



**Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth Vishwavidyalaya, Indore**  
**Shri Vaishnav Institute of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts**  
**Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in Light of NEP-2020**  
**B.A. Anthropology**  
**Semester I (2025-2028)**

COURSE CODE	CATEG ORY	COURSE NAME	TEACHING &EVALUATION SCHEME								
			THEORY			PRACTICAL		L	T	P	CREDITS
			END SEM University Exam	Two Term Exam	Teachers Assessment*	END SEM University Exam	Teachers Assessment*				
BAANT HRO 101	Major/ Minor	Introduction to Anthropology	60	20	20	0	0	3	0	0	3

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**BAANTHRO 101: INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY**

**Course Educational Objectives (CEOs):**

**CEO 1:** To introduce Anthropology, meaning, and scope.

**CEO 2:** To provide knowledge about relationships with other disciplines

**CEO 3:** To provide knowledge of the main branches of Anthropology, and their scope and relevance

**CEO 4:** To provide an understanding of man's place in the Animal Kingdom

**CEO 5:** To provide the knowledge about Concept of Single Species, Homo sapiens

**Course Outcomes (COs): The students are expected to:**

**CO 1:** Define anthropology and describe the meaning, scope, and development of Anthropology

**CO 2:** Explain the main branches of Anthropology and relate Anthropology with other disciplines

**CO 3:** Recognize the characteristics of the various Taxonomic categories that apply to Homo Sapiens.

**CO 4:** Identify the animal behaviors and physical characteristics that show similarities and differences from humankind

**CO 5:** Discuss Man's place in the Animal kingdom, the Concept of single species- Homo Sapiens

**Course Contents:**

**UNIT I:** Meaning, scope, and Development of Anthropology

**UNIT II:** Relationship with other disciplines: Social Sciences, Behavioural Sciences, Life Sciences, Earth Sciences, and Humanities

**UNIT III:** Main Branches of Anthropology, their Scope, and Relevance

A Socio-Cultural Anthropology

B. Biological Anthropology

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C. Archaeological Anthropology

D. Linguistic Anthropology

**UNIT IV:** Man as a biological and social being; Man's place in the Animal kingdom; Human society vs. animal society, Culture (tangible and intangible), and Cultural relativism.

**UNIT V:** Concept of single species, Homo sapiens; Understanding variations: biological and cultural; physical characteristics resulted in adaptation, and culture a means of adaptation to different eco-niches.

**Suggested Readings:**

- Barnaouw, Victor (1989). *An Introduction Physical Anthropology and Archaeology*. 5th edition Vol. I, Wadsworth Publishing Co Inc.
- Beals, R.H. Hoizer and Beals (1975). *An Introduction to Anthropology*. New York: Macmillan Publishing Co.
- Buttner, Janusch J. (1969). *Origins of Man*. New Delhi: Wiley eastern Pvt.
- Comas, Juan (1960). *Manual of Physical Anthropology*. Illinois: Charles C. Thomas.
- Das, B.M. (2021). *Outlines of Physical Anthropology*. Allahabad: Kitab Mahal.
- Roy, Indrani Basu (2013). *Anthropology- The study of Man*. New Delhi: S Chand and Company Ltd.
- Mair, Lucy (1972). *An Introduction to Social Anthropology*. (2nd Edn, Reprint) London: Oxford University Press.
- Majumdar, D.N. & T.N. Madan (1975). *An Introduction to Social Anthropology*. New Delhi: Asia Publishing House.
- Montagu, M.F.A. (1961). *An Introduction to Physical Anthropology*. Illinois: Charles C. Thomas.
- Laskar, G.W. (1976). *Physical Anthropology*. New York: Holt, Rinehart & Winston.

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BAANT HRO 102	Major	Foundation of Social Cultural Anthropology	60	20	20	0	0	3	0	0	3

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**BAANTHRO 102: FOUNDATION OF SOCIAL CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY**

**Course Educational Objectives (CEOs):**

- CEO 1:** To introduce the students to the basic concept, meaning, scope, and major divisions of Social Anthropology.
- CEO 2:** To provide an introduction to fundamental areas of inquiry in Social Cultural Anthropology
- CEO 3:** To provide knowledge about the concepts and distinctions between Society and Community; Society and Culture; Culture and Civilization
- CEO 4:** To impart the conceptual and theoretical knowledge of Social and Cultural Anthropology and practical knowledge about traditional field work and data collection techniques in Anthropology.
- CEO 5:** Help students appreciate Cultural Diversity

**Course Outcomes (COs): The students are expected to:**

- CO1:** Define anthropology and explain its scope, main branches, and relation to Social-Cultural Anthropology with other social sciences
- CO 2:** Recall the basic knowledge of Social and Cultural Anthropology
- CO 3:** Differentiate between Society and Community, Society and Culture, Culture and Civilization, Institution, and Association; Institution and Association
- CO 4:** Elaborate on the types of Marriage, Family, and Kinship and their functions
- CO 5:** Gain knowledge of first-hand field data collection and analysis

**Course Contents:**

**UNIT I:** Anthropology, meaning, scope, main branches, Social-Cultural, Biological, Prehistoric & Linguistic; the relation between different branches, the relation of Social- Cultural Anthropology with Sociology, Psychology, History, Economics, and Political Science

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**UNIT II :** Concept and distinction between the followings :

Society and Community, Society and Culture, Culture and Civilization, Institution and Association; Groups: Primary and Secondary, Band and Tribe, Social Structure and Social Organization.

**UNIT - III:** Marriage -its Types, Functions, and Changes.

**UNIT - IV:** Family, Characteristics, Types, Functions, and Changes.

**UNIT - V:** Kinship- Types, Functions, Lineage, Clan

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**Textbooks:**

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**Reference Books:**

- Lavenda, Robert H. and Emily A. Schultz (2019). *Core Concepts in Cultural Anthropology*. Oxford University Press.
- Moore, Jerry D. (2011). *An Introduction to Anthropological Theories and Theorists*. 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition (1 January 2011). Rawat Publication.
- Peregrine, Peter N.; Ember, Carol R., and Melvin Ember (2020). *Anthropology*. Prentice Hall of India.
- Pandey Gaya (2017). *Social–Cultural Anthropology*. Delhi: Concept Publishing Company PVT.

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