

Syllabus for the
MASTER OF ARTS (M. A.) PROGRAMME IN PHILOSOPHY
 (To be effective from the academic session 2014-2016)
 [Including MINOR ELECTIVE]

Principle/ Formula/Rule
1 Lecture of 1hour per week x(14-16)= 1 credit
1 Lecture of 1hour=2 Tutorial/Practical/Remedial Coaching
Core Course 60 – 70 credit points
Major Elective/ Special Paper 10 Credit minimum
Credit requirement for a PG Programme : 80-100 Credit points
Each paper shall have a nomenclature and an <i>alpha-numeric</i> code

Name of the PG Programme: MA in Philosophy
Name of the Subject: Philosophy

Level	Course No.	Course Type	Course Code	Course Title	Learning Hour distribution per week	Credit	Marks
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MA Semester-I	101	Core Course	MAPHIL101	Indian Classics	4: 2:0	5	50
	102	Core Course	MAPHIL102	Indian Epistemology	4: 2:0	5	50
	103	Core Course	MAPHIL103	Western Classics	4: 2:0	5	50
	104	Core Course	MAPHIL104	Western Ethics	4: 2:0	5	50
MA Semester-II	201	Core Course	MAPHIL201	Indian Ethics	4: 2:0	5	50
	202	Core Course	MAPHIL202	Indian Metaphysics	4: 2:0	5	50
	203	Core Course	MAPHIL203	Western Epistemology	4: 2:0	5	50
	204	Core Course	MAPHIL204	Western Logic	4: 2:0	5	50
MA Semester-III	301	Core Course	MAPHIL301	Indian Philosophy of Language	4: 2:0	5	50
	302	Core Course	MAPHIL302	Western Metaphysics	4: 2:0	5	50
	303N	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL303N	Prācīna Nyāya-I	4: 2:0	5	50
	304N	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL304N	Prācīna Nyāya-II	4: 2:0	5	50
	303V	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL303V	Advaita Metaphysics	4: 2:0	5	50
	304V	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL304V	Dvaitādvaita and Dvaita Metaphysics	4: 2:0	5	50

	303E	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL303E	Biomedical Ethics	4: 2:0	5	50
	304E	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL304E	Socio-Political Ethics	4: 2:0	5	50
	303L	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL303L	Set Theory & Philosophy of Logic	4: 2:0	5	50
	304L	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL304L	Non-deductive Logic	4: 2:0	5	50
	303S	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL303S	Classical Sāṃkhya-I	4: 2:0	5	50
	304S	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL304S	Classical Sāṃkhya-II	4: 2:0	5	50
	305	Minor Elective	MAPHIL305	Philosophy for real life issues	4: 0:0	4	50
MA Semester-IV	401	Core Course	MAPHIL401	Continental Philosophy	4: 2:0	5	50
	402	Core Course	MAPHIL402	Western Philosophy of Language	4: 2:0	5	50
	403N	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL403N	Navya Nyāya-I	4: 2:0	5	50
	404N	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL404N	Navya Nyāya-II	4: 2:0	5	50
	403V	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL403V	Advaita Epistemology	4: 2:0	5	50
	404V	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL404V	Viśiṣṭādvaita Metaphysics	4: 2:0	5	50
	403E	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL403E	Applied Ethics in Indian Context	4: 2:0	5	50
	404E	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL404E	Environmental Ethics	4: 2:0	5	50
	403L	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL403L	The Logic of Relations and Deductive Systems	4: 2:0	5	50
	404L	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL404L	Propositional Logic	4: 2:0	5	50
	403S	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL403S	Later Sāṃkhya	4: 2:0	5	50
	404S	Major Elective, Special Course	MAPHIL404S	Patañjala Yoga	4: 2:0	5	50
		405	Core Course	MAPHIL405	Project, Presentation and Participation	0: 0:20	10

Note (1) :**Credit distribution:****For Students of MA Programme in Philosophy:**

- [General] Core Course: (5x12)+[Project, Presentation and Participation]: (10x1)=70
- Major Elective/Special Course: 20
- Minor Elective (to be chosen by the from the syllabus for MA Programme in any other subject at the beginning of Semester III): Minimum 4

Total: 90+Minimum 4**For Students of MA Programme in any subject other than Philosophy:**

- [General] Core Course + Project+ Major Elective/Special Course] in other subject: Minimum 90
- Minor Elective (that may be chosen from the syllabus for MA Programme in Philosophy at the beginning of Semester III): 4

Total: Minimum 90, Maximum 110**Note (2) :** There are Five Major Elective/Special Papers in this PG Programme in Philosophy as under:

No. of Group of Major Elective/ Special Papers	Group of Major Elective/Special Papers	Course No.	Course Type	Course Code	Name of the Course
Group-I	Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika	303N	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL303N	Prācīna Nyāya-I
		304N	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL304N	Prācīna Nyāya-II
		403N	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL403N	Navya Nyāya-I
		404N	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL404N	Navya Nyāya-II
Group-II	Vedānta	303V	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL303V	Advaita Metaphysics
		304V	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL304V	Dvaitādvaita and Dvaita Metaphysics
		403V	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL403V	Advaita Epistemology
		404V	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL404V	Viśiṣṭādvaita Metaphysics
Group-III	Applied Ethics	303E	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL303E	Biomedical Ethics
		304E	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL304E	Socio-Political Ethics
		403E	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL403E	Applied Ethics in Indian Context
		404E	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL404E	Environmental Ethics
Group-IV	Western Logic	303L	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL303L	Set Theory & Philosophy of Logic

		304L	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL304L	Non-deductive Logic
		403L	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL403L	The Logic of Relations and Deductive Systems
		404L	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL404L	Propositional Logic
Group-V	Sāmkhya-Yoga	303S	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL303S	Classical Sāmkhya-I
		304S	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL304S	Classical Sāmkhya-II
		403S	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL403S	Later Sāmkhya
		404S	Major Elective/ Special Course	MAPHIL404S	Patañjala Yoga

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- Minimum number of Learning Hour per **Core Course/Major Elective** of 5 Credit (50 marks): 84 (L: 56 & T: 28)
- Minimum number of Learning Hour per week for Course: MAPHIL405: 20 (P: 20)
- **Minimum number of Learning Hour per week for Course: MAPHIL305, Minor Elective, of 4 Credit (50 marks): 4 (L:4)**
- Per Course Continuous Assessment: 10 marks and Semester-end Examination: 40 marks

SEMESTER-I

Full Marks: 200

CORE COURSES

COURSE: MAPHIL101: INDIAN CLASSICS (Marks: 50)

- (i) Praśastapāda: *Padārthadharmasaṅgraha* (six *padārtha*-s, both *uddeśa* and *parīkṣā*) (42 Hours)
- (ii) Umāsvāti : *Tattvārthasūtra* (Selections, excluding Ch.-VII) (42 Hours)

COURSE: MAPHIL102: INDIAN EPISTEMOLOGY (Marks : 50)

- (i) Gaṅgeśa: *Tattvacintāmaṇi* (*prāmāṇyavāda* upto the end of “*na tu rajatatvena purovartināmiti*”) (42 Hours)
- (ii) Dharmakīrti : *Nyāyabindu* (Up to “*trirūpāni ca*”) (42 Hours)

COURSE: MAPHIL103: WESTERN CLASSICS (Marks: 50)

Kant: *Critique of Pure Reason* (N. K. Smith's abridged edition (up to the end of the Transcendental Analytic) (84 Hours)

COURSE: MAPHIL104: WESTERN ETHICS (Marks: 50)

- (i) Normative Ethics: Utilitarianism and Deontology (34 Hours)
- (ii) Virtue Ethics (7 Hours)
- (iii) Metaethics: Cognitivism: Naturalism and Intuitionism; Non-cognitivism: Emotivism and Prescriptivism; Descriptivism (27 Hours)
- (iv) Applied Ethics: Notion and Methodology, Life and Death Issues (Euthanasia and/or Abortion), Environmental Ethics: Definition and Concerns (16 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

- J. S. Mill: 'Utilitarianism', *Collected Works of J. S. Mill*, Vol. X, University of Toronto Press
- I. Kant: *Groundwork of Metaphysic of Morals*, Macmillan

- Aristotle: *Nicomachean Ethics* (ed. David Ross), Oxford University Press
- W. D. Hudson: *Modern Moral Philosophy*, Macmillan
- Peter Singer: *Practical Ethics*, Cambridge University Press
- David S. Oderberg: *Applied Ethics: A Non-Consequential Approach*, Blackwell
- Tom L. Beauchamp: "The Nature of Applied Ethics", *A Companion to Applied Ethics* (eds. R.G. Frey & C.H. Wellman), Blackwell
- Robert Elliot (ed.): *Environmental Ethics*, Oxford University Press
- Alasdair MacIntyre: "After Virtue", *A Historical Introduction to Moral Philosophy* (ed. Michael F. Wagner), Prentice Hall

SEMESTER-II

Full Marks: 200

CORE COURSES

COURSE: MAPHIL201: INDIAN ETHICS (Marks: 50)

- (i) *Śrīmadbhagavadgītā* (Chapters II & III) (42 Hours)
- (ii) Laugakṣi Bhāskara : *Arthasaṃgraha* (*dharma, bhāvanā, vidhi* and its varieties, *arthavāda*) (42 Hours)

COURSE: MAPHIL202: INDIAN METAPHYSICS (Marks: 50)

- (i) Sadānanda Yogīndra: *Vedāntasāra* with *Subodhinī* (Selections) (42 Hours)
- (ii) Iśvarakṛṣṇa: *Sāṃkhyakārikā* with *Tattvakaumudī* (*Kārikā*-s 1-3, 9-22) (42 Hours)

COURSE: MAPHIL203: WESTERN EPISTEMOLOGY (Marks: 50)

- (i) Nature and Definition of Knowledge (17 Hours)
- (ii) Gettier Problem and Responses to it (25 Hours)
- (iii) Scepticism and the Possibility of Knowledge (17 Hours)
- (iv) Justification of Knowledge Claims : Foundationalism (including Internalism and Externalism), Coherentism and Reliabilism (25 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

- J. Dancy: *Introduction to Contemporary Epistemology*, Blackwell
- R. M. Chisholm: *Theory of Knowledge* (3rd ed.) Prentice Hall
- A. J. Ayer: *The Problem of Knowledge*, Penguin Books
- J.L. Pollock: *Contemporary Theories of Knowledge*, Rowman & Littlefield
- A. Stroll (ed.): *Epistemology: New Essays in Theory of Knowledge*, Harper & Row
- Keith Lehrer: *Knowledge*, Clarendon Press

- Sandhya Basu: *Justification: Concepts and Theories*, Progressive Pub., Kolkata
- Sutapa Saha: *Evidence and Truth*, Allied Pub.(in association with Jadavpur University)

COURSE: MAPHIL204: WESTERN LOGIC (Marks: 50)

- (i) Propositional Logic: Rules of Natural Deduction, The Rule of Conditional Proof, Indirect Proof, Proving Invalidity (17 Hours)
- (ii) Quantification Theory: Singular and General Propositions, Multiply-General Propositions, Quantification Rules and Proving Validity, Proving Invalidity, Logical Truths Involving Quantifiers (50 Hours)
- (iii) Truth-Tree and its Applications (17 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- I. M. Copi : *Symbolic Logic* (5th edition), Chapters 3 and 4) Prentice Hall of India, 1998
- Richard Jeffrey: *Formal Logic : Its Scope and Limits* (1st edition),Tata McGraw-Hill, 1967

SEMESTER III

Full Marks: 200

CORE COURSES

COURSE : MAPHIL301: INDIAN PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE (Marks: 50)

Viśvanātha : *Bhāṣāpariccheda* with *Siddhāntamuktāvalī (Śabdakhaṇḍa)* (84 Hours)

COURSE : MAPHIL302: WESTERN METAPHYSICS (Marks: 50)

- (i) Nature and Notions of Metaphysics: Traditional and Contemporary (17 Hours)
- (ii) Essentialism and the Notion of Possible Worlds (20 Hours)
- (iii) Substance: The Aristotelian Conception, Basic Particulars, Ryle on Mind-Body Dualism (25 Hours)
- (iv) Self-Knowledge and Self-Identity: Memory Criterion, Body Criterion; Primitiveness of the Concept of Person (22 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

- Michael J. Loux: *Metaphysics: A Contemporary Introduction*, Routledge, 2006
- D.W. Hamlyn : *Metaphysics*, Cambridge University Press, 1984
- P.F. Strawson: *Individuals: An Essay in Descriptive Metaphysics*, Methuen, 1957
- Aristotle: *Metaphysics*, Book Zeta
- B.A. Brody: *Identity and Essence*, Princeton University Press, 1980
- Gilbert Ryle: *The Concept of Mind*, Penguin Books, 1973

- E. J. Lowe: 'Substance', *An Encyclopaedia of Philosophy* (ed. G.H.R. Parkinson), Routledge, 1996
- Indrani Sanyal, *On Essentialist Claims*, Allied Publishers Private Limited, 2002
- Indrani Sanyal, 'Modality and Possible Worlds', *Foundations of Logic and Language*,(ed) Pranab Kumar Sen, Allied Publications Ltd., 1990

MAJOR ELECTIVES

(Any **one** Group to be chosen)

Group-I

(Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika)

COURSE : MAPHIL303N: PRĀCĪNA NYĀYA-I (Marks: 50)

Gotama : *Nyāyasūtra* with *Vātsyāyanabhāṣya* (*adhyāya-I, ānhika-I*) (84 Hours)

COURSE : MAPHIL304N: PRĀCĪNA NYĀYA-II (Marks: 50)

Udayana : *Nyāyakusumāñjali* (1st *stavaka*) (84 Hours)

Group-II

(Vedanta)

COURSE : MAPHIL303V: ADVAITA METAPHYSICS- I (Marks: 50)

Bādarāyana : *Brahmasūtra* with *Śāṅkarabhāṣya* (*Catuhśūtrī*) (84 Hours)

COURSE : MAPHIL304V: DVAITĀDVAITA AND DVAITA METAPHYSICS (Marks: 50)

- Bādarāyana : *Brahmasūtra* with *Vedāntapārijātasaurabha* (Selections) (42 Hours)
- Bādarāyana : *Brahmasūtra* with *Purṇaprajñābhāṣya* (Selections) (42 Hour)

Group-III

(Applied Ethics)

COURSE : MAPHIL303E: BIOMEDICAL ETHICS: (Marks: 50)

- Introduction:** A brief history of Biomedical Ethics , Its Definition and Scope, Mid-level Principles & Some Moral Theories (5 Hours)
- The Patient-Doctor Relationship:** Informed Consent, Therapeutic Privilege, The Rule of Confidentiality (15 Hours)
- Medical Research on Humans:** The Nuremberg Code, Design of Clinical Trials, Equipoise, Randomization and Placebos, Problems with Consent, Vulnerable Populations (14 Hours)
- Reproductive Rights and Technologies:** Abortion, The Moral Status of Embryo/ Fetus, Surrogate Motherhood, Sex Selection and Female Feticide, Cloning (15 Hours)

- v) **Genetics:** Genetic Testing and Screening, Gene Therapy, Genetic Enhancement, Eugenics (14 Hours)
- vi) **Medical Decisions at The End of Life:** Defining Death, Withdrawing and Withholding Treatment, Euthanasia and Physician-Assisted Suicide (8 Hours)
- vii) **Allocating Scarce Medical Resources:** Quality-Adjusted Life-Years, Age-Based Rationing, Organ Transplantation (8Hours)
- viii) **Biomedical Ethics in Ancient India** (5 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Walter Glannon: *Biomedical Ethics*, Oxford University Press, 2005
- *Charaka-samhitā* (selections)(ed. Brajendra Chandra Nag), Nabapatra Prakashan, Kolkata

References:

- Tom L.Beauchamp & James F.Childress: *Principles of Bio-medical Ethics*, Oxford Univ. Press
- Helga Kushe & Peter Singer : *Bioethics: An Anthology*, Blackwell, 1999
- Anthony Dyson and John Harris: *Experiments on Embryos*, Routledge, 1990 (Chap.V)
- S.N. Dasgupta: *History of Indian Philosophy*, Vol. 2, Cambridge University Press
- Ratna Datta Sharma: 'Charak and the Notification of the Indian Medical Council on Physician-Patient Relationship', *Patient-Physician Relationship* (eds. Ratna DattaSharma & Sashinunga), Decent Books, New Delhi

COURSE: MAPHIL304E: SOCIO-POLITICAL ETHICS: (Marks : 50)

- i) **Equality and its Applications:** The Meaning and Basis of Equality, Equality and Genetic Diversity, Racism and Equality, Casteism and Equality, Affirmative Action, Equality and Disability (33 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Peter Singer: *Practical Ethics* (Chapter-2), Cambridge University Press, 2000
- B.R. Ambedkar: "Annihilation of Caste", *The Essential Writings of B.R. Ambedkar* (ed. V. Rodrigues), Oxford Univ. Press

- ii) **Ethics of Terror and War** (17 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Haig Khatchadourian: "Terrorism and Morality", *Applied Philosophy: Morals and Metaphysics in Contemporary Debates* (eds. Brenda Almond & Donald Hill), Routledge, 1992
- Judith Wagner De Cew: 'Codes of Warfare', *Encyclopaedia of Applied Ethics* (ed. Ruth Chadwick et al), Academic Press, 1998,Vol. IV

- iii) **Feminist Ethics** (17 Hours)

Recommended Text:

- Rosemarie Tong: “Feminist Ethics”, *Encyclopaedia of Applied Ethics* (ed. Ruth Chadwick et al), Academic Press, 1998, Vol. II and *Stanford Encyclopaedia of Philosophy* (internet edition) @ <http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/feminism-ethics>

Reference:

- Joan Tronto: “An Ethic of Care”, *Feminist Theory: A Philosophical Anthology*, Blackwell, 2007

iv) **Media Ethics:** Definition, Concerns, Freedom and Responsibility, Quality, Neutrality and Objectivity (17 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Judith Lichtenberg: “Media Ethics”, *A Companion to Applied Ethics* (eds. R.G. Frey & C.H. Wellman), Blackwell
- Andrew Belsey and Ruth Chadwick(eds.) *Ethical Issues in Journalism and the Media*, Routledge, 1992

Group-IV

(Western Logic)

COURSE: MAPHIL303L: SET THEORY & PHILOSOPHY OF LOGIC (Marks: 50)

A: Set Theory (Marks: 35)

- (i) Basic Notions of Set Theory (8 Hours)
- (ii) Basic Operations on Sets (9 Hours)
- (iii) Relations ; Binary, n-ary (25 Hours)
- (iv) Functions (17 Hours)

Recommended Text:

- P. Suppes: *Introduction to Logic*, East-West Press, 2010

B: Philosophy of Logic (Marks: 15)

Existence and Predication (25 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

- I. Kant, *Critique of Pure Reason*, tr. N. K. Smith, Macmillan, 1963
- G. Frege, *The Foundations of Arithmetic*, (tr.) by J. L. Austin, Blackwell, Oxford, 1953
- P.F. Strawson (ed.) *Philosophical Logic*, Oxford University Press, 1977

COURSE: MAPHIL304L: NON-DEDUCTIVE LOGIC (Marks: 50)

- (i) Problem of Induction (8 Hours)
- (ii) Hypothesis (9 Hours)
- (iii) The Nature of Evidence-statements (9 Hours)

- (iv) Eliminative Induction (16 Hours)
- (v) Justification of Induction (9 Hours)
- (vi) Causation as Regular Succession (17 Hours)
- (vii) Counterfactuals and Dispositions (16 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

- S. F. Barker: *Induction and Hypothesis*, Cornell University Press
- R. B. Braithwaite: *Scientific Explanation*, Harper and Brothers
- Arther Pap: *An Introduction to the Philosophy of Science*, Eyre and Spotliswoode

Group-V
(Sāṃkhya-Yoga)

COURSE : MAPHIL303S: CLASSICAL SĀṀKHYA-I (Marks: 50)

Īśvarakṛṣṇa: *Sāṃkhyakārikā* with *Sāṃkhyatattvakumudī* of Vācaspati Miśra (excluding *kārikā*-Nos. 1-3 and 9-22) (84 Hours)

COURSE : MAPHIL304S: CLASSICAL SĀṀKHYA -II (Marks: 50)

Īśvarakṛṣṇa: *Sāṃkhyakārikā* with *Yuktidīpikā* (Selections from *kārikā*-1 to *kārikā*-22) (84 Hours)

COURSE : MAPHIL304S: CLASSICAL SĀṀKHYA -II (Marks: 50)

Īśvarakṛṣṇa: *Sāṃkhyakārikā* with *Yuktidīpikā* (Selections from *kārikā*-1 to *kārikā*-22) (84 Hours)

MINOR ELECTIVE

(To be opted by the Students of MA Programme in any subject other than Philosophy)

COURSE : MAPHIL305 : PHILOSOPHY FOR REAL LIFE ISSUES: (Marks: 50)

Unit-I : PHILOSOPHY AND DARŚANA

- **Basic Concepts:**
 - (i) Nature, Classification, Branches, Aims and Objectives
 - (ii) Philosophy & its relation to other disciplines

Unit-II : CORE ISSUES IN PHILOSOPHY

- **Epistemological Issues:**
The key issues concerning (i) nature, (ii) possibility, (iii) sources, (v) validity of knowledge.
- **Metaphysical Issues:** The key issues concerning
[1] Meaning of the terms: (i) appearance, (ii) phenomena, (iii) reality and

(iv) noumena;

[2] Ontological status the phenomenal things;

[3] Free will and determinism.

- **Moral Issues:** The key issues concerning (i) morality and ethics, (ii) intrinsic and extrinsic values; moral value (iii) consequentialism, deontology and virtue theory.

Unit-III : CORE ISSUES IN DARŚANA

- **Epistemological Issues:** The key issues concerning (i) nature, (ii) validity, (iii) factors and (iv) sources of knowledge.
- **Metaphysical Issues:** The key issues concerning (1) Ontological status the phenomenal things, (2) Attainability of reality, (3) The way to attain reality. (4) Stages or levels of reality.
- **Issues Concerning Ontological and Moral Status of Man in the frame-work of major World-views:** The key issues concerning (1) The frame-work of major World-Views, (2) Ontological Status of Man in the frame-work of a World-view, (3) Moral Status of Man in the frame-work of a World-view,

Unit-IV : REAL LIFE ISSUES IN PHILOSOPHY AND DARŚANA :

- **Environmental issues:** (i) The key issues related to Deep Ecology and its Indian counter-part
- **Socio-political issues:** The key issues concerning (i) Non-violence, (ii) Humanism, (iii) Terrorism, and (iv) Gender inequality,
- **Bio-medical issues:** The key issues concerning (i) Medical research on humans, (ii) Surrogacy, and (iii) Population Genomic
- **Spiritual issues:** The key issues concerning (i) *summum bonum* of human life and the way to attain it.

Suggested Readings:

- S. Radhakrishnan: Indian Philosophy
- D. M. Datta & S. C. Chatterjee: *Introduction to Indian Philosophy*, University of Calcutta
- S. N. Dasgupta: *History of Indian Philosophy*, Cambridge University Press
- S. C. Chatterjee: *The Problems of Philosophy*, University of Calcutta
- হরিদাস বন্দ্যোপাধ্যায়: ভারতীয় দর্শনের মর্মকথা
- রমাপ্রসাদ দাস ও শিবপদ চক্রবর্তী: পাশ্চাত্য দর্শনের রূপরেখা, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ
- I. Kant, *Critique of Pure Reason*, tr. N. K. Smith, Macmillan, 1963
- Rashbihari Das : *A Handbook to Kant's Critique of Pure Reason*
- R. M. Chisholm: *Theory of Knowledge* (3rd ed.) Prentice Hall

- Sandhya Basu: *Justification: Concepts and Theories*, Progressive Pub., Kolkata
- W. K. Frankena: *Ethics*
- Walter Glannon: *Biomedical Ethics*, Oxford University Press, 2005
- J. Hospers: *An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis*
- A.P. Griffiths: *Knowledge and Belief*, OUP, 1967
- D.W.Hamlyn: *Metaphysics*
- A.J. Ayer: *The Problem of Knowledge*
- B. Russell: *The Problems of Philosophy*
- H. J. Gensler: *Ethics : A Contemporary Introduction*
- B. K. Lal: *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*
- V. Geetha: *Gender*
- Haig Khatchadourian: "Terrorism and Morality," *Applied Philosophy: Morals and Metaphysics in Contemporary Debates* (eds. Brenda Almond & Donald Hill) Rontledge,1992.

Semester -IV

FULL MARKS : 200

CORE COURSES

COURSE : MAPHIL401: CONTINENTAL PHILOSOPHY (Marks: 50)

- (i) **Phenomenology:** Development of Husserl's Phenomenology, Reduction, Essential Intuition, Intentionality, Solipsism and Intersubjectivity, The Life-World (28 Hours)
- (ii) **Existentialism:** Sartre's Existentialism, Nothingness, Being-for-itself *vis-a-vis* Being-in-itself, Freedom and Responsibility, Bad faith (25 Hours)
- (iii) **Hermeneutics:** Basic Notions: The Idea of Text, Explanation and Interpretation, Criteria of Acceptability of Interpretation; Heidegger's Hermeneutics of Being and *Dasein* (31 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

- Edmund Husserl : *Ideas*, Book-I, Martinus Nijhoff
- Edmund Husserl : *The Crisis of European Sciences and Transcendental Phenomenology*, North-Western University Press
- Herbert Spiegelberg: *The Phenomenological Movement* (Vols. I & II), Martinus Nijhoff
- J. N. Mohanty & W. R. Mckenna (eds): *Husserl's Phenomenology : A Text Book*, University Press of America
- M. K. Bhadra: *A Critical Survey of Phenomenology and Existentialism*, ICPR-Allied Pub.

- J. N. Mohanty : 'The Development of Husserl's Thought' , *Cambridge Companion to Husserl*, Cambridge University Press
- Dermot Moran: *Introduction to Phenomenology*, Routledge
- Debabrata Sinha: *Phenomenology and Existentialism: An Introduction*, Papyrus
- Jean-Paul Sartre: *Being and Nothingness*, Philosophical Library
- Krishna Roy: *Hermeneutics: East and West*, Allied Publishers (in collaboration with Jadavpur University)
- Martin Heidegger: *Being and Time* (trans. J. Macquarrie & E. Robinson), Harper and Row Publishers

COURSE: MAPHIL402: WESTERN PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE (Marks: 50)

- (i) **Issues and Problems:** Proper Names, Definite Descriptions, Sense and Reference; Concepts and Objects; Negative Existentials, Performative-Constatative, Speech Acts. (42 Hours)
- (ii) **Wittgenstein:** Language and Reality, Facts and Objects, Names and Propositions, the Picture Theory, Rejection of the Picture-model, Philosophy and Language, Meaning and Use, Forms of Life. (42 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

- Michael Beaney (ed.): *The Frege Reader*, Blackwell, 1997
- A. P. Martinich (ed.) *The Philosophy of Language*, Oxford University Press, 1985
- B. Russell : *Logic and Knowledge*, R.C. Marsh (ed.), Allen and Unwin, 1956
- B. Russell : *Introduction to Mathematical Philosophy*, Allen and Unwin, 1919
- L. Wittgenstein: *Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus*, (trans.) D.F. Pears and B.F. McGuinness, Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1961
- L. Wittgenstein: *Philosophical Investigations* (tran.) G.E.M. Anscombe, Basil Blackwell, 1953
- G. Pitcher: *The Philosophy of Wittgenstein*, Prentice-Hall, 1985
- J. L. Austin: *How to Do Things with Words*, (eds. G.T. Warnock and J.O Urmson) , Oxford University Press, 1980
- J. L. Austin: *Philosophical Papers* (eds. G.T. Warnock and J.O Urmson) Oxford University Press, 1979
- Kamala Bandyopadhyay: *Austin's Philosophy of Language*, Granthanilay, Kolkata
- 11. John R. Searle (ed.): *The Philosophy of Language*, Oxford University Press, 1971

MAJOR ELECTIVES

(As Chosen in Semester-III)

Group-I

(Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika)

COURSE: MAPHIL403N: NAVYA NYĀYA-I (Marks: 50)

Viśvanātha : *Bhāṣāpariccheda* with *Siddhāntamuktavali* (*Kārikā*-s 51-55 & 125-137) (84 Hours)

COURSE: MAPHIL404N: NAVYA NYĀYA-II (Marks: 50)

Gaṅgeśa: *Vyāptipañcaka* with *Māthuri* (1st *vyāptilakṣaṇa*) (84 Hours)

Group-II

(Vedānta)

COURSE: MAPHIL403V: ADVAITA EPISTEMOLOGY (Marks: 50)

Dharmarāja: *Vedāntaparibhāṣā* (*pratyakṣapramāṇa*) (84 Hours)

COURSE: MAPHIL404V: VIŚIṢṬĀDVAITA METAPHYSICS (Marks: 50)

Bādarāyana : *Brahmasūtra* with *Śrībhāṣya* (1st *sūtra*) (84 Hours)

Group-III

(Applied Ethics)

COURSE: MAPHIL403E: APPLIED ETHICS IN INDIAN CONTEXTS (Marks: 50)

1. Different Moral Standards of Action: *Lokopadeśa*, *Lokaprasiddhi*, *Lokasthiti*, *Lokasiddhi*, *Sukhavāda*, *Preyas*, *Śreyas* (17 Hours)
2. The Jaina view of *Pañcavratā* (17 Hours)
3. The Nyāya view of *Cikirsā*, *Dveṣa* (11 Hours)
4. The Doctrine of *Mokṣa*: Nyāya View, Saṅkara's view (16 classes)
5. Environmental Ethics in Ancient India (11+12 Classes)
 - i) *Prithivīsūkta* : *Atharva Veda*
 - ii) *Viṣṇupurāṇa* (2.6 & 3.11)

Recommended Texts:

- Umāsvāti : *Tattvārthasūtra* (Ch-VII)
- Viswanatha: *Bhāṣāpariccheda* : *Kārikā*-s 147-152 with *Siddhānta Muktāvali*
- Gotama: *Nyāyasūtra* 1.1.22, *Vātsyāyanabhāṣya*
- Badarayana: *Brahmasutra* 4.4.1—4, *Saṅkarabhāṣya*
- *Atharva Veda* (XII, 1)
- Vedavyāsa: *Viṣṇupurāṇa*

References:

- S. K Moitra: *The Ethics of the Hindus*
- Sinclair Stevenson: *The Heart of Jainism*
- Kastur Chand Lalwani: *Daśavaikalikasūtra*
- Nathmal Tantia : Umāsvāti's *Tattvārthasūtra* (Ch-VII)

COURSE: MAPHIL404E: ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS: (Marks: 50)

i) Anthropocentrism and Speciesism (25 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Tim Hayward: 'Anthropocentrism: A Misunderstood Problem', Part-I, Chapter-3 of his *Political Theory and Ecological Values*, Polity Press, 1988
- Donald A. Graft: 'Speciesism', *Encyclopedia of Applied Ethics* (ed. Ruth Chadwick et al), Academic Press, 1998, Vol. IV

ii) Biocentrism and Animal Rights(17 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Paul Taylor: 'The Ethics of Respect for Nature', *Environmental Philosophy: From Animal Rights to Radical Ecology*(eds. Michael E. Zimmerman et al), Prentice Hall, 1993
- Tom Regan: 'Animal Rights, Human Wrongs', *Environmental Philosophy: From Animal Rights to Radical Ecology* (eds. Michael E. Zimmerman et al), Prentice Hall, 1993]

iii) Ecocentrism: The Land Ethic and Deep Ecology(34 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Aldo Leopold: 'The Land Ethic', *Environmental Philosophy: From Animal Rights to Radical Ecology*(eds. Michael E. Zimmerman et al), Prentice Hall, 1993
- Arne Naess: 'The Shallow and the Deep, Long-Range Ecology Movement: A Summary', *Philosophical Dialogues: Arne Naess and the Progress of Ecophilosophy* (eds. Nina Witoszek and Andrew Brennan), Rowman and Littlefield, Lanham, 1999
- Arne Naess: 'The Deep Ecological Movement: Some Philosophical Aspects', *Environmental Philosophy: From Animal Rights to Radical Ecology* (eds. Michael E. Zimmerman et al), Prentice Hall, 1993

iv) Ecofeminism (8 Hours)

Recommended Text:

- Karen J Warren: 'Power and Promise of Ecological Feminism', *Environmental Philosophy: From Animal Rights to Radical Ecology* (eds. Michael E. Zimmerman et al), Prentice Hall, 1993

Group-IV
(Western Logic)

COURSE: MAPHIL403L: THE LOGIC OF RELATIONS AND DEDUCTIVE SYSTEMS (Marks: 50)

(A) The Logic of Relations (Marks: 35)

- (i) Symbolizing Relations (17 Hours)
- (ii) Arguments Involving Relations (13 Hours)
- (iii) Some Attributes of Relations (14 Hours)
- (iv) Identity and Definite Descriptions (16 Hours)

(B) Deductive Systems (Marks: 15)

- (i) Definition and Deduction (5 Hours)
- (ii) Euclidian Geometry (3 Hours)
- (iii) Formal Deductive Systems (3 Hours)
- (iv) Attributes of Formal Deductive Systems (8 Hours)
- (v) Logistic System (5 Hours)

Recommended Text:

- M. Copi : *Symbolic Logic* (5th edition), Macmillan (Chapter V & VI)

Reference Books:

- Richard C. Jeffrey, *Formal Logic : Its Scope and Limits* (1st edition), Tata McGraw-Hill (Chapters 6,7 and 9), 1962
- W.V.O. Quine: *Methods of Logic*, Routledge, 1982

COURSE: MAPHIL404L: PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC (Marks-50)

Section: I (Marks:35)

- (i) The P.M. System : Primitive Ideas, The Syntactical Rules, Definitions, the postulates, Rules for Deduction of Theorems, Proofs of Theorems (propositional part) (42 Hours)
- (ii) Modal Propositional Logic : The System T (17 Hours)

Section: II (Marks: 15)

Three Grades of Modal Involvements (25 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- B. Russell & A.N. Whitehead: *Principia Mathematica* (abridged ed), Part-I: *1, *2 upto 2.41, Cambridge University Press, 1970
- G.E. Hughes & M. Cresswell: *An Introduction to Modal Logic*, Methuen, Chapters 1 & 2,1972
- W.V.O. Quine: *The Ways of Paradox and Other Essays*, Random House, 1965

Reference Books:

- G.E. Hughes & D.G. Londey: *The Elements of Formal Logic*, Methuen, 1965
- A. Ambrose and M. Lazerowitz: *Fundamentals of Symbolic Logic*, New York, 1962 (Chapter VIII)
- I.M. Copi: *Symbolic Logic* (5th edition), Prentice Hall of India, Pvt. Ltd., 1998
- Basson and O'Connor: *Introduction to Symbolic Logic*, Oxford University Press, 1993

Group-V

(Sāmkhya-Yoga)

COURSE: MAPHIL403S: LATER SĀMKHYA (Marks-50)

Sāmkhyapravacanasūtra with *Sāmkhyapravacanabhāṣya of Vijñānabhikṣu* (Selections from adhyaṅga I and adhyaṅga II) (84 Hours)

COURSE: MAPHIL404S: PATAÑJALA YOGA (Marks-50)

Patañjali : *Yogasūtra* with *Yogasūtrabhāṣya of Vyāsa* (Selections from sūtra I.1 to sūtra II.29) (84 Hours)

CORE COURSE

COURSE: MAPHIL405: PROJECT, PRESENTATION AND PARTICIPATION Marks: 100

1. Project Work : Written Part (Dissertation) : Marks: 80
2. Project Work : Seminar Presentation on the Dissertation Submitted (Open to the academic community of the University involving social outreach): Marks: 20