



Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gorakhpur University

NAAC A++, UGC-Entitled, NIRF #151-200, IIRF #75

MA Sociology

Type

Pg Program

Mode

Distance

Duration

2 Years

Total fees

₹ 24,500

Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gorakhpur University

Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gorakhpur University, founded in 1950, is the first university in Uttar Pradesh to emerge as a leading higher-studies centre after Independence. It has earned an A++ accreditation from NAAC for its relentless pursuit of its motto, “Let the noble thoughts come to us from all directions,” which reflects its openness to diverse perspectives, cultures, and values in its academic and organizational spheres. DDU Gorakhpur University offers Online Programs, ODL Programs, and Work-linked Programs to support diverse learners. The university bears the name of the eminent political philosopher, Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya. It is situated in Gorakhpur, where it draws inspiration from the spiritual, philosophical, patriotic, and philanthropic heritage of Gautam Buddha, Sant Kabir, Guru Gorakshnath, Bismil, Hanuman Prasad Poddar, and the world-famous Gita Press.

Key features

- ◆ Industry-Integrated Curriculum
- ◆ NAAC A+ Accredited University
- ◆ Entrepreneurship & Innovation Cell
- ◆ Digital Learning Management System (LMS)
- ◆ Scholarship Opportunities for Meritorious Students
- ◆ Experienced Faculty from Academia & Industry

MA Sociology

Highlights

- ◆ Learner-friendly delivery with flexibility for those balancing education with professional or personal responsibilities.
- ◆ A curriculum anchored in social theory, family and community, social stratification, and research methods, helping learners understand the subject from multiple angles.
- ◆ Faculty guidance and curated study resources encourage regular learning and clearer concept retention.
- ◆ Builds applied awareness through examples, activities, or projects connected to communities, institutions, identities, and social behaviour.
- ◆ Creates a stronger base for higher studies, professional upskilling, or domain-relevant pathways in social research, development work, public policy, education, and community-facing roles, including areas such as Lecturer / Assistant Professor, Social Researcher, and Policy Analyst, with added focus on learner independence.

Learning outcomes

- ◆ Within MA Sociology from Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gorakhpur University, interpret key ideas in sociology, society, culture, and social change and relate them to communities, institutions, identities, and social behaviour.
- ◆ Solve structured problems involving social analysis, field interpretation, and community-related questions through appropriate concepts and methods.
- ◆ Assess social interpretations using theory, evidence, and sensitivity to context with attention to empathy, critical thinking, and grounded social understanding.
- ◆ Communicate insights through field notes, social research summaries, and analytical essays suited to the discipline.
- ◆ Strengthen academic confidence and practical orientation for pathways in social research, development work, public policy, education, and community-facing roles, including areas such as Lecturer / Assistant Professor, Social Researcher, and Policy Analyst, while strengthening learner independence.

Eligibility Criteria

Candidates must hold at least a bachelor's degree in any discipline.

Curriculum Overview

Semester I (4 subjects)

- ◆ SOC-501N - Foundations of Sociological Thought
- ◆ SOC- 503N - Sociology of Development
- ◆ SOC-502N - Principles and Methods of Data Collection
- ◆ SOC-504N - Perspectives in Indian Sociology

Semester II (5 subjects)

- ◆ SOC-505N - Modern Sociological Thought
- ◆ SOC-508N - Rural Sociology
- ◆ SOC- 506N - Principles and Methods of Data Analysis
- ◆ SOM-509N - Society and Culture in Contemporary India
- ◆ SOC-507N - Development in India



Curriculum Overview (continued)

Semester III (9 subjects)

- ◆ SOC-510N - Modern Sociological Theory
- ◆ SOC-511N - Urban Sociology
- ◆ SOE-512N - Sociology of Environment
- ◆ SOE-513N - Social Demography
- ◆ SOE-514N - Sociology of Marginal Communities
- ◆ SOE-515N - Gender and Society
- ◆ SOE-516 N - Sociology of Religion
- ◆ SOE- 517N - Cultural Studies
- ◆ SOP-518N - Research Project/ Dissertation

Semester IV (9 subjects)

- ◆ SOC-519N - Contemporary Sociological Theory
- ◆ SOC-520N - Sociology of Crime
- ◆ SOE-521N - Industrial Sociology
- ◆ SOE-522 N - Political Sociology
- ◆ SOE-523N - Sociology of Ageing
- ◆ SOE- 524N - Sociology of Mass Communication
- ◆ SOE-525 N - Sociology of Health
- ◆ SOE-526N - Sociology of Social Movements and Social Revolution
- ◆ SOP- 527N - Research Project/ Dissertation/Viva-Voce

Fee Structure

Fee heads	Year 1	Year 2	Total
Registration Fee	₹ 500	—	₹ 500
Exam Fee	₹ 3,000	₹ 3,000	₹ 6,000
Course Fee	₹ 9,000	₹ 9,000	₹ 18,000
Total	₹ 12,500	₹ 12,000	₹ 24,500

Career & Placement highlights



95%

of graduates placed



3x

Average salary hike

Top Career Roles



Machine Learning Engineer



Data Scientist



Systems Architect



Technical Support
Specialist



Entrepreneur



Cybersecurity Analyst