

COMMON POOL OF GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE) COURSES

GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE-1): Media and Cinema

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Media and Cinema	4	3	1	0	12 th Pass	NIL

Learning Objectives

The course will apprise the students with the elementary outlines of the history of media in India, from its beginnings to contemporary times. The different forms of media – Print, Audio-Visual and Electronic – the modes and methods will be discussed, and the potent ways in which technology and larger socio-political and economic trends intersected will be highlighted.

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Delineate the historical context within which the beginnings of each media platform can be understood.
- Analyze the state's attempts to control and organize media output through laws and policies.
- Explain the conjunctures of technological breakthroughs, advances and larger socio- economic and political matrices.
- Better appreciate the trends in media production, and its efforts in engaging with current ideological and socio-political issues.

SYLLABUS OF GE-1

Unit I: Forms and Contexts - 9 Hours

1. Introduction – Types of media to be studied and their unique Indian context and adaptations

2. Significance and impact of media in history

Unit II: Press/Print media - 9 Hours

1. Press censorship in British India; Vernacular Press Act
2. Role of the Indian press in the freedom movement; views of Leaders,
3. Press in India after independence

Unit III: Radio Transmission - 9 Hours

1. Radio Transmission in Colonial India – Foundation, Inter-war years; AIR Programming, Expansion and broadening of listenership base
2. Establishment and Expansion of Akashvani after 1947 – The Keshkar years; Classical vs. Popular; Radio Ceylon and Vividh Bharati
3. Government Policies and Bandwidth matters since the 1970s – end of License Raj; FM Radio Wave; Community Radio; Podcasts

Unit IV: The Cinematic Turn - 9 Hours

1. Cinema during Colonial Period - Silent Era, Genres, Censorship
2. Post-Independence Cinema till 1980s- Nation Building, Mainstream Cinema and Parallel Cinema
3. Era of Liberalization, Globalization and Privatization- Changes in Production, Distribution and Exhibition, Experimental Cinema

Unit V: Studying Television and Digital Media - 9 Hours

1. Television in India-The Doordarshan era- Entertainment, Infotainment
2. Rise of the Satellite TV – Soap Operas and 24x7 News, Changes and Effects
3. Digital Media - Effects of Digital Media - Privacy and Surveillance, Misinformation and Disinformation

Essential Readings

- Krishna Murthy, Nadig (1966): *Journalism - Origin Growth and Development of Indian Journalism from Ashoka to Nehru*, Prasaranga, University of Mysore.
- Devika Sethi: *War over Words : Censorship in India, 1930-1960*, Cambridge University Press (2019)
- AS Iyengar: *Role of Press and Indian Freedom Struggle*, APH Publishing Corporation (2001)
- Dismembering media diversity: A tryst with two press commissions by Vibodh Parthasarathi
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/0163443721994552>
- भारत की समाचार पत्र क्रांति, रॉबिन जेफ्री
- Sarkar, S. 2015. *Modern Times: India 1880s to 1950s: Environment, Economy, Culture*.
- New Delhi: Orient Blackswan
- Khanna, A. 2019. *Words. Sounds. Images: A History of Media and Entertainment in India*. New Delhi: Harper Collins

- Chatterjee, K, 2020. Media and Nation Building in Twentieth-Century India: Life and Times of Ramananda Chatterjee. New Delhi: Routledge
- Malik, K.K. Mixed Signals: Radio Broadcasting Policy in India
- Bandopadhyay, P.K. 2015. The Genesis and Growth of Broadcasting in India: From Lionel Fielden to The Present Day
- Gupta, P.S. 2001. "Radio and the Raj." Power, Politics and the People: Studies in British Imperialism and Indian Nationalism. New Delhi: Permanent Black, pp 447-80.
- Lelyveld, D. 1995. "Upon the Subdominant: Administering Music on All India Radio." Social Text, Vol. 39, pp 111-27
- Pinkerton, A. 2008. "Radio and the Raj: Broadcasting in British India, 1920-1940." Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society, Vol. 18, No. 2, pp 167-91.
- Rangoonwala, Firoze, Bhartiya Chalchitra Ka Itihas, Rajpal & Sons, Delhi, 1975
- Kaul, Gautam, Cinema and the Indian Freedom Struggle, Sterling Publishers Pvt. Ltd., Delhi, 1999
- Sharma, Manoj, National Movement and Currents of Social Reform in Hindi Cinema: 1931-1947, Proceedings of Indian History Congress, Vol. 66, (2005-2006), pp.492-498, JSTOR
- Vasudev, Aruna, New Indian Cinema, Delhi, MacMillan, 1986
- Thoravel, Yves, The Cinemas of India, Macmillan, Delhi, 20
- Rini Bhattacharya Mehta & Rajeshwari V. Pandharipande ed, Bollywood and Globalisation; Indian Popular cinema: Nation and Diaspora, Anthem press, London, 2010
- Ghose, B. Doordarshan Days. Penguin/Viking, (2005)
- डॉ. परमवीर सिंह , भारतीय टेलिविज़न का इतिहास। एडुक्रिएशन पब्लिशिंग, (२०१७)

Suggestive readings

- Chandra, Bipin, Mridula Mukherjee, Aditya Mukherjee, K N Pannikar, Sucheta Mahajan: India's Struggle For Independence 1857-1947 (1987), Penguin Books. Chapter 8. The Fight To Secure Press Freedom.
- बर्पन चंद्र, मि ल ले संघर्ष। मखजी, आर्ित्य मुखजी, के एन पन्नीकर, सुचेता महाजन: भारत का स्वतंत्रता संघर्ष, अध्याय आठ- प्रेस की आज़ािी केरामशरण जोशी, मीडिया और बाजारवाि
- Kripalani, C. 2018. "All India Radio's Glory Days and Its Search for Autonomy" in Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. 53, No. 37, pp 42-50.
- Jhingan, S. 2011. "Re-embodying the Classical: The Bombay Film Song in the 1950s" in Bioscope, Vol 2, No. 2, pp 157-79
- Short, K. R. M. ed., Feature Film as History, Croom Helm Ltd., London, 1981
- Saari, Anil Hindi Cinema: An Insider's View, OUP Delhi, 2009
- Sinha, Mala and Chauhan, Vishal (2013). Deconstructing Lajja as a Marker of Indian Womanhood. Psychology and Developing Societies. 25 (1): pp.133-163. Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0971333613477314>
- Lectures on Cinema - <https://www.youtube.com/user/cecedusat>

- Butler, Bred and Mirza, Karen, The Cinema of Prayoga: Indian Experimental Film and Video 1913-2006, published in 2006
- Conrad, P. (2016). Television: The medium and its manners. Routledge
- डॉ. तयाम कतयप एवं मकु े श कु मार (२००८) टेलीवज़न की कहानी। नई र्िल्ली: राजकमल प्रकाशन

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GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE-2): Gender in Modern World

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Gender in Modern World	4	3	1	0	12 th Pass	NIL

Learning Objectives

The course seeks to introduce students to the location of gender in the historical pasts of the modern world. It focusses on different regions and locations, and analyses complexities of historical issues involving women's representation, mass movement and gendered mobilization.

Learning outcomes

After the completion of the course the students would be able to

- Understanding larger histories of patriarchy and feminism
- Analyse gender realities in international contexts
- Discuss issues of gender in world history in comparative frames
- Delineate women's movements across different regions of the world

SYLLABUS OF GE-2

Unit I: Historicizing Gender: Patriarchy, Matriarchy and Feminism

Unit II: Gender in the French Revolution: Women's participation; iconography

Unit III: Liberal Democratic Women's movements: Case Studies- Britain/ USA/South Africa

Unit IV: Women in the Socialist, Communist & Other Political Mobilization-Russian Revolution/ Chinese Revolution/ West Asia

Practical component (if any) - NIL

Essential/recommended readings

Unit I. The unit aims to make students conversant with the conceptual issues around Gender with a special focus on patriarchy and feminism. **(Teaching Time: 9 hours approx.)**

- Bock, Gisela. (1989). "Women's History and Gender History: Aspects of an International Debate". *Gender and History*, Vol. 1, no.1, pp. 7-30.
- Learner, Gerda. (1987). *The Creation of Patriarchy*. New York and Oxford: OUP. (Chapters 1 and 10).
- Michelet, Juliet and Ann Oakley. (Eds.). (1986). *What is Feminism?* London: Pantheon books. (Introduction).
- Smith, Bonnie G. (Ed.). (2008). *Encyclopedia of Women in World History*. New York: Oxford University Press [IV Volumes relevant sections].
- Weisner-Hanks, Merry. (2007). "World History and the History of Women, Gender, and Sexuality". *Journal of World History* vol. 18 no.1, pp. 53-67.
- Millet, Kate. (2000). *Sexual Politics*. Urbana and Chicago: University of Illinois Press. pp. 23-58.

Unit II. The focus in the unit is on the significant role played by women in the French Revolution and how the French political paintings of the time reflected a growing image of the revolution from a gendered perspective. **(Teaching Time: 9 hours approx.)**

- Graham, Ruth. (1984). "Loaves and Liberty: Women in the French Revolution". in
- Bridenthal Renate and Claudia Koonz (Eds.). *Becoming Visible: Women in European History*. New York: Monthly Review Press, pp. 236-54.
- Juneja, Monica. (1996). "Imaging the Revolution: Gender and Iconography in French Political Prints". *Studies in History* vol. 12 no.1, pp. 1-65.

Unit III. The unit elucidates the trajectory of women's movement across different countries in 19th and 20th century such as Britain/ USA/South Africa. It bears testimony to developing women's consciousness in the realm of suffrage movement, rights, and law. **(Teaching Time: 12 hours approx.)**

- Harrison, Patricia Greenwood. (2000). *Connecting Links: The British and American*
- *Women's suffrage movements, 1900-1914*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press. (Introduction)
- Wingerden, Sophia A. (1999). *The Women's Suffrage Movement in Britain, 1866-1928*. New York: St. Martin's Press. Chapter 4, pp. 70-95.
- DuBois, Ellen Carol. (1999). *Feminism and Suffrage: The Emergence of an Independent Women's movement in America 1848-1869*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press. (Introduction)
- Lodge, Tom. (1983). *Black Politics in South Africa since 1945*. New York: Longman Group Limited. Chapter-6, pp. 139-152.

Unit IV. The focal point in the unit is to analyze the question of Gender in the Russian Revolution or the Chinese revolution or West Asia. Questions of women's agency, participation and mobilization will be discussed. **(Teaching Time: 12 hours approx.)**

- Rosenthal, Bernice Glatzer. (1984). "Love on the Tractor: Women in the Russian Revolution and After". In Bridenthal Renate and Claudia Koonz (Eds.), *Becoming*

Visible: Women in European History. New York: Monthly Review Press, pp. 370-399.

- Gilmartin, Christina. (1995). *Engendering the Chinese Revolution: Radical Women, Communist Politics and Mass Movements in the 1920s*. Berkeley: University of California Press. Chapter 3 & 7, pp. 71-95 & 174-200.
- Mernissi, F. (1987). *Beyond the Veil: Male-Female Dynamics in Modern Muslim Society*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press. Chapter 1 & 2, pp. 56-116.
- Moghadam, V. M. (2003). "Islamist Movements and Women's Responses". In Valentine Modghadam, *Modernizing Women: Gender and Social Change in the Middle East*. London: Lynn Rienner, pp. 151-92.

Suggestive readings -

- Bose, R.B. (1995). "Feminism, Women and the French Revolution". *Historical Reflections/Reflexions Historiques*. Vol. 21, No. 1. pp. 187-205. Berhghahn Books.
- Landes, Joan, B. *Women and the Public Sphere in the Age of the French Revolution*.
- Morgan, Sue. (2006). "Introduction: Writing Feminist History: Theoretical Debates and Critical Practices". In Sue Morgan. (eds.). *The Feminist History Reader*. Routledge, pp. 1- 47.
- Scott, Joan W. (1986). "Gender: A Useful Category of Historical Analysis". *The American Historical Review*, vol, 91. No. 5, pp. 1053-75.
- Melzer, Sara E. and Leslie W. Rabine. (1992). "Introduction". In Sara E. Melzer and Leslie
- W. Rabine. (eds.) *Rebel Daughters: Women and the French Revolution*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 3-11.
- Tilghman, Carolyn. (2011). "Staging Suffrage: Women, Politics and The Edwardian Theatre". *Comparative Drama*, vol. 45, no. 4, pp. 339-60.

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GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE-3): History of Textiles

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
History of Textiles	4	3	1	0	12 th Pass	NIL

Learning Objectives

This course explores the ways in which textiles has been approached, appropriated and understood in Indian history and beyond. The patterns in which textiles have been situated in history, how they are made, what they are made of, where they are made, what use or function they serve, what they codify for different communities, rituals and events, their historical and economic significance, etc. will be our main focus. The multiple narratives embedded in textiles, especially the hand woven and handcrafted textiles, which go back millennia and which, through centuries, have linked India to the rest of the world will enable the students to dialogue with a great culture of textiles.

Learning outcomes

Students will also learn what textile can tell us about trade and commerce, empire, gender, sexuality, class, race, industry, revolution, nation-building, identity politics and globalization. We will aim simultaneously to see textile and material culture more generally, as playing a fundamental role in the shaping of our past.

Theory and Practical/ Field work/Hands-on-learning

Through the course students are expected to continuously interact with the textile sector through programmes built into the academic curriculum like field studies, internships, design projects, audio-visual projects and its cluster initiatives.

SYLLABUS OF GE-3

Unit 1: Textiles (Past to Present)

1. Sources and Historiography
2. Textiles in ancient India.
3. Textiles in Medieval India.
4. Textiles in Modern India.
5. Textiles in Contemporary India.

Unit 2: Theories of evolution of Textiles and Regional perspectives.

1. Local skills, Craftsmen (Case study of Weavers, Iron Smith and Carpenters) and Knowledge systems of Textiles.
2. Textiles of North, East, South, West and North-East.
3. Traditional and tribal costumes of India – North, East, South, West and North-East. d) Effect of textile culture and colours for different ceremonies and occasions.

Unit 3: Material Culture of Textiles: Study of Textile Crafts of India: with reference to history, production centers, techniques, designs, colours, products and gender (Case study of Female Weavers).

1. Woven Textiles: Benaras Brocades, Jamdanis and Baluchars of Bengal, Kani Shawls of Kashmir, Bhagalpuri Silk and Kachipuram Silk.
2. Embroidered Textiles: Kanthas of Bengal, Kasuti of Karnataka, Phulkari of Punjab, Chikankari of Uttar Pradesh, Kashida of Kashmir, Gujarat embroideries.
3. Painted and Printed textiles: Kalamkaris of Andhra Pradesh, Dabu printing of Rajasthan, Ajarakh prints of Gujarat.
4. Dyed textiles: Bandhnis of Rajasthan and Gujarat, Ikats- Patola of Gujarat, Bandhas / Sambalpuri of Orissa and Telia Rumal of Andhra Pradesh

Unit 4: Making of Modern Textiles, Responses and Resistance.

1. Introduction of Powerloom and Weavers.
2. Khadi, Gandhi and Indian Nationalism.
3. Conservation and Preservation of Textiles
4. Textiles and Globalization.

Practical component (if any) - NIL

Essential/recommended readings

Unit I: The Unit will give an overview to the paper through sources, historiography and past history and present conditions of the textile. (Teaching Time: 9 hours approx.)

- Harris J, 5000 years of Textiles, British Museum, London, 1993.
- Prasannan Parthasarathi and Giorgio Riello, eds, The Spinning World: A Global History of Cotton Textiles, 1200-1850 (Oxford, 2009).
- Ray, Tirthankar., Cloth and Commerce: Textile in Colonial India, Sage Publications, Delhi, 1996

Unit II: The Unit discusses the Local skills, Knowledge systems, Textiles and Traditional and tribal costumes of India – North, East, South, West and North-East., Effect of textile culture and colours for different ceremonies and occasions. (Teaching Time: 12 hours approx.)

- Braj Bhushan, Jamila, The Crafts of Weavers, the Costumes and Textiles of India, D.E. Tarapore
- Valla Sons and Co. Pvt. Ltd., Bombay, 1958.

- Chattopadhyaya, Kamaladevi, *Handicrafts of India*, Wiley Eastern Limited, New Delhi, 1995. Coomarswamy, Ananda K., *The Arts and Crafts of India and Ceylon*, London, UK: T.N. Foulis, 1913
- Emma Tarlo, *Clothing Matters: Dress and Identity in India*, Chicago, University of Chicago Press, 1996.
- Rai, Santosh Kumar, "Pleasures of Fashion and sorrows of Production—the Handloom industry in united Provinces, India, 1860s–1940" in Seema Bawa, ed., *Locating Pleasure in Indian History*.
- *Prescribed and Proscribed Desires in Visual and Literary Cultures*, New Delhi: Bloomsbury, 2021, pp.243-265.

Unit III: The Unit will help students understand the study of Textile Crafts of India such as woven, embroidered, dyed textiles from various parts of India and production centers, techniques as well. The students will also become aware of the gender issues associated with the textiles. (Teaching Time: 12 hours approx.)

- Dhamija, Jasleen, *The Survey of Embroidery Traditions in Textiles and Embroideries of India*, Mark Publications, Bombay, 1965.
- Diana Crane, *Fashion and Its Social Agendas*, Chicago, University of Chicago Press, 2000.
- Chattopadhyaya, Kamaladevi, *Indian Embroidery*, Wiley Eastern, New Delhi, 1977. Jayakar. Pupul, *Textiles and embroideries of India*, Bombay, Marg Publications, 1956. Maheshwari, A.K., & Sivaprakasam, P., *Status of Women Weavers in Handloom Sector*, 2002
- Rai, Santosh Kumar, "Weaving Hierarchies: Production Networks of the Handloom Industry in Colonial Eastern Uttar Pradesh", in *Studies in History*, August 2012, vol. 28, no.2, Sage Publications, Los Angeles/London, ISSN:0257-6430, eISSN:0973-080X, pp.203-230.
- Sudan, Amrik Singh., *Marketing of Handloom Products in J&K*, Anmol Publishing Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1977.
- Verma, R., & Verma, J. (2014). Historical Transition from Cultural Entrepreneurs to Commercial Entrepreneurs: A Case Study of Handloom Weavers of North East India. *Journal of Business Management and Information Systems*, 1(1), 131-140. Retrieved from <https://qtanalytics.in/journals/index.php/JBMIS/article/view/125>.

Unit IV: This Unit emphasizes introduction of powerlooms, Gandhi's contribution, Khadi, preservation and globalizing process. (Teaching Time: 12 hours approx.)

- Hussain, Majid, N.S. Olaniya, *Indian Textiles in the 20th century: Crisis in transformation*, Marg Publications, 2000.
- Kanakalatha, M and Syamsundari, B., *Traditional Industry in the New Market Economy: The Cotton Handlooms of Andhra Pradesh*, Sage Publications, Delhi, 2011.
- Riello, Giorgio and Tirthankar Ray, *How India Clothed the World, The World of South Asian*

- Textiles 1500-1850, Brill, 2009.
- Rai, Santosh Kumar, 'Colonial Knowledge Economy: Handloom Weavers in Early Twentieth- Century United Provinces, India', International Review of Social History, Cambridge University Press, March 2022, pp.1-31.
- Verma, R., Panda, S., & Bansal, V. (2015). Dwindling Handloom, Sinking Weavers in Western
- Uttar Pradesh: A Case Study of Pilkhuwa, Amroha and Muradnagar. Journal of Business
- Management and Information Systems, 2(1), 10-20.
<https://doi.org/10.48001/jbmis.2015.0201002>.

Suggested Reading:

- Bernard S. Cohn, 'Cloth, Clothes and Colonialism: India in the Nineteenth Century', in Cloth and Human Experience, ed. A. Weiner and J. Schneider, Washington: Smithsonian Books, 1989, pp. 106–62.
- Brouwer, Jan . (1995) The Makers of the World: Caste, Craft and Mind of South Indian Artisans.
- Delhi: OUP. h tC.A. Bayly, 'The Origins of Swadeshi (Home Industry): Cloth and Indian Society, 1700–1930', in Origin of Nationality in South Asia: Patriotism and Ethical Government in the Making of Modern India, ed. C.A. Bayly, Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1998, pp. 172–209.
- Das, Shukla, Fabric Art- Heritage of India, Abhinav Publications, New Delhi, 1992.
- Dhamija, Jasleen. (1981) 'Women and handicrafts: myth and reality', Seeds, 4:1-16.
- Dhamija, Jasleen. (Eds.), Sacred Textiles of India. Mumbai: Marg Publications, 2014.
- Jayakar, Pupul and Irwin John. (1956) Textiles and Ornaments of India : A Collection of Designs, New York, UK.
- McGowan, Abigail. (2009) Crafting the Nation in Colonial India. New York, USA: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Nita Kumar, The Artisans of Banaras: Popular Culture and Identity, 1880–1986, Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1988.
- Ramaswamy, Vijaya, Textiles and Weavers in Medieval South India. Delhi, Oxford University Press, 1985.
- Varadrajan, Lotika. (1983) Traditions of Textile Printing in Kutch, Ajrakh and Related Techniques.
- Ahmedabad. India: New Order Book Company, 1983.

Selected Websites and Films:

- <http://www.paramparikkarigar.com/artandcraft.html>
- <http://www.paramparikkarigar.com/artandcraft.html>
- <http://collections.vam.ac.uk/item/O77243/textile-unknown/>
- <http://collections.vam.ac.uk/item/O68430/textile-unknown/>

- <http://thedreamstress.com/2014/07/brocade-and-jacquard-whats-the-difference-or-the-history-of-the-jacquard-loom-and-all-the-weaves-it-can-create/>
- Anjuman (1986), Film on Lucknow 'chikan' embroidery workers directed by Muzaffar Ali.
- The True Cost, (2015), documentary film that focuses on fast fashion, directed by Andrew Morgan.

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