

FAKIR MOHAN UNIVERSITY
CBCS SYLLABUS

CORE COURSE ; SEMESTER – I B.A. PHILOSOPHY (Honours)

PHIL. CC-I : General Philosophy

Time- 3hrs. F. M.: 100 [Mid Sem 20+End Sem 80] Credit Points: - 6 No. of classes: 60

- UNIT-I:** Definition, Nature and Function of Philosophy; Its Relation with Other Modes of Thinking
- UNIT-II:** Problems of Being: Monism, Dualism and Pluralism; Idealism and Realism
- UNIT-III:** Problems of Knowledge: Rationalism, Empiricism and Criticism
- UNIT-IV:** Problems of value, Fact and value; Good and evil; Beautiful and Ugly; Objectivity of value
- UNIT-V:** Problems of Philosophy: Substance: Universals; Causality; Freewill

Basic Study Materials

1. G.T.W. Patrick, *Introduction to Philosophy*
2. G.W. Cunningham, *Problems of Philosophy*
3. Bertrand Russell, *Problems of Philosophy*
4. Richard Taylor, *Metaphysics*
5. D.W. Hamlyn, *Metaphysics*

CORE COURSE ; SEMESTER – I B..A. PHILOSOPHY (Honours)

PHIL.Paper-II: CC-II- Symbolic Logic

Time- 3hrs. F. M.: 100 [Mid Sem 20+End Sem 80] Credit Points: - 6 No. of classes: 60

- UNIT-I:** Chapters I,
- UNIT-II:** Chapter II
- UNIT-III:** Chapter-III (Section 1 to 6)
- UNIT-IV:** Chapter-III (Section 7 to 9)
- UNIT-V:** Chapter- V & Appendix

Basic Study Materials

1. A.H. Basson and D.J. O’Conner, *An Introduction to Symbolic Logic*
2. M.R. Cohen and E. Nagel, *An Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method*
3. John Hospers, *An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis*
4. Alex Rosenberg, *Philosophy of Science: A Contemporary Introduction*

SEM.-I/III, PHIL.-GE-I IS SAME AS SEM.-I PHIL.-CC-I
SEM.-I, PHIL.-DSC-I IS SAME AS SEM.-I PHIL.-CC-I

CORE COURSE ; SEMESTER – II B.A. PHILOSOPHY (Honours)
PHIL.Paper-III:CC - III Systems of Indian Philosophy

Time- 3hrs. F. M.: 100 [Mid Sem 20+End Sem 80] Credit Points: - 6 No. of classes: 60

- UNIT-I:** Carvaka Materialism;
Jainism: *Syadvada; Anekantavada*
- UNIT-II:** Buddhism: The Noble Truths; Doctrine of Dependent Origination; Doctrine of Momentariness
- UNIT-III:** Samkhya: *Purusa; Prakrti*; Causality
Yoga: *Cittavrtti* and Its *Nirodha; AstangikaMarga*
- UNIT-IV:** Nyaya: *Pramanas*
Vaisesika: *Padarthas*
- UNIT-V:** Samkara and Ramanuja: Brahman, Atman, *Jagat* and *Maya*

Basic Study Materials

1. S.C. Chatterji and D.M. Datta, *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*
2. C.D. Sharma, *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*
3. M. Hiriyanna, *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*
4. R.K. Puligandla, *Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy*
5. S. Radhakrishnan, *Indian Philosophy*, Volumes I and II

CORE COURSE ; SEMESTER – II B.A. PHILOSOPHY (Honours)
PHIL.Paper-IV:CC – IV; Philosophy of Language

Time- 3hrs. F. M.: 100 [Mid Sem 20+End Sem 80] Credit Points: - 6 No. of classes: 60

- UNIT-I:** Word Meaning; Ambiguity; Vagueness
- UNIT-II:** Definition: Defining and Accompanying Characteristics; Scope of Definition; Causal, Stipulative, Reportive, Real, Persuasive, Ostensive definitions
- UNIT-III:** Referential, Ideational, Behavioural and Use View of Meaning
- UNIT-IV:** Analytic and Synthetic; *Apriori* and *Aposteriori*; Synthetic-*A priori*; Logical Possibility
- UNIT-V:** Concept: Nature and Source; Truth: Correspondence, Coherence and What Works; Knowledge: Sources

Basic Study Materials

1. John Hospers, *An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis*
2. W.P. Alston, *Philosophy of Language*

SEM.-II/IV, PHIL.-GE-II IS SAME AS SEM.-I PHIL.-CC-II
SEM.-II, PHIL.-DSC-II IS SAME AS SEM.-I PHIL.-CC-II

SECOND YEAR
SEMESTER-III-BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)
CC-Paper-V: Contemporary Indian Philosophy
Time - 3hrs F.M.: 100 [80 (End sem) +20 (Int)] Credit- 6

Unit -1

Swami Vivekananda: Practical Vedanta; Universal Religion; Man and His Destiny

Unit –II

R.N. Tagore: God as Reality; Nature of Religion; Man and His Destiny

Unit –III

Sri Aurobindo: *Saccidananda*; Creation; Man and His Transformation

Unit –IV

M.K. Gandhi: God as Truth, Non-Violence, *Satyagraha*, *Sarvodaya*

Unit –V

S. Radhakrishnan: Man and His Destiny; Religion and Religious Experience; Intellect and Intuition

Basic Study Materials:

1. B.K. Lal *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*
2. T.M.P. Mahadevan, *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*

SEMESTER-III-BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)
CC-Paper-VI: Modern European Philosophy
Time - 3hrs F.M.: 100 [80 (End sem) +20 (Int)] Credit- 6

Unit-I

Francis Bacon- Inductive Method, Idolas

Descartes- Method ,Substance, Inmate ideas

Unit-II

Spinoza: Substance, Attribute and Modes

Leibnitz- Monads, Pre-establishment Harmony

Unit-III

Locke: Refutation of Innate Ideas; Theory of Knowledge; Idea of Substance

Unit-IV

Berkeley: Subjective Idealism

Hume: Scepticism; Theory of Causation; Idea of Self

Unit-V

Kant: Review of the Claims of Empiricism and Rationalism; Space and Time; Categories of Understanding

Basic Study Materials

1. Richard Falkenberg, *History of Modern Philosophy*
2. Frank Thilly, *History of Philosophy*
3. Y. Masih, *Critical History of Western Philosophy*
4. RatnakarPati, *History of Modern European Philosophy*

SEMESTER-III-BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)

**CC-Paper-VII: Study of a Western Classic:
Rene Descartes' *Meditations on First Philosophy*
Time - 3hrs F.M.: 100 [80 (End sem) +20 (Int)]**

Credit- 6

Unit-1

Meditation I: Sceptical Doubts, MeditationII: *cogito ergo sum* and *sum res cogitans*,
The Wax Argument

Unit-II

Meditation III: Clear and Distinct Perceptions, Theory of Ideas, Existence of God

Unit-III

Meditation IV: God is no Deceiver, Will, Intellect and the Possibility of Error

Unit-IV

Meditation V: Essence of Material Things, Existence of God

Unit-V

Meditation VI: Mind-body Dualism, Primary and Secondary Qualities

Basic Study Materials

1. Rene Descartes, *Meditations on First Philosophy* (Various editions)
2. Rae Langton, *A Study Guide to Descartes' Meditations*, http://ocw.mit.edu/courses/linguistics-and-philosophy/24-01-classics-in-western-philosophy-spring-2006/study-materials/descartes_guide.pdf
3. AmelieRorty, *Essays on Descartes' Meditations*

SEMESTER-IV -BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)
CC-Paper-VIII: Study of The *Bhagavadgita*
Time – 3hrs F.M.: 100 [80 (End sem) +20 (Int)] Credit- 6

Unit –I

The *Bhagavadgita*: Conception of Yoga; Conceptions of Life and Death

Unit –II

The *Bhagavadgita*: *Karma* and *Karmaphala*; *Karma*, *Akarma* and *Vikarma*

Unit –III

The *Bhagavadgita*: *Jnana* and *Vijnana*; *Ksara*, *Aksara* and *UttamaPurusa*

Unit –IV

Chapter XVIII Verses 1 to 36 with Samkara's Commentary

Unit –V

Chapter XVIII Verses 37 to 78 with Samkara's Commentary

Basic Study Materials

1. (Tr. & Ed.) S. Radhakrishnan, *The Bhagavadgita*
2. (Tr. & Ed.) V. Panoli, *Gita in Samkara's Own Words*, I & II
3. (Tr.) A.G.K. Warrior, *SrimadbhagavadgitaBhasya of SriSamkaracharya*
4. P.N. Srinivasachari, *The Ethical Philosophy of the Gita*
5. K.M. Munshi and R.R. Diwakar, *Bhagavadgita and Modern Life*
6. S.C. Panigrahi, *Concept of Yoga in the Gita*

SEMESTER-IV-BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)
CC-Paper-IX: Traditional Ethics and Applied Ethics
Time – 3hrs F.M.: 100 [80 (End sem) +20 (Int)] Credit- 6

Unit-1

Definition, Nature and Scope of Ethics; Moral and Non- moral Actions; Factual and Moral Judgments

Unit-II

Teleological Ethics: Hedonism; Utilitarianism

Unit-III

Business Ethics: Rights and Obligations in Business; Justice, Truth Telling and Honesty in Business

Unit-IV

Bio-Medical Ethics: Rights and Obligations of Health Care Professionals, Patient and His Family; Abortion; Euthanasia

Unit-V

Environmental Ethics: Use and Exploitation of Nature; Animal Killing and Animal Rights

Basic Study Materials:

1. William Lillie, *Ethics*
2. J.N.Sinha, *Manual of Ethics*
3. Peter Singer, *Practical Ethics*
4. Jacques P. Thiroux, *Ethics: Theory and Practice*

SEMESTER-IV-BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)

CC-Paper-X: Study of Major Religions of the World

Time – 3hrs F.M.: 100 [80 (End sem) +20 (Int)] Credit- 6

Unit-1

Sanatana Dharma:

The Conception of Man (*amrtasyaputra*); His Pursuits (*dharma, artha, kama&moksa*); Ways of Conduct (*margas*): *jnana, karma&bhakti*

Unit-II

Buddhism:

Three Practices: *Sila, Samadhi&Prajna*; Four Noble Truths; Five Precepts; Eight-fold Path

Unit-III

Jainism:

Three Gems; Five Vows; TheJainaAgamas

Unit-IV

Christianity:

God as Trinity; Grace; Justice; Peace; Service; Salvation

Unit-V

Islam:

Conception of Man; Pursuits of Man: *Shahadah* (declaration of faith), *Salaah* (prayer), *Zakat* (charity), *Saum* (fasting) & *Hajj* (pilgrimage): Brotherhood and Equality of Mankind

Basic Study Materials

1. Y. Masih, *A Comparative Study of Religions*
2. Lloyd Ridgeon, *Major World Religions*

SEMESTER-IV-BA PHILOSOPHY
DSC-III Paper-III: Systems of Indian Philosophy
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SEMESTER-IV PHILOSOPHY (HONS) -SEC-II
SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE – II

PHYLOSOPHY ANCIENT AND MODERN

F.M.-40+10

Credit- 2

Time- 2 hrs

UNIT-I Buddhism

Four noble truth, Doctrine of dependant Origination, Doctrine of Momenta

UNIT-II Mimansa

Pramanas

UNIT-III Sri Aurobinda

Reality, Religion

UNIT-IV M.K. Gandhi

Truth and Non-violence.

Books Recommended-

1. Critical Survey Indian Philosophy-C.D. Sharma
2. Bharatiya Darshan-G.C. Nayak
3. Contemporary Indian Philosophy-B.K. Lal