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Sociology Optional Foundation 2025

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# Your Pathway to Preparedness: Equipped for success.

"Welcome to the vibrant world of sociology!"

The **Sociology Foundation Program** at **ForumIAS** offers a dynamic and structured approach to mastering the lively and stimulating field of sociology, in tune with the rigorous demands of the UPSC CSE syllabus.

As you embark on your journey towards achieving success in one of the most competitive exams in the world, our classroom program serves as your guiding light, providing you with the necessary tools, resources, and support to navigate through the complexities of sociology with confidence and clarity.

Led by experienced faculty members who are experts in sociology and well-versed with the intricacies of the UPSC CSE exam pattern, our classroom sessions are carefully curated to cover all aspects of the sociology syllabus.

Through engaging lectures, interactive discussions, meticulous engagement with PYQs and practical exercises, we delve deep into the core concepts, theories, and thinkers of sociology, ensuring a thorough understanding and retention of key topics.

#### Our Faculty

#### Dr. Irfan

He has been mentoring and teaching aspirants since 2009. He did his MA, M.Phil and PhD in Sociology from JNU, New Delhi.

"Irfan sir views sociology as a discipline that helps us examine the world afresh, and derive novel and critical understanding of social life from our own day-to-day surrounding".

## Classroom:

# Where Learning

## **Flourishes**

- 250+ hours of classes.
- One class daily. 5 classes in a week.
- We'll simplify complex terms and concepts with clear explanations, making even the toughest ideas easy for every student to understand and remember.
- The program will cover the full UPSC CSE Sociology syllabus, Papers I and II, with detailed discussions on core concepts, thinkers, theories, and case studies.
- Our experienced faculty will use multimedia resources like videos, documentaries, and podcasts to enhance lectures, simplify readings, and offer additional insights pertaining to the core requirements of the competitive exam.
- Personalized feedback and support to students, addressing their specific learning needs and ensuring customized necessary interventions to help them develop their scoring potential.
- Incorporate current affairs and relevant social issues into the sociology curriculum to enhance students' understanding and application of sociological concepts in real-life contexts.
- The students will be provided excellent and comprehensive lecture notes along with references to additional credible study material (textbooks and online resources) to offer them an edge over others and also encourage self-study.

#### **Emile Durkhein (1858-1917)**

He was a French sociologist who is often regarded as one of the founding figures of sociology.

He made significant contributions to the study of society, particularly in relation to understanding social order, solidarity, and role of religion.

# Handouts: Your hand held Guide to success

Certainly! Handouts in a sociology class for UPSC CSE preparation should aim to provide concise and comprehensive summaries of key concepts, theories and thinkers relevant to the exam.

## Some of the core features of our handouts that you just cannot afford to miss:

- Content fully aligned with classroom lecture to make sure students and the faculty remain on the same page.
- Excellent summarizing of an array of key sociological concepts like modernity, methodology, social stratification, religion, kinship, social change, and social movements, with definitions and significance.
- Sharp pointers for captivating introductions and perfect conclusions.
- Use of visual aids like diagrams and flowcharts to offer a more captivating account of complex ideas.
- Case studies and/or examples from everyday life to illustrate real- life applications of sociological concepts.
- Reader-friendly and to the point summaries to help students in retention.
- Study guides outlining class topics to prepare for exams and assignments.

#### Karl Marx (1818-1883)

He was a German philosopher and Sociologist. He dedicated his life to analyzing the socioeconomic dynamics of capitalist society.

He laid down the foundation of critical perspective on history, economy, and power differential in a social system.

# Regular Assessment: Tracking Progress, Shaping Futures

For students preparing for the UPSC Civil Services Examination (CSE) in sociology, regular assessment plays a crucial role in their preparation. In the sociology foundation program offered at ForumIAS, following is of crucial significance with regards to assessment:

- Conduct of mock tests mirroring the UPSC CSE format to help students work out the challenge of time management and work out essential exam strategies
- Assigning of case studies for sociological analysis, enhancing students' analytical skills and pushing them towards real-world application of concepts.
- Assessments designed fully in sync with UPSC patterns, including various question formats, to boost students' confidence vis-à-vis the exam.
- Constructive feedback on assessments, emphasizing strengths and areas for improvement.
- Regular revision sessions to reinforce key sociology concepts and clarify doubts before exams.

#### **Talcott Parsons (1902-1979)**

He was an American sociologist, best known for his exceptionally detailed and elaborate theories of social action and social system. His writings majorly influenced 20th century structural functionalism.

Parsons' most famous contribution is his theory of the social system, his most elaborate grand theory.

# Nurturing Potential, Guiding Success: Your Journey with a mentor

It is beyond doubt that regular and customized mentorship greatly benefits students preparing for the UPSC Civil Services Examination (CSE). The sociology foundation program at ForumIAS comprises regular mentorship that provides guidance, support, and personalized advice tailored to individual needs of students. Some of the important features of the mentorship program are:

- Based on students' individual needs and goals, personalized mentoring sessions to be offered to assist students in charting their own study plans and tracking their progress.
- Helping students develop comprehensive study plans covering all sociology topics, prioritizing as per the UPSC pattern and trends, scheduling revision, and identifying resources for content improvement.
- Motivational support to keep students focused and positive throughout their preparation.
- Regular feedback on mock tests and assessments, suggesting preparation-related strategies and additional resources for improvement.
- Maintaining open communication channels for students to reach mentors for guidance and support via various mediums.

### Max Weber (1864-1920)

He was a German sociologist, widely regarded as one of the founders of modern sociology. He explored markedly novel themes such as

rationalization, authority and bureaucracy, and role of religion in social change.

## FEE STRUCTURE

Course	Total Fees
Sociology Offline Foundation 2025	₹ 47,200/-
Sociology Online Foundation 2025	₹ 49,200/-
Sociology Hybrid Foundation 2025	₹ 52,200/-

#### **Fee Concession:**

- At ForumIAS, we value consistency and discipline. For students who have the discipline and consistency to
  commit to attend our Optional Foundation Program offline classes exclusively, we will bear a part of course fee of
  them. Consequently, the Optional Foundation classes have the lowest fee among all variants.
- Old/Existing Students of GS Foundation Program avail fee concession of 15% on Sociology Optional Foundation 2025.
- Old/Existing ForumIAS students of Sociology Optional Foundation can avail a fee concession of 15% on Sociology Optional Foundation 2025.
- Students of all the programs can avail fee concession of 10% on Sociology Optional Foundation 2025.

Note: All the above concessions can be availed by sending an email on admissions@forumias.academy.

#### **HOW TO ENROLL?**

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

Visit website:

https://academy.forumias.com

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- Net Banking Debit Card Credit Card UPI
- By Visiting the Offline Center (Credit Card / Debit Card / Cheque / DD)
- By doing a NEFT / Cash Deposit in ICICI account.

Please note that you must retain the payment proof in case of Cash deposit / NEFT and send it to <a href="mailto:admissions@forumias.academy">admissions@forumias.academy</a> within 48 hours of making the payment for your course to be activated. While sharing screenshot do share your ForumIAS roll no. along with course paid for.

For any query you can call us at

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#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

- Students enrolled in any course of ForumIAS must get a physical ID card for availing services in the offline mode. A nominal fee of Rs. 30 will be payable for the same.
- The program is non-refundable and non-transferable.
- 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.
- 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.
- You can make the payment online at <a href="https://academy.forumias.com">https://academy.forumias.com</a> (recommended) or by writing to us at admissions@forumias.academy.
- Please create an account on <a href="https://academy.forumias.com">https://academy.forumias.com</a> before enrolling either offline or online.
- This program will be valid till Mains 2025.
- All fees once paid are non-refundable in nature. The course is also non-transferable in nature to another person. By subscribing to the course, you agree to the terms and conditions mentioned above.