

MAAN

**Master's in Anthropology
First Year Courses (Compulsory)**

**Assignments
July 2019 and January 2020 sessions**

First Year

MANI 001: Anthropology and Methods of Research

MANI 002: Physical Anthropology

MAN 001 :Social Anthropology

MAN 002: Archaeological Anthropology



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Dear Student

You must have gone through the Programme Guide for the Master's in Anthropology (MAAN) and noted that assignment for each course is compulsory. Each assignment has been prepared covering the entire course.

It will benefit you to write the answers in your own words as it gives more clarity. Another point which you should remember while answering is the word limit, it should be maintained. There are different types of questions in the assignment, long answers (20 marks) and short answers (10 marks). The questions have been designed so that you are able to answer methodically and comprehensibly. It is advisable to consult your Academic Counselors in the Study Centres before starting these assignments to clear any doubt or even if you wish to discuss your answers.

The Assignments are required to be submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre. Always keep the photocopy of the assignment submitted. Take an acknowledgement receipt for the assignment submitted and retain it.

The assignments would be returned back to you after evaluation. The Study Centre sends the marks to Students Evaluation Division at IGNOU and these marks would be entered to your grade card.

Guidelines for doing Assignments

It is worth keeping in mind the following points while attempting the Assignments:

Planning: Go through the assignments very carefully. Read the units on which they are based. Note important points regarding each question and then rearrange it in a logical order.

Organization: Be cautious, selective and analytical before drawing up a rough outline of your answer. In long answers, give adequate consideration to the introduction and conclusion. Introduction should have a brief understanding of the question and then how you intend to develop it. The conclusion should summarize the answer to your question. The answers should be sound, clear, within word limit and express your understanding of the subject.

Presentation: Once you are satisfied with your answer, you can write down the final version for submission; write each answer neatly and highlight/ underline the points you wish to emphasize.

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Submission of Assignment

Before you take your Term End Examinations, it is compulsory to submit the assignment on the schedule mentioned. It is therefore advisable to follow the rules. A total of four assignments are required to be submitted in the first year. Attempt one assignment at a time. Plan in such a way that you complete the assignment of the course you have read. Submit the assignment at your study centre and get back the assignment with marks and comments of the Counselor, it will give idea of the preparation of that particular course. There is enough time, just plan to complete all the assignment on time. Proper planning and judicious execution is required to complete the work before last date.

Last Date of Submission of Assignment

For students admitted in July 2019 Batch March 31, 2020

For students admitted in January 2020 Batch September 30, 2020

The Assignment should be submitted to

The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you

MANI – 001: ANTHROPOLOGY AND METHODS OF RESEARCH

Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

Course Code: MANI-001

Assignment Code: MANI-001/AST/TMA/2019-20

Total Marks: 100

Note: There are two sections ‘A’ and ‘B’. Attempt five questions and at least two questions from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks is 500 words and for 10 marks is 250 words.

SECTION A

1. Describe the meaning and scope of anthropology. Briefly discuss about comparative anthropology. 20
2. What do you understand by fieldwork? Discuss fieldwork tradition in Anthropology. 20
3. Briefly discuss the current fields of Archaeological Anthropology. 20
4. Define and distinguish between genealogy and pedigree. 20
5. Write short notes: 10+10
 - a. Survey of the literature
 - b. Theory

SECTION B

6. Describe anthropometry and its application in detail. 20
7. What is interview? Discuss about types of interviews. 20
8. Distinguish between technique, method and methodology. 20
9. What is research design? Discuss how is research problem formulated and designed. 20
10. Write short notes: 10+10
 - a. Ethnography
 - b. Anatomical Method

MANI – 002 : PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

Course Code: MANI 002

Assignment Code: MANI 002/AST/TMA/2019-20

Total Marks: 100

Note: There are two sections ‘A’ and ‘B’. Attempt any five questions, at least two from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and that of 10 marks is 250 words.

SECTION A

1. What is Physical Anthropology? Briefly discuss its aims and scope. 20
2. What sort of behaviours do we see in primates? 20
3. Discuss in brief the basis of Racial Classification. 20
4. Discuss the nutritional factors affecting growth. 20
5. Write short notes on any two of the following: 10+10
 - a) Mechanisms of Heat Loss
 - b) Karyotype Analysis
 - c) UNESCO Statement on Race

SECTION B

6. Describe the role of malnutrition in relation to ecological conditions. 20
7. Discuss the Principles of Palaeoanthropology. 20
8. Briefly discuss the applied dimensions of physical anthropology. 20
9. Discuss in brief different methods of Human Genetic Study. 20
10. Distinguish between any two of the following: 10+10
 - a) Prenatal growth and Postnatal growth
 - b) Infectious and Non-infectious diseases
 - c) Lamarckism and Darwinism

MAN – 001 : SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

Course Code: MAN 001

Assignment Code: MAN 001/AST/TMA/2019-20

Total Marks: 100

Note: There are two sections ‘A’ and ‘B’. Attempt five questions and at least two questions from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks is 500 words and for 10 marks is 250 words.

SECTION A

1. Discuss Montesquieu’s and Comte’s theoretical contribution to the study of society. Outline the scope of social anthropology. 10+10
2. ‘Culture is the man-made part of the environment.’ 20
Critically Discuss the relationship between society, culture and environment.
3. Discuss the impact of personality on culture. Examine Ruth Benedict’s contribution to the culture personality school of thought. 20
4. Discuss neo-functionalism. 20
5. Write short notes: 10+10
 - a) Diffusionism
 - b) Identity in a networked society

SECTION B

6. Outline the main approaches to the study of religion. 10+10
Describe any one of them in detail.
7. Discuss Morgan’s kinship system. 20
8. Define the concepts of state and statelessness with suitable examples. 20
9. What is shifting cultivation? Discuss its merits and demerits. 10+10
10. Write short notes: 10+10
 - a) Genealogy
 - b) Rites de Passage

MAN – 002 : ARCHAEOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

Course Code: MAN 002

Assignment Code: MAN 002/AST/TMA/2019-20

Total Marks: 100

Note: Attempt any five questions. Choose at least two questions from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks is 500 words and for 10 marks is 250 words.

SECTION A

1. What is Archaeological Anthropology? Briefly examine its main divisions. 20
2. Discuss the tool types and techniques of Palaeolithic culture. 20
3. What is Absolute dating method? Discuss briefly any two methods of Absolute dating. 20
4. What is Chalcolithic culture? Examine briefly any two cultures of Chalcolithic culture. 20
5. Write short note on any two of the following. 10+10
 - a) Relationship of geology with archaeological anthropology
 - b) Stratigraphy
 - c) Levallois technique
 - d) Moraines

SECTION B

6. What is Neolithic revolution? Discuss. 20
7. Discuss various characteristic features of civilization with respect to Harappan culture. 20
8. Describe the Pleistocene epoch in India. 20
9. What do understand by Public Archaeology? Examine the role of public archaeology in heritage management. 20
10. Write short note on any two of the following. 10+10
 - a) Museum
 - b) Megaliths
 - c) Home art
 - d) Applied Archaeology