

**Ambedkar University Delhi**

**Course Outline**

**Monsoon Semester (Aug-November 2017)**

|   |                       |     |        |                           |
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| <b>School:</b>                                | Undergraduate Studies |     |        |                           |
| <b>Programme with title:</b>                  | BA (Honours)          |     |        |                           |
| <b>Semester to which offered: (I/ III/ V)</b> | V semester            |     |        |                           |
| <b>Course Title:</b>                          | Delhi in History      |     |        |                           |
| <b>Credits:</b>                               | 4 Credits             |     |        |                           |
| <b>Course Code (new):</b>                     | SUS1HS409             |     |        |                           |
| <b>Course Code (old):</b>                     | H11                   |     |        |                           |
| <b>Type of Course:</b>                        | Compulsory            | yes | Cohort | BA (H) History            |
|   | Elective              | yes | Cohort | BA (H) other than History |

**For SUS only** (Mark an X for as many as appropriate):

1. Foundation (Compulsory)
2. Foundation (Elective)
3. Discipline (Compulsory)      X
4. Discipline (Elective)        X
5. Elective

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**Pre-requisites:**                                None

**Aim:** This course has been designed with the aim of introducing students to a history of Delhi through the many centuries of its existence. Since it is wide in scope hence instead of a chronological history, it will be a thematic understanding of the city's long history—its several cities; its culture; important historical moments and their impact on the city; and the contemporary problems of urbanisation.

The course also has a strong fieldwork component, which will visit field sites both historical and contemporary, and undertake oral history exercises about sites and memories of the city.

Hence, this course is not limited to classroom teaching alone.

Films and guest speakers are also a novel component of this course.

**Brief description of modules/ Main modules:**

- 1. The Multiple Cities of Delhi**
- 2. The Delhi Renaissance-Socio-Cultural Portraits**
- 3. Art and Architecture**
- 4. Habitats, Violence and Displacement**
- 5. The Travails of Urbanization**

**References:**

- 1) The Delhi Omnibus: Oxford 2011
- 2) Indu Banga, The City in Indian History: Urban Demography, Society and Politics, (ed), Manohar 1994
- 3) SARAI Reader The Cities of Everyday Life
- 4) Selected Unit-wise Readings will be handed over in the class.

**Tentative Assessment schedule with details of weightage:**

| <b>S.No</b> | <b>Assessment</b>    | <b>Date/period in which Assessment will take place</b> | <b>Weightage</b> |
|-------------|----------------------|--|------------------|
| 1           | Assignment           | Mid September  | 30%              |
| 2           | Oral history project | Mid October  | 30%              |
| 3           | End Semester Exam    | As per AUD Academic Calendar                           | 40%              |