



Competitive Examinations Centre

Savitribai Phule Pune University

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Short Term Course: Perspectives in Geography

In the 21st century, geography has evolved as a discipline that is more inclined toward the domain of spatial science. Most studies in contemporary geography align themselves with Euclidean geometry, i.e., coordinates or the concept of point, line, and polygon. However, there exists another school of thought that thrusts on a diversity of viewpoints in understanding and interpreting the landscape. This kind of dualism existed throughout the history of the evolution of geography. Geography is relevant for both science and society. It interacts with multiple disciplines, so much so that it is also termed the science of synthesis.

We are aware that geography is central to understanding the world. Therefore, the geographers and non-geographers need to be aware of the discussions and debates around the evolution of the discipline. It is also interesting to learn about different perspectives that have shaped geography in general and human geography in particular. Moreover, geography enthusiasts need to familiarise themselves with the emerging discussions that will shape their future.

Objectives:

1. To help the learners in developing conceptual clarity on geographical thought.
2. To provide an insight into the paradigm shifts that have taken place in geography.
3. To allow the learners to critically assess various theoretical discussions in geography.
4. To help the aspirants appearing for UPSC Civil Services Examination with Geography as an optional subject.

Course Duration:

- Total 20 hours (3 days per week)

Syllabus:

1. Understanding Geography
2. Dualism & Dichotomy in Geography
3. Concept of Paradigm in Geography
4. Approaches of Study Regional Geography & Areal Differentiation
5. Regional Synthesis
6. Quantitative Revolution in Geography
7. Behaviouralism in Geography
8. Welfare Approach and Radicalism in Geography
9. Humanism in Geography
10. Postmodern Geographies
11. Contemporary research in Human Geography

Learning Outcome:

Learners will be able to tackle the questions (subjective) about geographical thought effectively.

Learning Methods & Activities

- Lecture/Seminars (90 minutes duration)
- Test (Answer Writing) & Discussion (60 Minutes) (Once a week)
- Individual Presentations - End of the Module

Prerequisite: Graduation in any discipline/Geography as an Optional Subject for UPSC Civil Services.

Course Fee: Rs. 2000 (Two Thousand Only) (By **Demand Draft** Only in the name of: **Finance and Account Officer, SPPU, Pune**)

Course Coordinator & Educator: S. Fazal Daoud Firdausi (Ph. D.), Faculty, CEC, SPPU

Apply using the following google link: <https://forms.gle/t9xzCpZJ8cXgSizc6>

Timeline:

Last date to apply: 21st June, 2022

Last date to deposit fees: 22nd June, 2022

Commencement of the course: 23rd June, 2022

Note: *This is a short-term self-supporting capacity-building/coaching program. No degree/diploma/certificate will be provided after the course completion.*

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