

CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES

UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU

Syllabus of Certificate Course in Women and Law w.e.f. session 2024-25 onwards

Title: Women and Law

Duration of course: 3 Months

Maximum Marks: 100

a) Examination-70

b) Project: 30

Unit –I Status of Women (Sessions- 13)

- a) Position of Women in Vedic/ Post Vedic/Medieval/British and Contemporary India
- b) Constitutional Provisions for Equality (Article 14,15 and 16)
- c) Women specific Fundamental Duties and Directive Principles.
- d) Uniform Civil Code towards Gender Justice.

Unit-II: Offences against Women (Sessions-08)

- a) Outraging the Modesty of Women, Voyeurism, Stalking, Acid Attack
- b) Rape and Sexual Abuse.
- c) Cruelty and Offences related to Marriage

Unit –III: Women under various Personal Laws (with reference) (Sessions-18)

- a) Marriage and Divorce,
- b) Maintenance and Inheritance
- c) Property rights of women with special reference to U.T. of J&K.

Unit IV: Crimes against Women and various Social Legislations (Sessions-12)

- a) Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act 1971, PNDT Act 1994
- b) Dowry Prohibition Act 1961
- c) Domestic Violence, Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005
- d) The Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986.

Unit V: Women and Employment (Sessions- 14)

- a) Factories Act- Provisions relating to women
- b) Law Relating to Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act 2013(Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal).
- c) Maternity Benefit Act 1961 (Amendment 2017) and Child Care Leave (Rule 43-C)

Unit VI: Issues related to Third Gender and Legislation (Sessions-15)

- a) Gender, Sex and Sexuality
- b) LGBTQA and Violence
- c) Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act of India in 2019

Unit VII: Project Work (Sessions -20)

Course Details: 100 Session- (50 days) 1 Session = 1hour

The break-up of the course is as follows

- 80 sessions for Class work
- 20 sessions for Project Work.

SUGGESTED READINGS:

Aggarwal, Nomita, **Women and Law in India**, New Century Publication, Delhi, 2002

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Diwan, Paras, **Family Law, (Law of Marriage and Divorce in India)**, Sterling Publishers Pvt. LTD. New Delhi, 1983

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