

COURSES OF STUDIES

FOR

THREE YEAR DEGREE COURSE

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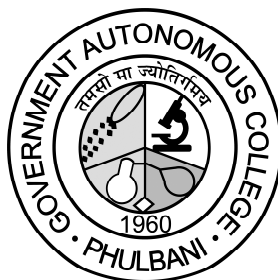
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

Choice Based Credit System(CBCS)

First & Second Semester Examination – 2020-21

Third & Fourth Semester Examination – 2021-22

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SYLLABI FOR CBCS COURSE

Sem	CORE COURSE (14)	Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course (AECC) (2)	Ability Enhancement Elective Course (AEEC) (2) (Skill Based)	Elective: Discipline Specific DSE (4)	Elective: Generic (GE) (4)
I	CORE-I	AECC-I			GE-IA
	CORE-II				
II	CORE-III	AECC-II			GE-1B
	CORE -IV				
III	CORE-V		AEEC-I (SEC-I)		GE-2A
	CORE-VI				
	CORE-VII				
IV	CORE-VIII		AEEC-II (SEC-II)		GE-2B
	CORE-IX				
	CORE-X				
V	CORE-XI			DSE-I	
	CORE-XII			DSE-II	
VI	CORE-XIII			DSE-III	
	CORE-XIV			DSE-IV / Project	

YEAR & SEMESTER-WISE PAPERS & CREDITS AT A GLANCE

Three-Year (6-Semester) CBCS Programme (B.A. Hons) (Philosophy Department)				
Yr.	Sl.No.	Course Structure	Code	Credit Points
FIRST YEAR	SEMESTER-I			
	1	General Philosophy	C-1.1	6
	2	Logic and Scientific Method	C-1.2	6
	SEMESTER-II			
	3	Systems of Indian Philosophy – I	C-2.1	6
	4	Symbolic Logic	C-2.2	6
	5	Indian Philosophy	GE-2.3	6
SECOND YEAR	SEMESTER-III			
	6	Ethics	C-3.1	6
	7	History of Greek Philosophy	C-3.2	6
	8	Systems of Indian Philosophy – II	C-3.3	6
	SEMESTER-IV			
	9	Contemporary Indian Philosophy	C-4.1	6
	10	History of Modern European Philosophy	C-4.2	6
	11	Philosophy of Language	C-4.3	6
	12	Ethics : Theory and Practice	GE-4.4	6
FINAL YEAR	SEMESTER-V			
	13	Western Classics : Meditations of Rene Descartes	C-5.1	6
	14	Indian Text : Isa Upanishad	C-5.2	6
	15	Philosophy of Bhagavad Gita	DSE-5.3	6
	16	Philosophy of Religion	DSE-5.4	6
	SEMESTER-VI			
	16	Social & Political Philosophy	C-6.1	6
	18	Applied Ethics	C-6.2	6
	19	Gandhian Studies	DSE-6.3	6
	20	Project Work / Recent Western Philosophy	DSE-6.4	6

Notes:

- C- Core Course
- GE- Generic Elective Course
- DSE- Discipline Specific Elective Course
- AECC- Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course
- AECC- Ability Enhancement Elective Course (Skill Based)
- For a 6 credit course, the total teaching hours are: Minimum- 50 Hours, Maximum-65 Hours

SEMESTER-I

C-1.1 : GENERAL PHILOSOPHY

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Definition, Nature & Function of Philosophy, and Philosophy in relation to other modes of thinking like Science & Religion

UNIT – II:

Metaphysics: Monism, Pluralism, Metaphysical issues: Substance, Universal, Mind & Body

UNIT – III:

Problem of knowledge: What is knowledge? Sources of knowledge: Empiricism, Rationalism, Theories of Truth: Correspondence, coherence and pragmatic theory

UNIT – IV:

Problems of Ethics: (1) Theories of Goodness: The good and the evil (2) Theories of conduct: Egoism & Altruism

Prescribed Books:

1. John Hospers: An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis(relevant portions)
2. J.N. Sinha : Introduction to Philosophy

Books for Reference:

- ❖ G.T.W. Patrick: Introduction to Philosophy
- ❖ A.C. Ewing: The Fundamental Questions of Philosophy
- ❖ G.W. Cunningham: Problems of Philosophy
- ❖ Richard Taylor: Metaphysics
- ❖ D.W. Hamlyn: Metaphysics

C-1.2 : LOGIC AND SCIENTIFIC METHOD

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Definition of Logic, Laws of Thought, Deductive and Inductive Arguments, Validity & Soundness of Arguments

UNIT – II:

Classification of Propositions (from stand-point of Quality & Quantity), Distribution of Terms, Square of oppositions, Interpretation of categorical proposition

UNIT – III:

Inference- Immediate Inference (Conversion and Obversion), Mediate Inference (Syllogism): Figure & Moods, Testing of Validity of Arguments by syllogistic Rules

UNIT – IV:

Inductive Reasoning & Scientific Enquiry: Causation & Mills Experimental Methods

Prescribed Book:

1. Cohen & Nagel- Introduction to Logic & Scientific Method.

Books for Reference:

- ❖ Copi, Cohen & Mac Mahan- Introduction to Logic (14th Edition)
- ❖ Alex Rosenberg- Philosophy of Science: A Contemporary Introduction
- ❖ John Hospers: An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis.

SEMESTER-II

C-2.1 : SYSTEMS OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY-I

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Salient Features of Indian Philosophy, Basic concepts like Rta, Rna, Carvakas- Epistemology and Metaphysics (Lokayatamata)

UNIT – II:

Jainism - Syadvada, Anekantavada, Jaina ethics (concept of Triratna)

UNIT – III:

Buddhism: Four Noble Truths, Doctrine of Momentariness, Dependant Origination, No Soul Theory, Nirvana

UNIT – IV:

Samkhya-Dualistic System: Purusa, Prakriti, Theory of Causation, Astanga Yoga of Patanjali

Prescribed Books:

1. Dutta & Chatterjee - An Introduction to Indian Philosophy
2. C. D. Sharma - A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy

Books for Reference:

- ❖ R. K. Puligandla- Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy.
- ❖ M. Hiriyana- Outlines of Indian Philosophy
- ❖ J. N. Sinha- Indian Philosophy
- ❖ S. Radhakrishnan- Indian Philosophy (Vol.1 & 2)

C-2.2 : SYMBOLIC LOGIC

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Chapter- I Introduction

Chapter- II-The Calculus of Propositions

UNIT – II:

Chapter-III Calculus of Propositions (Sec 1 to 6)

UNIT – III:

Chapter-IV Calculus of Propositions (Sec 7 to 9)

The Elements of Predicate Calculus (Section 1 to 9 of chapter V)

UNIT – IV:

Appendix (Sec-I to Sec-IV)

Prescribed Books:

1. Basson & O' Corner: Introduction to Symbolic Logic

GE-2.3 : INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Salient features of Indian philosophy, Carvaka epistemology and metaphysic, Jainism Syadvada and Anekantavada

UNIT – II:

Buddhism- The Four Nobel Truth, Doctrine of Dependent origination, No Soul Theory, Nirvana

UNIT – III:

Samkhya- Purusa, Prakrti, Theory of causation Yoga- Astanga Yoga

UNIT – IV:

Nyaya- Theory of Inference, Vaishesika- Padarthas (Categories)

Prescribed Books:

1. Dutta and Chatterjee: An Introduction to Indian Philosophy

Books for Reference:

- ❖ C.D Sharma: A critical Survey of Indian Philosophy
- ❖ G.C Nayak: Bharatiya Darshana (Odia)
- ❖ B.B. Choudhury: Bharatiya Darshana Ruparekha (Odia Translated book)

SEMESTER-III

C-3.1 : ETHICS

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Definition, Nature & Scope of Ethics, Ethics in relation to Politics, Sociology and Religion

UNIT – II:

Distinction between moral and non-moral action, Moral and factual Judgement, Object of Moral Judgement.

UNIT – III:

Theories of Morality: Hedonism, Utilitarianism, Rigorism

UNIT – IV:

Theories of punishment; Retributive, Reformatory and Preventive theory.

Prescribed Book:

1. J. N. Sinha- A Manual of Ethics

Books for Reference:

- ❖ W. Frankena- Ethics
- ❖ William Lily- An Introduction to Ethics

C-3.2 : HISTORY OF GREEK PHILOSOPHY

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Nature of Greek Philosophy: What is Philosophy? Origin, development And Salient features of early Greek Thought

UNIT – II:

Pre-Socratic Thought: The Being of Parmenides, Becoming of Heraclitus And Atomism of Democritus

UNIT – III:

Socrates: Problem before Socrates, Dialectical method And ethics of Socrates.

UNIT – IV:

Plato: Theory of Knowledge, Theory of Idea : Theory of Form and Matter, Theory of Causation.

Prescribed Book:

1. W. T. Stace - Greek Philosophy

Books for Reference:

- ❖ Burnet - Greek Philosophy
- ❖ B. A. G. Fuller - A History of Greek Philosophy
- ❖ B. Russell - A History of Western Philosophy
- ❖ Y. Masih - A Critical History of Philosophy

C-3.3 : SYSTEMS OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY - II

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

UPANISHADic view of Atman and Brahman, Vidya and Avidya, Para vidyaand Aparavidya

UNIT – II:

Nyaya theory of Inference, Prama and Aprama, Concept of God

UNIT – III:

Vaishesika: Categories (Padarthas)

UNIT – IV:

Sankara and Ramanuja's view on Maya, Jiva Brahman

Prescribed Books:

1. Dutta and Chatterjee: An Introduction to Indian Philosophy
2. C.D. Sharma: A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy
3. M. Hiriyana: Outlines of Indian Philosophy

Books for Reference:

- ❖ J.N Sinha: Indian Philosophy
- ❖ R.K Puligandla: Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy
- ❖ S. Radhakrishnan: Indian Philosophy (Vol-I and II)

SEMESTER-IV

C-4.1 : CONTEMPORARY INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Tagore: Nature of man, Reality, Vivekananda: Universal Religion and Practical Vedanta

UNIT – II:

Sri Aurobindo: Evolution and Reality (Sacchidananda), Integral yoga

UNIT – III:

Gandhi: Truth, God and Non-violence, Dr B.R. Ambedkar: Vision of a just society

UNIT – IV:

S. Radhakrishnan: Reality and Religion
J Krishna Murty: Man and Nature, Human Crisis

Prescribed Book:

1. B.K Lal: Contemporary Indian Philosophy

Books for Reference:

- ❖ H. Sahoo (Ed): Contemporary Indian Philosophy
- ❖ T.M.P Mahadevan and V. Saroja: Contemporary Indian Philosophy

C-4.2 : HISTORY OF MODERN EUROPEAN PHILOSOPHY

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Bacon: Theory of Idola, Inductive Method
Descartes: Universal Doubt, Cogito-Ergo-Sum

UNIT – II:

Spinoza: Substance, Attribute and Modes
Leibnitz: Theory of Monads, Pre-established harmony

UNIT – III:

Locke: Refutation of Innate ideas, Sources of knowledge
Berkeley: Subjective idealism, Esse-est-percipere Hume: Skepticism

UNIT – IV:

Kant: Reconciliation between empiricism and Rationalism
Possibility of Synthetic-a priori judgment

Prescribed Book:

1. R.K. Pati: History of Modern European Philosophy

Books for Reference:

- ❖ Y Masih: History of Western Philosophy
- ❖ Ira Sen Gupta: A History of Western Philosophy
- ❖ Frank Thilly: History of Western Philosophy

C-4.3 : PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Word Meaning: Meaning of the word “meaning”, Ambiguity and Vagueness

UNIT – II:

Definitions: Denotative, Connotative and Ostensive
Defining and Accompanying Characteristics
Stipulative, Reportive and Persuasive definition

UNIT – III:

Sentence Meaning: Proposition and sentence
Word Meaning and sentence meaning

UNIT – IV:

Truth: Correspondence, Coherence and Truth as it works

Prescribed book:

1. John Hospers: An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis

Books for Reference:

- ❖ Alston: Philosophy of Language
- ❖ Das P: Life Language & Reality: An Introduction to Philosophy of Language

GE-4.4 : ETHICS: THEORY AND PRACTICE

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Definition, Nature and Scope of Ethics, Distinction between moral and Non-moral action.

UNIT – II:

Distinction between factual and moral judgement, objects of moral judgement.

UNIT – III:

Moral Standards: Hedonism, Mill’s Utilitarianism, And Kant’s Rigorism

UNIT – IV:

Environmental Ethics: Anthropocentrism and Non- Anthropocentrism, Deep Ecology

Prescribed Books:

1. J.N. Sinha- A Manual of Ethics
2. Peter Singer- Practical Ethics

Books for Reference:

- ❖ H. Sahoo(ed) Ethics theory and practice

SEMESTER-V

C-5.1 : WESTERN CLASSICS: MEDITATIONS OF RENE DESCARTES

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Meditation I: Sceptical Doubts
Meditation II: Cogito-ergo-sum, 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 possibility of Error
Meditation V: Essence of Material things, Existence of God

UNIT – IV:

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

Prescribed Book:

1. Rene Descartes: Meditations on first Philosophy

Books for Reference:

- ❖ Rae Langton: A Study Guide to Descartes Meditations
- ❖ Amelie Rorty: Essays on Descartes Meditations

C-5.2 : INDIAN TEXT: IS A UPANISHAD

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

What are Upanishads? Concept of Brahman, Atman, Central theme of Upanishads

UNIT – II:

Mantra 1 to 9

UNIT – III:

Mantra 10 to 14

UNIT – IV:

Mantra 15 to 18

Prescribed Book:

1. Swami Gambhirananda, Eight Upanishads (Vol-I) God and Reality, Advaita Ashrama, Calcutta

Books for Reference:

- ❖ S. Radhakrishnan: The Principal Upanishads
- ❖ Satyabadi Mishra: Central Philosophy of the Upanishads
- ❖ Aditya Ku. Mohanty: Upanishads Rediscovered

DSE-5.3 : PHILOSOPHY OF BHAGAVAD GITA

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Dharma:-Varnadharma, Swabhava, Swadharma- Paradharma

UNIT – II:

Karma:-Classification of Karma; Niskama Karma, Lokasamgraha

UNIT – III:

Jnana:- Distinction between Jnana and Vijnana. Criteria of True Knowledge (Buddhi Yoga & Jnana Yoga), Kshetra, Kshetrajna, Purusottama. Sattvika, Rajasika and Tamasika Jnana

UNIT – IV:

Bhakti Yoga:- Four kinds of devotee, Characteristics of Ideal Bhakti- Saranagati & Prapattikrupa (grace); Relation between Bhakti Yoga & Jnana Yoga

Prescribed Books:

1. The Bhagavad Gita- S. Radhakrishnan (Trs & Ed)

Books for Reference:

- ❖ Concept of Yoga in the Gita- S. C. Panigrahi
- ❖ Bhagavad Gita & Modern Life- K. M. Munshi & R. R. Diwakar
- ❖ The Lord Speaks (2016)- B. K. Tripathy
- ❖ Srimad Bhagavad Gita Bhasya of Sri Sankaracharya- A. G. K. Warrier (Trs)
- ❖ The Ethical Philosophy of Gita- P. N. Srinivasachari

DSE-5.4 : PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Meaning, Nature and Scope of Philosophy of Religion.

The Judaic concept of God: Monotheism, Infinite, Self-existence, Personal, Loving, Good, Holy.

UNIT – II:

Arguments for God's existence: The ontological argument, The cosmological argument, The teleological argument, The moral argument.

UNIT – III:

Argument against God's existence: The sociological theory of religion, The Freudian theory of religion, The challenge of modern science.

UNIT – IV:

The problem of Evil: The Augustinian Theodicy, The Irenaean Theodicy, The Process Theodicy.

Karma and Rebirth: The popular concept, The Vedantic concept.

Prescribed Book:

1. John Hicks, *Philosophy of Religion*.
2. Y. Masih, *A Comparative Study of Religions*.
3. Y. Masih, *Philosophy of Religion*.

SEMESTER-VI

C-6.1 : SOCIAL & POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Sociality, Social science & Social laws, Philosophy of Social Science

UNIT – II:

Political Ideals- Justice, Liberty, Equality

Political Doctrines- Humanism, Secularism, Feminism

UNIT – III:

Democratic Ideals- Democratic Government, Human Rights

UNIT – IV:

Political Ideologies- (a) Anarchism (b) Marxism (c) Sarvodaya

Prescribed Book:

1. O.P. Gauba - An Introduction to Political Philosophy.

Books for Reference:

- ❖ Mackenzie: Social & Political Philosophy
- ❖ Sukhviri Singh- Social and Political Philosophy

- ❖ Sushila Ramaswamy- Political Theories: Ideas & Concepts
- ❖ D.D. Raphael- Problems of Political Philosophy
- ❖ Patitapaban Das- Social and Political Philosophy

C-6.2 : APPLIED ETHICS

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

What is Applied Ethics: Nature & Scope of Applied Ethics- Ethical Theories- Deontology, Relativism & Subjectivism

UNIT – II:

Taking Life: Animals- Animals rights, Reverence for life
Taking Life: Humans- Types of Euthanasia, Abortion

UNIT – III:

Environmental Ethics: Anthropocentrism, Non-anthropocentrism, Deep Ecology

UNIT – IV:

Professional Ethics: (a) Business Ethics- Rights and Obligations (b) Bio-medical Ethics- Hippocratic Oath, Rights and Obligations of Health- Care Professionals, Doctor- Patient-Relationship

Prescribed Book:

1. Peter Singer- Practical Ethics

Books for Reference:

- ❖ J. Jagadeb- Bio-medical Ethics
- ❖ Tom Regan - Animal Rights
- ❖ J. P. Theroux- Ethics: Theory & Practice
- ❖ P.K Mohapatra :Ethics and Society

DSE-6.3 : GANDHIAN STUDIES

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Political Thought of Gandhi: Gandhi's Concept of Politics - goals and methods of action; Concept and claim of spiritualizing politics

Economic Thought of Gandhi: Gandhi's ideas and efforts in the field of economics; Gandhi's critique of Industrialism - Evils and Consequences; Philosophy of Work: Employment – *Yajna*, Need Vs Greed (and Wants)

UNIT – II:

Social Thought of Gandhi and Social Work: Philosophy and Sociology of *Sarvodaya*; Concept of *Gramswaraj*, *Varanshrum* system and its distinction from caste system; Eradication of social evils with special reference to Gandhi's drive against alcoholism/drug addiction; Untouchability and the method of struggle against it.

UNIT – III:

Education - meaning and aims of education; Ahmedabad; at Sevagram *Ashram*; Basic Education; Duties of students, parents and teachers in education and their Interrelationship; Sex education; Formal, non-formal and informal education

UNIT – IV:

Gandhi's Idea of Peace: Meaning of Peace and Violence; Peace and Disarmament; Non-violent way to world peace; Combating terrorism through non-violence; Gandhian Approach to Conflict Resolution - *Shanti Sena*

Prescribed Book:

1. Mahatma Gandhi, *Autobiography*
2. Mahatma Gandhi, *Hind Swaraj*
3. Mahatma Gandhi, *Towards Non-violent Socialism*
4. Mahatma Gandhi, *Towards New Education*, http://www.mk Gandhi.org/ebks/new_edu.pdf

DSE-6.4 : RECENT WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

Full Marks – 100
Mid Sem – 20/1hr
End Sem – 80/3 hrs

UNIT – I:

Arther, Schopenhauer: The world as representation. The world as will, theory of perception

UNIT – II:

Nietzsche: Critique of enlightenment Perspectivism, concept of superman

UNIT – III:

Sartre, J.P.: Concept of Freedom, Bad-faith, Humanism

UNIT – IV:

William James: Meaning & Truth, Varieties of Religious experience

Recommended Text:

1. B.A.G Fuller & McMurrin , A History of Philosophy
2. D.M. Dutta Chief Currents of Contemporary Philosophy
3. Frank Thilly, History of Western Philosophy

Books for Reference:

- ❖ M.K. Bhadra, A critical Survey of Phenomenology & Existentialism
- ❖ H.J. Blackham, Six Existential Thinkers
- ❖ W.Mc. Neil & K.S. Feldman, Continental Philosophy: An Anthology

OR

DSE-6.4 : PROJECT WORK

Full Marks – 100
End Sem Project– 100

Eligibility: Students who have scored more than 60% marks in Semester –I, II, III & IV are eligible to opt for project paper. The student has to prepare a project of his own selecting a topic from philosophical perspective (For example- some broad themes are given below). The dissertation carries 60 marks which will be evaluated by an external examiner and he / she will face a viva-voice test of 40 marks by an external examiner along with his / her supervisor of the concerned project.

1. Philosophy, value and culture
2. Existentialism and Phenomenology
3. Philosophy of religion
4. Philosophy of Language
5. Socio-Political Philosophy
6. Indian Philosophy/Contemporary Indian Philosophy
7. Ethics/Applied ethics
8. Philosophy of Mind

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