

CBCS SYLLABUS
for
B.A. (PROGRAMME) IN PHILOSOPHY
(w.e.f. 2017)



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PHIL = PHILOSOPHY (Subject Code) C = Core Course, AECC = Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course, SEC = Skill Enhancement Course, GE = Generic Elective, DSE = Discipline Specific Elective IA = Internal Assessment, ESE = End-Semester Examination, Lec. = Lecture, Tu. = Tutorial, and Prc. = Practical

Structure of the Syllabus

SEMESTER – I

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 101C – 1A	Indian Philosophy	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
UG 103C - MIL	Hindi/MIL	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
ACSHP 104AECC - ENV	Environmental Studies	2	10	40	50	1	1	-
Total in Semester – I		20	40	160	200			

SEMESTER –II

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 201C –1B	Western Metaphysics	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
UG 203C - E	English	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
ACSHP 204 - E/MIL	English/Hindi/MIL	2	10	40	50	2	-	-
Total in Semester – II		20	40	160	200			

**SEMESTER – III**

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 301C -1C	Deductive Logic (Western)	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
UG 303C - MIL	Hindi/MIL	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
APPHI 304SEC -1	Yoga Philosophy (Theory and Practice)	2	10	40	50	1	-	2
Total in Semester – III		20	40	160	200			

SEMESTER – IV

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 401C -1D	Western Ethics	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
UG 403C - E	English	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
APPHI 404SEC -2	Applied Ethics	2	10	40	50	1	-	2
Total in Semester – IV		20	40	160	200			

**SEMESTER – V**

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 501DSE -1	A. Psychology OR B. Philosophy of Religion	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
APPHI 503GE -1	The Religion of Man: R. N. Tagore	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
APPHI 504SEC -3	Value Education	2	10	40	50	1	1	-
Total in Semester – V		20	40	160	200			

SEMESTER – VI

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 601DSE -2	A. Socio Political Philosophy OR B. Inductive Logic (Western)	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
APPHI 603GE -2	Feminism	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
APPHI 604SEC -4	Philosophy of Human Rights	2	10	40	50	1	-	2
Total in Semester – VI		20	40	160	200			



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Per Course Internal Assessment: 10 marks and End Semester Examination: 40 marks

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SEMESTER-I

COURSE: APPHI101C -1A: INDIAN PHILOSOPHY (Marks: 50) (90 Hours)

1. ***Cārvāka***: *pratyakṣa is the only pramāṇa and Refutation of anumāna* (10 Hours)
2. ***Bauddha***: *Four Noble Truths, kṣaṇabhāṅgavāda, nairatmyavada* (20 Hours)
3. ***Jaina*** : *mahāvratā, anuvratā, anekāntavādasyādvāda* (20 Hours)
4. ***Nyāya*** : *pratyakṣa and anumāna* (20 Hours)
5. ***Vaiśeṣika***: *Ontology (Seven Categories)* (20 Hours)

References:

- C. D. Sharma : *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*
- M. Hiriyanna : *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*
- D.M. Dutta & S. C. Chatterjee : *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*
- Pradyot Kumar Mandal : *Bhāratīya Darśan*
- Debabrata Sen : *Bhāratīya Darśan*
- Niradbaran Chakraborty : *Bhāratīya Darśan*
- Karuna Bhattacharya: *Nyaya-Vaiśeṣika Darśan*
- Panchanan Shastri : *Cārvaka Darśan*
- Panchanan Shastri : *Bauddha Darśan*



SEMESTER-II

COURSE: APPHI201C -1B: WESTERN METAPHYSICS (Marks: 50) (90 Hours)

1. Nature of Metaphysics (15Hours)
2. Elimination of Metaphysics (10 Hours)
3. Realism: Naïve Realism and Scientific Realism (10 Hours)
4. Idealism: Subjective and Objective (10 Hours)
5. Theories of Causation (Regularity Theory, Entailment Theory) (10 Hours)
6. Relation between Mind and Body (Interactionism and Parallelism) (15 Hours)
7. Theories of Evolution (Mechanistic and Emergent) (20 Hours)

References:

- Pradip Sengupta, An Introduction to Philosophy
- Sibapada Chakraborti, An Introduction to General Philosophy
- Rama Prasad Das &Sibapada Chakraborty, Paschatya Darsaner Ruparekha
- Ramchandra Pal, Darsana Parichaya
- Niradbaran Chakraborti, Paschatya Darsaner Bhumika

SEMESTER -III

COURSE: APPHI301C -1C: DEDUCTIVELOGIC (WESTERN) (50 Marks) (90 Hours)

1. Classes and their Relations (10 Hours)
2. Boolean Interpretation of A, E, I and O (10 Hours)
3. Propositions (5 Hours)
4. Square of Oppositions (10 Hours)
5. Conversion (5 Hours)
6. Obversion and Contraposition (10 Hours)
7. Categorical Syllogism (10 Hours)
8. Figure and Mood (10 Hours)
9. Venn Diagram technique for Testing Validity (10 Hours)
10. Test of Truth-functional Arguments by Truth Tables (10 Hours)



References:

- I. M. Copi & C. Cohen, *Introduction to Logic* (9th Edition) [Relevant Chapters]
- B. Indra Kr. Roy, *Pratiki Nyaya*
- Samir Kumar Chakraborty, *Yuktibijñāner Bhumikā*, Disha Prakashan, Hooghly, 2008
- Shukla Chakraborty, *Tarkabijñān*, Pragatishil Prakashak, Kolkata, 2009

COURSE: APPHI304SEC -1: YOGA PHILOSOPHY (THEORY AND PRACTICE) (Marks: 50)

UNIT I: (Theory) (20 Marks) (15 Hours)

1. The Definition and Essence of *Yoga*.
2. Basic Concept of four *Yoga*, *Jnana Yoga*, *Bhakti Yoga*, *Raj Yoga* and *Karma Yoga*.

UNIT II: (Practical): To be conducted at home centres in presence of an external expert: (20 Marks) (30 Hours)

1. Practice of any five *Asanas*.

Recommended Readings:

- Abhishiktananda, Swami: (1974) *Guru and Disciple*, London: Society for the Promotion of Christiana Knowledge,
- Aranya, H.: (1983) *Yoga Philosophy of Patanjali*, rev. ed. Trans. by P. N. Mukherji, Albany, New York: Suny Press,
- Bhattacharya, H. (1956) (ed.). *The Cultural Heritage of India*, Calcutta: Ramkrishna Mission Institute of Culture, 4 vol.
- Cleary, T. (1995) translated *Buddhist Yoga: A Comprehensive Course*, Boston, Mass: Shambhala Publications.
- Dasgupta, S. N. (1930) *Yoga Philosophy in Relation to Other Systems of Indian Thought*, Calcutta: University of Calcutta.
- Gopalan S. (1974) *Outlines of Jainism*, John Wiley & Sons (Asia) Pte Ltd.
- Kaveeshwar, G. W. (1971) *The Ethics of the Gita*, Delhi: Motilal Banarsidas
- Swami Satchidananda, *The yoga Sutras of Patanjali*
- *Light on Yoga*, BKS.
- *Yoga Philosophy of Patanjali*, [tr.by](#) P.N. Mukherjee.
- D.M. Datta and S.C.Chatterjee, *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*, Calcutta, 1939.
- Swami Muktibodhananda, *Hathayoga Pradipika*, (4th ed., 2012), Yoga Publications Trust, Munger, Bihar.



- Theory and practice of Yoga, Larson Gerald James and K A Jacobson, 2008, Brill.
- A History of Yoga, Vivian Worthington, 1982, Routledge.
- Yoga as philosophy and religion, S N Dasgupta, 2002, Dover.

SEMESTER- IV

COURSE: APPHI401C -1D: WESTERN ETHICS (50 Marks)(90 Hours)

1. Nature and Scope of Ethics (7 Hours)
2. Moral and Non-moral Actions (15 Hours)
3. Kant's Categorical Imperative (8 Hours)
4. Utilitarianism (15 Hours)
5. Hedonism (15 Hours)
6. Punishment (15 Hours)
7. Euthanasia (15 Hours)

References:

- W. Lillie: *An Introduction to Ethics*
- W.K. Frankena, *Ethics*
- J. S. Mackenzie: *A Manual of Ethics*
- P.Singer:*Practical Ethics* 2nd Ed, Cambridge, 1999
- P. Singer: *Applied Ethics*, OUP, 1986
- Somnath Chakraborty : *Nītividyār Tattvakathā*
- Somnath Chakraborty : *Kathāy Karme Ethics*
- Mrinal Kanti Bhadra: *Nītividyā*
- Santosh Kumar Pal: *Falita Nīti śāstra* (Pratham Khanda)
- Dikshit Gupta: *Nītiśāstra*
- Aurobindo Basu: *Frāmkenār Nītidarśan*



COURSE: APPHI404SEC -2: Applied Ethics (Marks: 50) (45 Hours)

1. Foundation of Applied Ethics. (Problems of Applied Ethics)
2. Issues in Applied Ethics. (Suicide and Euthanasia, Deep Ecology and Shallow Ecology, Feminism and Eco-Feminism, Abortion)
3. Value of Ethics.

References:

- Practical Ethics, by Peter Singer Cambridge University Press; 3 edition 2011
- A Companion to Applied Ethics, by R. G. Frey (Editor), Christopher Heath Wellman (Editor), Wiley-Blackwell; 1 edition, 2005
- Contemporary Debates in Applied Ethics, by Andrew I. Cohen (Editor), Christopher Heath Wellman (Editor), Wiley-Blackwell; 1 edition, 2005
- Applied Ethics, (Oxford Readings in Philosophy), by Peter Singer Oxford University Press; 1 edition, 1986
- Applied Ethics: A Multicultural approach, by Larry May (Editor), Jill Delston (Series Editor), Routledge; 6 edition, 2015
- Theory and Practice: A Primer for Students of Applied Ethics, by L M Bernhardt, Create-Space Independent Publishing, 1 edition, 2014
- Ethics Applied, by Nicholas Manias (Author), Dave Monroe (Author), Jane E. Till (Author), Pearson Learning Solutions; 7 edition, 2013
- Ethics: Theory and Contemporary Issues, by Barbara MacKinnon (Author), Andrew Fiala (Author), Cengage Learning; 9 edition, 2017
- Everyday Morality: An Introduction to Applied Ethics, by Mike W. Martin (Author) Cengage Learning; 4 edition, 2006
- Ethics Applied, by Keith Goree (Editor), Nicholas Manias (Editor), Jane E. Till (Editor), Pearson Custom Publishing; 6th edition, 2009
- Encyclopedia of Applied Ethics, 2nd Edition, Editors: Dan Callahan Peter Singer Editor-in-Chiefs: Ruth Chadwick, Academic Press, 2011
- Introduction to Applied Ethics, by H. John/Ayodhya Prasad (Editor), John H. Piet (Editor), Cosmo Publications, 2000
- Applied Ethics and Human Rights: Conceptual Analysis and Contextual Applications, Anthem South Asian Studies, 2011
- Applied Ethics: Critical Concepts in Philosophy, by Ruth Chadwick (Editor), Doris Schroeder (Editor), Routledge; 1 edition, 2001



SEMESTER- V

COURSE: APPHI501DSE: (Chose any one of the following) (Marks: 50) (90 Hours)

A. Psychology (Marks: 50) (90 Hours)

1. Nature and Scope of Psychology (10 Hours)
2. Methods of psychology (Introspection, Observation and Experimental Methods) (20 Hours)
3. Memory (10 Hours)
4. Theories of Learning (Trial and Error Theory, Gestalt Theory) (20 Hours)
5. Freud's Theory of Consciousness and Proofs for the Existence of the Unconscious (15 Hours)
6. Freud's Theory of Dream (15 Hours)

References:

- G.T. Morgan, *Introduction to Psychology*, Tata McGraw-Hill, 1993.
- Clifford Morgan, *A Brief Introduction to Psychology*, Tata McGraw-Hill, 1987.
- Rex Knight & M. Knight, *A Modern Introduction to Psychology*, University Tutorial Press, London, 1948.
- R. S. Woodworth, *Contemporary Schools of Psychology*, Asia Publishing House, 1961.
- Pareshnath Bhattacharya, *A Text book of Psychology*, A. Mukherjee & Co., 1973.
- S. K. Mangal, *General Psychology*, Sterling Publishers, 1998.
- Debiprasad Chattopadhyay, *Manobigyan*, New Central Book Agency, 1964.
- Pareshnath Bhattacharya, *Manovidyā*, Mukherjee and Co., 1963.
- PritiBhusan Chattopadhyay, *Manovidyā*
- Ira Sengupta, *Manovidyā*
- M. N. Mitra O PuspaMishra, *Manasamīkṣā*



B. Philosophy of Religion (Marks: 50) (90 Hours)

1. Nature of Religion (15 Hours)
2. Distinction between Religion and Dharma (25 Hours)
3. Different Types of Religion: Hinduism, Islam, Christianity and Buddhism (30 Hours)
4. Humanism as a form of Religion (20 Hours)

References:

- Mial Edwards : The Philosophy of Religion
- The Complete Works of Swami Vivekananda, Vol.-II
- Swami Vivekananda : The Chicago Address
- J.S. Mackenzie : Outlines of Social Philosophy
- Rabindranath Tagore : Religion of Man

COURSE: APPHI503GE -1: Text: The Religion of Man, R. N. Tagore (Marks: 50) (90 Hours)

1. Spiritual Union (15 Hours)
2. The Man of My Heart (15 Hours)
3. Man's Nature (15 Hours)
4. The Teacher (15 Hours)
5. Spiritual Freedom (15 Hours)
6. The Four Stages of Life (15 Hours)



COURSE: APPHI504SEC -3: Value Education (Marks: 50) (45 Hours)

1. A Meaning, Characteristics, Significance and objective of Value Education.
2. Meaning and Characteristics of Peace Education.
3. Peace and Value Education in Global Perspective.

References:

- David P, Barash Belmont: Introduction to Peace Studies.
- (Ed.) Sisir Kumar Das: R. N. Tagore: International Relations in the English Writing of Rabindranath Tagore, New Delhi, Sahitya Academy, 2006.
- Charles Webel and Johan Galtung (Eds.): Handbook of Peace and Conflict Studies, Routledge, 2007.
- Babu Muthuja: Peace and Value Education, 2009.
- Aditya Mohanty, Philosophy of Value.

SEMESTER- VI

COURSE: APPHI601DSE: (Choose any one of the following)(Marks: 50) (90 Hours)

A. Socio-Political Philosophy :(Marks: 50) (90 Hours)

1. Nature and Scope of Social and Political Philosophy (20 Hours)
2. Basic Concepts (Society, Social Group, Community, Association, Institution) (40 Hours)
3. Political Ideas (Forms of Democracy, Meaning and Nature of Secularism, Swaraj and Sarvodaya) (30 Hours)

References:

- R. M. MacIver & C. H. Page, *Society*, Rinehart and Co., NY, 1949.
- Morris Ginsberg, *Sociology*, OUP, 1947.
- Tom B. Bottomore, *Sociology*, Routledge, 2010.
- Pascual Gisbert, *Fundamentals of Sociology*, Orient Longman, 2004.
- Satyabrata Chakraborty, *Bhāratbarṣa: Rāṣṭrabhābanā*



- Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay, “Secularism in the Present Indian Society” in *Bulletin of the Ramkrishna Mission Institute of Culture*, Vol.No.II
- Donald E. Smith, *Indiaas A Secular State*, Princeton University Press, 1969.
- Krishna Roy (ed.), *Political Philosophy: Eastand West*, Allied Publishers, 2003.
- Krishna Roy and Chhanda Gupta (eds.), *Essays in Social and Political Philosophy*, Allied Publishers, 1989.
- Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay, *Rāṣṭradarśaner Dhāra*
- Sandip Das, *Samāj O Rājnaitik Darśan*
- Sailesh Kumar Bandyopadehyay, *Gāndhi Parikramā*
- Jahar Sen, *Gandhipather Digdarshan*
- Bhikhu Parekh, *Gandhi, A Very Short Introduction*, OUP, 1997.
- Bhikhu Parekh, *Gandhi’s Political Philosophy*, Palgrave MacMillan, 1989.
- Samarendra Bhattacharya, *Samājdarśan O Rāṣṭadarśan*
- M.K. Gandhi, *Hindswaraj*
- Andrea Veltman, *Social and Political Philosophy*, OUP, 2008.
- Pannalal Dasgupta, *Gandhi Gobeshana*, Nabapatra, 1986.
- Asoke Kumar Mukhopadhyay, *Bharatiya Rāṣṭracintā Paricaya*

B. Western Logic (Inductive): (Marks: 50) (90 Hours)

I.M. Copi: Introduction to Logic (14th Edition) [Chapters: 11to14] (Marks: 50)

1. Chapter11 - Analogical Reasoning (20 Hours)
2. Chapter 12 - Causal Reasoning (20 Hours)
3. Chapter 13 - Science and Hypothesis (25 Hours)
4. Chapter 14 - Probability (25 Hours)

Reference:

- I. M. Copi, C. Cohen, K. McMahon: *Introduction to Logic* (14th Edition), Pearson, 2015.



COURSE: APPHI603GE -2: Feminism (Marks: 50) (90 Hours)

1. History of Feminist Movements (20 Hours)
2. Gender Inequality (25 Hours)
3. Gender Role Development (25 Hours)
4. Women in Workplace (20 Hours)

References :

- V. Geetha, *Gender*, Stree, Calcutta, 2015.
- Barbara Ryan, *Feminism and the Women's Movement*, Routledge, NY, 1992.
- Marlene LeGates, *In Their Time: A History of Feminism in Western Society*, Routledge, NY, 2001.
- S. Gillis, G. Howie, R. Munford (eds.), *Third Wave Feminism: A Critical Exploration*, Palgrave MacMillan, NY, 2007.
- S. Budgeon, *Third-Wave Feminism and the Politics of Gender in Late Modernity*, Palgrave MacMillan, NY, 2011.
- Linda J. Nicholson, *The Second Wave: A Reader in Feminist Theory (Vol. 1)*, Routledge, NY, 1997.
- Imelda Whelehan, *Modern Feminist Thought: From the Second Wave to 'Post-Feminism'*, New York University Press, 1995.
- Rory Dicker, *A History of U.S. Feminisms*, Seal press, California, 2008.
- Frederic P. Miller and A. F. Vandome (ed.), *Feminism*, Alphascript Publishing, 2010.
- Olive Banks, *Becoming a Feminist: The Social origins of First Wave Feminism*, University of Georgia Press, 1987.
- Carole R. Beal, *Boys and Girls: The Development of gender Roles*, Tata McGraw-Hill, 1994.
- Suzanne J. Kessler, Wendy McKenna, *Gender: An Ethnomethodological Approach*, University of Chicago Press, 1978.
- Deborah L. Rhode, *Speaking of Sex: The Denial of Gender Inequality*, Harvard University Press, 1997.
- Raymond F. Gregory, *Women and Workplace Discrimination: Overcoming Barriers to Gender Equality*, Rutgers University Press, 2003.



COURSE: APPHI604SEC-4: Philosophy of Human Rights (Marks: 50) (45 Hours)

1. Definition and Nature of Human Rights.
2. Natural Right, Fundamental Right and Human Right.
3. Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties (Indian Constitution).
4. Transgender Human Rights.

References:

- Patrick Hayden (Ed.): The Philosophy of Human Rights, Paragon House, St. Paul, 2001.
- Morton E. Winston (Ed.): The Philosophy of Human Rights, Wardsworth Publishing co., Belmont, California, 1980.
- Jeremy Waldron (Ed.): Theories of Rights: India and West, OUP, 1984
- Ashwani Peetush and Jay Drydyk: Human Rights: India and West, OUP, New Delhi, 2015
- Jmaes Nickel: Making Sense of Human Rights, Transaction Publishers, OUP, 2007
- Michael Freedon: Rights, Worldview Publication, New Delhi, 1998
- Benulal Dhar: The Philosophical Understanding of Human Rights, D.K. Print World, New Delhi, 2013
- Benulal Dhar: Manobadhikar Ki Ebong Keno, Pragati Prakashak, Kolkata, 2016
- J. K. Das: Human Rights Law and Practice, PHI Learning, 2016
- Durga Das Basu: Introduction to constitution of India, Lexis Nexis, 2016
- Justice Ruma Paul and M.P. Jain: Indian Constitutional Law, Lexis Nexis, 2016
- Indrani Sen, *Human Rights of Minority and Women's: Transgender human rights (Vol. 2)*, Isha Books, 2005.