

Programme Outcomes, Programme Specific Outcomes and Course Outcomes For PG Programmes running in DDE,NBU campus

Programme Name : M.A. in History

(Distance Education, C.B.C.S. mode)

Number of Semesters : IV/4

Distance Education Department, N.B.U.



University of North Bengal
West Bengal, INDIA

Programme Outcomes

- Helps the students to know the origin of the subject History, the art of writing history or Historiography, various schools of Historiography.
- Makes students aware of India's pre-historical and proto-historical past.
- Students are informed about civilizational heritage, origin of various present day customs, their evolutions, past legacies.
- Describes evolution of Indian society and economy through ages, analyzes various external factors that caused those.
- Makes students aware of colonial subjugation, need of unity and technological knowledge as well as recent events that shaped the country in modern age and gives a brief introduction to international politics.

Programme Specific Outcomes

- Makes students capable of having a brief concept on the nature of the subject history, its evolution, the art of writing history or Historiography, the art of judging already existing historical information to ascertain their accuracy, brief information about various personalities, prominent in subject History.
- The inter-disciplinary approach, a necessity to have a broader perspective, the relation of History with other subjects.
- Critically analyze multiple sources of history for pre-historic and proto-historic period, the importance of carbon-dating, field survey.
- Gaining knowledge of origin of Indian ethnicity and past migrations, early civilizations, town-planning, and modes of ancient economy.
- Critically understanding origin and nature of various present day religious faiths and social customs, their evolution.
- Knowing evolution of India's art and architecture, the styles influencing it.
- Critically analyzing reasons of evolution of Indian economy and society, the reasons behind lagging back in scientific temperament and eventual subjugation of the country.
- Understanding efforts to reform and rejuvenate the country, obstacles in reform, need of political unity and growth of modern nationalism.
- A brief introduction to world politics and leading political philosophies, origin of present day world order in context of history of late-19th and 20th century world history.

Course Outcomes

SEMESTER—I		
Course Code	Course Name	Course Outcomes
101 (Core Compulsory paper)	Twentieth century world	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To make students aware of important political and economic models. Enabling students to know late 19th and early 20th century world, two world wars, decline of Europe. Understanding post-WW2 bipolar order and decolonization.
102 (Core Compulsory paper)	State in India (ancient and medieval)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding political environment of ancient and medieval India. Understanding administrative structure of various Indian royal powers, functions. Understanding Historiography of Indian History, various approaches and their limitations. To know Socio-economic basis of polities.
103 (Soft Core : Compulsory)	Ancient Indian History up to 650 A.D.: Society and Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowing important elements to reconstruct ancient Indian history. Knowing various pre-historic cultures of the subcontinent. Understanding the India of Copper-Bronze era. Gaining insight on the controversy about original homeland of Aryan. Analyzing the nature of Vedic society, its philosophical thoughts, social and economic life. Analyzing Origin of caste system, rise of Protestant religions and education system of ancient India.
104 (Elective paper)	Polity and Economy of India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowing and analyzing primary sources, both literary and non-literary, various approaches. Understanding theory of Kingship, state and regional identities. Economic set-up of ancient and medieval India, trade, currency system, technology, agricultural set-up, urbanization and their evolution.
105 (Elective Paper)	History of Modern India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Being aware of different types of literary sources, importance of archives, interpretations. Analyzing the nature and causes behind transition of 18th century India, causes of political fragmentation, British conquest and Indian disunity. Interpreting the colonial construction of India, ideologies of Raj. To know the social reform movements and gradual evolution of Indian society. To know evolution of Indian economy, the changing patterns. To know Indian resistance against colonial rule.

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201 (Core compulsory paper)	Twentieth century after the Second World war	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To know international politics in post -1945 period to present day. Understanding nature, functions and limitations of U.N.O. Analyzing reasons behind collapse of Socialist bloc. Gaining brief insight of Cultural Revolution, apartheid, feminism, civil rights movements etc. Being aware of Globalization, its impact, scientific progress.
202 (Core compulsory paper)	State in India (Modern period)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To know administrative apparatus of colonial Government and transition from merchant capital to finance capital. To know ideologies of Raj and how they influenced colonial administration. To Nationalist critique of colonial state, some important personalities and their thinking. To nature of Independent Republic of India, administrative and constitutional structure. Knowing economic history of post-1947 period, the mixed economy, agrarian problem.
203 (Soft core : Compulsory)	Early Medieval Indian History (C 650-1206 AD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To know sources of history of this period, both literary and non-literary. Historiography and recent debates. To know changing society, economy and polity of this period and to analyze their causes. Knowing various aspects of economic life of this age. To know women's status in this period, social and legal attitude towards women's rights in this period.
204 (Elective paper)	Society and Culture of India (C. A.D. 1206-1757)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To know the <i>Bhakti</i> movement and life of various <i>Bhakti</i> saints. To know origin of Sufi movement, importance of Sufism in medieval India, life of various Sufi saints and various Sufi schools. To know role of women in medieval Turkic-Afghan royal courts, women and gender in everyday life. To know Gender relations in 18th century
205 (Elective paper)	History of Modern India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To know the great revolt of 1857 and its background, its aftermath. To know nature of colonial Government's policy. Knowing economic transformation, decline of indigenous industry, agrarian set-up, rise of new industries, and nature of colonial economy. To know environmental consequences of Colonialism and its effect on tribal communities. Understanding background and nature of reform movements, colonial perception of society, reforms in women's rights and growth of new Education system.
SEMESTER—III		
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301 (Core Compulsory)	Historiography : Concepts ,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To know nature of the subject history, the art of writing history. Knowing relation of history with other subjects. Being aware of various historical traditions, schools of historiography

ory paper)	methods and tools	and paradigms, their importance and limitations.
302 (Core compulsory paper)	History of Ideas (Ancient and medieval)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To know ancient and medieval Indian political thoughts and ideologies, ideas of kingship and rights of subjects. To know religious and philosophical ideas, their origin and their evolution, religious movements, religious syncretism and religious exclusivism. Understanding Indian society, concept of <i>Varna</i> and <i>Jati</i>.
303 (Soft core)	History of Medieval Bengal (1206-1857 A.D.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be aware of various aspects of history of medieval Bengal. To know literary and non-literary sources, state's theory of kingship. To know relation of Bengal with Delhi, rise of Islam, agrarian condition, rise of medieval Bengali literature. To know the history of various medieval dynasties ruling Bengal.
304 (Open elective)	Indian national movement and after (1857-1964 AD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding growth of Indian national identity, challenges and success. To know nature of independence movement, lives and activities various freedom fighters. To know rise of fundamentalism, cause of partition To know growth Of Indian scientific tradition To gain various aspects of history of independent India, success and challenges.
305 (Open elective)	Cultural and Economic History of India : Some Selected Themes (1857-1964)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding evolution of Indian society in colonial period, knowing reform movements, its nature and limitations. Knowing growth of public opinion and modern journalism. Understanding various aspects of colonial economy.
SEMESTER—IV		
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401 (Core paper Compulsory)	Themes in Indian History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding various themes of Indian social history, nature of Indian society, <i>Varna</i>, <i>Jati</i> etc. Knowing various themes of Indian economic history in colonial period, role of colonial Government, peasants, working classes etc. Conducting representative studies of major debates in social, cultural and economic history of world.
402 (Soft core)	History of Ideas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowing advent of colonialism and emergence of new ideas, their importance and limitations. Gaining in depth knowledge of social reformism and revivalism, To know anti-caste movements, their founders, success and failures. To know cultural changes, artistic developments and language developments.

403 (Elective paper)	Ancient Indian History (Up to 650A.D) : Political History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To know Growth of imperial powers, their administrative apparatus and nature. ● Critically analyzing the era of Ashoka. ● To know political fragmentation, foreign attacks, activities of foreign rulers, rise of small states and activities of regional Kings. ● Understanding Sangama age. ● Understanding agricultural changes in Gupta-Vakataka era and revival of Vedic practices.
404 (Elective paper)	History of Medieval Bengal (1206-1757 A.D)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Understanding the political economy of subah ● To know industries, technology, trade, maritime history and currency of medieval Bengal. ● Understanding pattern of Urbanization. ● To know about the cultural aspects of history, both architectural and literary
405 (Elective paper)	Economic History of India (1757-1947 A.D)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Understanding aspects of colonial economy drain of wealth and importance of European economic interests. ● Understanding changes in agriculture, new revenue set-ups and its commercialization. ● To know impact of railways, famines and British response to it. ● To know growth of large scale industries, challenges and successes. ● To know the fiscal policy of Colonial Government.
406 (Elective paper)	History of North Bengal : 1757-1947 (Regional History)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To know about pre-colonial history of North Bengal region. ● Understanding colonial penetration, pattern of migrations and its effect. ● To know history of Cooch Behar state from 1772 AD to independence. ● Knowing and analyzing economic, social and political aspect of history of this region.