

MASTER OF ARTS IN HISTORY (M.A. HISTORY)

PROGRAMME GUIDE

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INTRODUCTION

History is a chronological record of significant past events often including an explanation of their causes. It is a branch of knowledge that records and explains past events. All that happens in the world has a cause, & events could not have happened differently unless there was a different cause.

Learning from other people's mistake is one significant aspect of studying history, but there are dozen more. Knowing the history of a culture, how it developed, how beliefs were formed, how social structure came to where it is today, help us to understand why that culture is the way they are today. It helps in understanding others prejudice and hatred, and promotes acceptance and peace. It also teaches us how to compare the work of experts and how to evaluate primary and secondary structure of evidence. As a result, it is very important in our day to day life or as a profession because everything has a history.

ACADEMIC OBJECTIVES

The M.A Program is designed to make students analyse the events in history. It is not all memorization but "an explanation of their (the events) causes" shows that there are additional levels such as comprehension and analysis. Our main stress will be to look at history as a "big picture". By this method, we no longer have to measure history, but think of history as a fluid process in which events and trends are inextricably intertwined. So the main objective of M.A Program is to make students analyse and comprehend the events in history in an unbiased and intellectual way.

INFORMATION

PROGRAMME CODE: 442B

DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME:

Minimum Duration 2 Years

Maximum Duration 5 Years

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION/ EXAMINATION:

1. The SLM/Text Books will be available in English & Hindi language.
2. Student can attempt the examination in English/Hindi/Punjabi language.

**M.A. HISTORY (Master of Arts in History)
Scheme**

COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	Cr.	CA	ETE(Th.)	ETE(Pr.)
FIRST YEAR					
DHIS401	HISTORY OF THE ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL WORLD	8	20	80	0
DHIS402	HISTORY OF THE MODERN WORLD	8	20	80	0
DHIS403	HISTORICAL THOUGHT AND HISTORIOGRAPHY	8	20	80	0
DHIS404	POLITICAL STRUCTURES IN INDIA	8	20	80	0
SECOND YEAR					
DHIS501	ECONOMIC HISTORY OF INDIA	8	20	80	0
DHIS502	EVOLUTION OF SOCIAL STRUCTURES IN INDIA	8	20	80	0
DHIS503	HISTORY OF ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT IN INDIA	8	20	80	0
DHIS504	WOMEN IN INDIAN HISTORY	8	20	80	0
TOTAL CREDITS				64	

Course Code:	D	H	I	S	4	0	1	Course Title:	HISTORY OF THE ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL WORLD
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COURSE CONTENTS:

Sr. No.	Topics
Early Human Societies	
UNIT 1	Hunting and Gathering
UNIT 2	Pastoral Nomadism
UNIT 3	Transition to Agriculture
UNIT 4	The Neolithic Revolution
UNIT 5	Implications for the World
Bronze Age Civilizations	
UNIT 6	Cultural and Natural Settings of the Early Civilizations
UNIT 7	Technological Foundations and Socio-Economic Parameters
UNIT 8	Writing and Artistic Expression
UNIT 9	The Social Structure Reconstructed
Formation of States and Empires	
UNIT 10	Formation of States and Empires: A General Introduction
UNIT 11	The Persian Empire
UNIT 12	Ancient Greece
UNIT 13	The Roman Empire
Alternative Social Formations	
UNIT 14	Latin America
UNIT 15	Africa
UNIT 16	Nomadic Empires
Religion, State and Society	
UNIT 17	The Late Roman World
UNIT 18	The Arab World
UNIT 19	China
Feudalism	

UNIT 20	Debates on Feudalism
UNIT 21	Feudalism: Form and Structures
UNIT 22	Phases of Feudalism
UNIT 23	Trade and the Decline of Feudalism
Trade and Commerce in the Medieval World	
UNIT 24	Oceanic Trade
UNIT 25	Business Communities
UNIT 26	Commercial Practices
UNIT 27	Craft Production
Medieval World in Transition	
UNIT 28	Science and Technologies and Expansion of Knowledge
UNIT 29	Literature and Institutions of Learning
UNIT 30	Religious Establishment
UNIT 31	Transition to Modern World
Pre-modern World: An Overview	
UNIT 32	Trends and Transition in Population
UNIT 33	Urbanism
UNIT 34	Technologies of Warfare and Communication
UNIT 35	Kinship Pattern and Family Structure

READINGS: SELF LEARNING MATERIAL.

ADDITIONAL READINGS:

1. Carol Lansing: A companion to the medieval world J.M. Roberts, 'The new Penguin History of the world', Penguin Publications.
2. Susan Wise Bauer 'The History of the Ancient World: From the Earliest Accounts to the Fall of Rome', W.W.Norton & Co Ltd, New York.
3. Adams, R.M., 'Patterns of Urbanization in early Southern Mesopotamia' in P J Ucko et al, eds., Man, Settlement and Urbanism, London: Duckworth, 1972.
4. Alfody, G., The Social History of Rome, London: Routledge, 1988.
5. Andrewes, A., The Greek Society, London: Penguin, 1971.
6. Adams, R.M., 'Water, Land and Life' in Heartland of Cities, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1981.

Course Code:	D	H	I	S	4	0	2	Course Title:	HISTORY OF THE MODERN WORLD
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COURSE CONTENTS:

Sr. No.	Topics
Theories of the Modern World	
UNIT 1	Renaissance and the Idea of the Individual
UNIT 2	The Enlightenment
UNIT 3	Critiques of Enlightenment
Modern World: Essential Components	
UNIT 4	Theories of the State
UNIT 5	Capitalist Economy and Its Critique
UNIT 6	The Social Structure
The Modern State and Politics	
UNIT 7	Bureaucratization
UNIT 8	Democratic Politics
UNIT 9	Modern State and Welfare
UNIT 10	Nationalism
Capitalism and Industrializations	
UNIT 11	Commercial Capitalism
UNIT 12	Capitalist Industrialization
UNIT 13	Socialist Industrialization
UNIT 14	Underdevelopment
Expansion of Europe	
UNIT 15	Conquest and Appropriation
UNIT 16	Migrations and Settlements
UNIT 17	Imperialism
UNIT 18	Colonialism
UNIT 19	Decolonization
International Relations	

UNIT 20	Nation-State System
UNIT 21	International Rivalries of Twentieth Century
UNIT 22	The Unipolar World and Counter-Currents
Revolutions	
UNIT 23	Political Revolution: France
UNIT 24	Political Revolution: Russia
UNIT 25	Knowledge Revolution: Printing and Informatics
UNIT 26	Technological Revolution: Communications and Medical
Violence and Repression	
UNIT 27	Modern Warfare
UNIT 28	Total War
UNIT 29	Violence by Non-State Actors
Dilemmas of Development	
UNIT 30	Demography
UNIT 31	Ecology
UNIT 32	Consumerism

READINGS: SELF LEARNING MATERIAL.

ADDITIONAL READINGS:

1. Robert Roswell Palmer, Joel G. Calton, Llyod S. Kramer: A History of the Modern World, Macgraw Publishers, 2002.
2. Jain & Mathur: A History of the Modern World, Jain Prakashan Mandir, 2005.
3. Paul Johnson: A History of the Modern World from 1917 to the 1980s, Amazon Publishers, 2002.
4. William Wooruff: A Concise History of the Modern World: 1500 to the Present, St. Martin's Publishers, 1998.
5. John A. Garraty and Peter Gay, The Columbia History of the World, Harper & Row Publishers, New York, 1986.

Course Code:	D	H	I	S	4	0	3	Course Title:	HISTORICAL THOUGHT & HISTORIOGRAPHY
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COURSE CONTENTS:

Sr. No.	Topics
Understanding History	
UNIT 1	Generalization
UNIT 2	Causation
UNIT 3	Objectivity and Interpretation
UNIT 4	History, Ideology and Society
Pre-Modern Traditions	
UNIT 5	Greco-Roman Tradition
UNIT 6	Traditional Chinese Historiography
UNIT 7	Historiographical Traditions in Early India
UNIT 8	Medieval Historiography – Western
UNIT 9	Medieval Historiography – Arabic and Persian
UNIT 10	Medieval Historiography – Indo-Persian
UNIT 11	Local History
Approaches to History in Modern Times	
UNIT 12	Positivist Tradition
UNIT 13	Classical Marxist Tradition
UNIT 14	The Annales School
UNIT 15	Recent Marxist Approaches
UNIT 16	Post-Modernist Intervention
UNIT 17	Gender in History
UNIT 18	Race in History
Approaches and Themes in Indian Historiography	
UNIT 19	Colonialist Historiography

UNIT 20	Nationalist Approach
UNIT 21	Communalist Trends
UNIT 22	Marxist Approach
UNIT 23	The Cambridge School
UNIT 24	History from Below
UNIT 25	Subaltern Studies
UNIT 26	Economic History
UNIT 27	Peasantry and Working Classes
UNIT 28	Castes, Tribe and Gender
UNIT 29	Religion and Culture
UNIT 30	Environment, Science and Technology

READINGS: SELF LEARNING MATERIAL.

ADDITIONAL READINGS:

1. E.H.Carr, What is History? Penguin, Middlesex, 1987.
2. Marc Bloch, The Historians Craft, Vintage Books, New York, 1953.
3. B.Sheik Ali, History: Its Theory and Method, Macmillan, Madras, 1990.
4. M.C.Lemon, Philosophy of History, Routledge, London, 2008.
5. Peter Lambert and Phillip Schofield, Making History: An Introduction to History and Practices of a Discipline, Routledge, London, 2006.
6. John C.B.Webester, Studying History, Maicmillan, New Delhi, 1997.
7. Marnie Hughes – Warrington, Fifty Great Thinkers on History, Routledge, London 2004.
8. S.K.Bajaj, Recent Trends in Historiography, Anmol Publications, New Delhi,1998.
9. G.R.Elton, The Practice History, Collins, Glasgow 1978.
10. J. Havet, Main Trends of Research in the Social and Human Sciences, Part II, Vol. I, Mouton, The Hague, pp. 229-443 (G. Barraclough on History)
11. H.E. Barners, A History of Historical Writings, New York, 1962.
12. R.G. Collingwood, The Idea of History, OUP, London, 1973.
13. E. Sreedharan, A Textbooks on Historiography (500 BC – 2000 AD), Orient Longmen, Hyderabad, 2004.
14. Agnes Heller, A Theory of History, Routledge, London, 1982.
15. John, Tosh, The Pursuit of History, Longman, London, 1985.

Course Code:	D	H	I	S	4	0	4	Course Title:	POLITICAL STRUCTURES IN INDIA
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COURSE CONTENTS:

Sr. No.	Topics
Early State formation	
UNIT 1	Pre-State to State
UNIT 2	Territorial State to Empire
UNIT 3	Polities from 2nd B.C. to 3rd A.D.
UNIT 4	Polities from 3rd A.D. to 6th A.D.
State in Early Medieval India	
UNIT 5	Early Medieval Polities in North India 7th to 12th A.D.
UNIT 6	Early Medieval Polities in Peninsular India 6th to 8th A.D
UNIT 7	Early Medieval Polities in Peninsular India between 8th to 12th A.D.
State in Medieval Times	
UNIT 8	State under the Delhi Sultanate
UNIT 9	Vijayanagar, Bahamani and other Kingdoms
UNIT 10	The Mughal State
Colonization (Part-I)	
UNIT 11	18th Century Successor States
UNIT 12	The Eighteenth Century Polities
UNIT 13	Colonial Powers – Portuguese, French, Dutch
UNIT 14	The British Colonial State
UNIT 15	Princely States
Administrative and Institutional Structures	
UNIT 16	Administrative and Institutional Structures in Peninsular India
UNIT 17	Administrative and Institutional Systems in North India
UNIT 18	Law and Judicial Systems
Administrative and Institutional Structures	
UNIT 19	The Delhi Sultanate

UNIT 20	Vijayanagar, Bahamani and other Kingdom
UNIT 21	The Mughal Empire
UNIT 22	18th Century Successor States
Colonization (Part-II)	
UNIT 23	Ideologies of the Raj
UNIT 24	Activities
UNIT 25	Resources
UNIT 26	Extent of Colonial Intervention: Education and Society
UNIT 27	End of the Colonial State – Establishment of Democratic Polity

READINGS: SELF LEARNING MATERIAL.

ADDITIONAL READINGS:

1. Jha, D.N., *Ancient India- In Historical Outline*, Manohar, New Delhi, 1998.
2. Sharma, Ram Sharan, *Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India*, Motilal Banarsidass, Delhi, 1996 (4th revised ed; 1st ed 1959).
3. Sharma, Ram Sharan, *Indian Feudalism, c. A.D. 300-1200*, Macmillan, New Delhi, 1980 (2nd revised ed; 1st ed 1965).
4. Romila Thapar, *A History of India*, Penguin Books, 1981 (reprint; 1st ed 1966)
5. Basham, A.L., *The Wonder That Was India*, Fontana, 1977.
6. Chattopadhyaya, B.D., *The Making of Early Medieval India*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 1994.
7. Jha, D.N., *The Feudal Order*, Manohar, New Delhi, 2000 Panday, A.B., *Later Medieval India*, Central Book Depot, Allahabad.
8. Qureshi I.H., *The Administration of the Sultanate of Delhi*, New Delhi 1971.
9. Satish Chandra, *Medieval India From Sultanate to the Mughals, Delhi Sultanate (1206-1526)*, Part I, New Delhi 1997.
10. Ashraf K., *Life and Conditions of the People of Hindustan*, New Delhi, 1970.
11. Jackson, P. *The Delhi Sultanate*, Delhi 1999.
12. Sharma, Ram Sharan, "How Feudal was Indian Feudalism ?", in *Feudalism and Non-European Societies* (eds) T.J. Byres and Harbans Mukhia, Frank Cass, London, 1985
13. Roy, Kumkum, *The Emergence of Monarchy in Northern India: Eighth to Fourth Centuries B.C. as Reflected in the Brahmanical Tradition*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 1994.
14. Banerjee, A.C., *The New History of Modern India 1707-1947*, K.P. Bagchi, Calcutta, 1983.
15. Majumdar, R.D.(ed), *British Paramountcy and Indian Renaissance*, 2 Parts, Vidya Bhawan, Bombay, 1965.
16. Stokes Eric, *The English Utilitarians and India*, Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1999.
17. Mittal, S.C., *India Distorted : A Study of British Historians on India*, Vol. I, M.D Publications, New Delhi, 1995.
18. Mishra B.B, *The Administrative History of India 1834-1947*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 1970.

Course Code:	D	H	I	S	5	0	1	Course Title:	ECONOMIC HISTORY OF INDIA
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COURSE CONTENTS:

Sr. No.	Topics
Historiography, Environment and Economy	
UNIT 1	Historiography of the Pre-Colonial Economy – Ancient
UNIT 2	Historiography of the Pre-Colonial Economy – Medieval
UNIT 3	Historiography of the Colonial Economy
UNIT 4	Environmental Zones and Indian Economic History
Emergence and Structure of Complex Economy	
UNIT 5	Origins of Agriculture, Animal Domestication, Craft Production to Urbanisation (case of the Harappan Civilization)
UNIT 6	Archaeology and Geography of Agricultural and Pastoral Communities of the Subcontinent to the Middle of the First Millennium B.C.
UNIT 7	Comparative Structures of Economies in Some Early States (Maurya, Kushana, Satavahana, Gupta)
UNIT 8	Patterns of Trade, Urbanisation and Linkages: North India (C. 600 BC-300 AD)
UNIT 9	Patterns of Trade, Urbanisation and Linkages: Peninsular India (C. 300 BC to AD 300)
Early Medieval Economy and Its Continuities	
UNIT 10	The Feudalism Debate in Indian History
UNIT 11	Organisation of Agricultural and Craft Production: North India, c. AD 550 – c. AD 1300
UNIT 12	Nature of Stratification and Regional Profiles of Agrarian Society in Early Medieval North India, c. AD 550 – c. AD 1300
UNIT 13	Organisation of Agricultural and Craft Production, Regional Profiles of Agrarian Society and Nature of Stratification: South India
UNIT 14	Trade, Trading Networking and Urbanisation: North India, c. AD 300 – c. AD 1300
UNIT 15	Exchange Networks, Merchant Organisation and Urbanisation: South India
Expansion and Growth of Medieval Economy-1	
UNIT 16	Agricultural Production

UNIT 17	Agrarian Structure: Relations
UNIT 18	Non-Agricultural Production
UNIT 19	Taxation
UNIT 20	Urban Centres in Medieval India
Expansion and Growth of Medieval Economy-2	
UNIT 21	Inland and Maritime Trade
UNIT 22	Business Practices and Monetary History
UNIT 23	Technology and Economy
UNIT 24	Transport and Communication
UNIT 25	18th Century in Indian History
Trade and Markets	
UNIT 26	Merchants and Markets: 1757-1857
UNIT 27	Colonialism and Trade: 1857-1947
The Rural Economy	
UNIT 28	Agrarian Policy and Land Rights
UNIT 29	Patterns of Commercialization
UNIT 30	Forest Economies and Colonial India
UNIT 31	Demographic Change and Agrarian Society in Colonial India
UNIT 32	Tribal Society and Colonial Economy
UNIT 33	The Question of Agrarian Growth and Stagnation
Craft Production, Technological Change and Industrialization	
UNIT 34	The De-Industrialization Debate
UNIT 35	Craft Industries and Small Scale Production
UNIT 36	Patterns of Industrialization
UNIT 37	Technology, Science and Empire
UNIT 38	From Planned Economy to Globalisation
UNIT 39	The Political Economy of Liberalisation

READINGS: SELF LEARNING MATERIAL.

Course Code:	D	H	I	S	5	0	2	Course Title:	EVOLUTION OF SOCIAL STRUCTURES IN INDIA
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Introductory	
UNIT 1	Reconstructing Ancient Society with Special Reference to Sources
UNIT 2	Hunting-Gathering, Early Farming Society, Pastoralism
UNIT 3	Harappan Civilization and Other Chalcolithic Cultures
Cultures in Transition	
UNIT 4	Societies Represented in Vedic Literature
UNIT 5	Iron Age Cultures
UNIT 6	Socio-Religious Ferment in North-India: Buddhism and Jainism
UNIT 7	Emergence of Buddhist Central and Peninsular India
Early Historic Societies: 6th Century B.C. To 4th Century A.D.	
UNIT 8	Urban Classes: Traders and Artisans, Extension of Agricultural Settlements
UNIT 9	Chaityas, Viharas and Their Interaction with Tribal Groups
UNIT 10	Early Tamil Society – Regions and their Cultures and Cult of Hero Worship
UNIT 11	Marriage and Family Life, Notions of Untouchability, Changing patterns in Varna and Jati
UNIT 12	Early Medieval Societies
UNIT 13	Transition to Early Medieval Societies\
UNIT 14	The Problem of Urban Decline: Agrarian Expansion, Land Grants And Growth of Intermediaries
UNIT 15	Proliferation and Consolidation of Castes & Jatis
UNIT 16	Religion in Society
Medieval Society - 1	
UNIT 17	Village Community
UNIT 18	Rural Society: North India
UNIT 19	Rural Society: Peninsular India

Medieval Society - 2	
UNIT 20	Clans and Confederacies in Western India
UNIT 21	Urban Social Groups in North India
UNIT 22	Changing Social Structure in Peninsular India
UNIT 23	Socio-Religious Movements
UNIT 24	The Eighteenth Century Society in Transition
Modern Society	
UNIT 25	Perception of the Indian Social Structure by the Nationalist and Social Reformers
UNIT 26	Studying Castes in the New Historical Context
UNIT 27	Pattern of Rural-Urban Mobility: Overseas Migration
UNIT 28	Social Structure in the Urban and Rural Areas
Social Questions Under Colonialism	
UNIT 29	Colonial Forest Policies and Criminal Tribes
UNIT 30	Gender/Women under Colonialism
UNIT 31	Social Discrimination
UNIT 32	Popular Protests and Social Structures
UNIT 33	Studying Tribes under Colonialism

READINGS: SELF LEARNING MATERIAL.

Course Code:	D	H	I	S	5	0	3	Course Title:	HISTORY OF ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT IN INDIA
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Sr. No.	Topics
Studying Ecology & Environment: An Introduction	
UNIT 1	Nature-Human Interface
UNIT 2	Indian Landscape
UNIT 3	Sources of Study
Environment and Early Societies	
UNIT 4	Resource Use and Human Societies
UNIT 5	Hunting - Gathering
UNIT 6	Nomadic Pastoralism
Environment and Agricultural Societies	
UNIT 7	Origins of Agriculture
UNIT 8	River Valley Civilization
UNIT 9	Agricultural Diffusion and Regional Specificities – I
UNIT 10	Agricultural Diffusion and Regional Specificities – II
Appropriation of Environment – Other Forms	
UNIT 11	Energy Resource
UNIT 12	Water Resource
UNIT 13	Forest Resource
UNIT 14	Metal & Mineral Resources
Indian Philosophy and Environment	
UNIT 15	Man-Nature Relationship
UNIT 16	Conservation Through Ages
UNIT 17	Transitions
Colonialism and Environment	
UNIT 18	Understanding of Environment

UNIT 19	Environmental Agenda
UNIT 20	Resource Management: Forests
UNIT 21	Resource Management: Water
Modern Concerns	
UNIT 22	Development and Environmental Concerns
UNIT 23	Biodiversity
UNIT 24	Environmental Resources and Patents
UNIT 25	Alternatives

READINGS: SELF LEARNING MATERIAL.

Course Code:	D	H	I	S	5	0	4	Course Title:	WOMEN IN INDIAN HISTORY
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COURSE CONTENTS:

Sr. No.	Topics
UNIT 1	Approaches: Liberal, Marxist, Socialist
UNIT 2	Approaches: Radical, Post-modern
UNIT 3	Sources: Archival
UNIT 4	Sources: Non-Archival
UNIT 5	Religion and Women: Brahmanical and non-Brahmanical
UNIT 6	Religion and Women: Jainism, Buddhism
UNIT 7	Religion and Women: Islam, Sikhism
UNIT 8	Religion and Women: Christianity
UNIT 9	Socio-Religious Reform movements and Women
UNIT 10	Customary and legal status in ancient India
UNIT 11	Customary and legal status in medieval India
UNIT 12	Customary and legal status in Colonial India
UNIT 13	Customary and legal status in post independence India
UNIT 14	Women and Education in ancient India
UNIT 15	Women and Education in medieval India
UNIT 16	Women and Education in colonial India
UNIT 17	Women and Education in independent India
UNIT 18	Women at work: Organized sectors
UNIT 19	Women at work: unorganized sectors
UNIT 20	Role of women in Indian economy
UNIT 21	Women's organizations: Colonial- local, provincial, national
UNIT 22	Women's organizations: Post- Independence
UNIT 23	Women and Political Participation: Gandhian Satyagraha, Revolutionary movements

UNIT 24	Women and Political Participation: Peasant and Worker's movements
UNIT 25	Women and Political Participation: Panchayats and municipal councils, State legislatures and Parliament
UNIT 26	Indian thinkers and women issues
UNIT 27	Women's representation and participation in literature, art and sculpture
UNIT 28	Women's representation and participation in music, dance, films, theatre
UNIT 29	Women's representation and participation in historical writing, media

READINGS: SELF LEARNING MATERIAL.