

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

SYLLABUS FOR FOUR YEAR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM (FYUGP) IN

HISTORY

(Three Discipline Specific Multidisciplinary Course (DSC)/ Minor)

(as per NEP 2020)

(Approved by the BoS dated and 5th August, 2024)

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Course Objectives

- The objective of this course is to impart knowledge about history and to equip the learners with the tools and techniques of writing history.
- The course aimed to cultivate the scientific temper and objective method in writing and constructing history.

Learning Outcomes

After completion of this course, a student is expected to:

- Acquire the knowledge of writing history on the basis of interpretation of facts.

Course Structure for All Semesters

FYUGP IN HISTORY

1st Year

SE M	PAPE R	Paper Code	Pape r Level s	Paper Name	Credit s	FULL Mark s	MARK S IN THEO	MARK S IN PRAC	Tutori al
I	DSC	HISTDSC 101	100	History of India from Earliest Times Up To 300 CE	4	80	60		20
I	DSC								
I	MIN	HISTMIN101	100	History of India from Earliest Times Up To 300 CE	4	80	60		20
I	VAC	ENVEVAC00 1	100	ENVIRONMENT AL EDUCATION	4	80	60		20
I	SEC	SEC	100		3	60	40	20	
II	DSC	HISTDSC20 2	100	History of India from 300 C.E - 1206 C.E	4	80	60		20
II	DSC								
II	MIN	HISTMIN202	100	History of India from 300 C.E - 1206 C.E.	4	80	60		20
II	AEC		100		4	80	60		20
II	IDC		100		3	60	40		20
II	SEC	POOBSEC2 23	100	Studying the Architecture and Artefacts of North Bengal	3	60	40	20	

2nd Year

SE M	PAPE R	Paper Code	Paper Level s	Paper Name	Credit s	FULL Mark s	MARK S IN THEO	MARK S IN PRAC	Tutoria l
III	DSC	HISTDSC303	200	HISTORY OF INDIA FROM 1206 CE - 1526 CE	4	80	60		20
III	DSC		200		4	80	60		20
III	MIN	HISTMIN303	200	HISTORY OF INDIA FROM 1206 CE - 1526 CE	4	80	60		20
III	AEC		200		4	80	60		20
III	IDC		200		4	60	40		20
III	SEC	SEC	200		3	60	40	20	
IV	DSC	HISTDSC404	200	HISTORY OF INDIA 1526 CE – 1707 CE	4	80	60		20
IV	DSC		200		4	80	60		20
IV	MIN	HISTMIN404	200	HISTORY OF INDIA 1526 CE – 1707 CE.	4	80	60		20
IV	VAC	UNDIVAC002	200	Understanding India	4	80	60		20
IV	IDC		200		4	60	40		20

3rd Year

SEM	PAPER	Paper Code	Paper Levels	Paper Name	Credits	FULL Marks	MARKS IN THEO	MARKS IN PRAC	Tutorial
V	DSC	HISTDSC505	300	HISTORY OF INDIA 1707 CE – 1857 CE	4	80	60		20
V	DSC	HISTDSC506	300	Rise of Modern West (1453 C.E. to 1780 C.E.)	4	80	60		20
V	DSC		300						
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V	MIN	HISTMIN505	300	HISTORY OF INDIA 1707 CE – 1857 CE	4	80	60		20
VI	DSC	HISTDSC607	300	HISTORY OF INDIA (c. 1857 - 1950)	4	80	60		20
VI	DSC	HISTDSC608	300	History of Modern Europe (1780 - 1945)	4	80	60		20
VI	DSC		300						
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VI	MIN	HISTMIN606	300	HISTORY OF INDIA (c. 1857 - 1950)	4	80	60		20

4th Year

Under-Graduate Honours Degree (Without Research)

SE M	PAPE R	Paper Code	Paper Level s	Paper Name	Credit s	FULL Mark s	MARK S IN THEO	MARK S IN PRAC	Tutoria l
VII	DSC	HISTDSC709	400	Historiography and Research Methodology	4	80	60		20
VII	DSC	HISTDSC710	400	History of India XI: India after Independence up to 1991	4	80	60		20
VII	DSC								
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VII	MIN	HISTMIN707	400	Rise of Modern West (1453 C.E. to 1780 C.E.)	4	80	60		20
VIII	DSC	HISTDSC811	400	Themes in Indian History I	4	80	60		20
VIII	DSC	HISTDSC812	400	Themes in Indian History II	4	80	60		20
VIII	DSC								
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VIII	MIN	HISTMIN808	400	History of Modern Europe (1780 - 1945)	4	80	60		20

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VII	DSC	HISTDSC710	400	History of India XI: India after Independenc e up to 1991	4	80	60		20
VII				Research Project/ Dissertation	12				
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VIII	MIN	HISTMIN808	400	History of Modern Europe (1780 - 1945)	4	80	60		20
VIII	DSC	HISTDSC811	400	Themes in Indian History I	4	80	60		20
VIII	DSC	HISTDSC812	400	Themes in Indian History II	4	80	60		20

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