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Syllabus

Department of Islamic History & Culture

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Year wise courses and marks distribution.

First year Honours.

| Course Code | Course Title | Marks | Credits |
|--------------------|--|--------------|----------------|
| | History of Muslims (570-750, Prophet Muhammad (sm), Khulafa-i-Rashidun and the Umayyads) | 100 | 4 |
| | History of Muslims (750-1258, The Abbasids and the Regional Dynasties) | 100 | 4 |
| | History of Muslims in Spain (710-1492) | 100 | 4 |
| | History of Muslim rule in Syria, Egypt and North Africa (Fatimids, Ayyubids and Mamluks) | 100 | 4 |
| | Introducing Sociology Or Introduction to Social Work | 100 | 4 |
| | Introduction to Political Theory | 100 | 4 |
| | Total = | 600 | 24 |

Detailed Syllabus

First Year

Course Code : History of Muslims (570-750, Prophet Muhammad (sm), Khulafa-i-Rashidun and the Umayyads) 100 Marks, 4 Credits, 60 Lectures

Outline:

Geographical features of Jazirat al-Arab–sources of history (570-750)–socio-economic, political and cultural conditions of Arabia before the advent of Islam

Early career of Muhammad (sm)–Muhammad (sm) as Prophet before Hijrat–Hijrat of Muslims to Abyssinia–Prophet’s Hijrat to Madina–Charter of Madina–battles of Prophet (Badr, Uhud, Khandaq, Tabuk, Hunayan, Muta)–Prophet’s policy towards the Jews and Christians–Treaty of Hudaibiah–conquest of Mecca–Prophet’s place in history

Khulafa-i-Rashidun : beginning and progress of Khilafat–Abu Bakr’s election–Ridda wars–Khalifa Umar I–expansion of Islamic state–Umar’s Diwan–administration–Khalifa Usman–beginning of civil disturbance in Islam–Khalifa Ali–beginning of civil war in Islam–battle of Siffin–arbitration – end of Khulafa-i-Rashidun

The Umayyads: Genealogy – background of the establishment of Umayyad Khilafat–The Kharijites Harbite Branch: Muawiyah I–Yazid I–events of Karbala–the rise of the Shiites
Hakamid branch: Marwan I–Abdul Malik: consolidation and Arabicization–the Mawali issue
Al-Walid I : expansion of Khilafat in east and west–Hajjaj bin Yusuf–Tariq and Musa–Umar bin Abdul Aziz: Mawali and revenue policy–Hisham–decline and fall of the Umayyads–Marwan II–revenue reforms of Nasr bin Sayyar–Abbasid propaganda–fall of Umayyads

Reading List:

- Ali, Syed Ameer. *A Short History of the Saracens*, London (Reprint), 1951
Guillaume, A. *Life of Muhammad*, (English tr. of Muhammad Ishaq's *Ibn Sirat*), London, 1955
Hitti, P.K. *History of the Arabs*, 7th edition, New York, 1961
Imamuddin, S.M. *A Political History of the Muslims, Part-I (Prophet & Caliphate)*, Dhaka, 1970
..... *Umayyads & Abbasids*, Dhaka, 1970
Martin, L. *Muhammad: His life Based On the Earliest Sources*, New Delhi, 1983
Muir, W. *Life of Mohamet*, 4 volumes, London, 1977
..... *The Caliphate, its Rise, Decline and Fall*, London (Reprint), 1998
Numani, S. *Sirat-al-Nabi*, Volume I (tr. into English by Tayyib Eaksh Badauni), Lahore, 1993
Shaban, M.A. *Islamic History A New Interpretation*, Vol. I, London, 1971
Watt, W.M. *Muhammad, Prophet and Statesman*, London, 1961
..... *Muhammad At Mecca*, Oxford, 1953
..... *Muhammad At Medina*, Oxford, 1956
Wellhausen, J. *The Arab Kingdom and its Fall* (Tr. by Margaret Graham Weir), Beirut, 1963
Zaidan, Jurji. *Umayyads and Abbasids*, (English tr. by D.S. Margoliouth), Gibb Memorial series, IV, New Delhi, 1981
আনসারী, মুসা, *মধ্যযুগের মুসলিম সভ্যতা ও সংস্কৃতি*, ঢাকা: বাংলা একাডেমী, ১৯৯৯
কবির, মফিজুল্লাহ, *আরব জাতির ইতিহাস*, ঢাকা: বাংলা একাডেমী, ১৯৬৪
রহমান, শেখ মুহম্মদ লুৎফর, *ইসলাম : রাষ্ট্র ও সমাজ*, ঢাকা: বাংলা একাডেমী, ১৯৭৭
..... *আরব জাতির ইতিহাস*, ৪র্থ সংস্করণ, ঢাকা: বাংলা একাডেমী, ১৯৭৬
রেজা-ই-করিম, মুহম্মদ, *আরব জাতির ইতিহাস*, ঢাকা : বাংলা একাডেমী, ১৯৮৯
নোমানী, শিবলী, *সীরাতে নবী*, ঢাকা : ইসলামিক ফাউন্ডেশন, ২০০১
আকরম খাঁ, মওলানা, *মোস্তফাচারিত*, তৃতীয় সংস্করণ, কলকাতা, ১৯৩৮

Course Code : History of Muslims (750-1258, The Abbasids and the Regional Dynasties) 100 Marks, 4 Credits, 60 Lectures

Outline:

Sources of history (750-258)– Rise of the Abbasids–al-Saffah–al-Mansur–Mahdi and Hadi–Harunur Rashid–Abbasid foreign policy–Barmakids–al-Amin and al-Mamun–al-Mutasim–al-Wasik–later Abbasids–Rise of the Turks–downfall of the Abbasids: causes and consequences –Society and culture under the Abbasids.

Establishment of regional dynasties–Regional dynasties of the West: Idrishids–Aghlabids: Ibrahim bin Aghlab and the establishment of dynastic rule in Ifriqiya–Ziadatullah and the incidents in Sicily–the later Aghlabids–rise of the Fatimids and end of Aghlabid rule–Tulunids: Ahmad ibn Tulun and his successors–Ikhshidids

Regional dynasties of the East: Tahirids : Tahir bin Hussain and the establishment of a regional dyansty in Khorasan–Abdullah ibn Tahir–the Khalafi branch of the Tahirids–struggle with the Samanids–Saffarids : their origin and role in the rise of nationalism in Persia– Samanids : the rise of Muslim power in Trans-oxiana–Ghaznavids : Sabuktagin, Mahmud and Masud– Buwaihids: separation of power between the Khalifa and the Ameer–Muiz-ud Dawla's reforms military administration–Azd-ud Dawla's economic policy–the later Buwaihids and their downfall– Saljuqs: origin of the dynasty–Tughril Beg and the events in Baghdad–Malik Shah–Nizamul Mulk Tusi: his philosophy of state-craft–decline of the dynasty– Assassins–rise and fall–cultural contribution

Reading List:

In addition to the relevant books listed under course No. 01 the following books must be consulted:

- Ahsanullah, M., *History of the Islamic World*, New Delhi, 1986
Bosworth, AD, *The Islamic Dynasties, a Chronological and Genealogical Survey*, Edinburgh, 1967
Boyle, J.A. (Ed.), *The Cambridge History of Iran*, Volumes, IV and V Cambridge, 1968
Haig, W., *Cambridge Medieval History*, Vol. IV, Cambridge, 1953
Hammer, P., *History of the Assassins*, (English tr. by O. C. Wood), London, 1835
Hasan, M. *History of Islam (Classical Period: 571-1258)*, Vol. I, Delhi, 1992
Kennedy, H., *The Prophet and the Age of the Caliphates*, London and New York, 1986
Le-Strange., *The Lands of the Eastern Caliphate*, Cambridge, 1905
Shaban, M.A., *The Abbasid Revolution*, Cambridge, 1970
Siddiqui, A. H., *Caliphate and Kingship in Medieval Persia*, Lahore, 1942
আরমাজানী, ইয়াহইয়া, *মধ্যপ্রাচ্য অতীত ও বর্তমান* (বাংলা অনুবাদ: মুহম্মদ ইনাম-উল হক), ঢাকা: বাংলা একাডেমী, ১৯৭৮
আশরাফউদ্দিন আহমেদ, *মধ্যযুগের মুসলিম ইতিহাস*, ঢাকা : বাংলা একাডেমী, ১৯৭৯

Course Code : History of Muslims in Spain (710-1492) 100 Marks, 4 Credits, 60 Lectures

Outline:

Review of sources–geographical features of Spain- pre-Muslim situation- Muslim conquest– causes and consequences– Dependent emirate: Abdur Rahman al- Ghafiqi- battle of Tours– Independent emirate: Abdur Rahman I – Hisham I – Hakam I – Abdur Rahman II – neo-Muslims– Christian Zealots– Umar bin Hafsun– Khilafat period (929-1031): Abdur Rahman III – Hakam II– Hajib al-Mansur– Decline & fall of Umayyad dynasty– petty dynasties: Jawharites– Banu Hammud– Banu Ziri– Banu Hud– Banu Dhu al-Nun, Banu Abbad– North African rule: Murabituns, Muahhiduns

Reading List:

- Conde, J.A., *History of the Domination of the Arabs in Spain* (English translation by J. Foster), 3 vols, Barcelona, 1854-56
Dozy, R., *Spanish Islam: A History of the Moslems in Spain*, (English translation by E.G. Stokes), London, 1913
Imamuddin, S.M., *Political History of Muslim Spain*, Dhaka, 1969
....., *Some Aspects of Socio-Economic and Cultural History of Muslim Spain (711-1492)*, Leiden, 1965
Lane-Poole, S., *The Moors in Spain*, London, 1912
Lea, H.C., *The Moriscos of Spain*, New York, 1968
Lewis, B., and P. Charles, *The History of Spain*, Part I, London, 1945
Macabe, J., *The Splendour of Moorish Spain*, London, 1935

Scott, S.P., *History of the Moorish Empire in Europe*, 5 Vols, Philadelphia, 1904
Trend, J.B., *Spain & Portugal in Legacy of Islam*, (Edited by T.W. Arnold), Oxford, 1952
Watt, W.M., *A History of Islamic Spain*, Edinburgh, 1965
ইমামুদ্দিন, এস.এম., *মুসলিম স্পেনের রাজনৈতিক ইতিহাস*, ঢাকা : খান ব্রাদার্স এন্ড কোম্পানি, ১৯৯৮
ডোজি, রেইনহার্ট, *স্পেনের মুসলিম ইতিহাস (অনুবাদ: আব্দুর রাকিব)*, কলকাতা : মল্লিক ব্রাদার্স, ২০০২
রহমান, এইচ.এম. শামসুর, *স্পেনের মুসলমানদের ইতিহাস*, ঢাকা : স্টুডেন্ট ওয়েজ, ১৯৮১

Course Code : History of Muslim rule in Syria, Egypt and North Africa (Fatimids, Ayyubids and Mamluks) 100 Marks, 4 Credits, 60 Lectures

Outline:

Review of Sources – pre-Fatimid period of Egypt and North Africa

Fatimid Khilafat (909-1177): Fatimid propaganda, establishment of Fatimid Khilafat– genealogy of the Fatimids–Ubaidullah al-Madhi, al- Qaim, al- Mansur, al- Muiz: conquest of Egypt and foundation of al-Qahira by Jawhar, al-Aziz–Fatimid power at its height– relation between Fatimids and Ummayyads of Spain – al-Hakim–position of non-Muslims–Dar al-Hikma–later Fatimids–al-Mustansir–Armenian Wazirs–downfall of the Fatimid Khilafat–Fatimids and Saljuks–intellectual life–Socio-economic and cultural contribution of the Fatimids

Ayyubid Sultanate: rise of Salahuddin–Ayyubids and the Crusade

Mamluk dynasty (1250-1517) : origin of the Mamluks–foundation of the dynasty–Shajarud Durr–Baybars I–Qalaun–al-Nasir–Mamluks and crusade– Ottoman conquest of Egypt– Selim I and battle of Marj-i-Dabiq–Trade, commerce and cultural life under the Mamluks.

Reading List:

Sadeque, Fatima., *Baybars I of Egypt*, Dhaka 1958

Holt, P.M., Lambton, A.K.S. and Lewis, B. (Editors), *Cambridge History of Islam*, Vols I & II, London, 1970

Imamuddin, S.M., *Political History of the Muslims in North Africa*, Dhaka, 1969

Ivanow, V., *The Rise of the Fatimids*, Bombay, 1941

Mamour, Prince P.H., *Polemies on the Origins of the Fatimid Caliphs*, London, 1934

Muir, W. *The Mamluke or Slave Dynasty of Egypt*, London, 1996

O’ Leary, De Lacy., *History of the Fatimid Khilafat*, London, 1923

Runkiman, S., *A History of the Crusades*, 3 vols, London, Reprint, 1988

Stevenson, W.B., *The Crusades in the East*, Cambridge, 1907

Encyclopaedia of Islam, New edition, Leiden, 1979

ভূইয়া, গোলাম কিবরিয়া, *উত্তর আফ্রিকা ও মিশরে মুসলিম শাসনের ইতিহাস*, ঢাকা : খান ব্রাদার্স এন্ড কোম্পানি, ২০০৩

Course Code : Introducing Sociology

Marks 100, 4 Credits, 60 Lectures

1. **Definition, Nature & Scope of Sociology**, relationship with other social sciences.
Development of Sociology: Contributions of Auguste Comte, Herbert Spencer, Emile Durkheim, Max Weber

2. **Culture, Beliefs & Values:** Norms, sanctions, symbols, language, subculture, counter-culture, hegemony & resistance
3. **Globalization, Culture and Society:** Globalization and its different dimensions, Cultural globalization, global culture and social change
4. **Urbanization and Social Formation:** Definition of urbanization and urbanism, Process of urbanization in developing societies and social formation, over urbanization, growth of slum & poverty in mega cities
5. **Gender and Society:** Discourse of WID, WAD and GAD, Why gender is important in the discourse of development, Gender inequality & women's subjugation in developing societies.
6. **Environmental Problems, Natural Disasters and Social Crisis:** Climate change and its impact on society, Natural disaster, social crisis and vulnerabilities, Climate change, deforestation and mal-development.
7. **Social Inequality:** Dimensions of social inequality: Class, gender, age, minority group (religious and indigenous), economic vulnerability, Social inequalities in developed & developing countries.
8. **Types of societies:** Marxist view on classifying societies on the basis of type of control over economic resources and Lenski's view on classifying societies by their main means of subsistence.
9. **Deviance & Social Control:** Definition of deviance, theories of deviance. Crime & justice system, agencies of social control
10. **Health, Illness and Society:** Nature & scope of the problem, Urbanizations, acute, chronic & life style diseases, Social, environmental & behavioural factors affecting health, Communicable & behavioural diseases: STD, HIV/AIDS, TB, Hep-B etc

Reference

Giddens Sociology

Tony Bilton et al Introductory Sociology

Course Code : Introduction to Social Work Marks 100, 4 Credits, 60 Lectures

1. Social Work: Meaning, Characteristics, Scope and Importance Relationship of Social Work with other Sciences- Sociology, Economics, Psychology and Political Science.
2. Evolution: Evolution of Social Work in UK, USA, India and Bangladesh.

3. Social Reformers and their Movements in Pre-partition India and Bangladesh: Raja Rammohan Ray, Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar, A.K Fazlul Haque, Sir Syad Ahmed, Begum Rokeya.
4. Social Legislations Related to Social Security, Women Welfare, Child Welfare.
5. Profession and Social Work: Meaning and Characteristics of Profession, Social Work as profession, Philosophical, Religions and Ethical Basis of Social Work.
6. Industrial Revolution: Meaning, Impact on Society, Industrialization, Urbanization, Welfare State.
7. Social Problems and Social Services in Bangladesh.
8. Methods of Social Work: Basic and Auxiliary Methods and their Basic Issues such as Meaning, Elements, Principles and Area of Use. Importance of Social Work Methods in Bangladesh.

Books Recommended:

1. Barker, Robert L. :Social Work Dictionary, 3rd ed. NASW, New York, 1995.
2. Coulshed, Veronica Social Work Practice: An Introduction 2nd ed. London. Macmillan, 1991.
3. Friedlander, Walter A. : Introduction to Social Welfare. Prentice Hall, 2nd ed. New Delhi-1967.
4. Khalid, M. : Welfare State, Karachi, Royal Book, 1968
5. Morales, A. And Shaefor, B. Social Work – A Profession of many faces, 4th ed. Allyn and Bacan, Boston, 1986.

**Course Code : Introduction to Political Theory
Lectures**

Marks 100, 4 Credits, 60

Political Science : Meaning, Nature, Scope, Methods, Relations to other Social Sciences, Importance to Study Political Science.

State : Definition, Elements, State and Government, State and Individual, State and Society, Theories of the origin of the state.

Fundamental concepts : Sovereignty, Law, Liberty, Equality, Rights and Duties, Nation, Nationalism, Internationalism.

Concepts of Political Sociology : Political culture, elite theory, Max Weber and Bureaucracy

Political Thinkers : Plato, Aristotle, St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau.

Books Recommended :

1. R.G. Gettell : *Political Science*
2. J. W. Garner : *Political Science and Government*
3. R. M. MacIver : *The Modern State*
4. G.H. Sabine : *A History of Political Theory*
5. William Ebenstein : *Great Political Thinkers-Plato to the Present*
6. H.G. Laski : *A Grammar of Politics*
7. মুহাম্মদ আয়েশ উদ্দীন : রাষ্ট্রচিন্তা পরিচিতি
8. এমাজউদ্দিন আহমদ : মধ্যযুগের রাষ্ট্রচিন্তা
9. মোঃ দরবেশ আলী খান : প্লেটো ও এরিস্টটলের রাজনৈতিক চিন্তা
10. সরদার ফজলুল করিম : প্লেটোর রিপাবলিক