

Master of Arts in African Studies

Syllabus

and

PG Curricular Framework based on NEP 2020

(Effective from Academic Year 2025-26)



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Department of African Studies

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Master of Arts in African Studies

Programme Objectives

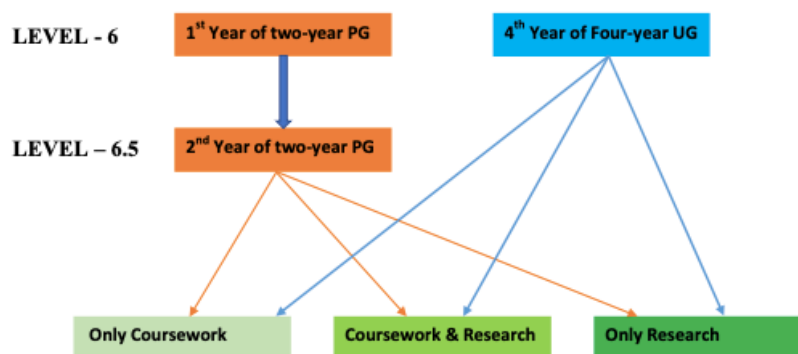
- To create area studies experts in the field of African Affairs
- To obtain a holistic perspective of the area through multidisciplinary social science training
- To promote studies of ideas and experiences of African geography, historicity, polity, economy and society.
- To generate expertise in Diplomacy, Trade and Tourism domains of Africa.

Programme Structure

According to NEP 2020, MA (African Studies) is offered in a two-year programme (four semesters). Currently department of African Studies is offering *Only Coursework* and *Coursework & Research* MA programmes. The two-year MA consists of four semesters (total 88 credits), with each semester carrying 22 credits.

The first two semesters (Year 1) include core and elective papers that lay the foundation in African and international studies. In the second year (Semester III and IV), students may opt for either a coursework-only structure or a coursework & research structure. In the coursework-only structure, students take six papers per semester, similar to the first year. In the coursework-plus-research structure, students complete four taught courses and a compulsory project/field research component carrying six credits in each semester.

Postgraduate Curricular Framework 2024 (based on NEP 2020)



Programme of Study and the corresponding qualification levels

- Third Year UG Programme – Level 5.5
- Fourth Year UG Programme – Level 6

- First year of Two Year PG Programme – Level 6
- Second Year of Two Year PG Programme – Level 6.5
- One year of PG Programme after 4 Year UG – Level 6.5

Programme Outcome

- To generate scholars and teachers on African Studies
- To encourage enlightened interest in building academic linkages between India and Africa
- To create experts on Africa for research projects in think tanks, NGOs, government agencies, international organizations, media houses, etc.

Programme Structure:

1st Year of PG Curricular Structure for 2-Year PG Programme (Level 6)

and

PG 2nd Year

Curricular Structure of the 2nd Year of PG for Two-Year PG Programme (3+2) (Level 6.5)

Credits:

Total credits of the course = Semester I + II + III +IV = 22+22+22+22 = 88 credits

Semester Wise Details of M.A. in African Studies Course

PG 2nd Year

Curricular Structure of the 2nd Year of PG for Two-Year PG Programme (3+2)

Structure 1 (Level 6.5): PG Curricular Structure with only Coursework

Third Semester Course Details

Semester 3		
<i>Courses</i>	<i>Paper (Theory)</i>	<i>Credits</i>
AS-DSC 07	Diaspora and International Relations	4
AS-DSC 08	Research Methods in Social Sciences and Area Studies	4
AS-DSE 05	Swahili Language	4
AS-DSE 06	Africa and Global Affairs	4
AS-DSE 07/ AS-GE 03	Social and Political Thoughts in Africa	4
AS-SBC 03	African Handicrafts and Textiles	2
Total Credits in the third semester		22

Fourth Semester Course Details

Semester 4		
<i>Courses</i>	<i>Paper (Theory)</i>	<i>Credits</i>
AS-DSC 09	Study of African Heritage	4
AS-DSC 10	Study of African Development	4
AS-DSE 08	India Africa Relations	4
AS-DSE 09	African Resource Diplomacy	4
AS-DSE 10/ AS-GE 04	Africa Through Cinema and Literature	4

AS-SBC 04	Business Consultancy in Africa	2
Total Credits in the fourth semester		22

Or

Structure 2, (Level 6.5): PG Curricular Structure with Coursework + Research

Third Semester Course Details

Semester 3		
<i>Courses</i>	<i>Paper (Theory)</i>	<i>Credits</i>
AS-DSC 07	Diaspora and International Relations	4
AS-DSC 08	Research Methods in Social Sciences and Area Studies	4
AS-DSE 05	Swahili Language	4
AS-DSE 06	Africa and Global Affairs	4
	Project/ Field Research (Compulsory)	6
Total Credits in third semester		22

Fourth Semester Course Details

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<i>Courses</i>	<i>Paper (Theory)</i>	<i>Credits</i>
AS-DSC 09	Study of African Heritage	4
AS-DSC 10	Study of African Development	4
AS-DSE 08	India Africa Relations	4
AS-DSE 09	African Resource Diplomacy	4
	Project/ Field Research (Compulsory)	6
Total Credits in fourth semester		22

Courses offered in M.A. by Department of African Studies, University of Delhi, India.

List of DSC Courses (4 credits each)

- AS-DSC 01 Introduction to African Geography
- AS-DSC 02 Overview of African History
- AS-DSC 03 State and Society in Africa
- AS-DSC 04 Theories and Approaches to International Relations
- AS-DSC 05 Thinkers in International Relations
- AS-DSC 06 Foreign Policy, Diplomacy and Development
- AS-DSC 07 Diaspora and International Relations
- AS-DSC 08 Research Methods in Social Sciences and Area Studies
- AS-DSC 09 Study of African Heritage
- AS-DSC 10 Study of African Development

List of DSE Courses (4 credits each)

- AS-DSE 01 Political Economy of Africa
- AS-DSE 02 Introduction to African Studies
- AS-DSE 03 Comparative Government and Politics
- AS-DSE 04 Decoloniality and Africa
- AS-DSE 05 Swahili Language
- AS-DSE 06 Africa in Global Affairs
- AS-DSE 07 Social and Political Thoughts in Africa
- AS-DSE 08 India-Africa Relations
- AS-DSE 09 African Resource Diplomacy
- AS-DSE 10 Africa through Cinema and Literature

List of GE Courses (4 credits each)

AS-GE 01 Introduction to African Studies

AS-GE 02 Decoloniality and Africa

AS-GE 03 Social and Political Thoughts in Africa

AS-GE 04 Africa through Cinema and Literature

List of SBC (Skill Based courses) (2 credits each)

AS-SBC 01 Travel and Tourism in Africa

AS-SBC 02 Food Nutrition and Technology in Africa

AS-SBC 03 African Handicrafts and Textiles

AS-SBC 04 Business Consultancy in Africa

Teaching:

The faculty of the Department shall be primarily responsible for organizing lecture work for the M.A. African Studies programme. The instructions related to tutorials shall be provided by the Department. There shall be 90 instructional days, excluding examination in a semester.

Eligibility for Admission:

Refer to the Bulletin of Information as published by the University of Delhi.

Reservations/ Concessions:

The reservation policy related to admissions will be followed as per the applicable law. Refer to the Bulletin of Information as published by the University of Delhi.

Reservation of Seats for Schedule Caste (SC)/ Tribe (ST) Applicants

22½ % of the total numbers of seats is reserved for applicants belonging to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (15% for Scheduled Caste and 7½% for Scheduled Tribes, interchangeable, if necessary). For detailed information candidates may refer to the Bulletin of Information of the University.

Reservation of Seats for Other Backward Classes (Non-Creamy layer, Central List)

27% seats will be reserved for the applicants belonging to Other Backward Classes (OBC) (non-creamy layer, central list). For detailed information candidates may refer to the Bulletin of Information of the University.

Reservation of Seats for Economically Weaker Section (EWS)

The department has increased the intake of the students as per the rules of the University and required changes in all other categories of reservation has been made accordingly. For detailed information candidates may refer to the Bulletin of Information of the University.

Supernumerary seats**Reservation of Seats for Persons with Disabilities (PwD)**

As per the provisions of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2017, not less than five percent (5%) seats are reserved for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities, where “Person with benchmark disability” means a person with not less than forty percent (40%) of a specified disability where specified disability has not been defined in measurable terms and includes a person with disability where specified disability has been defined in measurable terms, as certified by the certifying authority. It may be noted that the erstwhile Persons with Disability Act, 1995, under which reservation for Persons with Disabilities in admissions was provided earlier has now been repealed. The PwD applicants shall be given a relaxation in the minimum eligibility in the qualifying examination and in the minimum eligibility (if any) in the admission

entrance test to the extent of 5%. For detailed information candidates may refer to the Bulletin of Information of the University.

Sports Quota:

The admission to the Sports Quota (Supernumerary) will be only based on Entrance Examination and shall be finalized by the concerned Department i.e. Marks obtained in Merit/ Participation Sports Certificate and Sports Trials be added to the Marks obtained in Entrance Examination of the concerned Department. The Department shall then prepare a Merit List for admission based on Sports and make admissions accordingly. The intake of candidates seeking admission under sports quota would be five percent of the total intake. Candidates seeking admission under this category are advised to follow the procedure/ guidelines/ rules laid down in the bulletin of information of the University.

Registration /Admission of Foreign Nationals:

The foreign nationals seeking admission in the Department shall have to get themselves registered with the Foreign Students Registry (FSR) in compliance with the schedule notified by the FSR. No Foreign students will be admitted directly by the Department/Colleges. The intake of foreign nationals would be three percent of the total intake. The website link is: <http://fsr.du.ac.in>

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DSC, DSE and GE

Diaspora and International Relations

Course Code: AS-DSC 07

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Diaspora and International Relations	4	3	1	0	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Description:

The paper aims at introducing students to the concepts of diaspora. It is designed to understand diaspora through multidisciplinary perspective. It will provide a broader overview and insight into the various issues and aspects of major diaspora of the world. The paper will further look into the diasporic linkages between India and Africa.

Learning Outcomes:

- Develop a critical understanding of diaspora as a dynamic and contested concept across disciplines including history, sociology, and international relations.
- Analyze the strategic role of diasporic communities in shaping state policies, transnational networks, and global power relations.
- Examine major global diasporas to understand patterns of migration, identity formation, political engagement, and economic influence.
- Explore historical and contemporary India-Africa diasporic linkages to assess their impact on diplomacy, cultural exchange, and South-South cooperation.

Course Description:

Unit 1: Conceptualising Diaspora and Migration (9 hours)

Unit 2: Diaspora Engagement: Issues and Challenges (8 hours)

Unit 3: Major Global Diaspora (12 hours)

Unit 4: India-Africa Diasporic Linkages (8 hours)

Unit 5: Global African Diaspora (8 hours)

Tutorial activities: to be added by the department to enhance the hands-on learning of the syllabus prescribed above.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

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Research Methods in Social Sciences and Area Studies

Course Code: AS-DSC 08

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Research Methods in Social Sciences and Area Studies	4	3	1	0	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Objectives:

1. To understand the nature of Social Science Research with a focus on Area/African Studies
2. To acquire knowledge of various approaches of research in Social Sciences/African Studies
3. To understand various methods and techniques of research in Social Sciences/African Studies
4. To develop skill for undertaking ethical research and ethical research practices
5. To be able to use statistics and different software packages like SPSS, STATA, NVivo.

Learning Outcomes:

After the completion of course, the students will be able

1. To understand comprehensively the meaning of research, types of research, various research designs and different tools of research used in Social Sciences/African Studies
2. To identify research problems, develop tools and techniques for data collection and data analysis including statistical techniques.
3. To develop critical thinking to critically evaluate available literature
4. To foster ethical research practices in conducting of research and delivering of research finding
5. To develop sound research temperament and will be able to write dissertation/thesis/research report.

Course Structure:

Unit 1: Nature, Sources and Problems of Social Science & Area Studies Research (13 hours)

Unit 2: Research Approaches & Research Design (13 hours)

Unit 3: Ethics in Research (6 hours)

Unit 4: Data Collection methods, Analysis and presentation (13 hours)

Tutorial activities: to be added by the department to enhance the hands-on learning of the syllabus prescribed above.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

Reading List:

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Study of African Heritage

Course Code: AS-DSC 09

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Study of African Heritage	4	3	1	0	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Overview:

The paper aims at introducing students to heritage of Africa. It is designed to inform them about African heritage structures, museums, oral traditions and literary sources in Africa.

Course Objectives:

- To understand African heritage through interdisciplinary approach gaining insights from sociology, social anthropology, anthropology, history and political science.
- To gain knowledge of different sources of African heritage
- To familiarize with the classification of African heritage
- To promote critical thinking related to the importance of museums, their conservation and their role as social institutions
- To critically analyze the role of oral traditions and literary sources in the economic, social and political life of Africans

Learning Outcomes:

Students will be able to

1. Develop understanding of the definition and classification of African heritage from interdisciplinary approach
2. Develop critical thinking related to history, diversity of African cultures and cultural practices of African societies
3. Evaluate the role and importance of museums in Africa and the conservation of museums
4. Foster Africa's deepening role in global issues at global platforms
5. Develop understanding the role of oral traditions and literary sources in the economic, social and political life of Africans
6. Assess the characteristic features of African architecture, construction material and settlement patterns
7. Critically analyze the role of museums as social institutions

Course Structure:

Unit 1: African Heritage: An Overview (11 hours)

Unit 2: Museums as Social Institutions (11 hours)

Unit 3: Heritage Structures and Archaeological Sites (12 hours)

Unit 4: Oral Traditions and Literary Sources (11 hours)

Tutorial activities: to be added by the department to enhance the hands-on learning of the syllabus prescribed above.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

Reading List:

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Study of African Development

Course Code: AS-DSC 10

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Study of African Development	4	3	1	0	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Objectives:

This paper aims at introducing students to issues of development in Africa. It is designed to provide an historical insight to African state of development. This paper will also look at development cases in sub-regions of Africa.

Learning Outcome:

After completion, the students will be informed with issues of development in Africa. They will become familiar with an historical insight to African state of development. They will be exposed to development cases in sub-regions of Africa.

Course Description

Unit 1: Colonial Legacy, Underdevelopment, Dependency (11 hours)

Unit 2: Development Planning and Strategies in Post-Independence Period (11 hours)

Unit 3: Regional Institutions and Groupings (11 hours)

Unit 4: Case Studies: Egypt, South Africa, Kenya, Nigeria, DRC (12 hours)

Tutorial activities: to be added by the department to enhance the hands-on learning of the syllabus prescribed above.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

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Swahili Language

Course Code: AS-DSE 05

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Swahili Language	4	3	1	0	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Overview:

Swahili language is extensively spoken in the East African countries that include Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo and South Sudan. The course provides spoken, written and conversational practice of the Swahili language through lectures, videos, power point presentations and practice exercises.

Objectives:

The intensive course is designed to develop ability to:

- Broadly understand Swahili culture
- Understand and speak basic Swahili Language
- Read and write in Swahili Language
- Acquire knowledge of Pronunciation system of Swahili Language

Learning Outcomes:

To be able to

- Initiate a conversation
- Exchange greetings
- Introduce themselves
- Ask questions and answer in Swahili Language
- Increase communication and comprehension skills in Swahili Language

Course Structure:

1. Origin and evolution of Swahili Language (5 hours)
 - i. Basic understanding of the culture and society of East African countries
2. Basic grammar 1: (17 hours)
 - i. Classification of Noun, verbs, primary tenses, adjectives.
 - ii. Verb moods; consecutive and simultaneous tenses

- iii. Demonstratives
- iv. Possessive pronouns
- v. Counting
- vi. Reckoning of time, days of the week
- 3. Basic Grammar 2: (17 hours)
 - i. Conditional tenses
 - ii. Interrogatives
 - iii. Compound tenses
 - iv. Relative particles
 - v. Verb derivatives
 - vi. Conjunctions
 - vii. Negative sentences
- 4. Swahili Greetings, Self-introduction, conversation (6 hours)

Mode of instructions:

- Lectures
- You Tube videos
- Power Point Presentations
- Core material and practice exercises to be provided by the teacher
- Flip learning method

Tutorial activities: to be added by the department to enhance the hands-on learning of the syllabus prescribed above.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

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Africa in Global Affairs

Course Code: AS-DSE 06

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Africa in Global Affairs	4	3	1	0	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Objectives

This paper aims at introducing students to Africa's engagements with traditional and emerging powers in historical and contemporary context. It is designed to inform about Africa's interface with global institutions. This paper will look at relations between Africa and India.

Learning Outcome

After completion, the students will be able to achieve a comprehensive understanding of Africa's engagements with traditional and emerging powers. It will help them analyse the historical basis and the contemporary priority of such engagements. They will be able to comprehend Africa's interface with global institutions in a holistic perspective.

Course Description

Unit 1: Africa and the Global North (12 hours)

Unit 2: Africa and the Global South (12 hours)

Unit 3: Africa and Global Institutions (12 hours)

Unit 4: Africa and India (9 hours)

Tutorial activities: to be added by the department to enhance the hands-on learning of the syllabus prescribed above.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

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Social and Political Thoughts in Africa

Course Code: AS-DSE 07/ AS-GE 03

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Social and Political Thoughts in Africa	4	3	1	0	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Objectives:

The paper aims at introducing students to Afrocentric ideas in an actionable perspective. It is designed to inform about African thoughts on social reality. The paper will also look at thoughts in Africa through political prism.

Learning Outcomes:

1. To familiarise them with the emerging Afrocentric approach to study Africa and African issues.
2. To generate ability in student to recognize and understand different approaches to study Africa.

Course Description:

Unit 1: Afrocentric Paradigm: An Introduction (12 hours)

Unit 2: Pan Africanism and Negritude (11 hours)

Unit 3: African Liberalism and Ubuntu (11 hours)

Unit 4: African Socialism and Ujamma (11 hours)

Tutorial activities: to be added by the department to enhance the hands-on learning of the syllabus prescribed above.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

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India-Africa Relations

Course Code: AS-DSE 08

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
India-Africa Relations	4	3	1	0	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Description:

The paper aims at introducing students to continuity and changes in relationship between India and Africa. It is designed to inform political and economic relations in a holistic perspective. The paper will look at security relations and cultural linkages between two regions.

Learning Outcomes:

1. Develop a comprehensive understanding of the historical, political, and economic contours shaping India-Africa relations across different periods.
2. Knowing about global transformations, such as decolonization, the Cold War, neoliberalism, and multipolarity that have influenced India-Africa engagements.
3. Analyze the role of India-Africa relations within the frameworks of South-South cooperation, development diplomacy, and strategic partnerships.
4. Continuities and challenges in India's approach toward Africa

Course Description:

Unit 1: India-Africa Relations: A historical Insight (12 hours)

Unit 2: India-Africa Relations under Globalisation (11 hours)

Unit 3: India-Africa Security Relations (11 hours)

Unit 4: India-Africa Cultural Linkages (11 hours)

Tutorial activities: to be added by the department to enhance the hands-on learning of the syllabus prescribed above.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

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African Resource Diplomacy

Course Code: AS-DSE 09

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
African Resource Diplomacy	4	3	1	0	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Objective:

This paper aims at introducing students to resource diplomacy in Africa. It is designed to inform about transformation trajectory of resource negotiation in Africa. This paper will undertake sectoral analysis of African resources.

Learning Outcome:

After completion, the students will be informed with resource diplomacy in Africa. They will become familiar with transformation trajectory of resource negotiation in Africa. They will be exposed to sectoral analysis of African resources.

Course Description

Unit 1: Colonial Scramble for Resources in Africa (11 hours)

Unit 2: Resource Exchange under Post Colonial Period (11 hours)

Unit 3: Resource Negotiation under Globalisation (10 hours)

Unit 4: Sectoral Analysis: Land, Water, Agricultural Commodity, Sub-Soil/Energy/Marine Resources (12 hours)

Tutorial activities: to be added by the department to enhance the hands-on learning of the syllabus prescribed above.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

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Africa through Cinema and Literature

Course Code: AS-DSE 10/AS-GE 04

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Africa through Cinema and Literature	4	3	1	0	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Description:

This course explores the representation and self-representation of Africa through cinema and literature as key forms of intellectual production. The course examines how literary and cinematic narratives have shaped perceptions of Africa, both globally and from within the continent. The course treats cinema and literature not simply as cultural forms, but as sites of resistance, memory, political critique, and knowledge-making in Africa.

Learning Outcomes:

1. To examine how Africa has been portrayed in global literary and cinematic discourses.
2. To analyse African literature and cinema as decolonial intellectual interventions.
3. To understand how race, gender, class, and power shape cultural representations.
4. To explore the intellectual and political functions of storytelling and filmmaking in African contexts.

Course Structure:

Unit 1: Historical Foundations and Debates (10 hours)

- Africa in the Western imagination
- Invention of race, power, and spectacle: Ethnographic and missionary films
- The critique of colonial discourse by African thinkers and writers

Unit 2: Postcolonial Literary Interventions (12 hours)

- African literature as counter-narrative, rewriting history and recovering voice
- Language, memory, and identity in literature

Unit 3: African Cinema and Visual Narratives (13 hours)

- Cinema as decolonial pedagogy
- Cinema as orality, memory, and archive
- Aesthetics and politics of African film traditions

Unit 4: Gender, Identity, and Representation (10 hours)

- Gendered narratives in African literature and film
- African feminist voices and aesthetic strategies
- Rewriting womanhood, sexuality, and patriarchy
- Representation, silences, and resistance

Tutorial activities: to be added by the department to enhance the hands-on learning of the syllabus prescribed above.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

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Skill Based Course

African Handicrafts and Textiles

Course Code: AS-SBC 03

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
African Handicrafts and Textiles	2	1	0	1	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Overview:

The African handicraft and textiles course is intended to explore different aspects of African art and African textiles. It focusses on artworks and artmaking of various craft traditions in order to understand its historical evolution, cultural significance and day-to-day importance. The course will explore handicraft traditions and textiles varieties. Various techniques and materials involved in different handicrafts and textiles will be explored. Students will get knowledge of few well-known traditions of African handicrafts and African textiles.

Course Objectives:

1. To explore the evolution of different African handicrafts and African textiles
2. To understand the development of contemporary African handicrafts and African textiles
3. To gain knowledge of basic elements of African handicrafts and African textiles
4. To understand the techniques, materials used different traditions of different handicrafts and African textiles
5. To analyze the role of handicraft in the local economy and tourism.

Course Structure:

- Unit 1: African handicrafts (Types of handicrafts, such as Pottery, Basket Weaving, Bead work, Metalwork, cultural significance and philosophical underpinnings, and the Different traditions such as Specific techniques, Materials used and sustainability, regional variations, international Influences, local economy and tourism) (8 hours)
- Unit 2: African textiles (Types of African textiles, History, production methods, patterns and weaves, Cultural and spiritual significance, symbolic meaning and philosophical underpinnings and the Different traditions such as Specific techniques, Materials used and sustainability, regional variations, international Influences, local economy and tourism) (7 hours)
- Practical/ Project (30 hours)

Mode of instructions:

- Lectures
- You Tube videos
- Power Point Presentations
- Core material and practice exercises to be provided by the teacher
- Flip learning method

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

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Business Consultancy in Africa

Course Code: AS-SBC 04

Teaching Hours: 45 Hours

Course title	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-Requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Business Consultancy in Africa	2	1	0	1	Graduation Degree	NIL

Course Description:

Business consultancy in Africa is a rapidly expanding sector that provides specialized guidance and professional expertise to enterprises seeking to navigate the continent's diverse and evolving markets. As African economies grow, accompanied by a rising middle class and increasing levels of foreign investment, the demand for consultancy services has significantly increased. These services support businesses in addressing regulatory challenges, formulating effective market entry strategies, and enhancing operational efficiency. Consultants play a pivotal role by offering support in strategic planning, risk management, financial analysis, and market expansion, enabling firms to seize emerging opportunities and foster sustainable development. This industry is particularly vital as Africa's commercial environment continues to transform, driven by technological innovation, infrastructure development, and regional trade agreements.

Course Objective:

1. This course examines the role of business consultancy in promoting economic and social development across Africa.
2. It examines how consultants support businesses, governments, and international organizations in addressing development challenges, promoting entrepreneurship, and enhancing governance.
3. The course also examines the impact of consultancy on sectors crucial to African development, including infrastructure, agriculture, healthcare, and finance.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the course, students will: Understand the relationship between business consultancy and African development; Learn consultancy frameworks for addressing development challenges; Analyze the role of consultants in entrepreneurship, public policy, and economic transformation; Assess consultancy strategies in key development sectors; Develop skills to design and implement effective consultancy projects that promote sustainable development.

Course Structure:

- Unit 1: Introduction to Business Consultancy and African Development, its Models and Theories (8 hours)
- Unit 2: Consulting for SMEs and African Development (7 hours)
- Practical/ Project (30 hours)

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

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