

Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University, Lucknow
BA.LL.B. (Hons.)
First Semester
2024-2025
ENGLISH- I

COURSE CONTENT

Introduction/ Objective:

The syllabus of English-I aims at teaching English to the students of Ist semester of the BA. LL.B. (Hons.) programme at Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University, Lucknow. Teaching a mixed group of students with a wide range of abilities in English always presents a considerable challenge in the English classes. The syllabus aims at catering to a range of language functions with reference to Legal Profession and the related fields. It has been framed with a view to impart task-based and skills oriented teaching and learning, with a focus on English at workplace.

In the current global scenario, Legal English or Legalese has emerged as a specific domain of knowledge under English for Specific Purposes. It has its own registers, and jargons and structures. On the one hand it is being taught to the non-native English speaking legal professionals and law students increasingly who aim at seeking a specialized training in Legal English , on the other hands it is equally popular among the legal professionals of the native English contexts.

Teaching English to Law students in various educational set ups in Indian Education system varies. In multilayered structures of communication skills in different institutions, the focuses of teaching differ. The students entering different National Law Universities exhibit advanced language skills, and in designing the course, it has been taken into account.

The course requires students to work in a communicative way, practicing the use of English for different purposes with an encouragement and guidance from the teachers. I have intended to perform my teaching in the communicative language teaching approach where a healthy dialogue between interlocutors would take place.

In the light of New Education Policy 2020, the course emphasizes on the understanding interdisciplinary approaches in textual reading and realizing the same as argumentative skills. The discussion shall include certain canons of Indian Knowledge Systems.

Course Outcomes: After the completion of the course, students shall be able to:

- (i) develop communication skills, Critical reading and understanding of texts
- (ii) develop legal vocabulary and reinforce their language proficiency
- (iii) locate legal issues in different discourses and narratives
- (iv) the knowledge to mediate between technology/business and a common audience
- (v) extend their knowledge of contemporary issues in the related domain of human knowledge with a sense of interdisciplinary approach in the spirit of NEP 2020

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Unit 1 – Communication Skills

1. Usage of a Dictionary- IPA (International Phonetic Alphabet)
2. Concept, Process and Barriers to Communication
3. Types of Communication and Legal Aspects of Business Communication
4. Characteristics and Conventions of Conversation
5. Difference between Conversation and Other Speech Events
6. Soft Skills for Professional Development

Unit 2- Professional Vocabulary and Functional Grammar

1. Latin Maxims and Foreign words used in the field of Law
2. Words Often Misused & Confused, One Word Substitution, Diminutives, Words with Special Idiomatic Uses, Figures of Speech
3. Functional Grammar and Usages (Sentences, Parts of Speech with emphasis on Article, Preposition and Concord, Modals etc.)

Unit 3- Advance Composition and Effective Writing Skills

1. Expansion of Ideas and Paragraph Development
2. Précis Writing
3. Essay Writing: (Illustrations from the select texts of Francis Bacon, E V Lucas & Swami Vivekananda)
4. Appreciating Select Legal and Popular Articles
5. Meetings: Taking Notes and Preparing Minutes

Unit 4- Interdisciplinarity: Socio-legal & Cultural Discourses

1. John Galsworthy. *Justice*
2. Stanley Fish. “Is There a Text in This Class”
3. A. A. Milne. *The Man in the Bowler Hat*
4. Gertrude Jennings. *Five Birds in a Cage*
5. St. John Hankin. *The Constant Lover*

Unit 5- Reading Visual Texts

1. *The Great Debaters*
2. *Philadelphia*

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 2. Haigh, Rupert. *Legal English*, 2nd Edition, London: Routledge-Cavendish
 3. Wojcik, Mark E. *Introduction to Legal English: An Introduction to Legal Terminology, Reasoning, and Writing in Plain English*, 3rd Edition, Washington: International Law Institute.
 4. Vivekananda, Swami. "The Law and Freedom." *The Complete Works of Swami Vivekananda*, Advaita Ashrama, Vol.5, pp.286-91
 5. Singh, R.P. *Functional Skills in Language and Literature*. OUP.
 6. Raman, Meenakshi, and Sangeeta Sharma. *Technical Communication: Principles and Practice*. OUP.
 7. Kaul, Asha. *Effective Business Communication*. PHI.
 8. Kaul, Asha. *Business Communication*. PHI.
 9. Bovee, Courtland, L, John V Thill, and Mukesh Chaturvedi. *Business Communication Today*. Ninth Edition. Pearson.
 10. Sethi, J., and P.V. Dhamija. *A Course in Phonetics and Spoken English*. Second Edition. PHI.
 11. McKay, William, and Helen Elizabeth Charlton, *Legal English: How to Understand and Master the Language of Law*. Essex: Pearson Longman
 12. John Galsworthy: *Justice*. (Drama)
 13. William Shakespeare: *Hamlet*. (Drama)
 14. William Shakespeare: *The Merchant of Venice*. (Drama)
 15. Vijay Tendulkar: *Silence! The Court is in Session*. (Drama)
 16. George Ryga: *The Ecstasy of Rita Joe*. (Drama)
 17. George Bernard Shaw: *Saint Joan*. (Drama)
 18. Dostovsky: *Crime and Punishment*. (Novel)
 19. Damned City, Dumb King (English Translation of Bhartendu Harishchandra *Andher Nagri, Chaupat Raja* By R P Singh Dialogue No. 37 Spring 2021
 20. Singh, Alka: *Postmodernism*. (flipkart & Amazon)
 21. Mohan, Krishna, and Meera Banerji. *Developing Communication Skills*. 2nd Edition. Macmillan.
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A Few Select Articles (Shall be communicated during Class Teaching and Related Assignments)

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BASICS OF LEGISLATION
Syllabus

Unit-I: Introduction

- Meaning, importance and need of Legislation
- Historical Background
- Different kinds of Legislation
- Bentham's principle

Unit-II: Legislation in General

- Role and impact of Constitutional System
- Role of Parliament and Public opinion
- Role of Judiciary in India
- Role of Law Commission in India

Unit-III: A select Parliamentary Process

- Sources of Legislation
- Process of passing a Bill
- Process of Constitutional Amendment
- Application of Basic Principles of Interpretation

Unit-IV: Contents of Legislation

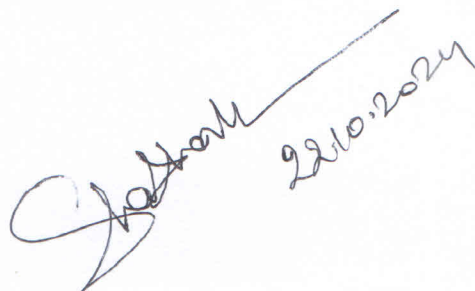
- Statement of Objects and Reasons
- Marginal Notes
- Commencement and Duration Clause
- Rule Making Clause

Unit-V: A Practical Aspect: Drafting a Bill

- Introduction
- Rules of Drafting
- Technique of Drafting
- Preparation of Drafting Model

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2. Shukla, V. N., 'Constitution of India', Lucknow: Eastern Book Co.
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7. Tandon, M. P., 'Interpretation of Statutes and Legislation', Haryana: Allahabad Law Publishers
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**B.A.LL.B. I Semester
(Monsoon Semester 2024)
Basics of Case Law**

UNIT -I

Introduction to Case Law

1. Hierarchy of courts in India- Understanding what decisions make to Case Law
2. Importance and relevance of Case Law in Common Law system
3. The Doctrine of Stare Decisis
4. The authority of precedents- *ratio decidendi* and *obiter dicta*

Unit-II

Basic Principles underpinning Case Law

1. Circumstances destroying or weakening the binding force of precedent
2. Do judges make law?
3. Judicial reasoning

UNIT-III

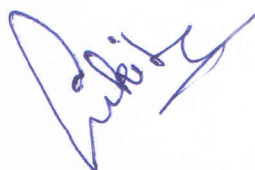
Case Law Analysis

1. Citation
2. Origin
3. Constitution of the Bench
4. Parties
5. Index
6. Lawyers
7. Judges
8. Judgment -Majority, Minority and Concurring
9. Final Order/operative part of the judgment

Unit-IV

Case Brief (Case Noting)- practical exercises

1. Importance of Briefing
2. Finding and understanding the issues in the Case
 - i. Knowing the Facts
 - ii. Knowing the Law



3. Understanding case brief with recent case laws

Unit-V

Locating, reading and using case law- practical exercises

1. Case law resources- MANUPATRA, SCC, AIR
2. Concept of Jurisdiction
3. A decision as delivered and a decision as reported- Differences and usages
4. Importance of a reliable case law report and using case law in argument- points to consider

Readings:

- 1- P.J. Fitzgerald, Salmond on Jurisprudence, (Chapter 5).
- 2- G.W. Paton, A Textbook of Jurisprudence, (Chapter 8).
- 3- A. Laxminath, Judicial Process: Precedent in Indian Law (2009).
- 4- Rupert Cross, Precedent in English Law (1991).
- 5- MP Jain, Indian Legal and Constitutional History, Lexis Nexis.



Sociology– I

Sociology is one of the youngest social science disciplines, and that is why it has the advantage of using the methods of other disciplines; this makes the content or subject matter of the discipline very diverse. The emphasis has been on the basic concepts along with the theoretical perspectives to expose the students to the subject's dynamics.

Unit – I

Sociology

The Meaning, Definition and Significance
Origin & Development of Sociology
Sociological Perspective and Relationship with Law

Unit - II

Basic Concepts

Society, Community, Institution, Association, Status and Role, Social norms
Family and Kinship, Religion, Education, Polity and Law

Unit – III

The Individual and Society

Culture- Characteristics and components. Theories of culture
Socialization-Stages, Process and Agencies. Theories of Socialization

Unit – IV

Social Stratification and Social Change

Meaning
Theories of social stratification
Theories and factors of social change
Law, social change and social control
Law and social integration

Unit – V

Social Research Method

Social research strategies
Research designs

Nature of quantitative research

Sampling
Structural interview with questionnaires
Structural observation
Content analysis
Use of computers in research

Nature of Qualitative Research

Ethnography and Participant Observation
Interview in qualitative research
Combining qualitative and quantitative divide
E-research: Using the internet as an object and method of data collection
Ethics and politics in social research

REFERENCE BOOKS :

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Bottomore, T.B. 1972 : Sociology: A Guide to Problem and Literature, Bombay, George Allen and Unwin (India)

Harlambos, M. 1998: Sociology : Themes & Perspectives, New Delhi: Oxford University Press

Inkeles, Alex. 1987 : What is Sociology? New Delhi : Prentice Hall of India
Jayaram, N. 1988 : Introductory Sociology, Madras : Macmillan India

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Sjoberg, Gideon & Roger Nett, 1997 – Methodology for Social research

Smelser, Neil J. – Comparative methods in Social research

Schaefer, Richard T. & Robert P. Lamm, 1999 : Sociology New Delhi : Tata McGraw Hill

Srinivas, M.N. & A.N. Shah, 1979 – Field worker and the Field

Henslin, Sociology: A Down to Earth Approach

Abraham, Francis: An introduction to sociology, OUP, New Delhi

OpenStax. Introduction to Sociology. 3rd Ed. 2021

PDF-Version of the textbook is available for free at https://assets.openstax.org/oscms-prodcms/media/documents/IntroductiontoSociology3e-WEB_9QTqRGQ.pdf

Find a well-prepared online version of the textbook here

<https://openstax.org/books/introduction-sociology-3e/pages/1-introduction>

YouTube lectures by Prof. A.K.Sharma, I.I.T Kanpur

HISTORY-I

Objective of the History I Course:

The Objective of this Course in this University is to acquaint the Law initiates into the need of the study of the discipline of History for a more profound and nuanced appreciation of Law not just as an embodiment of ancestral injunctions compelling obedience by censure or even as a body of principles applied by the courts in exercise of their jurisdiction with the aim of maintenance of order and regard for justice and fair play, but it is also to nurture in the students, the ability of understanding and internalizing Law and Legal Institutions as by-products of the social milieu they emanate from and thrive in, as well as exhibit to them, the organic linkages that both Law and Legal Institutions mandatorily possess with the society they evolve in & find their sustainability and vitality in.

The tenor of the course thus is to study History and Law as in logical conjunction and consort, with the end of exposing the impact of societal changes acting as indispensable inputs on the sinuous trajectory of law as it pans out as a living and thriving instrument of change of the society which in turn it is a reflection of. At the same time, the spontaneity of the discipline of History per se is never diluted.

With the so stated objective in the foreground, the Curriculum in the First Semester is an instruction of History under two broad heads-the Ancient and Medieval periods of India.

Unit – I: State Formation and the social & material milieu of Ancient India

- State Formation in Ancient India: Vedic Period-Tribal Polity and the Assemblies (*Vidatha, Sabha, Samiti*); The Royal Function; Social organization (*varna & ashram*); Economic structure and Religious beliefs; Later Vedic Developments.
- Oligarchies and Republics.
- Rise of heterodox sects: Jainism and Buddhism-Material and Social milieu, tenets and points of similarity.

Unit – II: Administration and Governments of Early Territorial States

- State and Government under the first territorial State: Mauryas-Administrative System with special emphasis on administration of justice.
- Guptas: Administrative setup and nature of polity; judicial organization and the administration of justice.
- Position of Women in Ancient India: Education, Marriage, Divorce, Prostitution, Widows and their rights to inheritance.

Unit – III: Legal System and Administration of Justice in Ancient India

- Legal Literature; The role of Smritikars; Sources of Law- the concept of Dharma.
- Judicial Institutions & Types of courts; Role of the Judges; Crime and Punishments.
- Role of Village Panchayats; Arbitration in Ancient India.

Unit IV: Political Ideas and Institutions; Law, Legal Institutions and Judicial Organization under the Turko-Afghans and the Mughals.

- Administration under the Turko-Afghan Delhi Sultanate: The Slaves-Balban's Political Ideas and Theory of Kingship; The Khaljis- Market Regulations; The Tuglaqs- New orientation of State Policy.
- The Mughlas: Nature of Polity, Political Ideas and Institutions. Central Administrative Apparatus & Departmental Administration, Mansabdari System
- Social Transformation-Bhakti and Sufi Movements

Unit V: Law, Legal institutions and Judicial Organization under the Delhi Sultanate and the Mughals.

- Sources and character of Muslim Law
- Judicial Administration; Changes introduced under Akbar.
- Criminal Law & Punishment and salient features of Islamic Criminal Law.
- Defects in Judicial Administration

TEXT BOOKS:

H.V. Sreenivasmurthy: History of India Part I, Eastern Book Company, 2022.

D.N. Jha: Ancient India: In Historical Outline, Manohar Publishers, 2012.

J.L. Mehta: Advanced Study in the History of Medieval India Vols.-I, II &III, Sterling Publications, 2019.

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R.S.Sharma: Material Culture and Social Formation in Ancient India, Macmillan, Delhi, 1985.

Romila Thapar: A History of India, Vol.1: FromOrigins to 1300, Penguin, 2000.

A.L. Basham:Wonder that was India. Part- I, Rupa & Co., 1993 (20TH Edn).

M. Rama Jois: Legal And Constitutional History of India: Ancient Legal, Judicial And Constitutional System, Universal Lexis Nexis, 2022.

Satish Chandra: History of Medieval India, Orient Blackswan, 2009.

S.A.A. Rizvi: Wonder that was India. Part II, Picador India, 2019.

Habib & Nizami- Comprehensive History of India Vol.V, Part-1, Peoples Publishing House, 1992.

Satish Chandra-Medieval India: From Sultanat to the Mughals (1206-1526), Har Anand, 2019.

POLITICAL SCIENCE 1

Unit-1 What Is Politics

- Nature And Scope Of Political Science
- Political Science As An Art Of Government, As Public Affairs , As Compromise And Consensus , And As Power And Struggle For Scarce Resources
- Political Science And Its Relation With Other Social Sciences

Unit-2 - Approaches To Political Science

- Historical
- Imperical
- Behavioral And Post Behavioral Approaches

Unit-3 - Theories Of Origin Of State

- Force Theory, Patriarchal Theory, Matriarchal Theory, Social Contract Theory (Hobbes, Locke And Rousseau) And Evolutionary Theory
- Sovereignty-
Nature Of Sovereignty, Features Of Sovereignty
Types – Monistic And Pluralistic: Political, Popular And Legal, Puralistic Revolt
Against Sovereignty
- Nation And Nationalism, Challenges Before Nation State And Globalisation

Unit-4

Types Of Governments

- Federal And Unitary
- Parliamentary And Presidential Forms Of Government

Political Ideas And Ideology

- What Is Political Ideology
- Classical Ideological Traditions
 - Liberalism
 - Conservation
 - Socialism
- Other Ideological Traditions
 - Anarchism
 - Fascism
 - Feminism
 - Green Ideology
 - Marxism
 - Post Modernism
 - Neo Liberalism
 - Cosmopolitanism
 - Religious Fundamentalism
 - Populism

Concepts

- Liberty
- Equality
- Rights
- Law
- Justice
- Welfare State

Unit- 5

Organs Of Government

- Legislature – Concept, Types – Unicameral And Bicameral
- Executive- Types -Permanent And Political, Rise Of PMO, Challenges Before Civil Servants In The Age Of LPG
- Judiciary- Concepts And Current Discourses Like Judicial Activism
- Separation Of Powers

Books Recommended

- Andrew Heywood: Political Theory- Introduction To Modern Political Theory
- Andrew Heywood: Politics (5th Edition), Bloomsbury
- Op Gauba : Introduction To Political Theory
- Ray And Bhattacharya: Political Theory- Ideas And Institutions, World Press
- SpVerma : Modern Political Theory, Vikas Publications
- J.C Johari : Principles Of Modern Political Science, Sterling
- Eddy Ashirvatham : Political Theory, S.Chand.
- RcVermani : Introduction To Political Theory & Thought, Gitanjali Publications

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Course Outline
Economics-I(Microeconomics)
Session – 2024

BA LLB (Hons) Semester I
Course Coordinator- Dr Mitali Tiwari

Unit-1 Introduction to Economics

- Meaning of Economics: Definition, subject matter, micro and macro
- Nature of economics, economic laws, fundamental problems of economics
- Tools of economic analysis, equilibrium, principles, and assumptions
- Economic systems-capitalist, socialist & mixed economy

Unit-2 Price and Consumer Behavior

- Utility Analysis- Different approaches, cardinal, ordinal
- Demand law and exceptions
- Elasticity of Demand- types and measurement
- Supply: Meaning & Concepts, price determination

Unit-4 Production Behavior

- Cost & Revenue concepts, Break Even Point
- Production Function- Meaning & concepts
- Law of variable proportions- theory & limitations
- Returns to scale- theory & limitations

Unit- 5 Market Structure

- Market concepts
- Perfect competition: features and output determination
- Monopoly market: features and price-output determination
- Monopolistic Competition: features and price-output determination
- Welfare economics-concept

Unit - 5 Entrepreneurship

- Definition of entrepreneurship and entrepreneur
- Traits of an entrepreneur
- Industry Analysis
- Role of entrepreneurship in economic development

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2. Microeconomics- H.L. Ahuja, S. Chand Publisher
3. Microeconomics- Daniel Rubinfeld & Robert Pindyck, Pearson Publication
4. Khanka, S.S. -Entrepreneurial Development, S. Chand., Ltd

5. Lall, Madhurima and Shikha Sahai -Entrepreneurship, Excel Books.
6. Desai, Vasant- Fundamentals of Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management, Himalaya Publication

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Course Outline – Psychology I

B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) – Semester I

Session – 2024-2025

UNIT I - Introduction to Psychology

- Psychology as a science
 - Definition of psychology.
 - Scientific nature of psychology
- Current perspectives of human behaviour
 - Biological, psychoanalysis, behaviourist, cognitive, humanist perspectives
- Methods of Psychology
 - Experimental method, observational method, correlational method, clinical method
- Sub-specialities of psychology and their application in law

UNIT II - Perceptual Processes

- Sensation, Attention & Perception - Determinants & Types
 - Form perception, depth perception, size perception
- Perceptual constancies & illusions
- Perceptual learning and expectancies
 - Top-down and bottom-up processes
- Objectivity of perception and accuracy of eyewitness testimony

UNIT III - Learning & Memory

- Learning – Theories & Applications in criminal justice system.
 - Definition of behavioural learning
 - Theories and perspectives
 - Conditioning paradigm – classical conditioning, operant conditioning, observational learning
 - Cognitive paradigm – Insight Learning, latent learning
 - Learning of criminal behaviour
- Memory – Theories & Types
 - Definition
 - Process theories of memory – Atkinson and Shiffrin Model
- Forgetting – Theories & Types
 - Encoding failure, decay, interference, retrieval failure, motivated forgetting
 - Repressed and recovered memories
- Reliability of Memories – Applications in Law, Eyewitness Testimony.
 - Fallibility of memory
 - Constructive and reconstructive processes
 - Encoding specificity, mood congruent effects, confabulation, effect of directive/leading questions, source monitoring etc

UNIT IV - Attitudes & Attitude Change

- Attitude formation and functions
 - Definition of attitudes
 - Components
 - Nature-nurture debate – Genetic factors, conditioning paradigm, observational learning
- Attitude – Behaviour relationship
 - Situational constraints on attitudes
 - Attitude-related factors
 - Theory of planned behaviour
 - Attitude to behaviour process model
- Cognitive Dissonance
- Persuasion
 - Approaches
 - Elaboration likelihood model
 - Communication-persuasion model – sources, message and target variables

UNIT V - Emotions & Aggression

- Positive Psychology – Happiness, Wellbeing, Resilience, Prosocial Behaviour
- Emotions – Nature, Expression and Impact.
 - Physiological underpinnings
 - James-Lang Theory, Cannon-Bard Theory
- Aggression – Theories, Causes & Manifestations
 - Definition of aggression
 - Types of aggression
 - Nature-nurture debate.
 - Instinct Theories, Sociobiology, Behaviour Genetics
 - Conditioning Paradigm, Observational Learning
 - Gender Differences
 - Factors influencing manifestation
 - Frustration-aggression hypothesis
 - Affect/arousal models, excitation transfer theory
 - Cognitive neo-association, General aggression model
- Aggression in Specific Contexts – Media and aggression, Bully-victim relationship, Workplace violence.

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- Psychology – Robert A. Baron
- Psychology – Morgan & King
- Social Psychology – Baron & Byrne
- Social Psychology – DeLamater & Myers
- Memory: A very short introduction – Jonathan K. Foster
- Psychology of Attitudes and Attitude Change – Maio & Haddock
- Media Violence & Aggression – Tom Grimes