

**Syllabus for P.G Entrance Test  
(Sociology)  
2017**

**Unit 1 Sociology as a discipline**

- Nature & subject matter of Sociology
- Emergence of sociology as a Scientific Discipline: French Revolution, Industrial Revolution & Enlightenment Period

**Unit 2 Basic concepts**

- Society : Concept and features
- Community: Concept and features
- Social Groups: Primary, Secondary & Reference Groups
- Culture : Concept, Features & Processes

**Unit 3 Major Sociological Perspectives**

- Functionalism
- Conflict Perspective
- Interactionism

**Unit 4 Schools of thought**

- Formalistic School of thought: George Simmel, Ferdinand Tonnies.
- Synthetic School of Thought : Pitirim Sorokin, Ginsberg

**Unit 5 Social Institutions**

- Family : Structure & Function
- Marriage: Structure & Function
- Kinship : Consanguineous and Affinal
- Religion : Concept and Role

**Unit 6 Social Processes**

- Social Change
- Social Control
- Socialization
- Social Conflict

**Unit 7 Social Research & Design**

- Nature and scope of social research
- Scientific Method: Concept and features
- Research design : Concept and formulation of research design
- Types of research design : Descriptive , Explorative & diagnostic.

**Unit 8 Sampling**

- Universe : Nature & Characteristics
- Sampling: Meaning and Significance
- Types of Sampling
- Advantages/disadvantages of Sampling

**Unit 9 Tools of data collection**

- Questionnaire
- Interview
- Observation
- Case Study

**Unit 10 Auguste Comte**

- Positivism
- Law of three stages
- Social Statics and Social Dynamics

**Unit 11 Emile Durkheim**

- Social fact
- Religion
- Suicide

**Unit 12 Karl Marx**

- Historical Materialism
- Class and class conflict
- Alienation

**Unit 13 Max Weber**

- Ideal Type
- Social action
- Bureaucracy

**Unit 14 Structure and approaches of Indian Society**

- Composition of Indian Society: Religion, Lingual and ethnic
- Concept & Features of Caste and Class
- M. N. Srinivas: Structural-functional Approach
- R. Desai: Marxist Approach

**Unit 15 Rural, Urban and Tribal Society**

- Rural Society
- Urban Society
- Panchayati Raj
- Concept & features of tribe
- Scheduled Tribes in J&K – A Sociological Profile
- Scheduled Tribes & Scheduled Castes: Problems and Constitutional Safeguards

