

Optional 2024

**Optional Answer
Writing Focus
Group**

ANTHROPOLOGY

Batch - 1

**Starts
JULY, 02, 2024,
Monday**

Available in Offline and Online

Top Rankers of ForumIAS Academy, CSE 2023

1. Aditya Srivastava (IAS Rank 1)
2. Donuru Ananya Reddy (IAS Rank 3)
 3. Ruhani (IAS Rank 5)
 4. Shristi Dabas (IAS Rank 6)
 5. Anmol Rathore (IAS Rank 7)
 6. Ashish Kumar (IAS Rank 8)
 7. Kush Motwani (IAS Rank 11)
 8. Medha Anand (IAS Rank 13)
 9. Shaurya Arora (IAS Rank 14)
 10. Kunal Rastogi (IAS Rank 15)

Top Rankers of ForumIAS Academy, CSE 2021 & 2022

1. Ishita Kishore (IAS Rank 1, 2022)
2. Shruti Sharma (IAS Rank 1, 2021)
3. Garima Lohia (IAS Rank 2, 2022)
4. Uma Harathi N (IAS Rank 3, 2022)
5. Smriti Mishra (IAS Rank 4, 2022)
6. Dr. Mayur Hazarika (IAS Rank 5, 2022)
7. Utkarsh Dwivedi (IAS Rank 5, 2021)
8. Waseem Ahmad Bhat (IAS Rank 7, 2021)
 9. Ishita Rathi (IAS Rank 8, 2021)
 10. Preetam Kumar (IAS Rank 9, 2021)

ForumIAS Academy Students Rankers from other years

1. Anudeep Duraishetty (IAS Rank 1, 2017)
 2. Sachin Gupta (IAS Rank 3, 2017)
 3. Anubhav (IAS Rank 8, 2017)
 4. Varnit Negi (IAS Rank 14, 2018)
 5. Ankita Choudhary (IAS Rank 14, 2018)
 6. Minal Karanwal (IAS Rank 35, 2018)
 7. Pratibha Verma (IAS Rank 3, 2019)
 8. Jivani Kartik Nagjibhai (IAS Rank 8, 2020)
 9. Apala Mishra (IAS Rank 9, 2020)
 10. Satyam Gandhi (IAS Rank 10, 2020)

ForumIAS Academy Students with Anthropology Optional

1. Ayushi Pradhan (IAS Rank 22, 2023)
2. Ananya Rana (IAS Rank 280, 2023)
3. Uma Harathi (IAS Rank 3, 2022)
4. Mayur Hazarika (IAS Rank 5, 2022)
5. Dwij Goel (IAS Rank 71, 2022)

5 Times Rank I in Indian Forest Service

IFoS Rank I – Vaibhav Srivastava (2017), M Naveen Reddy (2018), Rishi Kumar (2019), Shruti (2021), Kolluru Venkata Srikanth (2022)



About Optional Answer Writing Focus Group (O-AWFG)

Optional Answer Writing Focus Group is an **answer writing program for Optional Subjects**. It will comprise of **daily answer writing tests** as well as **full length tests**.

The O-AWFG seeks to precisely solve four problems for the students:

1. a regular committed time for preparation of Optional for mains 2024.
2. to provide for incremental study plan on day – day basis.
3. to cover important and relevant PYQs as there has been trend from UPSC to repeat questions in optional.
4. to solve the hurdle of answer writing for optional.

What is the scheme of the program?

The program will start from 1st July 2024. It will comprise of three (3) components:

1. Daily Answer Writing Tests: Mini Test comprising 3 – 5 questions will be provided. These will be conducted 4 times a week on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Out of 3 – 5 questions provided **2 will be graded** while other **3 will be for your self-assessment**. There will be **26 tests** in this segment.

You will also be provided discussion and solution for these questions.

These tests will also comprise of PYQ questions.

Each optional Paper is divided into 4 parts. Paper 1 in 2 parts and Paper 2 in 2 parts. Each part will be having around 6 – 7 tests.

2. Full Length Tests: As said above each optional Paper is divided into 4 parts. Paper 1 in 2 parts and Paper 2 in 2 parts. Each part will be having around 6 – 7 tests. Post completion of each part we will be conducting a full-length sectional test. After completion of all the daily tests we will have 1 full length paper each on Paper 1 and Paper 2. So, in total we will be having **4 Full length Sectional paper and 2 Full Length paper**. You will be provided detailed evaluation on the same. You will also receive solution and test discussion on the same.

3. Mentorship: You will be made available dedicated mentor whom you can meet throughout the program to understand feedback as well as help with anything related to your optional. The mentorship is available seamlessly in both online as well as offline mode.

Fees and Concessions:

The program fee is **Rs. 12,980/- (inclusive of all taxes)** for both online and offline students.

The program is available at a concession of **25% for optional foundation students and GS foundation students**. The program is available at a concession of **15% for ForumIAS MGP and Current Affairs students**. The program is available at a **concession of 10%** for ForumIAS students from courses other than mentioned above.



Fee Payment & Enrollment

Students can enroll in the program by paying the fees through the below means.

- A. By visiting the website: <https://academy.forumias.com> and making payment through Net Banking / Debit / Credit Card / UPI etc.
- B. By doing a NEFT / Cash Deposit in HDFC bank Accounts. For this Option, please email us at admissions@forumias.academy
- C. By Visiting the Offline Guidance Center* and making payment through Credit Card / Debit Card / Cheque / DD

For any query you can call us at +91 – 93117 40900 | + 91 – 93117 40400 or write to us at admissions@forumias.academy.

Admissions to the program are subject to acceptance of Terms & Conditions mentioned below.

Please note: Students who have taken admission in courses meant for Mains 2024 but are unsuccessful at Prelims 2024, can now migrate their course to any other course meant for Prelims/Mains 2025 by paying the balance fees if any applicable. They can also choose to continue in the course they have taken admission into. There will be no provision of refund of fees. This is applicable for course purchased post prelims examination 2024 and before declaration of prelims result.

Terms & Condition

- All fees once paid are non-refundable in nature. The course is also non-transferable in nature to another person.
- **The course will be valid till 30 September 2024.**
- Each program of ForumIAS is linked to ForumIAS Account with a fixed mobile number. No sharing of any programs is allowed. If candidates are found sharing programs, ForumIAS shall be free to terminate that or all program access to the candidate without any refund to the candidate. The company may initiate legal proceedings against candidates found sharing and selling such content.
- ForumIAS shall have full rights to close admissions as per its capacity. ForumIAS shall be free to amend its schedule in case of any exigencies that may arise.
- Force Majeure : Flaviant Network Pvt Ltd ("FNPL") will deliver this program on best effort and good faith basis. By subscribing to the program, you understand that in the case of a force majeure event, such as natural disaster, calamity, outbreak of a pandemic, accident, bodily harm, sickness to any persons directly involved in delivery of the program FNPL reserves right to modify, change or discontinue the program and shall not be liable for any financial obligations arising out of it. All disputes will be subject to jurisdiction of Delhi High Court.



Test Calendar – Optional Answer Writing Focus Group (O-AWFG) – Anthropology
26 Daily Answer Writing Tests (DAWT) + 4 Full Length Sectional (FLS) + 2 Full Length Tests (FLT)

#	Date and Day	Test Type & Test Code	Syllabus
1	2 nd July 2024 Tuesday	DAWT	Unit 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5 – Meaning of Anthropology, Relationship with other disciplines, Main branches of Anthropology, Human Evolution – Theories & Factors, Primates & their Characteristics
2	4 th July 2024 Thursday	DAWT	Unit 1.6 – Fossils Unit 1.7 – Basics of prehistoric archaeology: Dating Methods
3	5 th July 2024 Friday	DAWT	Unit 1.8 – Paleo, Meso, Neo: Broad Features & Sites
4	8 th July 2024 Monday	DAWT	Unit 2.1, 2.2, 2.3 – Culture, Society, Marriage
5	9 th July 2024 Tuesday	DAWT	Unit 2.4, 2.5, 2.6 – Family, Kinship, Economic Organization
6	11 th July 2024 Thursday	DAWT	Unit 4, 5 – Political Organization, Religion
7	12 th July 2024 Friday	DAWT	Unit 6 – Anthropological Theories (Evolutionism, Diffusionism, Functionalism)
8	14 th July 2024 Sunday	FLS	Sectional Test 1 – Unit 1.1 – Unit 5
9	15 th July 2024 Monday	DAWT	Unit 6 – Anthropological Theories (Structuralism, Symbolic & Interpretative, Cognitive, Post Modernism)
10	16 th July 2024 Tuesday	DAWT	Unit 7 – Language, Unit 8 – Research Methods in Anthropology
11	18 th July 2024 Thursday	DAWT	Unit 9 – Human Genetics
12	19 th July 2024 Friday	DAWT	Unit 9.5 – Race & Racism, Unit 9.6, 9.7 – Ecological Anthropology
13	22 nd July 2024 Monday	DAWT	Unit 9.8 – Epidemiological Anthropology, Unit 10 – Human Growth & Development
14	23 rd July 2024 Tuesday	DAWT	Unit 11 – Fertility, Menarche, Menopause, DTT
15	25 th July 2024 Thursday	DAWT	Unit 12 – Applications of Anthropology
16	26 th July 2024 Friday	DAWT	PAPER 2, UNIT 1.1, 1.2 – Indian Archaeology, Contribution of tribal cultures to Indian Civilization
17	28 th July 2024 Sunday	FLS	Sectional Test 2 – Unit 6 – Unit 12
18	29 th July 2024 Monday	DAWT	Unit 1.3 – Ethno-archaeology in India, Unit 2 – Distribution of Indian Population
19	30 th July 2024 Tuesday	DAWT	Unit 3.2, 3.2 – Indian Social System & its structure, Indian Caste System



20	1 st August 2024 Thursday	DAWT	Unit 3.3, 3.4 – Nature-Man-Spirit Complex, Impact of other religions
21	2 nd August 2024 Friday	DAWT	Unit 4 – Emergence of Anthropology in India & Scholars
22	4 th August 2024 Sunday	FLS	Sectional Test 3 – Unit 6 – Unit 8
23	5 th August 2024 Monday	DAWT	Unit 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 – Indian Village, Linguistic & Religious Minorities, Sanskritization & Modernization
24	6 th August 2024 Tuesday	DAWT	Unit 5.3 – Little & Great Traditions, Panchayati Raj & Social Change
25	8 th August 2024 Thursday	DAWT	Unit 6.1, 6.2 – Tribal Situation in India & Tribal Problems
26	9 th August 2024 Friday	DAWT	Unit 6.3, 7.1 – Impact of developmental projects, Deprivation of SCs, STs, OBCs & Constitutional Safeguards
27	12 th August 2024 Monday	DAWT	Unit 7.3, 8.1 – Ethnicity, Impact of other religions on tribal societies
28	13 th Augst 2024 Tuesday	DAWT	Unit 8.2, 9.1 – Tribe & Nation State, Administration of tribal areas (policy & programmes)
29	14 th August 2024 Wednesday	DAWT	Unit 9.2, 9.3 – Anthropology in rural development, understanding communalism, regionalism, ethnic & political movements
30	17 th August 2024 Sunday	FLS	Sectional Test 3 – Unit 9 – Unit 12
31	25 th August 2024 Sunday	FLT	Anthropology Paper I
32	26 th August 2024 Monday	FLT	Anthropology Paper II