

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>BHUM231L</b>	<b>Reproductive choices for a Sustainable Society</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Pre-requisite</b>	<b>NIL</b>	<b>Syllabus version</b>			
		<b>1.0</b>			
<b>Course Objectives</b>					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To sensitize the students about the complex entanglement between biomedicine, technology, and reproductive choices.</li> <li>2. To inform the students about the politics of health management, and the shame and stigma associated with individuals' reproductive life course.</li> <li>3. To sensitize students about the possible consequences of biotechnological intervention in human lives.</li> </ol>					
<b>Course Outcomes</b>					
At the end of the course, the student will be able to:					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Understand the intricate relationships between society, culture, and reproductive decision-making.</li> <li>2. Understand how socially constructed phenomena such as shame, stigma, and prejudices inform our understanding of reproductive well-being.</li> </ol>					
<b>Module:1</b>	<b>Reproductive Choices</b>	<b>4 hours</b>			
Sexual Health- Reproductive Health and Rights- Reproductive Morbidity- Choice, Privacy, and Autonomy-Reproductive Coercion- Pronatalist Coercion- Natal Politics-Reproductive Fears- The New Momism- Maternal Delinquents					
<b>Module:2</b>	<b>Organizational Policies</b>	<b>4 Hours</b>			
Workplace Flexibility-Inclusive Family Planning Benefits-Parental Leaves-Return to Work after Maternity Break- Income Protection Plan-Reproductive Health Services and Healthcare Insurance Policies- Child Daycare Services					
<b>Module:3</b>	<b>The Collective Labour of Childbirth</b>	<b>4 hours</b>			
Assembling Birth- Negotiating with Babies-Thinking with Bodies-Thingness-Doctoring with Bureaucracy-Loving Technologies-Birth War.					
<b>Module:4</b>	<b>Reproductive Choices and Decision-Making</b>	<b>4 hours</b>			
Normal Birth and Midwifery-Caesarean Section-Home Birth and Water Birth-The Usage of Drugs in Childbirth-Obstetric and Nursing Intervention-Politics of Choice and Decision Making- Urban and Rural Divide in Motherhood Experiences- The Politics of Caste, Class, and Education					
<b>Module:5</b>	<b>Abortion and Stillbirth</b>	<b>4 hours</b>			
Miscarriage, Uncertainty, and Self-Imposed Stigma- Devastation and Exclusion Associated with Pregnancy Loss- Fatphobia, Pregnancy Loss, and Hegemonic Imagination-Contesting the Medicalized Narrative of Pregnancy Loss- Reproductive Trauma and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder					
<b>Module:6</b>	<b>Representation of Motherhood in Popular Culture</b>	<b>4 hours</b>			
Motherhood Narratives in Film- Motherhood Memoirs- Non-normative Motherhood in Fiction					
<b>Module:7</b>	<b>Bioethical Imperatives</b>	<b>5 hours</b>			
Artificial Reproductive Technology- Transgenders- Single Motherhood- Surrogacy- Infertility and In vitro fertilization (IVF)- IVF for Patient's with Chronic Illness					
<b>Module:8</b>	<b>Contemporary Issues</b>	<b>2 hours</b>			
Guest Lecture					
	<b>Total Lecture hours:</b>	<b>30 hours</b>			

<b>Text Book(s)</b>			
1.	Agarwal Pragma, (M)otherhood: On the Choices of Being a Woman, 2021, Conongate Books,		
<b>Reference Books</b>			
1.	Chadwick, Rachele. Bodies that Birth: Vitalizing Birth Politics, 2018, Routledge		
2.	Deveau, Angie and Emily R.M. Lind. Interrogating Pregnancy Loss: Feminist Writings on Abortion, Miscarriage and Stillbirth, 2017, Demeter Press.		
3.	Nandy, Amrita. Motherhood and Choice: Uncommon Mothers, Childfree Woman, 2017, New Text Publication, Pvt. Ltd.		
Mode of Evaluation: CAT, Digital assignments, Quiz, and FAT			
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