

ANNAMALAI  UNIVERSITY

Directorate of Distance Education

017 – M.A. Sociology

First Semester

Academic Year : 2021 – 2022

Assignment Topics

This booklet contains assignment topics for the first semester. Students have to write and submit assignments for **FOUR** papers as per the instructions given below:

1. Assignments should be in the own handwritten of the student concerned and not type-written or printed or photocopied.
2. Assignments should be written on A4 Paper on one side only.
3. All assignments (with enrolment number marked on the top right hand corner on all pages) should be put in an envelop with superscription “**M.A. Sociology Assignments**” and send to **The Director, Directorate of Distance Education**, Annamalai University, Annamalai Nagar – 608 002 by **Registered Post**.
4. No notice will be taken on assignments which are not properly filled in with enrolment number and the title of the papers.
5. Students should send full set of assignments for all papers partial assignments will not be considered.

Assignment Instructions

Write assignments on **FIVE** questions in each paper. For each question the answer should not exceed 4-pages. Each assignment carries 25 marks (5 questions x 5 marks = 25). You are expected to write **FIVE questions for every subject**.

Dates to Remember

Last Date for submission : **15.12.2021**

Last Date for submission with late fee ₹ 300/- : **31.12.2021**

Assignments sent after **31.12.2021** will not be evaluated

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017E1110 - Advanced Sociology Principles

1. Define sociology and discuss its relations to other social sciences.
2. Bring out the importance of heredity and environmental on personality.
3. Discuss the sociological importance of ethnocentrism with examples.
4. Examine the importance of dissociative processes.
5. Analyse various forms of social control with examples.

017E1120 - Sociological Theories

1. Analyse August Comte's Law of three stages.
2. Bring out the views of Karl Marx on 'Alienation'.
3. Examine Max Weber's views on Bureaucracy.
4. Explain Vilfredo Pareto's theory of circulation of elites.
5. Describe Lewis A Coser's conflict theory.

017E1130 - Research Methods and Statistics

1. Explain the basic elements of scientific method.
2. Differentiate social research from social survey.
3. Give a brief account of the tools of data collection.
4. Explain different types of diagrammatic representation.
5. Describe the advantages of central tendency.

017E1140 - Indian Social Institutions

1. "Hinduism is a Way of Life" – Explain.
2. Discuss the various types of Hindu Marriages.
3. Describe the status of women in India during the medieval period.
4. Discuss the role of Brahma Samaj in social reform.
5. Evaluate the impact of various social legislations on social institutions.