

Centre for Women's Studies & Research
University of Kashmir

Syllabus for P.G Entrance in Gender Studies for the session 2019-2020

Note: M.A in Gender Studies is a Social Science course. Gender Studies is a field for interdisciplinary study devoted to gender identity and gendered constructions as central categories of analysis. This field includes Women's Studies (Concerning Women, Feminism, Gender and Politics). Gender Studies critically analyses the themes of gendered performance and power in a range of social spheres, such as education, law, culture, work, medicine and the family. Thus, the syllabus framed for the entrance test will cover topics from varied disciplines of general studies. The paper will be set as per the pattern of P.G entrance test paper of other disciplines conducted by this university.

Unit – I Basic Concepts

Sex & Gender, Social Construction of Gender, Gender Socialization, Gender Identity, Gender Stereotyping, Gender Roles.

Unit – II Structures of Gender Inequality

Pattern of Gender inequality in terms of Caste, Class and Religion

Unit – III Gender Violence

Gender Violence in Private Sphere: Foeticide, Infanticide, Domestic Violence, Marital Rape, Honour Killing


Gender Violence in Public Places: Eve Teasing, Molestation, Kidnapping, Abduction, Rape

Unit – IV Gender and Social Institutions

Marriage: Meaning of Marriage, Functions of Marriage and Types of Marriage, Surrogacy.

Family: Distinctive Features of Family, Types of Family – Matriarchal and Patriarchal, Joint and Nuclear Family, Matrilocal and Patrilocal, Matrilineal and Patrilineal.

Kinship: Definition, Rules of Descent, Primary, Secondary and Tertiary Kins.


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Unit – V Gender and Education

Gender Bias in Enrolment, Curriculum, Content
Gender Gap in drops outs, Recent Trends in Women's Education (Special focus on Jammu & Kashmir).
National Policy on Education 1986.

Unit – VI Understanding Demographic Indicators Related to Gender

Sex Ratio, Literacy, Life Expectancy, Maternal Mortality Rate, Infant Mortality Rate, Work Participation Rate (Special Focus on Jammu & Kashmir)

Unit – VII Women's Studies Programme

Publication of "Towards Equality" Report on the Status of Women and Origin and Growth of Women's Studies Programme in India, Women's Studies as an Agent of Change, UGC programme on Women's Studies Centers and Cells

Unit – VIII Women and Media


Women's Issues in Print Media.
Women in Visual Media.
Stereotypical Representation of Women in Media.

Unit – IX Women in Indian Society

Gender Division of Labour in Primitive Societies.
Women in Vedic Society.
Women in Medieval India.
Women in Indian National Movement.
Women in Conflict Zone.

Unit – X Women and Law

Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles and Fundamental Duties Related to Women.
Dowry and Dowry Related Laws.
Harassment of Women at Work Places.


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Unit – XI Women and Political Rights

Women and Political Participation in India, Right to Vote, Women and Political Parties, 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendment and Participation in Local Governance, Ongoing Debate on 33% Reservation of Women in Parliament

Unit – XII 19th Century Social Reform Movement and Emergence of Women's Question in India

Contributions of Brahma Samaj, Arya Samaj, Prathana Samaj, Rammohan Roy, Ishwarchandra Vidyasgar, Jyotiba Phule and Savitribai Phule, Pandita Rama Bai, Tarabai Shinde, E.V. Ramaswamy

Unit – XIII Women Specific Institutions in India

National Commission for Women and State Commission for Women, Women Development Corporation, Social Welfare Board, Department of Women and Child Welfare

Unit – XIV Methodology in Social Research

Research Design, Descriptive, Explanatory - Exploratory, Experimental, Diagnostics.

Sampling: Types and Selection of Appropriate Sample.

Statistics in Social Research – Mean Mode and Median.

Unit – XV Women and Economy

Women and Economic Growth.

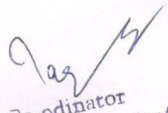
Women in Unorganized Sector.

Unemployment of Women; Causes and Consequences.

Impact of Globalization on Women's Employment.

Unit – XVI Women Specific Government Schemes

Rashtriya Mahila Kosh, STEP, Mahila Shakti Kendra, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Yojana, Rajiv Gandhi National Creche Scheme, One Stop Centre, Ladli Beti Scheme of J&K


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