



HISDSC402T
HISTORY OF INDIAN ART AND ARCHITECTURE

Contact Hours: 60

Full Marks = 100 [ESE (70) CCA (30)]

Course Objective:

This course will cover the Indian artistic and architectural heritage of over 5500 years from the time of the Indus Valley Civilization to the colonial period. In this course, the students will not only examine how visual artefacts such as paintings, sculpture and architecture are produced for specific audiences at specific points in time in India, they will also how those very artefacts, and their likenesses are received or appreciated across a larger geopolitical and temporal spectrum.

Unit I

1. Art and Architecture of the Harappan Age.
2. Art and Architecture of the Mauryan Age.
3. Stupa Art and Architecture with special reference to Sanchi and Amaravati
4. Rock Cut Architecture: Bhaja, Karle (12 Lectures)

Unit II

1. Kushana Period: Mathura, Gandhara and Amaravati School of Art
2. Gupta Period: Evolution of Temple Architecture, Sarnath School of Art. (10 Lectures)

Unit III

1. Cholas: Art and Architecture
2. Chalukyas: Art and Architecture
3. Pallavas: Art and Architecture
4. Temple Architecture: Nagar Style, Dravid Style. (12 Lectures)

Unit IV

1. Sultanate period: Art & Architecture
2. Medieval Temple Architecture
3. Bhamani Art and Architecture
4. Vijaynagar Art and Architecture (13 Lectures)

Unit V

1. Mughal Art & Architecture
2. Rajput Art & Architecture
3. Ahom: Art & Architecture
4. Colonial Architecture (13 Lectures)

Expected learning outcomes:

After completing this course, the students will be able to acquire knowledge regarding paintings, sculpture and architecture of India, progressed under various rulers and dynasties of India.

Reading List:

1. E. B. Havell, The Ancient and Medieval Architecture of India.
2. Ebba Koch, Mughal Architecture
3. Hugh Plommer, Ancient and Classical Architecture
4. James Fergusson, History of Indian and Eastern Architecture, Vol. 2
5. M Madhuri Rao, Jaina Art and Architecture (Andhra and Telangana)
6. Moritz Herrmann, Colonial Architecture in India.
7. R Nath, History of Mughal Architecture Vol.1
8. R. C. Majumdar, History and Culture of the Indian People, Volume 03, The Classical Age
9. ----- History and Culture of the Indian People, Volume 06, The Delhi Sultanate