

THE UNIVERSITY OF BURDWAN
MASTER OF ARTS (M.A.) PROGRAMME IN PHILOSOPHY
 (To be effective from the academic session 2020-2022)

PRINCIPLES/FORMULA/RULES							
1 LECTURE OF 1 HOUR PER WEEK × (16 WEEKS) = 1 CREDIT							
CORE COURSE–75 CREDITS							
MAJOR ELECTIVE/SPECIAL COURSE–MINIMUM 20 CREDITS							
INTERDISCIPLINARY COURSE–MINIMUM 4 CREDITS							
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT–2 CREDITS							
CREDIT REQUIRED FOR A PG COURSE:101 CREDITS							
EACH PAPER SHOULD HAVE A NOMENCLATURE AND AN ALPHA-NUMERIC CODE							
EACH PAPER OF 50 MARKS HAS 10 MARKS FOR INTERNAL ASSESSMENT (WRITTEN/VIVA-VOCE)							
LEVEL	COURSE NO.	COURSE TYPE	COURSE TITLE	COURSE CODE	PATTERN OF TEACHING HOUR Per Week (L:T:P)	CERDIT	MARKS
MA SEM-I	101	CORE COURSE	INDIAN CLASSIC	MAPHIL 101	5:0:0	5	50
	102	CORE COURSE	INDIAN EPISTEMOLOGY	MAPHIL 102	5:0:0	5	50
	103	CORE COURSE	WESTERN CLASSIC	MAPHIL 103	5:0:0	5	50
	104	CORE COURSE	WESTERN ETHICS	MAPHIL 104	5:0:0	5	50
	105	CORE COURSE	SOCIO-POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY: INDIAN	MAPHIL 105	5:0:0	5	50
MA SEM-II	201	CORE COURSE	INDIAN ETHICS	MAPHIL 201	5:0:0	5	50
	202	CORE COURSE	INDIAN METAPHYSICS	MAPHIL 202	5:0:0	5	50

	203	CORE COURSE	WESTERN EPISTEMOLOGY	MAPHIL 203	5:0:0	5	50
	204	CORE COURSE	WESTERN LOGIC	MAPHIL 204	5:0:0	5	50
	205	CORE COURSE	SOCIO-POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY: WESTERN	MAPHIL 205	5:0:0	5	50
MA SEM-III	301	CORE COURSE	INDIAN PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE	MAPHIL 301	5:0:0	5	50
	302	CORE COURSE	WESTERN METAPHYSICS	MAPHIL 302	5:0:0	5	50
	303	MAJOR ELECTIVE /SPECIAL COURSE	A: NYAYA-VAIŚEṢIKA/ B: VEDANTA/ C: APPLIED ETHICS/ D: WESTERN LOGIC/ E: SĀMKHYA-YOGA	MAPHIL 303 [A/B/C/D/E]	5:0:0	5	50
	304	MAJOR ELECTIVE /SPECIAL COURSE	A: NYAYA-VAIŚEṢIKA/ B: VEDANTA/ C: APPLIED ETHICS/ D: WESTERN LOGIC/ E: SĀMKHYA-YOGA	MAPHIL 304 [A/B/C/D/E]	5:0:0	5	50
	305	INTERDISCIPLINARY ELECTIVE	PHILOSOPHY FOR REAL LIFE ISSUES	MAPHIL 305	5:0:0	4	50
MA SEM-IV	400	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMME	PHILOSOPHICAL COUNSELLING	MAPHIL400	0:0:5	2	20
	401	CORE COURSE	CONTINENTAL PHILOSOPHY	MAPHIL 401	5:0:0	5	50
	402	CORE COURSE	WESTERN PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE	MAPHIL 402	5:0:0	5	50
	403	MAJOR ELECTIVE	A: NYAYA-VAIŚEṢIKA/ B: VEDANTA/ C: APPLIED ETHICS/ D: WESTERN LOGIC/ E: SĀMKHYA-YOGA	MAPHIL 403 [A/B/C/D/E]	5:0:0	5	50
	404	MAJOR ELECTIVE	A: NYAYA-VAIŚEṢIKA/ B: VEDANTA/ C: APPLIED ETHICS/ D: WESTERN LOGIC/ E: SĀMKHYA-YOGA	MAPHIL 404 [A/B/C/D/E]	5:0:0	5	50
	405	PROJECT PAPER		MAPHIL 405	0:0:5	5	50

SEMESTER-I
Full Marks: 250

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL101: INDIAN CLASSICS (Marks: 50)

- (i) Praśastapāda : *Padārthadharmasamgraha* (Six *padārtha*-s, both *uddeśa* and *parīkṣā*) (40 Hrs.)
- (ii) Umāsvāti : *Tattvārthasūtra* (Selections, excluding Ch-VII) (40 Hrs.)

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL102: INDIAN EPISTEMOLOGY (Marks: 50)

- (i) Gaṅgeśa : *Tattvacintāmaṇi (prāmāṇyavāda* upto the end of "*naturajatatvenapurovar-tināmitī*") (40 Hrs.)
- (ii) Dharmakīrti : *Nyāyabindu* (Up to "*trirūpāni ca*") (40 Hrs.)

CORECOURSE: MAPHIL103: WESTERN CLASSICS (Marks: 50)

Kant: *Critique of Pure Reason* (N. K. Smith's abridged ed. (up to the end of Transcendental Analytic) (80 Hrs.)

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL104: WESTERN ETHICS (Marks: 50)

- (i) Normative Ethics: Utilitarianism and Deontology (30 Hrs.)
- (ii) Virtue Ethics (5 Hours)
- (iii) Metaethics: Cognitivism: Naturalism and Intuitionism; Non-cognitivism: Emotivism and Prescriptivism; Descriptivism (25 Hrs.)
- (iv) Applied Ethics : Notion and Methodology of Applied Ethics, Life and Death Issues (Euthanasia and/or Abortion), Environmental Ethics: Definition and Concerns (20 Hrs.)

Suggested Readings:

- J. S. Mill : 'Utilitarianism". *Collected Works of J. S. Mill*, Vol. X, University of Toronto Press
- Kant : *Groundwork of Metaphysic of Morals*, Macmillan
- Aristotle : *Nichomachean 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
- Robin Attfield : *Environmental Ethics: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford Univ. Press, 2018
- Robert Elliot (ed.): *Environmental Ethics*, Oxford University Press
- MacIntyre: "After Virtue", *A Historical Introduction to Moral Philosophy* (ed. M. F. Wagner), Prentice Hall

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL105: SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY: INDIAN (Marks: 50)

1. *Mahābhārata : Rājadharmā* (8Hrs)
2. *Manusmṛhitā* : Divine origin of the State, Administration of Justice (*Dandanīti*), Status of Women (24Hrs)
3. *Kautilyāya Arthasāstra : Dandanīti* (8Hrs)
4. *Kāmandakīya Nītisāra : Saptāṅga Rājya* (8Hrs)
5. *Sri Sri Rāmakṛṣṇakathāmṛta : Sarvadharmasamabhāva*(12Hrs)
6. D. D. Upadhyay : Integral Humanism(7Hrs)
7. Jyotirao Phule : Eradication of Untouchability and the Caste System, Womens' Emancipation(8Hrs)
8. Moulana Abul Kalam Azad : Socio-Political Philosophy(5Hrs)

Recommended Texts:

- Vedavyāsa : *Mahābhārata (Śāntiparva)*, Chs. 56-57, Gita Press, Gorakpur
- Manabendu Bandyopadhyay (ed.): *Manusmṛhitā*: (Chs. III, V,IX), Sanskrit Pustak Bhandar, Kolkata
- Radhagobinda Basak (ed.): *Kautilya: Arthasastra* (Ch. I), Kolkata (1989)
- Dinesh Kumar Garg (ed.): *Kāmandakīya Nītisāra* (Ch. IV), Varanasi (2016)
- Mahendranath Gupta : *Sri Sri Ramakrishnakathamrita* (Selections), Udbodhan Karyalay, Kolkata (2012)
- Deendayal Upadhyay : *Integral Humanism*. Hindi Sahitya Sadan, 2014 (In English)
- *Collected Works of Mahatma Jotirao Phule* (selections), Govt. of Maharashtra, Mumbai, 1991
- G. P. Deshpande (tr. & ed): *Selected Writings of Jotirao Phule*. Left Word Books, New Delhi, 2002
- Moulana Abdul Kalam Azad: *India Wins Freedom* (Selections), Orient Longman, Kolkata

- Sayed Abdul Latif Moulana (tr.): *Abdul Kalam Azad: The Tarjuman al-Qur'an: Al-Fatiha to Al-Muninun*, Kitab Bhavan, 1990

References:

- Bibek Debroy (tr.) : *The Mahabharata*, Penguin, 2015
- G. Buhler (tr.) : *The Laws of Manu*, Clarendon Press, Oxford (1886)
- R. P. Kangle (tr.) : *The Arthasastra*, 2012
- Manmatha Nath Dutt (tr.) : *Kamandakiyo Nitisara or The Elements of Polity*, Elysium Press, Calcutta, 1896
- Swami Saradananda : *Sri Sri Ramakrishnalilaprosanga*, Udbodhan Karyalay, Kolkata (2012)
- Swami Nikhilananda (tr.) : *The Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna*, Ramakrishna Vivekananda Center, New York (1942)
- Dhananjay Keer : *Mahatma Jotirao Phule: Father of the Indian Social Revolution*, Popular Prakashan, Mumbai
- Rosalind O'Hanlon : *Caste, Conflict and Ideology: Mahatma Jotirao Phule and Low Caste Protest in Nineteenth Century Western India*, Cambridge Univ. Press, 2002
- Mushirul Hasan. "Maulana Abul Kalam Azad: The Odd Secularist". *India Today*. Archived (18 October 2006).
- Meraj Ahmad: "Moulana Azad's Vision of Modern India". *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science Research*, Vol.4, No.2, 2018

SEMESTER-II
Full Marks: 250

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL201: INDIAN ETHICS (Marks: 50)

- (i) *Śrīmadbhagavadgītā* (Chapters II & III) (40 Hours)
- (ii) Laugakṣi Bhāskara: *Arthasaṁgraha* (*dharma, bhāvanā, vidhi* and its varieties; *arthavāda*) (40 Hrs.)

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL202: INDIAN METAPHYSICS (Marks: 50)

- (i) SadānandaYogīndra: *Vedāntasāra* with *Subodhinī* (Selections) (40 Hours)
- (ii) Īśvarakṛṣṇa: *Sāṁkhyakārikā* with *Tattvakaumudī* (Kārikā-s 1-3, 9-22) (40 Hours)

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL203: WESTERN EPISTEMOLOGY (Marks: 50)

- (i) Nature and Definition of Knowledge (20 Hours)

- (ii) Gettier Problem and Responses to it (20 Hours)
- (iii) Scepticism and the Possibility of Knowledge (20 Hours)
- (iv) Justification of Knowledge Claims: Foundationalism (including Internalism and Externalism), Coherentism and Reliabilism (20 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

- J. Dancy : *Introduction to Contemporary Epistemology*, Blackwell
- R. M. Chisholm : *Theory of Knowledge* (3rd ed.) Prentice Hall
- 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 Publishers (in association with Jadavpur University)

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL204: WESTERN LOGIC (Marks: 50)

- (i) Propositional Logic: Rules of Natural Deduction, The Rule of Conditional Proof, Indirect Proof, Proving Invalidity (14 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 (16 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

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL205: SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY: WESTERN (Marks: 50)

- i) **Social Contract Theory:** Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau (10 Hrs.)
- ii) **Liberalism and Distributive Justice:** Rawls and Sen (10 Hrs.)
- iii) **Libertarianism:** Nozick (10 Hrs.)
- iv) **Marxism:** Origin, Alienation, Dialectical and Historical Materialism, Philosophy for Change, Surplus Value and Capitalism, Class-Struggle, Social Revolution, Idea of

State, Critique of Marxism(20 Hrs.)

v) **Philosophy of Globalization**(10 Hrs.)

vi) **Communitarianism & Multiculturalism**(10 Hrs.)

- Communitarianism: Communitarian Critique of Liberal Self, Universalism Vs. Particularism, Theories of Charles Taylor, MacIntyre, and Michael Sandel
- Multiculturalism: Charles Taylor; Politics of Recognition, Will Kymlicka; Conception of Minority Rights

vii) **Feminism** (10 Hrs.)

Recommended Texts:

- Hobbes, Thomas ([1651] 1986) *Leviathan*. Harmondsworth: Penguin Books.
- Locke, John ([1690] 1963) *Two Treatises of Government*. Ed. Peter Laslett. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Rousseau, Jean-Jacques ([1760] 1987) "On the Social Contract", in *Rousseau: Basic Political Writings*. (Trans.)Donald Cress. Indianapolis, IN: Hackett Publishing Co.
- Rawls, John (1971) *A Theory of Justice*. Rev. ed. (1999) Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
- ---- (1993) *Political Liberalism*. New York: Columbia University Press.
- Sen, Amartya (1992). *Inequality Reexamined*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
- ---- (2009): *The Theory of Justice, London: Penguin*.
- ---- (1997) *On Economic Inequality*. Oxford: Clarendon.
- Nozick, Robert (1974) *Anarchy, State, and Utopia*. New York: Basic Books.
- Karl Marx: *Economic and Philosophic Manuscripts of 1844*, Moscow: Progress Publishers,1959
- Karl Marx: *Selected Writings* (eds. T. Bottomore and M. Rubel), Penguin, 1975.
- C. Roldán, D. Brauer and J.Rohbeck (eds.) (2018)*Philosophy of Globalization*, De Gruyter.
- Singer, P. (2002) *One World: The Ethics of Globalization*, Yale University Press.
- ---- *One World Now* (Revised) Yale University Press, New Haven, 2016.
- MacIntyre, Alasdair (1981) *After Virtue*. Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame Press.
- ---- (1987) *Whose Justice? Which Rationality?* Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre

Dame Press.

- Sandel, Michael J. (1982) *Liberalism and the Limits of Justice*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2nd ed. 1999.
- ---- (1996) *Democracy's Discontent: America in Search of a Public Philosophy*. Cambridge, MA: Belknap Press.
- Taylor, Charles (1989a) 'Cross-Purposes: The Liberal-Communitarian Debate,' in Rosenblum(ed.) (1989) *Liberalism and the Moral Life*, Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
- ---- (1989b) *Sources of the Self: The Making of Modern Identity*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
- ---- (1991) *The Ethics of Authenticity*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
- ---- (1992) *Multiculturalism and the 'Politics of Recognition.'* Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- Kymlicka, Will (1989) *Liberalism, Community and Culture*. Oxford: Clarendon.
- ---- (1990) *Contemporary Political Philosophy: An Introduction*. Oxford: Clarendon.
- ---- (1995) *Multicultural Citizenship: A Liberal Theory of Minority Rights*. Oxford: Clarendon.
- Moitra, Sefali (2002) *Feminist Theory. Androcentrism, Communication, and Objectivity*, New Delhi: MunshiramManoharlal.
- Tong, Rosemarie(2018). *Feminist Thought: A More Comprehensive Introduction, 5th ed.* New York: Talyor & Francis.

Suggested Readings:

- Amal Roy & Mohit Bhattacharya (2013): *Political Theory: Ideas and Institutions*, Kolkata: World Press.
- Emile Burns (1939): *What is Marxism*, Create Space
- Shlomo Avineri & Avner De-Shalit (1992) *Communitarianism and Individualism*, Oxford Univ. Press.
- Nelson, Brian R. (2014) *Western Political Thoughts*, Pearson.
- Christman, John (2002) *Social and Political Philosophy: A Contemporary Introduction*, Routledge, London & New York.
- Marxist Archive: www.marxists.org

SEMESTER III
Full Marks: 250

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

Viśvanātha : *Bhāṣāpariccheda* with *Siddhāntamuktāvalī* (*Śabdakhaṇḍa*) (80 Hours)

CORE COURSE MAPHIL302: WESTERN METAPHYSICS (Marks: 50)

- (i) Nature and Notions of Metaphysics: Traditional and Contemporary (15 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 (20 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
- IndraniSanyal, *On Essentialist Claims*, Allied Publishers Private Limited, 2002
- IndraniSanyal, 'Modality and Possible Worlds', *Foundations of Logic and Language* (ed. Pranab Kumar Sen), Allied Publications, 1990

MAJOR ELECTIVES

[ANY ONE GROUP TO BE CHOSEN FROM 303A(N), 303B(V), 303C(E), 303D(L), 303E(S)]

GROUP-A (N): NYĀYA-VAIŚEṢIKA

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL303A(N): PRĀCĪNA NYĀYA-I (Marks: 50)

Gotama: *Nyāyasūtra* with *Vātsyāyanabhāṣya* (*Adhyāya-I, Ānhika-I*) (80 Hours)

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL 304A(N): PRĀCĪNA NYĀYA-II (Marks: 50)

Udayana: *Nyāyakusumāñjali* (1st Stavaka) (80 Hours)

GROUP-B (V): VEDANTA

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL303B(V): ADVAITA METAPHYSICS- I (Marks: 50)

Bādarāyana: *Brahmasūtra* with *Śāṅkarabhāṣya* (Catuhsūtrī) (80 Hours)

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL304B(V): DVAITĀDVAITA AND DVAITA METAPHYSICS (Marks: 50)

- i) Bādarāyana : *Brahmasūtra* with *Vedāntapārijātasaurabha* (Selections) (40 Hours)
- ii) Bādarāyana : *Brahmasūtra* with *Purṇaprajñābhāṣya* (Selections) (40 Hours)

GROUP-C (E): APPLIED ETHICS

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL303C(E): BIOMEDICAL ETHICS: (Marks: 50)

- i) Introduction: A brief history of Biomedical Ethics, Its Definition and Scope, Mid-level Principles & Some Moral Theories (5 Hours)
- ii) Patient-Doctor Relationship: Informed Consent, Therapeutic Privilege, The Rule of Confidentiality (15 Hours)
- iii) Medical Research on Humans: The Nuremberg Code, Design of Clinical Trials, Equipoise, Randomization and Placebos, Problems with Consent, Vulnerable Populations (10 Hours)
- iv) 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 (15 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 (7 Hours)
- viii) Biomedical Ethics in Ancient India (5 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Walter Glannon: *Biomedical Ethics*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2005
- *Charaka-saṁhitā* (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 Datta Sharma & Sashinungla), Decent Books, New Delhi

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL304C(E): SOCIO-POLITICAL ETHICS: (Marks: 50)

i) Equality and its Applications: The Meaning and Basis of Equality, Racism and Equality, Casteism and Equality, Affirmative Action (30 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Peter Singer: *Practical Ethics*, 3rd Ed.(Chapter-2), Cambridge University Press, 2011
- B. R. Ambedkar: "Annihilation of Caste", *The Essential Writings of B.R. Ambedkar* (ed. V.Rodrigues), Oxford Univ. Press

ii) Ethics of Poverty (10 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Peter Singer: *Practical Ethics*, 3rd Edition (Chapter-8: Rich and Poor)), Cambridge University Press, 2011

iii) Business Ethics: For and Against its Possibility, Corporate Responsibility: Moral and Social (10 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Manuel G. Velasquez: *Business Ethics: Concepts and Cases*, 6thed, Prentice-Hall
- Jaffrey Moriarty: "Business Ethics", *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (internet edition) @ <http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/ethics-business>

iv) Ethics of Terror and Warfare (10 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- Judith Wagner DeCew: 'Codes of Warfare', *Encyclopaedia of Applied Ethics* (ed. Ruth Chadwick et al), Academic Press, 1998, Vol. IV

Reference:

- Haig Khatchadourian: "Terrorism and Morality", *Applied Philosophy: Morals and Metaphysics in Contemporary Debates* (eds. Brenda Almond & Donald Hill), Routledge

v) Feminist Ethics (10 Hours)

Recommended Text:

- Rosemarie Tong: "Feminist Ethics", *Encyclopaedia of Applied Ethics* (ed. RuthChadwick et al), Academic Press, 1998,Vol. II , and

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

Reference:

- Stephanie Collins: *The Core of Care Ethics*, Springer, 2015 Stanford Encyclopaedia of Philosophy (internet edition) @ <http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/feminism-ethics>

vi) **Media Ethics:** Its Concerns, Freedom and Responsibility, Quality, Neutrality & Objectivity (10 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-D(L): WESTERN LOGIC

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL303D(L): SET THEORY & PHILOSOPHY OF LOGIC (Marks: 50)

Section-I: Set Theory (Marks: 35)

- (i) Basic Notions of Set Theory (10 Hours)
- (ii) Basic Operations on Sets (15 Hours)
- (iii) Relations; Binary, n-ary (20 Hours)
- (iv) Functions (10 Hours)

Recommended Text:

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

Section-II: 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

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL304D(L):INDUCTIVE LOGIC & PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE

(Marks: 50)

INDUCTIVE LOGIC: (Marks:25)

- i) Problem of Induction (8 Hours)
- ii) Hypothesis (8 Hours)
- iii) The Nature of Evidence-statements (5 Hours)
- iv) Justification of Induction (10 Hours)
- v) Eliminative Induction (9 Hours)

PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE: (Marks:25)

- i) The relationship between science and philosophy (5 Hours)
- ii) Explanation, causation and laws (10 Hours)
- iii) Scientific explanation and its discontents(9 Hours)
- iv) Causation as Regular Succession (8 Hours)
- v) Counterfactuals and Dispositions (8 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

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

MAJOR ELECTIVE GROUP-E(S): SĀṂKHYA-YOGA

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL303ES: CLASSICAL SĀṂKHYA-I (Marks: 50)

Īśvarakṛṣṇa: *Sāṁkhyakārikā* with *Sāṁkhyatattvakumūlī* of Vācaspati Mīśra (excluding *kārikā* Nos. 1-3 and 9-22) (80 Hours)

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL304E(S): CLASSICAL SĀṂKHYA –II (Marks: 50)

Īśvarakṛṣṇa: *Sāṁkhyakārikā* with *Yuktidīpikā* (Selections from *kārikā*-1 to *kārikā*-22) (80 Hours)

INTERDISCIPLINARY ELECTIVE: MAPHIL305A

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

INTERDISCIPLINARY ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL305A: PHILOSOPHY FOR REAL LIFE ISSUES (Marks: 50)[4 Credits]

Unit-I: PHILOSOPHY AND DARŚANA(4 Hours)

• **Basic Concepts:**

(i) Nature, Classification, Branches, Aims and Objectives

(ii) Philosophy & its Relation to other Disciplines

Unit-II: CORE ISSUES IN PHILOSOPHY(20 Hours)

• **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 & ethics, (ii) intrinsic and extrinsic values; moral value (iii) consequentialism, deontology & virtue theory

Unit-III: CORE ISSUES IN DARŚANA(20 Hours)

• **Epistemological Issues:** The key issues concerning (i) nature, (ii) validity, (iii) factors and (iv) sources of knowledge.

• **Metaphysical Issues:** The key issues concerning

(i) Ontological status the phenomenal things,

(ii) Attainability of reality,

(iii) The way to attain reality.

(iv) Stages or levels of reality.

• **Issues Concerning Ontological and Moral Status of Man in the framework of major World-views:** The key issues concerning

(i) The frame-work of major World-Views,

(ii) Ontological Status of Man in the frame-work of a World-view,

(iii) Moral Status of Man in the frame-work of a World-view,

Unit-IV: REAL LIFE ISSUES IN PHILOSOPHY AND DARŚANA (20 Hours)

• **Environmental issues:** (i) The key issues related to Deep Ecology and its Indian counterparts

• **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
- Haridas Bandyopadhyay: *Bharatiya Darshner Marmakatha* (in Bengali)
- Ramaprasad Das & Shibapada Chakraborty: *Paschyatya Darshaner Ruprekha* (in Bengali)
- 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: 270

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL400: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT [20 MARKS]: PHILOSOPHICAL COUNSELLING

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL401: CONTINENTAL PHILOSOPHY (Marks: 50)

- (i) Phenomenology: Development of Husserl's Phenomenology, Reduction, Essential Intuition, Intentionality, Solipsism and Intersubjectivity, The Life-World (30 Hours)
- (ii) Existentialism: Sartre's Existentialism, Nothingness, Being-for-itself *vis-a-vis* Being-in-itself, Freedom and Responsibility, Bad faith (30 Hours)
- (iii) Hermeneutics: Basic Notions: The Idea of Text, Explanation and Interpretation, Criteria of Acceptability of Interpretation; Heidegger's Hermeneutics of Being and Dasein (20 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

- Edmund Husserl: *Ideas*, Book-I, MartinusNijhoff
- Edmund Husserl: *The Crisis of European Sciences and Transcendental Phenomenology*, North-Western Univ. 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

CORE 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. (40 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. (40 Hours)

Suggested Readings:

- Michael Beaney (ed.): *The Frege Reader*, Blackwell, 1997
- P. Martinich (ed.) *The Philosophy of Language*, Oxford University Press, 1985
- Russell: *Logic and Knowledge*, R.C. Marsh (ed.), Allen and Unwin, 1956
- 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
- John R. Searle (ed.): *The Philosophy of Language*, Oxford University Press, 1971

MAJOR ELECTIVES (AS CHOSEN IN SEMESTER-III)

GROUP-A(N): NYĀYA-VAIŚEṢIKA

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL403A (N): NAVYA NYĀYA-I (Marks: 50)

- Viśvanātha: *Bhāṣāpariccheda* with *Siddhāntamuktavali* (*kārikā*-s 51-55 & 125-137) (80 Hours)

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL404A(N): NAVYA NYĀYA-II (Marks: 50)

- Gaṅgeśa: *Vyāptipañcaka* with *Māthuri* (1st *vyāptilakṣaṇa*) (80 Hours)

GROUP-B(V):(VEDĀNTA)

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL403B(V): ADVAITA EPISTEMOLOGY (Marks: 50)

- Dharmarāja: *Vedāntaparibhāṣā* (*pratyakṣapramāṇa*) (80 Hours)

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE:MAPHIL404V:VIŚIṢṬĀDVAITA METAPHYSICS (Marks: 50)

- Bādarāyana : *Brahmasūtra* with *Śrībhāṣya* (1st *sūtra*) (80 Hours)

GROUP-C(E): APPLIED ETHICS

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL403CE: APPLIED ETHICS IN INDIAN CONTEXTS (Marks: 50)

1. Different Moral Standards of Action: *Lokopadeśa, Lokaprasiddhi, Lokasthiti, Lokasiddhi, Sukhavāda, Preyas, Śreyas* (15 Hours)
2. The Jaina view of *Pañcavrata* (15 Hours)
3. The Nyāya view of *Cikirṣā, Dveṣa* (10 Hours)
4. Vivekananda's view of Practical Vedanta (15 Hours)
5. Environmental Ethics in Ancient India (25 Hours)
 - i) *Prithivīsūkta: Atharva Veda*
 - ii) *Viṣṇupurāṇa* (2.6 & 3.11)

Recommended Texts:

- Umāsvāti : *Tattvārthasūtra* (Ch-VII)
- Viswanatha: *Bhāṣaparichheda : kārīkā-s 147-152* with *SiddhāntaMuktāvalī*
- Gotama: *Nyāyasūtra* 1.1.22, *Vātsyāyanabhāṣya*
- Badarayana: *Brahmasutra* 4.4.1–4, *Saṅkarabhāṣya*
- *Atharva Veda* (XII, 1)
- Vedavyāsa: *Viṣṇupurāṇa*
- Swami Vivekananda: The Complete works of Swami Vivekananda Vol.2(Practical Vedanta: Parts I-IV)

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)
- Swami Vivekananda Bani o Rachana, khanda 2(Karmajibane Vedanta: prastab 1-4)
- Dinesh Chandra Bhattacharya: Vivekananda Vedantachinta, Ramakrishna

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL404C (E): 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 (15 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 (30 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 (10 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-D(L):WESTERN LOGIC

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL403 D(L): LOGIC OF RELATIONS& DEDUCTIVE SYSTEMS (Marks: 50)

Section-I: The Logic of Relations (Marks: 35)

- (i) Symbolizing Relations (10 Hours)
- (ii) Arguments Involving Relations (15 Hours)
- (iii) Some Attributes of Relations (15 Hours)
- (iv) Identity and Definite Descriptions (10 Hours)

Section-II: Deductive Systems (Marks: 15)

- (i) Definition and Deduction (5 Hours)
- (ii) Euclidian Geometry (2 Hours)
- (iii) Formal Deductive Systems (5 Hours)
- (iv) Attributes of Formal Deductive Systems (7 Hours)
- (v) Proofs of Consistency and Independence(8 Hours)
- (VI) Logistic Systems (3 Hours.)

Recommended Text:

- M. Copi: *Symbolic Logic* (5th edition), Macmillan (Chapter V & VI)
- A.H. Basson and D. J. O'Connor: *Introduction to Symbolic Logic*, University Tutorial Press, 1953

Reference Books:

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

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL404D(L): PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC (Marks-50)

Section: I [Deductive System: PM] (Marks: 25)

- (i) P.M. System: Its Primitive Ideas, Syntactical Rules, Definitions, the Postulates, Rules for Deduction of Theorems, Proofs of Theorems (Propositional Part) (40Hours)

Section: II [Modal Logic] (Marks: 25)

- (i)Modal Propositional Logic: The System T (20 Hours)
- (ii)Three Grades of Modal Involvements (20 Hours)

Recommended Texts:

- B. Russell & A.N. Whitehead: *Principia Mathematica* (abridged ed), Part-I: *1, *2 upto2.41, 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
- Ambrose and M. Lazerowitz: *Fundamentals of Symbolic Logic*, New York, 1962
- I.M. Copi: *Symbolic Logic* (5th edition), Prentice Hall of India, Pvt. Ltd., 1998(Chapter-8)
- Basson and O'Connor: *Introduction to Symbolic Logic*, Oxford University Press, 1993

GROUP-E(S): SĀM̐KHYA-YOGA

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL403ES: LATER SĀM̐KHYA (Marks-50)

Sāṃkhyapravācanasūtra with *Sāṃkhyapravācanabhāṣya* of *Vijñānabhikṣu* (Selections from *adhyāya-I* and *adhyāya-II*) (80 Hours)

MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE: MAPHIL404E(S): PATAÑJALA YOGA (Marks-50)

Patañjali: *Yogasūtra* with *Yogasūtrabhāṣya* of *Vyāsa* (Selections from *sūtra I.1* to *sūtra II.29*) (80 Hours)

CORE COURSE: MAPHIL405: PROJECT WRITING [Marks: 50]

Project Work: (80 Hours/Practical Classes)

Written Part (Dissertation): Marks: 40

Internal Assessment (Seminar Presentation/Viva Voce): Marks: 10

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