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Course Number and Name

SOCE 302 Applied Sociology

Intended Learning Outcomes

At the end of this course the students will be able to apply theories and methods in sociology and social anthropology.

## **Course Contents**

The scope of applied sociology; sociological approaches of community development; sociology of poverty; social and cultural factors in health; remedies for crime; commercial sex; suicide and violence; the role of government policy, gender and development; Sociological approaches to human settlement planning; importance of social and cultural factors in prevention, control and analysis of infectious diseases, accidents and life style related disorders including substance abuse; role of enquiry in prevention, control and analysis of social problems; population policies and programs in Sri Lanka with a focus on emerging problems of old age, human migration and unplanned urbanization; role of NGOs in development, social change and advocacy; rapid social and economic development and accommodating diversity within a unified Sri Lanka.

## **Assessment Strategy**

- i. Time of Assessment End of the Year
- ii. Assessment Method Written examination Assigned Percentage for each Component- 100%

## Recommended References

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