

SOCIOLOGY

Course Description

This course is designed to help student gain an understanding of sociology in the context of its relevance to nursing practice.

General Objectives

Upon completion of the course, the students shall be able to:

1. Describe the concept of the family as a social unit and the status of the individual in the family.
2. Explain the dynamics of society and identify common social problems.
3. Demonstrate ability to understand the socio – cultural and economic aspects of the community in the light of their effects on health and illness.
4. Utilize the knowledge and understanding of sociology in nursing practice.

Total Hours - 20

| Unit No. | Learning Objectives | Content | Hr. | Teaching learning activities | Method of assessment |
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| I | Describe the nature, scope & content of sociology and its importance in nursing | Introduction a) Definition and scope of sociology b) Its relationship with other social sciences c) Uses of sociology for nurses. | 2 | Lecture cum discussions | Short answer Objective type |
| II | Describe the influence of the environment on individual development and the rights and responsibilities of the individual in the society | Individual a) Review of human growth and development b) The socialization process c) Effect of environment on human growth and development d) Rights and responsibilities of the individual in a democratic society. | 2 | Lecture cum discussions | Short answer Objective type Essay type |
| III | Describe the concept of family as a social unit | The Family a) Definition, characteristics and types of family. b) Family cycle and basic needs of family c) Importance of interdependence of family members. d) Important functions of family and their problems. e) Types of Marriage, medical and sociology aspects of marriage. | 4 | Lecture cum discussions | Short answer Objective type Essay type |

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| IV | Describe about social groups, social change, control, stratification and social problems | Society a) Definition and meaning. b) Social groups - Types, Structure, intergroup relationship group cycle, group behavior and group morale. c) Social change -Meaning, factors affecting and effect on society and institution leading to social problems. d) Social control e) Social stratification f) Social problems-Prostitution, crime divorce, dowry system, juvenile delinquency, drug addiction alcoholism, handicapped, over population and slum g) Social agencies and remedial measures | 8 | Lecture cum discussions Visits to social institutions | Short answer Objective type Essay type |
| V | Describe the culture and characteristics of community | The Community a) Community – Definition and types – Rural and urban b) Culture and characteristics | 4 | Lecture cum discussions | Short answer Objective type Essay type |