

**BACHELORS WITH ANTHROPOLOGY AS MAJOR
1st SEMESTER**

ANT122J ANTHROPOLOGY _ INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY

CREDITS: 4+2

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- *The students will gain an understanding of the academic field of anthropology, and its different branches.*
- *The students will be introduced to anthropological perspectives and will learn of linkages with allied disciplines.*
- *Through the practical components, students will develop the ability to compose field reports and book reviews.*

THEORY (4 CREDITS)

UNIT 1: INTRODUCTION

- Anthropology: Meaning, History and Scope
- Nature and Relevance
- Major Branches of Anthropology
- Relationship of Anthropology with other Disciplines.

UNIT 2: BASIC CONCEPTS IN SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

- Society: Characteristics and Types
- Social Groups, Association, Community, and Institution.
- Culture: Characteristics, Elements, and its dimensions.
- Social Stratification

UNIT 3: BASIC CONCEPTS IN BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

- Cell, Cell Structure, Cell division
- Adaptation, Acclimatization and Evolution.
- Speciation, Parallelism, Convergence, Adaptive Radiation and Extinction.
- Lamarckism, Darwinism and Synthetic Theory

UNIT 4: BASIC CONCEPTS IN ARCHAEOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

- Artefacts, Ecofacts, Features, Site formation.
- Methods of Study: Exploration, Excavation, Conservation & Preservation
- Three Age System
- Theoretical Paradigms: Antiquarian period, Processual Archaeology, Post-Processual Archaeology

PRACTICAL (2 CREDITS)

- Make a field visit to any local community and submit a field report.
- Introduction to Anthropometry and Anthropometric tools¹ or write a report on any Archaeological Site of Kashmir.

SUGGESTED READINGS

- Allchin and Allchin (1993). The Rise of Civilization of India and Pakistan. Cambridge University Press
- Barnard A. (2000). History and Theory in Anthropology. Cambridge: Cambridge University.
- Bhattacharya D.K. (1979). Prehistoric archaeology, Calcutta, K.P. Bagchi Company. Bhattacharya D.K. (2014). Outlines of Indian Prehistory. Palaka Prakarshan, New Delhi.
- Conroy, G.C. (1997). Reconstructing Human Origins: A Modern Synthesis. W. W. Norton & Company, New York, London.
- Ember, C.R., Ember, M. & Peregrine P.N. (2021). Anthropology. New Delhi: Pearson.
- Ericksen T.H. (2010). Small places large issues: Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology. Pluto Press
- Fagan B.M. & Durrani N. (2018). People of Earth: An Introduction to World Prehistory. Routledge.
- Stanford C., Allen J.S. and Anton S.C. (2014). Biological Anthropology. The Natural History of Mankind. PHI: New Delhi.

¹ This may include Body Planes and Sections, Observations of Bones and Anthropometric landmarks on Human Body, Upper Extremity Length Size and Shape indices, Relative upper Extremity Length, Ponderal Index, Relative Total Lower Extremity Length, BMI as per the availability of equipments.