

EXAM SYLLABUS

BA Degree Syllabus 2027 — India

10 subjects · 62 topics · 180 min · 600 marks

Comprehensive BA syllabus including core subjects like English, History, Political Science, Economics. Detailed topics, recommended books, and important areas for BA degree preparation in India.

WHAT TO STUDY FIRST

Begin by understanding the core subjects typically offered in the first year of a BA program, such as English, History, Political Science, and Economics. These foundational subjects provide a broad overview of the humanities and social sciences. Focus on understanding the interdisciplinary nature of the BA degree, as it allows exploration across various fields. Prioritize topics that are frequently covered in entrance exams, if applicable, or those that form the basis for specialization in later years.

EXAM PATTERN

180 min · 150 questions · 600 marks · MCQ / Objective

BA Entrance Examination

Marking: +4 for correct, -1 for incorrect. Section-wise weightage varies by exam.

Negative: Negative marking is applicable for incorrect answers in most BA entrance exams.

General Knowledge & Current Affairs

30 Q · 120 marks · 30 min

MCQ

English Language & Comprehension

30 Q · 120 marks · 30 min

MCQ

Logical Reasoning

30 Q · 120 marks · 30 min

MCQ

Quantitative Aptitude (Basic)

30 Q · 120 marks · 30 min

MCQ

Domain-Specific Subjects (e.g., History, Political Science, Economics, Psychology)

30 Q · 120 marks · 30 min

MCQ

- Admission can be merit-based or through entrance exams (national, state, university-level).
- Common entrance exams include CUET UG, IPU CET, JMI Entrance Exam, etc.
- The duration of entrance exams typically ranges from 90 to 180 minutes.
- BA programs are generally 3-year undergraduate degrees.
- Many universities follow a semester-based system with internal and final exams.

SUBJECT-WISE SYLLABUS

01 General English

5 topics · Varies

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

— NCERT Class 11 & 12 English Textbooks

— High School English Grammar and Composition by Wren & Martin

- 1 Grammar and Syntax
- 2 Vocabulary Enrichment (Synonyms, Antonyms, Idioms)
- 3 Comprehension of different passage types (Factual, Literary, Narrative)
- 4 Writing Skills (Essays, Letters, Applications)
- 5 Language Usage and Error Correction

02 General Awareness / General Knowledge

7 topics · Varies

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

— Lucent's General Knowledge

— Manorama Year Book

— Newspapers (The Hindu, Indian Express)

- 1 History (Ancient, Medieval, Modern)
- 2 Geography (Physical, Indian, World)
- 3 Indian Polity and Governance
- 4 Indian Economy
- 5 Science and Technology
- 6 Environmental Studies
- 7 International Organizations and Events

03 General Mental Ability / Logical Reasoning

7 topics · Varies

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

— A Modern Approach to Verbal & Non-Verbal Reasoning by R.S. Aggarwal

— Analytical Reasoning by M.K. Pandey

- 1 Logical Reasoning (Deductive and Inductive)
- 2 Analytical Reasoning
- 3 Problem Solving
- 4 Data Interpretation
- 5 Series Completion
- 6 Number and Letter Series
- 7 Analogies

04 Numerical Ability / Quantitative Aptitude

6 topics · Varies

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

- Quantitative Aptitude for Competitive Examinations by R.S. Aggarwal
- Magical Book on Quicker Maths by M. Tyra

- 1 Basic Mathematical Concepts
- 2 Arithmetic (Percentage, Profit & Loss, Ratio, Time & Work)
- 3 Algebra (Equations, Functions)
- 4 Geometry (Lines, Angles, Triangles, Circles)
- 5 Mensuration (Area, Volume)
- 6 Statistics (Mean, Median, Mode)

05 Economics

7 topics · Varies

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

- Indian Economy by Ramesh Singh
- Macroeconomics by N. Gregory Mankiw
- NCERT Economics (Class XI & XII)

- 1 Principles of Economics
- 2 Microeconomic Analysis
- 3 Macroeconomic Analysis
- 4 Indian Economic Development
- 5 Public Finance
- 6 International Economics
- 7 Econometrics

06 History

5 topics · Varies

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

- A Brief History of Modern India by Spectrum
- Ancient India by R.S. Sharma
- Medieval India by Satish Chandra

- 1 History of India (Ancient, Medieval, Modern)
- 2 World History (Major events and periods)
- 3 Historiography
- 4 Archaeology
- 5 Cultural History

07 Political Science

6 topics · Varies

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

- Indian Polity by M. Laxmikanth
- An Introduction to Political Theory by O.P. Gauba
- World Constitution

- 1 Political Theory and Concepts
- 2 Constitutional Democracy and Government in India
- 3 Comparative Politics
- 4 International Relations and Organizations
- 5 Public Administration
- 6 Political Ideologies

08 Sociology

6 topics · Varies

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

- Sociology by Anthony Giddens
- Indian Society by S.L. Doshi
- NCERT Sociology (Class XI & XII)

- 1 Introduction to Sociology
- 2 Indian Society: Structure and Change
- 3 Social Institutions (Family, Marriage, Kinship)
- 4 Social Stratification and Inequality
- 5 Social Movements
- 6 Sociological Thinkers

09 Psychology

8 topics · Varies

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

- Introduction to Psychology by Morgan & King
- NCERT Psychology (Class XI & XII)

- 1 Introduction to Psychology
- 2 Human Development
- 3 Learning and Memory
- 4 Motivation and Emotion
- 5 Personality
- 6 Psychological Disorders
- 7 Therapeutic Interventions

10 Geography

5 topics · Varies

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

- GC Leong Certificate Physical and Human Geography
- NCERT Geography (Class XI & XII)
- India: A Comprehensive Atlas by Oxford

- 1 Physical Geography (Geomorphology, Climatology, Oceanography)
- 2 Human Geography (Economic Geography, Population Geography)
- 3 Indian Geography (Physical, Economic, Human)
- 4 Cartography and Map Reading
- 5 Environmental Geography

10 subject(s), 62 topics listed above. Verify critical details with the official exam notification before applying.