



Victoria University  
of Bangladesh

## COURSE PROFILE

FALL SEMESTER-2016

(SOC 104) Introduction to Social Science

Level of Knowledge: Basic knowledge.

Course Assessment:

Item/Activity	Marks
Work Sheet (Including Class Attendance & Class Test)	25%
Assignment(s)	10%
Mid-term test	25%
Final examination	40%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

Grading and Point System:

Marks obtained (out of 100)	Letter Grade		Grade Point (4 point scale)
80% and above	A+	(A plus)	4.0
75% to less than 80%	A	(A regular)	3.75
70% to less than 75%	A-	(A minus)	3.50
65% to less than 70%	B+	(B plus)	3.25
60% to less than 65%	B	(B regular)	3.0
55% to less than 60%	B-	(B minus)	2.75

50% to less than 55%	C+	(C plus)	2.50
45% to less than 50%	C	(C regular)	2.25
40% to less than 45%	D	(D regular)	2.0
less than 40%	F	(Fail)	0.0

Note: I (Incomplete) may also be used under the provision of VUB regulations.

DETAILED CONTENTS:

Lecture no.1	Introduction # Science is knowledge, classification of science. Social science are less exact. The necessity for social science. Sociology as a social science. Emergence of social science. New intellectual and philosophical tendencies and their impact on the development of social science. Development of different social science. Difference social sciences. The beginning of sociology. Establishment of sociology as a science. The ultimate goal of sociology.
Lecture no. 2	Definition, scope and uses of sociology. Some branches of sociology. Methods of sociology.
Lecture no. 3	Social Research: It's Methods and Techniques # Social research and its importance. Observation. Questionnaire. Interview. The social surveys.
Lecture no.4	Sociology and other social sciences. The study of human society.
Lecture no. 5	Some basic concepts. Role and status
Lecture no. 6	Power, status authority. Social structure and function
Lecture no. 7	Individual and society. Heredity and environment
Lecture no. 8	Individuals and communities. Culture
Lecture no. 9	Socialization and culture

Lecture no. 10	Social group
Lecture no. 11	Social process. Organization and individual
Lecture no. 12	<b>Presentation</b>
Lecture no. 13	Social difference and social stratification. Caste- Estates and class
Lecture no. 14	Some Aspects of Social Mobility # Sanskritisation. Westernization. modernization
Lecture no. 15	The Family. Kinship System. Education system
Lecture no. 17	The economic system
Lecture no. 18	The political system
Lecture no. 19	Religion – morality and magic
Lecture no. 20	Meaning and nature of social control.
Lecture no. 21	Folks- mores- customs and sanctions. Social norms and social value. Social conformity and deviance
Lecture no. 23	Meaning and nature of social changes
	Theories and factors of social changes
Lecture no. 24	<b>Presentation</b>

**Text Book:**

Sociology – C. N. Shankar Rao

**Reference book:**

Sociology – Neil J. Smelser

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