



# ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY

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DIRECTORATE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION

Annamalainagar – 608 002

**Semester Pattern: 2023-24**

## **Instructions to submit First Semester Assignments**

1. Following the introduction of semester pattern, it becomes **mandatory for candidates to submit assignment for each course.**
2. Assignment topics for each course will be displayed in the A.U, DDE website (**www.audde.in**).
3. Each assignment contains 5 questions and the candidate should answer all the 5 questions. Candidates should submit assignments for each course separately. (5 Questions x 5 Marks =25 marks).
4. Answer for each assignment question should not exceed 4 pages. Use only A4 sheets and write on one side only. **Write your Enrollment number on the top right corner** of all the pages.
5. Add a template / content page and provide details regarding your Name, Enrollment number, Programme name, Code and Assignment topic. Assignments without template / content page will not be accepted.
6. Assignments should be handwritten only. Typed or printed or photocopied assignments will not be accepted.
7. **Send all First semester assignments in one envelope.** Send your assignments by Registered Post to The Director, Directorate of Distance Education, Annamalai University, Annamalai Nagar – 608002.
8. Write in bold letters, “ASSIGNMENTS – FIRST SEMESTER” along with PROGRAMME NAME on the top of the envelope.
9. Assignments received after the **last date with late fee** will not be evaluated.

### **Date to Remember**

Last date to submit first semester assignments : **15.11.2023**

Last date with late fee of Rs.300 (three hundred only) : **30.11.2023**

**Dr. T.SRINIVASAN**  
**Director**

## **S014 - M.A. HISTORY**

### **First Semester**

#### **014E1110: HISTORY OF TAMIL NADU FROM BEGINNING TO THE CHOLAS**

(5 x 5 = 25 Marks)

1. Discuss the role of archaeologists and their findings that help us to reconstruct the history of Tamil Nadu.
2. Elaborate on how the *Chera*, *Chola*, and the *Pandya* kings reshaped the political boundaries during the Sangam age?
3. Write an essay on how the identity of the *Kalabharas* has been explained by various scholars?
4. Carefully analyze the rise of Dravidian Art and Architecture during the Medieval period.
5. Give an account of the unique features of the Administrative system during the time of Imperial Cholas.

#### **014E1120 : SOCIAL AND CULTURAL HISTORY OF INDIA UPTO 1206 A.D.**

(5 x 5 = 25 Marks)

1. Trace out the origin and development of the Dravidian culture upto 1206 A.D.
2. Discuss how the Indian philosophical thoughts emerged from the Vedic Literature?
3. Write an essay on how new religions (Buddhism and Jainism) developed during the sixth century B.C.
4. Critically evaluate how Ashoka's policy of Dhamma was propagated through his edicts and inscriptions.
5. Bring out the contributions made by the Guptas in the field of Science and Technology.

**014E1130 : HISTORY OF ANCIENT WORLD CIVILIZATIONS  
UPTO 476 A.D. (EXCLUDING INDIA)**

(5 x 5 = 25 Marks)

1. Discuss the physical features of the Paleolithic men and the major contributions of the Paleolithic age.
2. Enumerate the characteristics features of the Hammurabi Code and its contributions to the field of Justice.
3. Carefully analyze how the principles of Governance developed during the time of the Persian rulers.
4. Critically evaluate the principles of Athenian democracy and its impact on polity and society.
5. Give an estimation of the contributions made by Julius Caesar for the development of ancient Roman Civilization.

**014E1140 : PRINCIPLES AND METHODS OF ARCHAEOLOGY**

(5 x 5 = 25 Marks)

1. "Archaeology and History are highly complementing with each other". Discuss.
2. Enumerate the life and achievements of Sir Mortimer Wheeler in the field of archaeology.
3. Elucidate the various types of excavations and the points to be kept in mind while excavating archaeological sites.
4. Bring out the comparative approach between Relative Dating Methods and Absolute Dating Methods.
5. Critically analyze the recent findings of various archaeological sites excavated in Tamil Nadu and state its importance.

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