



# DIRECTORATE OF DISTANCE & ONLINE EDUCATION

**M.A. (SOCIOLOGY)**

**COURSE BROCHURE (2026-27)**

# INTRODUCTION

The M.A. in sociology is a two-year postgraduate programme that offers an in-depth understanding of society, social ties, structural institutions, and cultural practices. The programme equips students with theoretical knowledge to analyze the dynamics of society, discovering inequality issues, social identity, development, gender, family, and cultural shift. The curriculum modules cover sociological theories, research techniques, and industry-relevant skills and knowledge to empower learners to understand social problems and shape their effective decision-making abilities for community development and achieve academic pursuits. Our semester modules prepare students for careers in social work, public policy, and NGOs.

## MISSION

- ❖ To encourage students to build their advanced knowledge of sociological theories and concepts to enable them to understand the structure and function of society.
- ❖ To cultivate decision-making abilities and analytical thinking to enable learners to understand social situations.
- ❖ To strengthen research proficiency to analyze both qualitative and quantitative methods.
- ❖ To encourage students to be informed citizens and be aware of social challenges to resolve them with an ethical approach.
- ❖ To develop competent professionals to contribute their role in the welfare of society, implement public policy, and conduct academic research and community development.

# OBJECTIVES

The primary motive of M.A. in Sociology (online distance learning mode) programme offered by Mangalayatan University. The course curriculum focuses on enhancing students' academic knowledge and building competitive skills. Students will learn about the modern approaches to resolving societal issues and explore diverse opportunities to participate in and take social development initiatives. With ethical reasoning, students can positively contribute to community development and policy formulation. Encouraging interdisciplinary courses in history, political science, economics, psychology, and anthropology.

# INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN

The programme is segmented into four semesters, and the minimum credit requirement is 80 to get an ODL M.A. in Sociology from Mangalayatan University. The minimum time period to complete the M.A. in Sociology degree programme will be two years, and the maximum time period (extended) is three years to pursue the ODL M.A. in Sociology degree.

SEMESTER - I					
S.No.	Course Code	Course Name	Credit Marks	Total Marks	Pass Marks
1.	SOM-6111	Classical Sociological Theories	4	100	40
2.	SOM-6112	Social Structure	4	100	40
3.	SOM-6113	Sociology of Kinship	4	100	40
4.	SOM-6114	Sociology of Religion	4	100	40
	SOM-6115	Social Change and Modernization	4	100	40
TOTAL			20	500	200

**SEMESTER - II**

S.No.	Course Code	Course Name	Credit Marks	Total Marks	Pass Marks
1.	SOM-6211	Research Methodology	4	100	40
2.	SOM-6212	Rural Sociology	4	100	40
3.	SOM-6213	Law and Sociology	4	100	40
4.	SOM-6214	Medical Sociology	4	100	40
5.	SOM-6215	Urban Sociology	4	100	40
TOTAL			20	500	200

**SEMESTER - III**

S.No.	Course Code	Course Name	Credit Marks	Total Marks	Pass Marks
1.	SOM-7111	Research Methods and Social Statistics	4	100	40
2.	SOM-7112	Sociological Perspectives on Indian Society	4	100	40
3.	SOM-7113	Sociology of Education	4	100	40
4.	SOM-7114	Modern Sociological Thinkers	4	100	40
5.	SOM-7116	Sociology of Economic Development	4	100	40
TOTAL			20	500	200

**SEMESTER - IV**

S.No.	Course Code	Course Name	Credit Marks	Total Marks	Pass Marks
1.	SOM-7211	Contemporary Sociological Thinkers	4	100	40
2.	SOM-7212	Ecology, Environment and Society	4	100	40
3.	SOM-7213	Political Sociology	4	100	40
4.	SOM-7215	Social Demography	4	100	40
5.	SOM-7291	Dissertation	4	100	40
TOTAL			20	500	200



# SYLLABI AND COURSE MATERIALS

Our experienced faculty members of Mangalayatan University develop syllabi and self-learning materials. The course content is approved by CIQA and the Board of Studies/Academic Council/Executive Council of India (UGC).

## STUDY MATERIAL

The study material for the programme is developed in a digital format and shall be supplied to the students unit-wise for each course per semester.

## ONLINE COUNSELLING SESSIONS

The online counselling sessions shall be scheduled beforehand by the subject coordinator. There shall be 6 online counselling sessions of 1 hour each for a 4-credit course, held on Saturdays and Sundays. For courses with 2 credits, there shall be 4 sessions of 1 hour each; for 6-credit classes, 8 sessions of 1 hour each.

## STUDENT SUPPORT SYSTEMS

The university appoints programme coordinators, course coordinators, and course mentors to support learners in their studies. Additionally, the university has made appropriate arrangements for various support services, including online counselling and resource-oriented services and evaluation methods for both online and offline modes, for efficient and smooth assistance to the students through the online mode.

# PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSIONS, CURRICULUM, TRANSACTION AND EVALUATION

## FEE STRUCTURE

Name of the Program	Degree	Duration Reg. Fee	One Time Fee	Semester Per Semester	Exam Fee Fee	Full Year Fees	Total
M.A. (Sociology)	PG	2 Years	1000	7000	1500	14000	35000
<b>Total</b>							<b>35000</b>

## CREDIT SYSTEM

Duration of the Programme	Credits	Name of the Programme	Level of the Programme
2 Yrs	80	M.A. (Sociology)	Master's Degree

## ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

S.NO.	Name of the Activity	Tentative months schedule (specify months) during year			
		July Division		January Division	
		From(Month)	To (Month)	From(Month)	To (Month)
1	Admission	Jul	Sep	Jan	Mar
2	Assignment submission (if any)	Sep	Oct	Mar	Apr
3	Evaluation of Assignment	Oct	Nov	Apr	May
4	Examination	Dec	Dec	Jun	Jun
5	Declaration of Result	Jan	Jan	Jul	Jul
6	Re-registration	Jul	Jul	Jan	Jan

\* These dates are tentative.



## WHY DISTANCE EDUCATION?

- ❖ Convenience of studying classes from home.
- ❖ Cost-Effective.
- ❖ Time saving.
- ❖ No commuting.
- ❖ Monetary benefits- No textbooks required.
- ❖ Study anytime, anywhere.

## ADMISSION PROCESS

- ❖ Register with Mangalayatan Distance learning Programmes
- ❖ Pay Registration fees through our available payment gateways
- ❖ Upload relevant documents and mark sheets
- ❖ Get provisional admission
- ❖ Pay semester fees
- ❖ Get admission confirmation from the University
- ❖ Roll number allotted to every student



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