empowerment.

Readings:

Bhasin, Kamala. *Patriarchy*. New Delhi: Kali for Women.
 De Beauvoir, S. 1983. *The Second Sex*, Harmondsworth: Penguin.

- Chanana, Karuna. 1988. *Socialization, Women and Education: Explorations in Gender Identity*, New Delhi: Orient Longman.
- Chodrow, Nancy. 1978. *The Reproduction of Mothering*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Desai, Neera and M. Krishnaraj. 1987. *Women and Society in India*. Delhi: Ajanta.
- Engels, F. 1972. *The Origin of the Family, Private Property and, the State*, London: Lawrence and Wishart.
- Geetha, V. 2002. *Gender*. Calcutta: Stree.
- Lindsey, Linda L. 2011. *Gender Roles: A Sociological Perspective*. New Delhi: PHI Learning Private Limited.
- Menon, Nivedita. 2012. *Seeing like a Feminist*. New Delhi: Zubaan/Penguin Books
- Oakley, Ann. 1972. *Sex, Gender and Society*. New York: Harper and Row.
- Tharu, S. and Niranjana, T. 1999. "Problems for contemporary theory of gender" in Nivedita Menon. *Gender and Politics in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- Tong, Rosemarie, 1989. *Feminist Thought: A Comprehensive Introduction*. Colorado: Westview Press.

For all the laws relating to women please refer to the following resource:

<http://ncw.nic.in/frmLLawsRelatedtoWomen.aspx>

Note: Few movies can be shown and have discussion

Film	Director
<i>Being Male Being Koti</i>	Mahuya Bandyopadhyay
<i>Boys Don't Cry</i>	Kimberley Peirce
<i>Izzatnagriki Asabhya Betiyan</i>	Nakul Singh Sawhney
<i>Gulabi Gang</i>	Nishtha Jain
<i>The Accused</i>	Jonathan Kaplan
<i>Pink</i>	Aniruddha Roy Chowdhury
<i>Parched</i>	Leena Yadav

ENV-UG-F105: Environmental Studies

Unit I: Environment and Ecosystem

Introduction, Importance and Scope of Environmental Studies

Components of Environment; Atmosphere, Hydrosphere, Lithosphere and Biosphere

Ecosystems: Concept, Structure and Function of an Ecosystem; Energy Flow, Food Chains, Food Webs, Ecological Pyramids, Ecological Niche and Keystone Species.

Unit II: Resources and Conservation

Introduction and Classification of Resources

Problems Associated with Resources and Conservation; Forest resources, Water Resources, Energy Resources, Land Resources

Biodiversity: Introduction, Issues and Conservation

Unit III: Environmental Pollution and Issues

Introduction to Environmental Pollution

Causes, Effects and Control Measures of: Air Pollution, Water Pollution, Soil Pollution, Noise Pollution, Nuclear Pollution

Environmental Issues; Climate Change, Global Warming, Acid Rain, Ozone Layer Depletion etc.
Firecracker and Associated Issues

Unit IV: Human and Environment

Human-Environment Relationship, Sustainable Development: Concept and Issues
Role of Information Technology in Environmental Management
Solid Waste Management
Environmental Refugees
Environmental Ethics: Issues and possible solutions

EHS-UG-F105: Eastern Himalayan Studies

Unit I: Geography and Environment of the Eastern Himalayas [Sikkim, Darjeeling, Bhutan, Arunachal Pradesh]

Delineation of the Eastern Himalaya as a region
Physiography; Climate; Drainage; Biodiversity and overview of Natural Resources

Unit II: Historical background

Brief History of Sikkim and Darjeeling
Spatial relations (Trade and Religious linkages) of Sikkim with its Neighbours- Tibet, Bhutan and Nepal.

Unit III: Society, Economy and Polity

Society and Culture in Sikkim;
Economy and Livelihood in Sikkim with emphasis on Agriculture, Industry and Tourism;
Social and Political dimensions of Sikkim and Darjeeling Himalaya

Unit IV: Critical Environmental Issues

Development Bottlenecks: Potentials, Prospects and Implications with special reference to Hydro-resources, Communication and Industrial Development.
Climate Change, Natural Hazards and Disaster Management, Degradation of Bio-Resources

Essential Readings:

1. Bose, S.C (1968). *Land and people of the Himalaya*. Indian Publications, Calcutta.
2. Karan, P.P and Jenkins, W.M (1963). *The Himalayan Kingdoms*. Princeton
3. Risley, H.H., *The Gazetteer of Sikkim* (1989), B.R. Publishing Corporation
4. Rustumji, N (1971). *Enchanted Frontiers: Sikkim, Bhutan and India's North-Eastern Borderland*. Bombay: Oxford University Press.
5. Sarkar, RL and Mahendra P Lama (ed.1986). *The Eastern Himalayas: Environment and Economy*, Atma Ram, New Delhi.
6. Waddell, L.A (1979). *Among the Himalayas*. New Delhi: Mittal Publication

Suggested Readings and Documentaries

1. *Bulletin of Tibetology*, Namgyal Institute of Tibetology
2. Denjongpa, Anna Balikci and McKay, Alex (2011), *Buddhist Himalaya: studies in Religion, History and Culture, Volume II: The Sikkim Papers*
3. *Grazing on the Border: the Yak Herders of North Sikkim*, (2017) ,Namgyal Institute of Tibetology
4. Mullard, S.(2009) *Opening of the Hidden, Land: State Formation and Construction of Sikkimese History*, University of Oxford
5. *Pang Lhabsol: Sikkim's national Ritual of the Land and its Guardian Deities*, (2015), Namgyal Institute of Tibetology
6. Satyajit(1971), *Sikkim*
7. *Tingvong: A Lepcha Village*, (2005), Namgyal Institute of Tibetology

ENG-UG-F107: Communication English

UNIT I.

Tense and Concord

Basic Transformations: Positive and Negative Sentences

Simple, Complex and Compound Sentences

Change of Voice

UNIT II.

Change of Narration

Question Tag and Short Responses

Preposition and Determiners

Some Common Errors in English

UNIT III.

Reading Comprehension and Writing Skill

Reading Comprehension (Practice of Unseen Passages)

Essay on Literal, Cultural and Legal Topics

Formal and Informal Correspondence

UNIT IV.

Précis Writing

Report Writing: Status and Policy Reports

Writing Proposals

Reading List:

1. Bolton, David and Noel Goodey (2005) *English Grammar in Steps*. Orient Blackswan; New Delhi.
2. Eastwood, John. (1999) *Oxford Practice Grammar*.Oxford University Press; New Delhi.

3. Hewings, Martin. (2007) *Advanced Grammar in Use*. Cambridge University Press; New Delhi.
4. Murphy, Raymond. (2000) *Essential Grammar in Use*. Cambridge University Press; New Delhi.
5. Quirk, Randolph and Greenbaum, (1985) *A University Grammar of English*. Essex; ELBS. Longman.
6. Swan, Michael and Walter, Catherine. (2006) *The Good English Grammar Book*. Oxford University Press; New Delhi.
7. Swan, Michael. (1997) *Basic English Usage*. Oxford University Press; Kolkata.
8. Ashley, A. (1995) *The Oxford Handbook of Commercial Correspondence*. Oxford University Press; New Delhi.
9. Folens, (1991) *Core Skills in English: Grammar Comprehension, Creative Writing*. Folens Limited.
10. Seely, John. (1998) *The Oxford Guide to Writing and Speaking*. Oxford University Press; New Delhi.