



UNIVERSITY OF GOUR BANGA

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

SYLLABUS FOR THE PG PROGRAMME (M.A.)

UNDER CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM (CBCS)

(w.e.f. the Session: 2024-2025)

(Recommended by the PG Board of Studies in Philosophy)

2 YEAR (FOUR SEMESTER PROGRAMME)

**Detailed Course Structure including Question Pattern and
Contents are as follows:**

Scheme of PG CBCS Syllabus

Department of Philosophy University of Gour Banga

Semester	Paper	Paper code	Paper name	Credit/paper	Total credits	Equivalent marks/paper	Total marks
I	Core 1	PHIL 101	INDIAN EPISTEMOLOGY	4	24	50	300
	Core 2	PHIL 102	WESTERN EPISTEMOLOGY	4		50	
	Core 3	PHIL 103	INDIAN LOGIC	4		50	
	Core 4	PHIL 104	WESTERN LOGIC	4		50	
	Elective core (any one)	PHIL 105(A)	SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY (WESTERN)	4		50	
		PHIL 105(B)	PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE	4			
	Elective (any one)	PHIL 106(A)	MODERN INDIAN THINKERS-I	4		50	
		PHIL 106(B)	CULTURE AND VALUES	4			
II	Core 1	PHIL 201	INDIAN ETHICS	4	24	50:	300
	Core 2	PHIL 202	WESTERN ETHICS	4		50	
	Core 3	PHIL 203	INDIAN METAPHYSICS	4		50	
	Core 4	PHIL 204	WESTERN METAPHYSICS	4		50	
	Elective core (any one)	PHIL 205(A)	SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY (INDIAN)	4		50	
		PHIL 205(B)	PEACE STUDIES	4			
	Elective (any one)	PHIL 206(A)	AESTHETICS	4		50	
		PHIL 206(B)	YOGA PHILOSOPHY: THEORY AND PRACTICE	4			
III	Core 1	PHIL 301	PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE (INDIAN)	4	24	50	300
	Core 2	PHIL 302	PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE (WESTERN)	4		50	
	Core 3	PHIL 303	APPLIED ETHICS	4		50	
	Core 4	PHIL 304	PHENOMENOLOGY AND EXISTENTIALISM	4		50	
	Elective core (any one)	PHIL 305(A)	POSTMODERNISM AND HERMENEUTICS	4		50	
		PHIL 305(B)	PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION	4			
	Elective (any one)	PHIL 306(A)	MODERN INDIAN THINKERS-II	4		50	
		PHIL 306(B)	PHILOSOPHY OF MUSIC	4			
IV	Core 1	PHIL 401	CLASSICAL INDIAN TEXT	4	24	50	300
	Core 2	PHIL 402	KANT'S CRITICAL PHILOSOPHY	4		50	
	Core 3	PHIL 403	PHILOSOPHY OF WITTGENSTEIN	4		50	
	Core 4	PHIL 404	PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION	4		50	
	Elective core (any one)	PHIL 405(A)	PHILOSOPHY OF FILM	4		50	
		PHIL 405(B)	PROJECT AND SEMINAR	4			
	Elective (any one)	PHIL 406(A)	PHILOSOPHY OF MIND	4		50	
		PHIL 406(B)	PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC: P.M. AND MODAL	4			

* Each course/paper consists of 50 Marks (End Semester Examination: 40 + Internal Assessment: 10).

** Following courses may be offered as interdepartmental electives:

PHIL: 105(A/B), 106(A/B), 205(A/B), 206(A/B), 305(A/B), 306(A/B), 405(A/B), 406(A/B).

QUESTION PATTERN FOR END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

Each paper/course will be of 40 marks in the end semester examinations in the following pattern:

Section – I

1. Answer any *one* of the following: 10x1 = 10

(a)

(b)

2. Answer any *two* of the following: 5x2 = 10

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

Section – II

3. Answer any *one* of the following: 10x1 = 10

(a)

(b)

4. Answer any *two* of the following: 5x2 = 10

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

SEMESTER – I

CORE 1: PHIL 101

INDIAN EPISTEMOLOGY

- Anubhava - Yathārtha & Ayathārtha
- Pramāṇa - (a) Pratyakṣa, (b) Upamāna, (c) Arthāpatti, (d) Anupalabdhi
- Prāmāṇyavāda - (a) Svataḥ Prāmāṇya, (b) Parataḥ Prāmāṇya, & (c) Svaprakāśatva
- Khyātivāda - (a) Akhyāti, (b) Anyathākhyāti, & (c) Anirvacanīyakhyāti

TEXT: *Bhāṣāpariccheda with Siddhānta-Muktāvalī* by Viśvanātha

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Dharmarāja Adhvarīndra : *Vedāntaparibhāṣā* (Eng. Tr. by Swami Madhavananda)
2. Govardhan P. Bhatt : *Epistemology of the Bhaṭṭa School of Purva- Mīmāṃsā*
3. J.N. Mohanty : *Gaṅgeśa's Theory of Truth*
4. Karl Potter : *Encyclopaedia of Indian Philosophy* (vol. Navya Nyāya)
5. Sukharanjan Saha : *Theories of Error*
6. Sukharanjan Saha : *Epistemology of Prācīna and Navya Nyāya*
7. Rupa Bandyopadhyay : *Indian Theories of Illusion*
8. Uma Chattopadhyay : *Dishonoured by Philosophers: Upamāna Pramāṇa in Indian Epistemology*
9. B.K. Matilal : *Perception*
10. B.K. Matilal : *Perceptual Error*
11. K.N. Jayatilleke : *Early Buddhist Theory of Knowledge*
12. D.M. Datta : *Six Ways of Knowing*
13. S.C. Chatterjee : *Nyāya Theory of Knowledge*
14. Debabrata Sen : *The Concept of Knowledge*
15. Srinivasa Rao : *Perceptual Error: The Indian Theories*

CORE 2: PHIL 102

WESTERN EPISTEMOLOGY

- Scepticism and the possibility of knowledge
- Nature and definition of knowledge: Belief and Knowledge
- Gettier problem and responses to it
- Justification of knowledge: Foundationalism, Coherentism, Causal theory and Reliability theory
- Theories of Truth: Correspondence, Coherence and Pragmatic
- Knowledge of other minds

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Jonathan Dancy: *Introduction to Contemporary Epistemology*
2. Robert Audi: *Epistemology*
3. Sosa & Greco (Eds) : *Blackwell Guide to Epistemology*
4. Keith Lehrer: *Knowledge*
5. R. Chisholm : *Theory of Knowledge* (Editions: 1 &2)
6. P. F. Strawson: *Scepticism and Naturalism : Some Varieties*
7. Wittgenstein: *On Certainty*
8. Norman Malcolm: *Knowledge and Certainty*
9. Sibajiban Bhattacharya: *Doubt, Belief and Knowledge*
10. A.J.Ayer: *The Problem of Knowledge*
11. P.K.Sen : 'Gentle Naturalist Response to Scepticism' in *The Philosophy of P.F. Strawson*, ed. By Rooprekha Verma and P. K. Sen
12. Tushar Kanti Sarkar: *Knowledge, Truth and Justification*
13. A. P. Griffith : *Knowledge and Belief*
14. D. W. Hamlyn: *The Theory of Knowledge*

CORE 3: PHIL 103

INDIAN LOGIC

- Nyāya : Definition, Constituents and Types of Anumāna, Pakṣatā, Parāmarśa, Vyāpti and Vyāptigraha, Hetvābhaṣa
- Buddha: Definition, Constituents and Types of Anumāna, Definition of Vyāpti, Types of Hetu
- Jaina: Definition, Constituents and Types of Anumāna, Hetvābhaṣa
- Advaita Vedānta: Definition, Constituents and Types of Anumāna, Definition of Vyāpti

TEXTS:

1. Viśvanātha : *Bhāṣāpariccheda with Siddhānta-Muktāvalī* (English Translation by Swāmi Mādhavānanda and Bengali Translation by Pancānan Śāstrī)
2. Dharmakīrti: *Nyāyavindu*
3. Siddhasena Divākara: *Nyāyāvatāra*
4. Dharmarāja Adhvarīndra : *Vedānta- Paribhāṣā*

SUGGESTED READINGS:

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| 1. Dharmakīrti | : | <i>Pramāṇa Vārttikā</i> |
| 2. Satish Chandra Vidyabhusan | : | <i>History of Indian Logic</i> |
| 3. B.K. Matilal | : | <i>Character of Logic in India</i> |
| 4. B.K. Matilal | : | <i>Logic, Language and Reality</i> |
| 5. S.S. Barlingay | : | <i>A Modern Introduction to Indian Logic</i> |
| 6. Nandita Bandyopadhyay | : | <i>The Concept of Logical Fallacies</i> |
| 7. Stcherbatsky | : | <i>Buddhist Logic</i> (2 vols.) |
| 8. Raghunath Ghosh | : | <i>Relation as Real: A Critique of Dharmakīrti</i> |
| 9. Mrinal Kanti Gangyopadhyay: | | <i>Nyāyabindu tīkā</i> |
| 10. V.N. Jha (Ed.) | : | Jaina Logic and Epistemology |
| 11. Bhagchandra Jain “BHASKAR” | : | Jaina Logic |

CORE 4: PHIL 104

WESTERN LOGIC

Intuitive Set Theory

- Basic concepts of Set Theory
- Set Theoretical operators, Intersection, Union and Difference
- Translating Everyday Language
- Venn Diagrams, Testing Validity
- Relations, Classification of Relations, etc.

Text Book: Patrick Suppes: *Introduction to Logic*

Propositional Logic:

- The Rule of Conditional Proof (C.P.)
- The Rule of Indirect Proof (I.P.)
- Reductio Ad Absurdum Method of Testing Arguments
- Truth –tree as Decision Procedure
- Testing Validity of Arguments of Propositional Logic by Truth-tree Method

Predicate Logic:

- Technique of Symbolizing Statements involving Quantifiers.
- Preliminary Quantification Rules
- Multiply General Propositions & Singly General Propositions
- Revised Quantification Rules
- Formal Proof of Validity of Arguments involving Quantification
- Formal Proof of invalidity of arguments involving Quantification

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. P. Suppes : *Introduction to Logic* (Chapters: 9 to 11)
2. I.M. Copi : *Symbolic Logic* (5th Ed.), (Chapters: 1 to 5)
3. Richard Jeffrey : *Formal Logic: It's Scope and Limits* (2nd Ed.) (Chapter: 6)
4. S. Lipschutz : *Set Theory*
5. A. Singh & C. Goswami: *Fundamentals of Logic*
6. Chhanda Chakraborti: *Logic: Informal, Symbolic & Inductive* (2nd Ed.), Prentice Hall of India, 2007
7. A.N. Prior : *Formal Logic*
8. V. Klenk : *Understanding Symbolic Logic*
9. Ramaprasad Das : *Sāṅketik Yuktivijñāna* (Vol. I, II & III)

ELECTIVE CORE: PHIL 105(A)

SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY (WESTERN)

- Plato : Concept of ideal state and justice
- Aristotle : Ideal state and the form of government
- Hobbes : Social contract and sovereignty
- Locke : Consent, political obligation and the ends of government
- Rousseau : The origin of inequality
- Marx : Class struggle, opposition of capitalism
- John Rawls : 'A Liberal Theory of Justice,' from John Rawls, *Theory of Justice*, Cambridge, Mass: Harvard University Press, 1971

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Plato : *Republic*
2. Aristotle : *Politics*
3. Hobbes : *Leviathan*
4. Locke : *Two Treaties Of Government*
5. Rousseau : *Discourse on the Origin of Inequality*
6. : *Social Contract*
7. J. Plamenatz : *Man and Society* (Vol. 1)
8. Marx : *The Communist Manifesto*
9. John Rawls : *A Theory of Justice* (Revised Edition), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1999
10. Norman Daniels (Ed.) : *Reading Rawls*, New York: Basic Books, 1975

ELECTIVE CORE: PHIL 105(B)

PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE

- Introduction: The nature of philosophy of science
- Inductive probability and its problem; Popper's alternative to induction; Goodman's new paradox of induction
- Laws of nature: Counter-factual conditionals
- Realism, instrumentalism and under determination of theories
- Rationality and scientific revolution
- Naturalized philosophy of science; naturalized epistemology; ways into naturalism via history of science
- Philosophical problems of science: quantum mechanics

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Thomas Kuhn : *The Structure of Scientific Revolutions*
2. Karl Popper : *The Logic of Scientific Discovery*
3. Anthony O'Hear : *An Introduction to Philosophy of Science*
4. David Armstrong : *What is a Law of Nature*
5. Bas Van Fraassen : *The Scientific Image*
6. P. Frank : *Philosophy of Science*
7. P. Kitcher : *The Advancement of Science*
8. W.V.O. Quine : *On What There is*
9. W.V.O. Quine : 'Two Dogmas of Empiricism'
10. R.I.G. Hughes : *The Structure of Interpretation of Quantum Mechanics*

ELECTIVE: PHIL 106(A)

MODERN INDIAN THINKERS-I

- Rabindranath Tagore : Religion of Man, Upaniṣadic view of life
- Swami Vivekananda : Man; Universal Religion; Practical Vedanta
- M.K. Gandhi : Truth; Non-violence; Swaraj; Sarvodaya; Critique of modern civilization
- Muhammad Iqbal : Philosophy of Self (*Khudi*); concept of God
- B.R. Ambedkar : Critique of social evils; neo-Buddhism

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. T.M.P. Mahadevan & C.V. Saroja: *Contemporary Indian philosophy*
2. Basant kumar Lal : *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*
3. Benoy Gopal Ray : *Contemporary Indian Philosophers*
4. V.S. Naravane : *Modern Indian Thought*
5. Swami Vivekananda : *The Complete Works of Vivekananda* (Relevant portions)
6. D. M. Dutta : *The Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi*
7. Nirmal Kr. Bose : *Selections from Gandhi*
8. Jayantanuja Bandopadhyay: *Social and Political Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi*
9. B. Bhattacharya : *Evolution of the Political Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi*
10. R. Tagore : *The Religion of Man*
11. Muhammad Iqbal : *The Secrets of the Self*
12. B.R. Ambedkar : *Annihilation of Caste*

ELECTIVE: PHIL 106(B)

CULTURE AND VALUES

- Nature, Culture and Civilization
- Culture and Values: Values as culture specific, neutral
- The emergence of intercultural philosophy
- Multiculturalism and Cultural Identity
- Crises in Culture and Civilization: Philosophical views
- Philosophical anthropology
- Tagore and Vivekananda's views on Culture and Civilization
- Wittgenstein on Culture and Value

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Wittgenstein : *Culture and Value*
2. Rabindranath Tagore : *The Religion of Man*
3. Swami Vivekananda : *The East and the West (Prachya o Paschatya)*
4. Morton White : *A Philosophy of Culture: The Philosophy of Holistic Pragmatism*
4. Sabyasachi Bhattacharya : *Rabindranath Tagore: An Interpretation*
5. G. Haeffner : *The Human Situation: A Philosophical Anthropology*
6. G. Kessler : *Voices of Wisdom: A Multicultural Philosophy Reader*
7. B.W. Van Norden : *Taking Back Philosophy: A Multicultural Manifesto*
8. Nicholas Rescher : *Human Interests: Reflections on Philosophical Anthropology*
9. Hans Gullestrup : *Cultural Analysis: Towards Cross-cultural Understanding*
10. William Sweet (Ed.) : *What is Intercultural Philosophy?*
11. K.L. Das & N.K. Roy (Eds.): *Language, Culture and Value*

SEMESTER – II

CORE 1: PHIL 201

INDIAN ETHICS

- Basic Concepts of Indian Ethics and Development of Moral beliefs and Ideas in Indian thought.
- Concept of Puruṣārtha
- Analysis of Volition (Pravṛtti): Nyāya and Mīmāṃsā view
- Vidhi, Niṣedha and Arthavāda
- The Law of Karma, Different types of Karma
- Concept of Dharma: Sādhāraṇa dharma and Varnāśrama dharma
- Dharma and Moral Dilemmas
- Karmayoga, Sva-dharma, Lokasaṅgraha of the Bhagavadgīta
- Upāyakaṣāla of Buddhism along with Brahmavihāras
- Triratnas of Jainism along with Dharmavidhi and Caitrācāra

TEXTS:

1. *Arthasaṅgraha* of Laugākṣi Bhāskara
2. *Bhāgavad Gītā*
3. *Pūrva Mīmāṃsā Sūtra* of Jaimini with *Śabara Bhāṣya* (Selections)

SUGGESTED READINGS:

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| 1. S.K. Maitra | : | <i>The Ethics of the Hindus</i> |
| 2. R. Prasad | : | <i>Karma, Causation and Retributive Morality</i> |
| 3. | : | <i>Varṇadharma, Niṣkāma Karma and Practical Morality</i> |
| 4. N.K. Brahma | : | <i>Philosophy of the Hindu Sādhana</i> |
| 5. Sri Aurobindo | : | <i>Essays on the Gītā</i> |
| 6. B.G. Tilak | : | <i>Śrīmadbhagavadgītā Rahasya</i> |
| 7. M. Hiriyanna | : | <i>The Indian Conception of Values</i> |
| 8. I.C. Sharma | : | <i>Ethical Philosophies of India</i> |
| 9. Surama Dasgupta | : | <i>Development of Moral Philosophy in India</i> |
| 10. Saral Jhingran | : | <i>Aspects of Hindu Morality</i> |
| 11. Swami Bhargananda | : | <i>Arthasaṅgraha</i> |
| 12. Daya Krishna | : | <i>A Myth of Puruṣārtha</i> |
| 13. Amita Chatterjee (Ed) | : | <i>Dharmanīti</i> |
| 14. Indrani Sanyal | : | <i>Dharmanīti 0 Śruti</i> |
| 15. | : | <i>Through the Lense of Dharma Ethics</i> |
| 16. B.K. Matilal | : | <i>Ethics and Epics</i> |

CORE 2: PHIL 202

WESTERN ETHICS

- Plato and Aristotle's Ethics: concept of Eudemonia; Virtue Ethics
- Hume: Moral Sense; Passion and Reason's equation; Sympathy
- Kant: Good Will; Categorical Imperative; Perfect and Imperfect Duties
- Mill's Utilitarianism
- Meta-ethics: G.E. Moore; A.J. Ayer; C.L. Stevenson

TEXTS:

1. Aristotle: *Nichomachean Ethics* (Selections)
2. Hume: *A Treatise of Human Nature* (Selections)
3. Kant : *Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals* (Selections); translated as *Moral Law* by H.J. Paton
4. Mill : *Utilitarianism* (Selections)
5. G.E. Moore: 'Nature of Good', from G.E. Moore, *Principia Ethica*
6. A.J. Ayer: 'Emotivism,' from A.J. Ayer, *Language, Truth and Logic*, Dover, 1946
7. C.L. Stevenson: 'The Emotive Meaning of Ethical Terms,' from *Mind*, 46, 1937

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. D. Bostock : *Aristotle's Ethics*
2. Onora O' Neill : *Acting on Principle: An Essay on Kantian Ethics*
3. Alan Donagan : *The Theory of Morality*
4. Fred Feldman: *Introductory Ethics*
5. Julia Driver: *Ethics: The Fundamentals*
6. A.C. MacIntyre: *After Virtue*
7. B. Williams: *Ethics and the Limits of Philosophy*
8. Fred Feldman: 'Kantian Ethics' from Fred Feldman, *Introductory Ethics*
9. Philippa Foot: 'Morality as a System of Hypothetical Imperatives', Reprinted from *Philosophical Review*, 84, 1972
10. Thomas Nagel: 'Moral Luck,' from Thomas Nagel, *Mortal Questions*
11. H.J. Paton: *The Categorical Imperative: A Study in Kant's Moral Philosophy*
12. Pojman: *Ethical Theory*

CORE 3: PHIL 203

INDIAN METAPHYSICS

- Sapta-padārtha in Vaiśeṣika metaphysics
- Concept of Prakṛti and Puruṣa in Sāṅkhya
- Theories of Self: Nyāya and Advaita
- Nyāya and Sāṅkhya theories of Causation
- Universals: Nyāya-Bauddha debate

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Udayanācārya : *Ātmatattvaviveka*
2. Annambhaṭṭa : *Tarkasaṅgraha*
3. Pancānan Śāstrī : *Bhāṣāpariccheda*
4. Steven H. Phillips : *Classical Indian Metaphysics*
5. Jadunath Sinha : *Indian Realism*
6. P.K. Mukhopadhyaya : *Indian Realism*
7. Harsh Narain : *Evolution of the Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika Categoriology*
8. H. Ui : *Vaiśeṣika Philosophy*
9. Sadananda Bhaduri : *Nyāya Vaiśeṣika Metaphysics*
10. Narayan Chandra Goswami : *Sāṅkhya-kārikā (Tattva-kaumudī)*
11. Pūrṇa Chandra Vedānta Cancu: *Sāṅkhya-kārikā*
12. Yogendranath Bagchi : *Sāṅkhyamat Samīkṣā*
13. R.R. Dravid : *The Problem of Universals in Indian Philosophy*

CORE 4: PHIL 204

WESTERN METAPHYSICS

- Metaphysics: nature and scope
- Appearance and reality
- Being, and becoming
- Substance
- Causation
- Space and time
- Universals and particulars
- The concept of person

TEXT:

Aristotle: *Metaphysics*

SUGGESTED READINGS:

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| 1. F.H. Bradley | : | <i>Appearance and Reality</i> |
| 2. Richard Taylor | : | <i>Metaphysics</i> |
| 3. Sosa & Tooley (Eds) | : | <i>Causation</i> |
| 4. Richard Swinburne | : | <i>Space and Time</i> |
| 5. M. Macbeath & others (Eds) | : | <i>The Philosophy of Time</i> |
| 6. David Wiggins | : | <i>Sameness and Substance</i> |
| 7. Rene Descartes | : | <i>Meditations</i> |
| 8. John Locke | : | <i>An Essay Concerning Human Understanding</i> |
| 9. David Hume | : | <i>An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding</i> |
| 10. A.C. Grayling (Ed) | : | <i>Cambridge Companion to Metaphysics</i> |
| 11. Elmer Sprague | : | <i>Metaphysical Thinking</i> |
| 12. John Hospers | : | <i>An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis</i> |
| 13. D.M. Armstrong | : | <i>Universals: An Opinionated Introduction</i> |
| 14. D.W. Hamlyn | : | <i>Metaphysics</i> |
| 15. David Hales (Ed) | : | <i>Metaphysics: Contemporary Readings</i> |
| 16. Bruce Aune | : | <i>Metaphysics</i> |
| 17. Loux | : | <i>Metaphysics (3rd Ed.)</i> |
| 18. A.C. Grayling | : | <i>Philosophy (Vol. 2)</i> |
| 19. C.E.M. Joad | : | <i>Guide to Philosophy</i> |
| 20. P.F. Strawson | : | <i>Individuals: An Essay in Descriptive Metaphysics</i> |
| 21. Robin Le Poidevin et al (Ed.) | : | <i>The Routledge Companion to Metaphysics</i> |
| 22. H. J. Lowe | : | <i>Metaphysics</i> |
| 23. Y. Masih | : | <i>A Critical History of Western Philosophy</i> |

ELECTIVE CORE: PHIL 205(A)

SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY (INDIAN)

Part – A (Ancient and Medieval India):

- *Mahābhārata*: Law and Governance, *Daṇḍanīti*, *Rājdharmā*, Images of Women, State Administration
- Manu: Kingship, Functions and Duties of a king, Policies of the State, Social Classification, Position of Women
- Kautilya: Concept of State, Sovereignty, State Administration, Law and Justice, Society,

Part – B (Modern India):

- Raja Rammohan Roy: Social Reforms
- M.K. Gandhi: Views on State, Trusteeship, Decentralization, Socialism
- Sri Aurobindo: The Human Cycle, The Ideal of Human Unity
- M.N. Roy: Radical Humanism, Concept of Freedom
- B.R. Ambedkar: Social Democracy

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. George Bohler (Translated), *The Laws of Manu (Manusmṛiti)*. Vol 25 of *The Sacred Books of the East*, Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1886
2. P.V. Kane, *History of Dharmasastra*, Vol. I 1930
3. S.V.Ketkar, *History of Caste in India*, New Delhi, 1988
4. R.N. Sharma, *Ancient India according to Manu*, Delhi, 1980
5. T.G. Shastri, *The Arthasastra of Kautilya*, Delhi: Indological Book House, 1984
6. R. Sharma Sastry, *Kautilya's Arthasastra*, Mysore: Padam Printers, 1988
7. A.S. Altekar, *Position of Women in Hindu Civilization: From Prehistoric Times to the Present Day*, Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass, 1938
8. Jayal Sakambari, *The Status of Women in the Epics*, Delhi: Motilal Banarasidass, 1996
9. S.C. Banerjee, *Society in Ancient India*, New Delhi, 1997
10. S.C. Banerjee, *A Companion to Dharmasastras*, D.K. Print World, New Delhi, 1998
11. H. D. Sharma, *Raja Ram Mohan Roy: The Renaissance Man*, Rupa & Co., 2002
12. Bruce Carlisle Robertson, *Raja Rammohan Roy: The Father of Modern India*, Oxford University Press, 1995
13. M.K.Gandhi, *Trusteeship*, Prabhat Prakashan, 2020
14. A.K.S. Parihar, *Social and Political Thought of Mahatma Gandhi*, Swastik Publication, 2015
15. Sibransan Roy (ed.) *Selected Works of M. N. Roy*, Vol. I, Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1987
16. N.M. Tarkunde, *Radical Humanism*, New Delhi: Ajanta Publications, 1983
17. Valerian Rodrigues (ed.), *The Essential Writings of B.R. Ambedkar*, Oxford India Paperbacks, 2004

18. Narayan Das, *Dr. Ambedkar: The Champion of Social Democracy in India*, Writers World Publisher
19. Daya Krishna, "Socio-Political Thought in Classical India" in *A Companion to World Philosophies* edited by Eliot Dutsche, Ron Bontekae, Blackwell Publishing Ltd.1997
20. S.K. Maitra, *An Introduction to the Philosophy of Sri Aurobindo*, Sri Aurobindo Ashram, 1993
21. Sri Aurobindo, *The Human Cycle, The Ideal of Human Unity, War and Self Determination*, Sri Aurobindo Ashram, Pondicherry,1991
22. B. N. Roy, " Kautilya on State" in *Political Theory and Thought: An Introduction*, New Delhi: Kaveri Prakashan, 2012
23. Daya Krishna, "Socio- Political Thought in Classical India" in *A Companion to World Philosophies*, Edited by Eliot Dutsche & Ron Bontekae, Blackwell Publishing Ltd.
24. H.S. Dwivedi and Ratan Sinha, "Dr. Ambedkar: The Pioneer of Social Democracy" *The Indian Journal of Political Science*, Vol.66, No.3. pp. 661-666.

ELECTIVE CORE: PHIL 205(B)

PEACE STUDIES

- Gandhi's concept of *ahimsā* (non-violence)
- Kant's perpetual peace
- Russell on nuclear disarmament
- Hegel on the justification of war
- Perspectives from Indian philosophy: Buddhism, Jainism, Bhakti

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. N.V. Banerjee: *Perpetual Peace*
2. Tolstoy: *War and Peace*
3. Johan Galtung: "Violence, Peace and Peace Research" in *Violence: A Philosophical Anthology*
4. Johan Galtung: *Peace by Peaceful Means: Peace and Conflict, Development and Civilization*, SAGE, London, 1996
5. Houston Wood: *Invitation to Peace* (1st Ed.)
6. M.P. Mathai, M.S John & S.K Joseph: *Meditations on Gandhi*
7. S.S. Kumar: *Bhakti - The Yoga of Love: Trans-Rational Approaches to Peace Studies*

ELECTIVE: PHIL 206(A)

AESTHETICS

PART – A (Indian)

- Different schools of literary criticism (Kāvyaśāstra):
Rasa school (Bharata); Vakrokti school or the school of Alaṅkāra (Bhāmaha & Kuntaka); Rīti school or the school of 6 guṇas (Daṇḍin and Vāmana); Dhvani school (Ānandavardhana); Rasadhvani school (Abhinavagupta)

SPECIAL TEXT: The Dhvanyāloka of Ānandavardhana with its Locanā commentary by Abhinavagupta

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. P.V. Kane : *History of Sanskrit Poetics*, 1951
2. S.K. De : *History of Sanskrit Poetics* (3rd ed.), Calcutta, 1960
3. S.P. Bhattacharyya : *Studies in Indian Poetics*, Calcutta, 1964
4. Kuppuswami Sastri : *Highways and Byways of Literary Criticism in Sanskrit*
5. K. Krishna Murthy : *Dhvanyāloka and its Critics*, Mysore, 1963
6. : *Studies in Indian Aesthetics and Criticism*, Mysore, 1979
7. K.C. Pandey : *Comparative Aesthetics*, Vol. I, *Indian Aesthetics*, Chowkhamba, 1950
8. R. Gnoli : *The Aesthetic Experience According to Abhinavagupta*, Chowkhamba, 1968
9. Panchapagesha Sastri : *The Philosophy of Aesthetic Pleasure*, Annamalai, 1940
10. S.S. Barlingay : *A Modern Introduction to Indian Aesthetic Theory*
11. Viśvanātha : *Sāhityadarpaṇa*, Tr. J.R. Ballantyne & Premadas Mitra

PART – B (Western)

- Art and its Definition : Art as representation; art as expression; art as significant form
- Art and Emotion : The concept of emotion; the concept of fiction; fiction and emotion
- Literary Aesthetics : The concept of literature; metaphor; truth; meaning and interpretation

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. O'Hear, Anthony : *The Elements of Fire: Science, Art and the Human World*, London: Routledge, 1988
2. Peter Lamarque : *Philosophy and Fiction: Essays in Literary Aesthetics*, Aberdeen University Press, 1983
3. Anne Sheppard : *Aesthetics: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Art*, Oxford University Press, 1987
4. Olsen & Lamarque (Eds) : *Truth, Fiction and Literature*, Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1997
5. Benedetto Croce : *Guide to Aesthetics (Tr. Patrick Romanell), 2nd Revised Ed.*, Hackett Publishing Company, 1995
6. Susanne Langer : *Feeling and Form*, London: Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1953
7. G.L. Hagberg : *Art As Language: Wittgenstein, Meaning, and Aesthetic Theory*, Cornell University Press, 1995
8. Curt Ducasse : *The Philosophy of Art*, Kessinger Publishing, 2010
9. R.G. Collingwood : *The Principles of Art*, Oxford, 1958
10. Richard Wollheim : *Art and its Objects (2nd Ed.)*, Cambridge, 1980
11. Wittgenstein : *Lectures and Conversations on Aesthetics, Psychology, and Religious Belief*, ed. Cyril Barrett, Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1966
12. Prabas Jivan Chaudhury : *A Guide to Aesthetics*, Jijnasa, 1977

ELECTIVE: PHIL 206(B)

YOGA PHILOSOPHY: THEORY AND PRACTICE

- Meaning, definition and importance of Yoga
- Philosophical background: Patanjali's Yogasutra, Sāṃkhya-yoga
- Psychological, Moral and Physical foundations of Yoga
- Social and Spiritual significance of Yoga
- Contemporary Philosophers: Swami Vivekananda, Sri Aurobindo

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Swamy Harshananda (tr.): *Yoga-sutra of Patanjali*
2. S. Radhakrishnan: *Indian Philosophy* (Vol. II)
3. S.N. Dasgupta: *History of Indian Philosophy* (on Yoga)
4. Swami Tapasyananda: *Four Yogas of Swami Vivekananda*
5. Sri Aurobindo: *Essays in Philosophy and Yoga*

SEMESTER – III

CORE 1: PHIL 301

PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE (INDIAN)

- The problem of meaning: Ākāṅkṣā, yogyatā, sannidhi, tātparyajñāna; anvitābhīdhanāvāda and abhihitānvayavāda
- Lakṣaṇā: nature and classifications; vyañjanā; the theory of dhvani
- Sphoṭa: Patañjali, Bhartṛhari and others; arguments against sphoṭa
- Bhartṛhari's theory of Śabdabrahman

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Nāgeśa Bhaṭṭa : *Sphoṭavāda and Laghumañjūṣā* (Selections)
2. Bhartṛhari : *Vākyapadiyam* (Selections)
3. Viśvanātha : *Bhāṣāparichheda* (Selections)
4. K.N. Chatterjee : *Word and its Meaning: A New Perspective*
5. Gaurinath Sastri : *The Philosophy of Word and Meaning*
6. Gaurinath Sastri : *A Study of the Dialectics of Sphoṭa*
7. K. Kunjunni Raja : *Indian Theories of Meaning,*
8. K.A. Subramaniam Iyer : *Bhartṛhari*
9. B.K. Matilal : *The Word and the World*
10. Tandra Patnaik : *Śabda: A Study of Bhartṛhari's Philosophy of Language*
11. Hari Mohan Jha : *Trends of Linguistic Analysis in Indian Philosophy*
12. P.K. Mazumdar : *The Philosophy of Language: An Indian Approach*
13. J. Ganeri : *Artha*
14. D.N. Tiwari : *The Central Problem of Bhartṛhari's Philosophy*
15. Karunasindhu Das : *Vyākaraṇdarśane Bāgārtha Prasanga*
16. Karunasindhu Das : 'Vākyārtha Vichār' in *Śabdārtha Vichār*, (Ed. By Bhaswati Chakrabarti & Raghunath Ghosh)
17. K. Krishnamurthy : *Dhvanyāloka with Locanā ṭīka*
18. Piyali Palit : *Basic Principles of Indian Philosophy of Language*
19. Gangadhar Kar : *Śabdārthasamvandhasamīkṣā*
20. K.S. Prasad (ed.) : *The Philosophy of Language in Classical Indian Tradition*

CORE 2: PHIL 302

PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE (WESTERN)

- The linguistic turn in analytic philosophy
- Principle of verification; identity statements; proper names; definite descriptions; negative existential
- Frege: sense and reference; concept and objects; picture theory of meaning
- Speech acts: Austin, Searle
- Theories of meaning: Davidson and Dummett

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. W.V.O. Quine : 'On What There is' and Two Dogmas of Empiricism'
2. J.L. Austin : *How to do things with Words?*
3. B. Russell : 'Descriptions' in Russell's *Introduction to Mathematical Philosophy*, also in *Meaning and Reference*, A.W. Moore (Ed)
4. P. F. Strawson : 'On Referring'
5. Wittgenstein : *Philosophical Investigations*
6. Donald Davidson : *Inquiries into Truth and Interpretation*
7. Michael Devitt & Kim Sterelney: *Language and Reality*
8. Frege : 'On Sense and Reference' in Translation from the *Philosophical Writings of Gottlob Frege*, (eds) Geach & Black
9. Michael Dummett : *Frege: The Philosophy of Language*
10. Michael Dummett : *The Seas of Language*
11. Anthony Kenny : *The Wittgenstein Reader*
12. Max Black : *A Companion to Wittgenstein's Tractatus*
13. Robert Fogelin : *Wittgenstein*
14. George Pitcher : *The Philosophy of Wittgenstein*
15. A.P. Martinich : *The Philosophy of Language*
16. Quine : 'Two Dogmas of Empiricism'
17. Russell : *Logic and Knowledge*
18. Ammerman (Ed) : *Classics of Analytic Philosophy*
19. Milton K. Munitz : *Contemporary Analytic Philosophy*
20. A. Miller : *Philosophy of Language*
21. Avrum Stroll : *Twentieth-Century Analytic Philosophy*
22. Barry Gross : *Analytic Philosophy: An Historical Introduction*
23. R.C. Pradhan : *Recent Developments in Analytic Philosophy*
24. Chandidas Bhattacharya : *Bearers of Meaning*
25. Manjulika Ghosh : *Performatives, Knowledge and Truth*
26. Kanti Lal Das : *Philosophical Relevance of Language*

CORE 3: PHIL 303

APPLIED ETHICS

- Notion, Criteria and methodology of Applied Philosophy and Practical / Applied ethics
- Medical ethics: Its development and the Nuremberg code, Informed consent, confidentiality, therapeutic privilege, Genetic enhancement and eugenics, cloning
- Environmental Ethics: Overcoming speciesism, Land Ethic, Deep Ecology and Gaia theory; Animal Liberation
- The Anthropocene Epoch: Ethical concerns
- Business Ethics: Its possibility: arguments for and against, Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)
- Ethics of Technology and cybernetics
- Terrorism: a global menace
- Ethical issues in poverty

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Peter Singer (Ed) : *Applied Ethics*, in the Oxford Readings in Philosophy Series
2. Peter Singer : *Practical Ethics* (Cambridge)
3. W.K. Frankena : *Ethics*, Prentice-Hall, 1973
4. T.L. Beauchamp & Walters (Eds) : *Contemporary Issues in Bioethics*
5. David Lamb : *Down the Slippery Slope: Arguing in Applied Ethics*, 1998
6. E.R. Winkler & J.R. Coombs (Eds.): *Applied Ethics: A Reader*, Blackwell, 1993
7. Brenda Almond & Donald Hill : *Applied Philosophy: Morals and Metaphysics in Contemporary Debates*, London : Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1991
8. J.F. Chidrese & T.L. Beauchamp : *Principles of Bio-medical Ethics*, New York: Oxford University Press, 1989
9. W. John Kress, Jeffrey K. Stine (Eds.): *Living in the Anthropocene: Earth in the Age of Humans*, Smithsonian Books, 2017
10. G.C. Graber & D.C. Thomasma: *Theory and Practice in Medical Ethics*, New York : The Continuum Co., 1989
11. T.I.S. Springge : *The National Foundation of Ethics*, London: Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1997
12. Oswald Hanfling : *The Quest for Meaning*, Oxford: Basil & Blackwell, 1999
13. Carl Wellman : *Terrorism and Counterterrorism: A Moral Assessment*, Springer, 2013

CORE 4: PHIL 304

PHENOMENOLOGY AND EXISTENTIALISM

- Edmund Husserl: A movement of thought; a radical method of investigation; a presuppositionless philosophy; a rigorous science; Development of his thought – (a) critique of psychologism, (b) intentionality of consciousness; the natural world thesis; essence and essential intuition; phenomenological reduction and its stages; pure consciousness and transcendental subjectivity; life-world
- Merleau-Ponty: Phenomenology of perception – lived body; primacy of perception
- Kierkegaard and Nietzsche's existentialist thoughts (selections)
- Heidegger: Being – Dasein: its distinctive characteristics; varieties: common ground as well as diversity among existentialists; essence and existence;
- Existence preceding essence; man's being; authentic and inauthentic existence
- Sartre: Freedom; the concept of nothingness and its different forms; decision and choice; death; temporality

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Edmund Husserl : *Cartesian Meditations* (Introduction and First Meditation)
2. : *Logical Investigations* (Vol. 1)
3. : *Ideas* (Vol. 1)
4. : *Crisis of European Sciences and Transcendental Phenomenology*
5. Herbert Spiegelberg : *The Phenomenological Movement*, Vols. I & II
6. Paul Ricoeur : *Husserl: An Analysis of his Phenomenology*, Trs. G. Ballard & Lester Embree
7. J.J. Kockelmans : *A First Introduction to Husserl's Phenomenology*
8. Marvin Farber : *The Aims of Phenomenology*
9. M.K. Bhadra : *A Critical Survey of Phenomenology and Existentialism*
10. Pierre Thévenaz : *What is Phenomenology?*
11. Maurice Merleau-Ponty : *Phenomenology of Perception*, Tr. Colin Smith
12. : *The Primacy of Perception*, Tr. James E. Edie
13. Jean-Paul Sartre : *The Transcendence of the Ego*, Trs. F. Williams & R. Kirkepatrick
14. : *The Psychology of Imagination*, Tr. B. Frechtman
15. : *Being and Nothingness*, Tr. Hazel Barnes
16. Martin Heidegger : *Being and Time*, Tr. John Macquarrie & Edward Robinson
17. : *Introduction to Metaphysics*, Tr. R. Mannheim
18. J.L. Mehta : *The Philosophy of Martin Heidegger*
19. J.N. Mohanty : *The Philosophy of Edmund Husserl*
20. Walter Kaufmann (Ed) : *Existentialism from Dostoevsky to Sartre*

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| 21. H.J. Blackham | : <i>Six Existentialist Thinkers</i> |
| 22. John Macquarrie | : <i>Existentialism</i> |
| 23. | : <i>Studies in Christian Existentialism</i> |
| 24. F. Kingston | : <i>French Existentialism: A Christian Critique</i> |
| 25. E.L. Allen | : <i>Existentialism from Within</i> |
| 26. H.E. Barnes | : <i>An Existentialist Ethics</i> |
| 27. William A. Luitfen | : <i>Existentialist Phenomenology</i> , (Revised Ed.), Tr. Henry J. Koren |
| 28. David E. Cooper | : <i>Existentialism: A Reconstruction</i> |
| 29. R. Solomon | : <i>From Rationalism to Existentialism</i> |
| 30. (Ed) | : <i>Phenomenology and Existentialism</i> |

ELECTIVE CORE: PHIL 305(A)

POSTMODERNISM AND HERMENEUTICS

- The connection between postmodernism and wider cultural movements; Modernism and postmodernism; Incredulity towards meta-narratives
- Nietzsche as the precursor of postmodern philosophy
- Michael Foucault : Relation between Power and Knowledge
- Derrida : Logocentrism; Ethics of Deconstruction
- Martin Heidegger : The defining capacity of *Dasein* as the interpretative understanding of its world
- Hans-Georg Gadamer : Theory of fore-conceptions and prejudices; Consciousness as effective-historical; Fusion of horizons
- Emmanuel Levinas: The ethics of alterity or the 'other'

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Dave Robinson : *Nietzsche and Postmodernism*, Icon Books, 1999
2. H. Dreyfus & P. Rabinow : *Michael Foucault: Beyond Structuralism and Hermeneutics*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1982
3. Jaques Derrida : *Writing and Differance*, Tr. A. Bass, London: Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1978
4. : *Of Grammatology*, Tr. Gayatri Spivak, Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press, 1976
5. Christopher Norris : *Derrida*, London: Harper Collins, 1987
6. Foucault : *The Archaeology of Knowledge*, Routledge, 1989
7. K. O'Donnell : *Postmodernism*, Lion Publishing, 2003
7. M. McQuillan : *Deconstruction: A Reader*, New York: Routledge, 2001
8. Martin Heidegger : *The Basic Problems of Phenomenology*, Tr. A. Hofstadter, Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1982
9. : *Being and Time*, Trs, J. Macquarrie & E. Robinson, Oxford: Blackwell, 1980
10. H.L. Dreyfus : *Being-in-the-World*, Cambridge, Mass: MIT Press, 1991
11. Hans-Georg Gadamer : *Truth and Method*, Tr. W. Glen-Doepel, London: Sheed & Ward, 1979
12. : *Philosophical Hermeneutics*, Tr. & Edited by David E. Linge, University of California Press, 1976

13. Emmanuel Levinas : *Totality and Infinity: An Essay on Exteriority*, Martinus Nijhoff, 1979
14. J. Bleicher : *Contemporary Hermeneutics*, London: Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1980
15. Krishna Roy : *Hermeneutics: East and West*, Allied Publishers in collaboration with Jadavpur University, 1993
16. Manjulika Ghosh & R.N. Ghosh (Eds): *Language and Interpretation*, Northern Book Centre (NBU Studies in Philosophy – 11), 2007

ELECTIVE CORE: PHIL 305(B)

PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

PART – A (Contribution of the Indian thinkers):

- Rabindranath Tagore; Swami Vivekananda; M.K. Gandhi; Sri Aurobindo;
S. Radhakrishnan

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. G.R. Sharma : *Trends in Contemporary Indian Philosophy of Education: A Critical Evaluation*, Atlantic
2. S.S. Chandra & R.K. Sharma: *Philosophy of Education*, Atlantic
3. S.P. Chaube : *Recent Philosophies of Education in India*, Concept Publishing Company, 2005

PART – B (Value Education):

- Concepts of education and value
- Development of individual as well as social virtues; pursuit of excellence
- Concept of good life and the role of education: Indian and Western traditions
- The general notion of value: instrumental and intrinsic

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Risieri Frondizi : *What is Value?* Tr. Solomon Lipp, La Salle, Illinois, 1963
2. Ray Lepley (Ed.) : *The Language of Value*, New York, 1957
3. Ralph B. Perry : *General Theory of Value*, New York, 1926
4. : *Realms of Value*, Cambridge: Mass, 1954
5. M. Hiriyanna : *The Indian Conception of Value*, Mysore, 1972

ELECTIVE: PHIL 306(A)
MODERN INDIAN THINKERS-II

- Sri Aurobindo : Three phases of reality-evolution; Integral *Yogā*
- K.C. Bhattacharyya : Concept of Philosophy; Subject as Freedom; The Absolute and its alternative forms
- M.N. Roy : Revision of Materialism; New Humanism
- S. Radhakrishnan : God and the Absolute; Intellect and Intuition; the Idealist view of life
- J. Krishnamurti : Truth; Freedom; Self-inquiry

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. T.M.P. Mahadevan & C.V. Saroja : *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*, Madras, 1985
2. Basant Kumar Lal : *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*, Delhi, 1999
3. Benay Gopal Ray : *Contemporary Indian Philosophers*, Allahabad, 1957
4. Sri Aurobindo : *Integral Yoga*, Pondicherry: Sri Aurobindo Ashram, 1972
5. K.C. Bhattacharyya : *Studies in Philosophy*, edited by Gopinath Bhattacharya, Motilal Banarsidass, 1983
6. Kalidas Bhattacharya : *The Fundamentals of K.C. Bhattacharya's Philosophy*, Saraswat Library, Kolkata, 1975
7. Susil Kumar Maitra : *Studies in Sri Aurobindo's Philosophy*, BHU, 1945
8. S. Radhakrishnan : *An Idealist View of Life*, 2009
9. Paul Arthur Schilpp (Ed.) : *The Philosophy of Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan*, Motilal Banarsidass, 1992
10. M.N. Roy : *New Humanism: A Manifesto*
11. J. Krishnamurti : *Freedom from the Known*, 1969
12. : *Talks with Students – Varanasi*, 1954
13. Aurobindo Bose & Indrani Sanyal (Eds): *The Poet, Yogi and Philosopher*

ELECTIVE: PHIL 306(B)
PHILOSOPHY OF MUSIC

- The Aesthetics of Music
- Music as art form(s) in Indian traditions
- Rabindranath Tagore's Concept of Music
- Wittgenstein on Music

SUGGESTED READINGS:

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| 1. Rabindranath Tagore | : | <i>Gītabīṭān</i> |
| 2. Ananda K. Coomaraswamy | : | <i>Indian Music</i> , 2023 |
| 3. Reginald Massey & Jamila Massey: | | <i>The Music of India</i> (with Foreword by Ravi Shankar), Abhinav Publication, 1996 |
| 4. Stephen Davies | : | <i>Musical Meaning and Expression</i> |
| 5. Roger Scruton | : | <i>Understanding Music: Philosophy and Interpretation</i> |
| 6. | : | <i>The Aesthetics of Music</i> , Oxford University Press, 1999 |
| 7. Jane Edwards | : | <i>The Oxford Handbook of Music Therapy</i> |
| 8. Theodore W. Adorno | : | <i>Essays on Music</i> , University of California Press, 2002 |
| 9. | : | <i>Philosophy of Modern Music</i> , New York Seabury Press |

SEMESTER – IV

CORE 1: PHIL 401

CLASSICAL INDIAN TEXT

- Dharmarāja Adhvarīndra : *Vedāntaparibhāṣā* (Selections)

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Dharmarāja Adhvarīndra : *Vedāntaparibhāṣā* (English Trans. by Swami Madhavananda)
2. Dharmarāja Adhvarīndra : *Vedāntaparibhāṣā* (English Trans. by Gopinath Bhattacharya & Prabal Kumar Sen)
3. T.M.P. Mahadevan : *The Philosophy of Advaita*
4. P.K. Sundaram : *Advaita Epistemology*
5. Swami Satprakashananda : *Methods of knowledge*
6. Bina Gupta : *Perceiving in Advaita Vedanta*
7. D.M. Dutta : *Six Ways of Knowing*
8. G.P. Bhatt : *Basic Ways of Knowing*

CORE 2: PHIL 402

KANT'S CRITICAL PHILOSOPHY

TEXTS:

- *Critique of Pure Reason* [Tr. Norman Kemp Smith] (Selections)
- *Critique of Practical Reason* [Tr. & Ed. Paul Guyer, Allen W. Wood] (Selections)

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. J. V. Cleve : *Problems from Kant*
2. H. J. Paton : *Kant's Metaphysic of Experience*
3. Rasvihary Das : *A Handbook to Kant's Critique of Pure Reason*
4. N. K. Smith : *A Commentary to Kant's 'Critique of Pure Reason'*
5. T. Chatterjee, S. Basu, A. Chatterjee (Eds.): *J. N. Mohanty: Lectures on Kant's Critique of Pure Reason*
6. Lewis W. Beck : *A Commentary on Kant's Critique of Practical Reason*
7. A. Reath, J. Timmermann (Eds.): *Kant's 'Critique of Practical Reason': A Critical Guide*
8. A. W. Wood : *Kant*

CORE 3: PHIL 403

PHILOSOPHY OF WITTGENSTEIN

TEXTS:

- *Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus* [Tr. C.K. Ogden, Dover Publications, 1999] (Selections)
- *Philosophical Investigations* [Tr. G.E.M. Anscombe, P.M.S. Hacker, Joachim Schulte, revised 4th Edn., 2009] (Selections)

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. J. Dodd & M. Morris : *Routledge Philosophy Guidebook to Wittgenstein and the Tractatus* (Routledge, 2008)
2. Max Black : *A Companion to Wittgenstein's Tractatus* (Cornell)
3. Alfred Nordmann : *Wittgenstein's Tractatus: An Introduction* (Cambridge, 2005)
4. Denis Mc Manus : *The Enchantment of Words: Wittgenstein's Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus* (Oxford: Clarendon, 2010)
5. A.C. Grayling : *Wittgenstein: A Very Short Introduction* (USA: Oxford, 2001)
6. Anthony Kenny : *Wittgenstein* (Rev. ed. Blackwell Publishing Professional, 2005)
7. David G. Stern : *Wittgenstein's Philosophical Investigations: An Introduction* (Cambridge, 2004)
8. Meredith Williams (Ed) : *Wittgenstein's Philosophical Investigations: Critical Essays* (Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2006)

CORE 4: PHIL 404

PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

- Philosophy of Religion : Its nature and relationship with Science and Theology
- Arguments for and against the existence of God : Western views
- Nature of religious language : Verification and falsification
- Transcendence and immanence : God and the Absolute; atheism, theism, pantheism, panentheism, monotheism, henotheism.
- The existence of God and the problem of evil
- Concept of Bhakti
- Religious pluralism and inter-religious dialogue

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. N. Smart : *The Religious Experience of Mankind*
2. R. C. Zaehner (Ed) : *The Concise Encyclopaedia of Living Faiths*
3. J. Hick : *An Interpretation of Religion*
4. J. Hick : *Philosophy of Religion*
5. W. James : *Varieties of Religious Experience*
6. R. Otto : *The Idea of the Holy*
7. R. Swinburne : *Faith and Reason*
8. Jeffrey J. Jordan (Ed.): *Philosophy of Religion: Key Thinkers*
9. S. Radhakrishnan : *An Idealist View of Life*
10. Flew & McIntyre : *New Essays in Philosophical Theology*
11. Y. Masih : *Introduction to Religious Philosophy*
12. Hume : *Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion*
13. Kant : *Religion within the Limits of Reason Alone*
14. Swami Vivekananda : *Complete Works* (relevant chapters)
15. N. K. Brahma : *Philosophy of Hindu Sādhana*
16. J. C. Plot : *Philosophy of Devotion*
17. F. Ferre : *Language, Logic and God*
18. A. Thompson : *A Modern Philosophy of Religion*
19. M. Hiriyana : *Quest for Perfection*
20. Alvin Plantinga (edited): *Ontological Argument*
21. John Hick : *Arguments for the Existence of God*
22. Udayanācārya : *Nyāyakisumāñjali*, English translation of *Kārikās* by Bhaswati Sinha
23. Gopikamohan Bhattacharya : *Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika Theism*

ELECTIVE CORE: PHIL 405(A)

PHILOSOPHY OF FILM

- Nature and objectives of philosophy of film
- Film as philosophy; film through philosophy
- History of Cinema; film movements and theories
- The language of cinema: film-sense, film-form in Eisenstein
- Film as an art form: symbol, meaning, genres, interpretation
- Film's relationship with emotion, ethics, knowledge
- Contribution of Indian filmmakers in world cinema

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. R. Read and J. Goodenough (Eds.): *Film as Philosophy: Essays in Cinema after Wittgenstein and Cavell*
2. N. Carroll and F. Choi (Eds.): *Philosophy of Film and Motion Pictures: An Anthology*, USA: Blackwell
3. Paisley Livingston : *Cinema, Philosophy, Bergman*, Oxford
4. D. Andrew : *Concepts in Film Theory*
5. F. Colman (Ed.) : *Film, Theory and Philosophy: The Key Thinkers*
6. G. Mullik : *Explorations in Cinema through Classical Indian Theories*
7. H. Vaughan : *Where Film Meets Philosophy*
8. Stephen Mulhall : *On Film*
9. H. Carel, G. Tuck (Eds.) : *New Takes in Film-Philosophy*, Palgrave Macmillan
10. J. Chapman : *Cinemas of the World: Film and Society from 1895 to the Present*
11. J. Monaco : *How to Read a Film*
12. R. Allen and M. Smith (Eds.) : *Film Theory and Philosophy*
13. R. Sinnerbrink : *New Philosophies of Film*
14. Satyajit Ray : *Our Films Their Films*
15. Mrinal Sen : *Ami o Amar Cinema*
16. William C. Pamerleau : *Existentialist Cinema*, Palgrave Macmillan
17. C.A. Freeland, T.E. Wartenberg (Eds.): *Philosophy and Film*
18. Katherine Thomson-Jones: *Current Controversies in Philosophy of Film*

ELECTIVE CORE: PHIL 405(B)

PROJECT AND SEMINAR

- Students will prepare a project based on any one of the courses of the final semester of their choice, and there will be seminar presentation by the students on their submitted projects.

ELECTIVE: PHIL 406(A)

PHILOSOPHY OF MIND

- Nature and scope of philosophy of mind: Mind in empirical psychology; mind in a priori philosophy; philosophical taxonomy of mental phenomena; sensations and propositional attitudes.

- Philosophical theories of mind:

(a) Cartesian Dualism: The mind-body relation; problems of causal interactionism; mind and science.

(b) Behaviourism: Methodological and philosophical behaviourism; explanatory inadequacy; cognitivism in psychology.

(c) Materialism: Mind-brain identity theory; problems of materialism; the problem of phenomenal consciousness.

(d) Functionalism: Mind as a functional system; the computational mind; problems of inverted spectrum and absent qualia; criticism of strong.

- Artificial Intelligence

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. E.J. Lowe : *An Introduction to the Philosophy of Mind*, Cambridge University Press, 2000
2. Sidney Hook (Ed) : *Dimensions of Mind: A Symposium*, New York: Collier Books, 1961
3. David M. Armstrong : *A Materialist Theory of Mind*, London: Routledge, 1968
4. John Heil : *Philosophy of Mind: A Contemporary Introduction*, Cambridge
5. Rajakishore Nath: *Philosophy of Artificial Intelligence: A Critique of the Mechanistic Theory of Mind*, Universal Publishers

ELECTIVE: PHIL 406(B)

PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC: P.M. AND MODAL

- P.M. System: Primitive ideas, Syntactic Rules, Definitions, the Postulates, Rules for Deduction of Theorems, Proofs of Theorems.
- Propositional Modal System : T, S4 and S5.

TEXT:

1. B. Russell and A.N. Whitehead: *Principia Mathematica* (abridged ed.), Cambridge, 1970
[Part-I: *1, *2 upto 2.41]

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Ambrose and Lazerowitz : *Fundamentals of Symbolic Logic*, New York, 1962
2. G.E. Hughes and D.G. Londey: *The Elements of Formal Logic*, Methuen, 1965
3. Hughes and Cresswell : *A New Introduction to Modal Logic*, Routledge, 1996
