

SYLLABI AND SCHEME OF EXAMINATIONS FOR MULTIDISCIPLINARY COURSES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT OF LAW

(Based on Curriculum and Credit Framework and formative assessment guidelines for UG Programs under NEP 2020)



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To be applicable on the students w.e.f. session 2024-25 (3rd Semester onwards) and on the students w.e.f. session 2025-26 (1st semester onwards)

Name of the Department- Law
Name of the Multidisciplinary Course- CONSTITUTION
Offered in semester – 1st semester

Course Code	23LAWX01MD01	Course Credits	3 (L: 3 T: 0)
Max. Marks	75	Time of end term examination	

Formative Assessment Model

	Marks distribution
Written test (2 X 10)	20
Class assignments / Case study / Mini project (2 X 10)	20
Book review / Essay / Seminar (1 X 10)	10
Quiz / Group discussion / Debate (2 X 10)	20
Attendance	05
Total	75

Course Objectives:

- 1. Introduction to Constitution:** To acquaint the students about historical background and salient features of the Indian Constitution, enabling students to comprehend its unique characteristics.
- 2. Importance of the Preamble:** To explain the students about importance of Preamble of the Indian Constitution and its significance in setting the tone and objectives of the nation.
- 3. Fundamental Rights:** To explain the students about the concept of Fundamental Rights in the Indian Constitution, including equality, freedoms, and the right to life and personal liberty.
- 4. Union Executive:** To acquaint the students about the structure and functioning of the Union Executive, including the roles of the President, Prime Minister, and Council of Ministers.
- 5. Emergency Provisions:** To familiarize the students with National, State and Financial emergency.

Course Outcomes:

- Students will be able to understand the importance of Constitution and salient features that distinguish the Indian Constitution.
- Students will be able to understand the objective of Preamble and elucidate its significance in guiding the nation's objectives.
- Students will gain a thorough critical understanding of Fundamental Rights, including their categories and implications on citizens' lives.
- Students will be proficient in explaining the roles and functions of the President, Prime Minister, and Council of Ministers with their election procedure, powers and position.
- Students will be able to understand the proclamation and consequences of different types of Emergencies

Unit – I

Introduction of Constitution

1. Introduction and importance of Constitution
2. Salient features of Indian Constitution
3. Preamble and its significance

Unit – II

Fundamental Rights

1. Equality before Law and Equal protection of Laws
2. Fundamental Freedoms
3. Right to life and personal liberty

Unit – III

Union Executive

1. President of India- Election, Powers and Position
2. Prime Minister of India
3. Council of Ministers

Unit – IV

Emergency Provisions

1. National Emergency
2. State Emergency
3. Financial Emergency

Suggested Readings:

1. *J N Pandey, Constitutional Law of India (Central Law Agency, Edition 2020)*
2. *G P Tripathi, Constitutional Law- New Challenges (Central Law Publication, 2023)*
3. *Dr. Narender Kumar, Constitutional Law of India (Allahabad Law Agency, 2022)*
4. *Dr. Kailash Rai, The Constitutional Law of India (Central Law Publication, 2023)*
5. *Mellalli Praveen Kumar, Constitution of India, Professional Ethics and Human Rights (Sage Publication, Edition 2021)*

Name of the Department- Law
Name of the Multidisciplinary Course- HINDU MARRIAGE AND THE LAW
Offered in semester – 2nd semester

Course Code	23LAWX02MD01	Course Credits	3 (L: 3 T: 0)
Max. Marks	75	Time of end term examination	

Formative Assessment Model

	Marks distribution
Written test (2 X 10)	20
Class assignments / Case study / Mini project (2 X 10)	20
Book review / Essay / Seminar (1 X 10)	10
Quiz / Group discussion / Debate (2 X 10)	20
Attendance	05
Total	75

Course Objectives:

- 1. Understanding Marriage as an Institution:** To comprehend the historical, cultural, and legal aspects of marriage as a societal institution, particularly focusing on the Hindu marriage system and the Special Marriage Act of 1954.
- 2. Legal Framework:** To familiarize students with the essential conditions, ceremonies, and legal requirements for Hindu marriages, as well as the registration process, thereby enabling them to explain the legal procedures involved.
- 3. Comparative Analysis:** To facilitate a comparative study of Hindu marriages and those under the Special Marriage Act, highlighting the differences in essential conditions, procedures, and legal consequences.
- 4. Divorce and Maintenance Laws:** To explore the grounds for divorce in both the Hindu Marriage Act and the Special Marriage Act, enabling students to analyse the legal and social implications of divorce. Additionally, to understand the maintenance provisions for spouses under different legal frameworks.
- 5. Application of Legal Knowledge:** To enable students to apply their understanding of marriage, divorce, and maintenance laws in practical scenarios, enhancing their ability to provide legal advice and make informed decisions in matrimonial matters.

Course Outcomes:

- Students will be able to explain the nature, concept, and essential conditions of Hindu marriage, identifying key ceremonies and their significance within the context of Hindu customs and traditions.
- Students will demonstrate the ability to guide individuals through the registration process of marriages, providing them with knowledge about the legal requirements and consequences of registering or not registering a marriage.
- By comparing Hindu marriages with those under the Special Marriage Act, students will develop the skills to analyze legal frameworks critically, identifying similarities, differences, and the societal implications of these two systems.
- Students will be able to differentiate between the grounds for divorce under the Hindu Marriage Act and the Special Marriage Act, and assess the legal, emotional, and social consequences of divorce for the parties involved.
- Students will apply their understanding of maintenance provisions in various scenarios, determining the rights and responsibilities of spouses under different legal contexts, including Hindu law, CrPC, and the Special Marriage Act.

Unit - I

Nature and Concept of Hindu Marriage

- Essential Conditions of Marriage, Ceremonies of Marriage
- Registration of Marriage
- Types of Marriage

Unit – II

Special Marriage Act, 1954

1. Essential Conditions of Marriage
2. Procedure of Marriage
3. Consequences of Marriage under this Act

Unit – III

Divorce

1. Grounds of Divorce under Hindu Marriage Act, 1955
2. Grounds of Divorces under Special Marriage Act, 1954
3. Consequences of Divorce

Unit – IV

Maintenance

1. Maintenance under Hindu law
2. Maintenance under CrPC
3. Maintenance under Special Marriage Act, 1954

Suggested Readings:

1. *S Krishnamurthi Aiyar, Law of Marriage Maintenance Separation and Divorce, Universal Law Publication, Edition 2022*
2. *Paras Diwan and Peeyushi Diwan, Modern Hindu Law, Allahabad Law Agency, 26th edition 2023*
3. *Sukdev Singh, Hindu Law of Marriage and Divorce, Universal Law Publication, 2017*
4. *Basant K. Sharma, Hindu Law, Central Law Publication 7th Ed. 2023*
5. *Kumud Desai, Indian Law of Marriage & Divorce, Lexis Nexis, Edition 2023*
6. *Modhumita Basu, Law of Maintenance in India: An Overview, Eastern Law House, 2019*
7. *and Practice, Taxmann Publications, (Latest edition)*