

Module: English

First year

The basic concepts in the field of human sciences

This piece of writing introduces the fundamental ideas across various disciplines like psychology, sociology, anthropology, and related areas. Here are some key concepts:

Psychology: The scientific study of the mind and behavior.

- **Behaviorism:** Focuses on observable behaviors and stimuli-response relationships.
- **Cognitive Psychology:** Studies mental processes such as perception, memory, thinking, and problem-solving
- **Developmental Psychology:** Examines human growth and development across the lifespan.
- **Social Psychology:** Investigates how individuals think, feel, and behave in social contexts.

Sociology:

The study of social life, social change, and the social causes and consequences of human behaviors.

- **Social Structure:** Refers to patterns of relationships and institutions in society.
- **Socialization:** The process through which individuals learn and internalize societal norms and values.

- **Social Institutions:** Key societal structures like family, education, economy, politics, and religion.
- **Social Change:** How societies evolve and transform over time.

Anthropology:

- **Cultural Anthropology:** Studies human cultures, beliefs, practices, and customs.
- **Biological Anthropology:** Focuses on human evolution, genetics, and physical characteristics.
- **Archaeology:** Examines past human societies through material remains and artifacts.

Research Methods:

- **Qualitative vs. Quantitative Research:**
 - Qualitative methods explore meanings, experience and narratives.
 - Quantitative methods emphasizing numerical data and statistical analysis.
- **Experimental Design:** Principles of designing and conducting experiments to study human behavior.
- **Ethics in Research:** Importance of ethical considerations when conducting research involving human subjects.