



UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA

Notification No. CSR/30/2025

It is notified for information of all concerned that in terms of the provisions of Section 54 of the Calcutta University Act, 1979, (as amended), and, in the exercise of her powers under 9(6) of the said Act, the Vice-Chancellor has, by an order dated 15.05.2025 approved the new revised Course structure in tabular form and Syllabus of Philosophy (Semester- 1 to 6) for 4-year Honours and Honours with Research and 3-year MDC under CCF.

The above shall take effect from the Even semester examinations, 2025 and onwards.

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University of Calcutta
UG Philosophy Syllabus (SEMESTER - I to SEMESTER - VI)
Major - Minor - MDC

SEMESTER I (4 Year) Major - Minor

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
DSCC 1	PHIM	Fundamentals of Philosophy	3+1	6
SEC -1	PHIM	Man, and Nature	3+1	36
MN -1	MPHI	Fundamentals of Philosophy	3+1	6
IDC -1	PHID	Philosophy of Peace and Conflict Resolution	2+1	50

SEMESTER I (3 Year)

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
CC1/CC2	MPHI	Fundamentals of Philosophy	3+1	6
SEC -1	MPHI	Recent Issues in Philosophy: Political and Ethical	3+1	48
IDC -1	PHID	Philosophy of Peace and Conflict Resolution	2+1	50

SEMESTER II (4 Year) Major - Minor

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
DSCC 2	PHIM	Outlines of Indian Philosophy	3+1	8
SEC -2	PHIM	Recent Issues in Philosophy: Political and Ethical	3+1	37
MN - 2	MPHI	Outlines of Indian Philosophy	3+1	8
IDC -2	PHID	Philosophy of Peace and Conflict Resolution	2+1	50

SEMESTER II (3 Year)

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
CC1/CC2	MPHI	Outlines of Indian Philosophy	3+1	8
SEC -2	MPHI	Recent Issues in Philosophy: Political and Ethical	3+1	48
IDC -2	PHID	Philosophy of Peace and Conflict Resolution	2+1	50

SEMESTER III (4 Year) Major - Minor

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
DSCC 3	PHIM	Indian Philosophy-I	3+1	9
DSCC 4	PHIM	Western Logic-I	3+1	11
SEC -3	PHIM	Logical Reasoning and application: Indian and Western	3+1	40
MN -1	MPHI	Fundamentals of Philosophy	3+1	6
IDC -3	PHID	Philosophy of Peace and Conflict Resolution	2+1	50

SEMESTER III (3 Year)

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
CC3	MPHI	Western Logic	3+1	42
MN -1	MPHI - Minor	Fundamentals of Philosophy	3+1	6
SEC -3	MPHI Minor	Recent Issues in Philosophy: Political and Ethical	3+1	48
IDC -3	PHID	Philosophy of Peace and Conflict Resolution	2+1	50

SEMESTER IV (4 Year) Major - Minor

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
DSCC 5	PHIM	History of Western Philosophy-I	3+1	13
DSCC 6	PHIM	Indian Philosophy-II	3+1	15
DSCC 7	PHIM	Western Logic-II	3+1	17
DSCC 8	PHIM	Social and Political Philosophy	3+1	19
MN -2	MPHI	Outlines of Philosophy	3+1	8

SEMESTER IV (3 Year)

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
CC4	MPHI	Social and Political Philosophy	3+1	19
CC5	MPHI	Epistemology and Metaphysics: Western	3+1	44
MN -2	MPHI - Minor	Outlines of Philosophy	3+1	8

SEMESTER V (4 Year) Major - Minor

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
DSCC 9	PHIM	Nyaya Logic and Epistemology-I	3+1	21
DSCC 10	PHIM	History of Western Philosophy-II	3+1	23
DSCC 11	PHIM	Psychology and Philosophy of Mind	3+1	25
DSCC 12	PHIM	Philosophy of Religion	3+1	28
MN - 3	MPHI	Western Logic	3+1	11

SEMESTER V (3 Year)

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
CC6	MPHI	Psychology and Philosophy of Mind	3+1	46
CC7*	MPHI	Indian Philosophy	3+1	9
MN - 3	MPHI - Minor	Western Logic	3+1	42
MN - 4	MPHI - Minor	Social and Political Philosophy	3+1	19

***Note: If a candidate opts Philosophy as Core Course -2 then paper CC7 is to be studied in SEM VI.**

SEMESTER VI (4 Year) Major - Minor

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
DSCC 13	PHIM	Nyaya Logic and Epistemology-II	3+1	31
DSCC 14	PHIM	Epistemology and Metaphysics: Western	3+1	32
DSCC 15	PHIM	Ethics: Indian and Western	3+1	34
MN - 4	MPHI	Social and Political Philosophy	3+1	19

SEMESTER VI (3 Year)

Paper	Course	Name of the Paper	Credit	Pg. No.
CC7*	MPHI	Indian Philosophy	3+1	9
CC8	MPHI	Ethics: Indian and Western	3+1	34
MN - 5	MPHI - Minor	Epistemology and Metaphysics: Western	3+1	44
MN - 6	MPHI - Minor	Psychology and Philosophy of Mind	3+1	46

***Note: If a candidate opts Philosophy as Core Course -1 then paper CC7 is to be studied in SEM V.**

Fundamentals of Philosophy

A. Introduction

- Nature of Philosophy
- Commonsense, Science and Philosophy
- Branches of Philosophy- Metaphysics, Epistemology, Ethics, Logic, Social and Political Philosophy etc.

B. Metaphysics

- Substance: General Introduction, Rationalist View of Substance, The Empiricist View of Substance.
- Causality: Notion of Causal relation, The Rationalist View of Causality-Entailment Theory, The Empiricist View of Causality-Regularity Theory.

C. Epistemology:

- Three principle uses of the verb ‘to know’, Conditions of propositional knowledge, Strong and weak senses of “know”, Theories of origin of knowledge: Rationalism, Empiricism, Kant’s Critical Theory.

D. Ethics:

- Nature and scope of ethics, Branches of ethics: Normative ethics, Meta-ethics, Applied ethics
- Moral and non-moral actions, Concepts of good & bad, right & wrong, duty & obligation, Right & Duty, Duty & virtue.
- Object of Moral Judgement- Motive and Intention.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- The Fundamental Questions of Philosophy: A. C Ewing
- The Fundamentals of Philosophy: D. L. Das
- Problems of Philosophy: G Watts Cunnigham
- A History of Philosophy (Vol. IV &V): Fredrick Copleston
- An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis: John Hospers
- A History of Philosophy: F. Thilly
- A History of Modern Philosophy: W. K. Wright
- A Critical History of Western Philosophy: D.J. O'Connor
- Locke, Berkley, Hume: C.R. Morris
- An Introduction to Philosophy: Shibapada Chakraborty
- A Brief History of Western Philosophy: A. Kenny
- Reason and Experience: W. H. Walsh
- Ethics: Theory and Practice: J.P. Thiroux
- A Manual of Ethics: J. Mackenzie
- The Principles of Ethics: Phanibhusan Chatterjee
- Philosophical Ethics: An Introduction to Moral Philosophy: T.L. Beauchamp (ed.)

Bengali:

- Paschatya Darshaner Ruparekha: Ramaprasad Das O Shibapada Chakraborty
- Paschatya Darshan O Yuktivijnan: Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (2) (Jnantattva): Ramaprasad Das
- Nitishastra: Dikshit Gupta
- Nitividyar Tattvakatha: Somnath Chakraborty
- Nititattva: Shibapada Chakraborty

Outlines of Indian Philosophy

- Indian Philosophy: A Historical Overview
- Rise of different Philosophical Systems
- Common Characteristics of different systems of Indian Philosophy
- Concepts of Vedas and the Upaniṣads: Ṛta, Ṛṇa
- The reality of the world
- The Law of Karma
- The reality of Self
- Liberation
- Meaning of Dharma, Classification of Dharma: sādharmaṇadharmā and Asādharmaṇa dharmā, Varnāśrama dharmā.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- Classical Indian Philosophy: J.N. Mohanty
- Outlines of Indian Philosophy: M. Hiriyanna
- An Introduction to Indian Philosophy: D. M. Dutta & S.C. Chatterjee
- A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy: C.D. Sharma
- Classical Indian Ethical Thought: K.N. Tewari
- The Ethics of the Hindus: S.K. Maitra
- Outlines of Indian Philosophy: J.N. Sinha
- Development of Moral Philosophy in India; Surama Dasgupta
- Rta, Satya, Tattva, Tathya, Samiran Chandra Chakraborty in Philosophical Concepts Relevant to Sciences in Indian Tradition,[History of Science, Philosophy and Culture in Indian Civilisation (Vol. VIII, Part 4)]: P.K. Sen (ed.)

Bengali:

- Bharatiya Darshan: Debabrata Sen
- Bharatiya Darshan: Nirodbaran Chakraborty
- Bharatiya Dharmaniti: Amita Chatterjee
- Bharatiya Darshan Shastrer Ruparekha (Bengali Translation of Outlines of Indian Philosophy by M.Hiriyanna): Srikanta Samanta (tr.)

Indian Philosophy-I

- a) *Cārvāka* School- Epistemology, Metaphysics, Ethics.
- b) Jainism- Concept of *Sat*, *Dravya*, *Paryāya*, *Guṇa*. *Anekāntavāda*, *Syādvāda* and *Saptabhangīnaya*.
- c) Buddhism— Four Noble Truths, Theory of Dependent Origination (*Pratītyasamutpādvāda*), Definition of Reality, Doctrine of Momentariness, (*Kṣanabhangavāda*), Theory of No-soul (*Nairātmyavāda*), Four Schools of Buddhism (Basic tenets).
- d) *Nyāya* School- Concepts of *Pramā* and *Pramāṇa*, Definition of perception (*Pratyakṣa*), Classification of *Sannikarṣa* into *laukika* and *alaukika*, Classification of *Laukika Pratyakṣa* into *Nirvikalpaka*, *Savikalpaka* and *Pratyavijñā*.
 - Definition of anumiti, vyāpti, parāmarśa, Classification of Anumiti into *pūrvavat*, *śesavat*, *sāmānyatodṛṣṭa*, *kevalānvayī*, *kevalavyātirekī*, *anvayavyātirekī*, *svārthānumiti*, *parārthānumiti*.
 - Definition of *Upamiti*.
 - Definition of *Śabda*.
 - *Nyāya* Theory of Causality: *Asatkāryavāda*
- e) *Vaiśeṣika* School- Seven categories or *padārthas*: *dravya*, *guṇa*, *karma*, *sāmānya*, *viśeṣa*, *samavāya* and *abhāva*.

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English:

- Outlines of Indian Philosophy: M. Hiriyanna
- A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy: C.D. Sharma
- An Introduction to Indian Philosophy: D. M. Dutta & S.C. Chatterjee
- Classical Indian Philosophy: J.N. Mohanty
- History of Indian Philosophy: S.N. Dasgupta
- Indian Philosophy (Vol. I & II): S. Radhakrishnan
- Indian Philosophy (Vol. I & II): J.N. Sinha

- Studies on the Carvaka/ Lokayata: Ramakrishna Bhattacharya
- The Central Philosophy of Buddhism: T.R.V. Murti
- Yogacara Idealism: A.K. Chatterjee
- An Introduction to Madhyamika Philosophy: Jaydev Singh
- Reflections on Indian Philosophy: K.P. Sinha
- Philosophy of Jainism: K.P. Sinha
- Nyaya Theory of Knowledge: S.C. Chatterjee
- Six Ways of Knowing: D.M. Dutta
- Nyaya-Vaisesika Metaphysics: Sadananda Bhaduri

Bengali:

- Bharatiya Darshan: Debabrata Sen
- Bharatiya Darshan: Nirodbaran Chakraborty
- Sayan Madhaviya Sarva Darshan Samgraha: Satyajyoti Chakraborti
- Lokayata Darshan: Debiprasad Chattopadhyaya
- Carvakacarca: Ramakrishna Bhattacharya
- Carvaka Darshan: Panchanan Sastri
- Carvaka Darshan: Amit Kumar Bhattacharya
- Bauddha Dharma O Darshan: Swami Vidyaranya
- Bauddha Darshan: Panchanan Sastri
- Gautama Buddher Darshan o Dharma: Sukomol Choudhury
- Bauddha Darshan: Amit Kumar Bhattacharya
- Ksanabhangavada: Bidhubhusan Bhattacharya
- Jainadarshaner Digdarshan: Satindra Chandra Bhattacharya
- Nyaya Darshan: Phanibhushan Tarkavagisha
- Nyaya Paricaya: Phanibhushan Tarkavagisha
- Nyaya-Vaisesika Darshan: Karuna Bhattacharya
- Nyaya Tattva Parikrama: Kalikrishna Bandyopadhyaya

Western Logic-I

- a) What is Logic, premises and conclusion, arguments, Deductive and Inductive Arguments, Truth and Validity.
- b) Categorical propositions and classes: quality, quantity and distribution of terms, Translating categorical propositions into standard form.
- c) Immediate inferences: Traditional square of opposition and Immediate Inferences based thereon; Conversion, Obversion and Contraposition, Existential Import, Symbolism and Diagrams for categorical propositions.
- d) Categorical Syllogisms: Standard Form Categorical Syllogisms; The Formal nature of Syllogistic Argument, Boolean Interpretation of categorical propositions; Venn Diagram Technique for Testing Syllogisms, Rules and Fallacies, testing Syllogistic Arguments for validity (by applying general rules for syllogism).
- e) Review of the Traditional Laws of Logic concerning immediate inference and syllogism; Hypothetical and Disjunctive Syllogisms, Enthymemes.
- f) Symbolic Logic: the value of special symbols; Truth-Functions; Symbols for Conjunction, Negation, Disjunction, Conditional Statements and Material Implication; Argument Forms and Arguments, Construction of Truth Tables, Statement Forms and Statements, Material Equivalence and Logical Equivalence; inter-definability of truth functors.
- g) Tautologous, Contradictory and Contingent Statement-Forms; testing Argument Forms and Arguments, Statement Forms and statements

for validity by the method of Truth table; The Paradoxes of Material Implication; The Three “Laws of Thought”.

- h) Causal Connections: Cause and Effect, the meaning of “Cause”; Induction by Simple Enumeration; Mill’s Method of Experimental Inquiry; Mill’s Method of Agreement, Method of Difference, Joint Method of Agreement and Difference, Method of Residues, Method of Concomitant Variations; Criticism of Mills Methods, Vindication of Mill’s Methods.

Suggested Readings:

English:

Introduction to Logic (13th ed.): I.M. Copi and C. Cohen

Symbolic Logic (5th ed.): I.M. Copi

Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method: Cohen & Nagel

Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive: Chhanda Chakraborty

Logic: Stan Baronett & Madhuchhanda Sen

The Elements of Logic: Stephen Barker

Understanding Symbolic Logic: Virginia Klenk

Logic-A Comprehensive Introduction; S.D.Guttenplan & M.Tamney

Logic & Philosophy-A Modern Introduction: Howard Kahne

Logic-A First Course: A. E. Blumberg.

Bengali:

Nabya Yuktivijnan (Pratham theke chaturtha khanda): Ramaprasad Das

Sanketik Yuktivijnan: Ramaprasad Das

Samsad Yuktivijnan Abhidhan: Ramaprasad Das o Subirranjan Bhattacharya.

History of Western Philosophy-I

- a) Pre-Socratic Philosophy: Thales, Heraclitus, Parmenides, Empedocles, Anaxagoras, Democritus, Protagoras.
- b) Plato: Theory of Knowledge, Theory of Forms.
- c) Aristotle: Critique of Plato's theory of Forms, Doctrine of four causes, Form and Matter.
- d) St. Thomas Aquinas: Faith and Reason, Essence and Existence.
- e) Descartes: Cartesian method of doubt, Cogito ergo sum, Criterion of truth, Types of ideas, Proofs for the existence of God, Mind-body dualism, Proofs for the existence of the external world.
- f) Spinoza: Doctrine of substance, Attributes and Modes, Existence of God, Pantheism, Three orders of knowing.
- g) Leibniz: Monads, Truths of reason, Truths of facts, Innateness of ideas, Some metaphysical principles: Law of Identity of indiscernibles, Law of sufficient reason, Law of continuity, Doctrine of Pre-established harmony.

Suggested Readings:

English:

The Greek Philosophers from Thales to Aristotle: W.K.C.Guthrie

A History of Western Thought: G. Skirbekk & N. Gilje

A Critical History of Greek Philosophy: W.T. Stace

Philosophy: A Guide through the subject: A.C. Grayling (Ed.)

Encyclopaedia of Philosophy: P. Edwards(ed.)

A History of Philosophy: F. Copleston, vols. I, II, IV
History of Western Philosophy: B. Russell
History of Modern Philosophy: R. Falckenberg
A Critical History of Modern Philosophy: Y.H. Masih
A History of Philosophy: F. Thilly
A History of Modern Philosophy: W.K. Wright
A Critical History of Western Philosophy: D.J. O'Connor
A History of Philosophy from Descartes to Wittgenstein: R. Scruton
The Fundamental Questions of Philosophy: A.C. Ewing
A Brief History of Western Philosophy: A. Kenny
The Works of Descartes: Haldane & Ross (eds.)
Descartes: The Project of Pure Enquiry: B. Williams
Descartes: A. Kenny
Spinoza: Leon Roth
Leibniz: An Introduction to his Philosophy: N. Rescher
The Rationalists: J. Cottingham

Bengali:

Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Tarak Candra Roy (Pratham o Dwitiya khanda)
Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Kalyan Chandra Gupta
Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Susanta Chakraborty
Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Samarendra Bhattacharya (Pratham o Dwitiya khanda)
Paschatya Darshaner Itihas (Plato o Aristotle): N.B. Chakraborty
Paschatya Darshaner Itihas (Plato o Aristotle): Debabrata Sen
Paschatya Darshaner Itihas – (Descartes, Spinoza, Leibniz:): Chandrodaya Bhattacharya.

Indian Philosophy – II

- a) *Sāmkhya*- Theory of Causality (*Satkāryavāda*), Nature of *Prakṛti*, its constituents and proofs for its existence. Nature of *Puruṣa* and proofs for its existence, plurality of *puruṣas*, theory of evolution, theory of liberation.
- b) *Yoga*- *Citta*, *Cittavṛtti*, *Cittabhūmi*. Eight -fold path of *Yoga*, God.
- c) *Mīmāṃsā* (Prābhakara and Bhāṭṭa): *Anvitāvidhānvāda* and *Abhihitānvayavāda*, *Arthāpatti* and *Anupalabdhi* as distinct sources of knowledge.
- d) *Advaita Vedānta*—Saṅkara's view of *Brahman*, *Saguṇa* and *Nirguṇa Brahman*, Three grades of Reality (*Satta*), *Jīva*, *Jagat* and *Māyā*, theory of liberation.
- e) *Viśiṣṭādvaita*- Rāmānuja's view of *Brahman*, *Jīva*, *Jagat*. Refutation of the doctrine of *Māyā*.

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English:

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- An Introduction to Indian Philosophy: D. M. Dutta & S.C. Chatterjee
- Classical Indian Philosophy: J.N. Mohanty
- History of Indian Philosophy: S.N. Dasgupta
- Indian Philosophy (Vol. I & II): S. Radhakrishnan
- Indian Philosophy (Vol. I & II): J.N. Sinha
- Six Ways of Knowing: D.M. Dutta

- The Doctrine of Maya: A.K. Roychoudhuri
- Self and Falsity in Advaita Vedanta: A.K. Roychoudhuri
- The Word and the world: Bimal Krishna Matilal
- Logic, Language and Reality: Bimal Krishna Matilal

Bengali:

- Bharatiya Darshan Shaster Ruparekha (Bengali Translation of Outlines of Indian Philosophy by M. Hiriyanna): Srikanta Samanta (tr.)
- Bharatiya Darshan: Debabrata Sen
- Bharatiya Darshan: Nirodbaran Chakraborty
- Sayan Madhaviya Sarva Darshan Samgraha: Satyajyoti Chakraborti
- Samkhya Darshan: Bhupendranath Bhattacharya
- Samkhya Darshaner Vivarana: Bidhubhushan Bhattacharya
- Samkhyamata Samiksa: Yogendranath Bagchi
- Samkhya Tattva Kaumudi: Narayan Chandra Goswami
- Samkhya-Patanjal Darshan: Kanakprabha Bandyopadhyaya
- Patanjali Darshan: Purnachandra Vedantachanchu
- Purva Mimamsa Darshan: Sukhamoy Bhattacharya
- Vedanta Darshan: Roma Choudhury
- Vedanta Darshan: Advaitavada: Ashutosh Sastri
- Mayavada: Pramatha Nath Tarkabhushan
- Vedanta Darshan: Swami Vidyaranya.

Western Logic-II

- a) Determining the logical character of statement forms and statements by The Method of Resolution; Testing Argument Form and Argument for validity by The Method of Resolution (Fell Swoop & Full Sweep) [dot notation excluded].
- b) The Method of Deduction: Formal Proof of Validity: Difference between Implicational Rules and the Rules of Replacement; Construction of Formal Proof of Validity by using nineteen rules; Proof of invalidity by assigning truth-values.
- c) Quantification Theory: Need for Quantification Theory, Singular Propositions, General Propositions, Quantification; Translating Traditional subject-predicate proposition into the logical notation of propositional function and quantifiers.
- d) Quantification Rules and Proving Validity; Proving Invalidity for arguments involving quantifiers.
- e) Induction: Argument by Analogy, Appraising Analogical Arguments, Refutation by Logical Analogy.
- f) Science and Hypothesis: Explanations; Scientific and Unscientific, Evaluating Scientific Explanations; The pattern of Scientific Investigation; Crucial Experiments and Ad Hoc Hypotheses.
- g) Probability: Alternative Conception of Probability; The Probability Calculus; Joint Occurrences; Alternative Occurrences.

Suggested Readings:

English:

Introduction to Logic (13th ed.): I.M. Copi and C. Cohen

Symbolic Logic (5th ed.): I.M. Copi

Methods of Logic (4th ed. Part I, Ch.s 5,7, 9): W.V.O. Quine

Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method: Cohen and Nagel

Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive: Chhanda Chakraborty

Logic: Stan Baronett & Madhuchhanda Sen

The Elements of Logic: Stephen Barker

Understanding Symbolic Logic: Virginia Klenk

Logic-A Comprehensive Introduction: S.D. Guttenplan & M. Tamney

Logic & Philosophy-A Modern Introduction: Howard Kahne

Logic-A First Course: A.E. Blumberg.

Bengali:

Nabya Yuktivijnan (Pratham theke chaturtha khanda): Ramaprasad Das

Sanketik Yuktivijnan: Ramaprasad Das

Samsad Yuktivijnan Abhidhan: Ramaprasad Das o Subirranjan Bhattacharya.

Social and Political Philosophy

- a) Nature and Scope of i) Social Philosophy ii) Political Philosophy iii) Relation between Social and Political Philosophy.
- b) Primary concepts: Society, community, association, institution, family: nature, different forms of family, role of family in the society.
- c) Social Class and Caste: Principles of class and caste, Marxist conception of class, *Varṇāśrama dharma*.
- d) Theories regarding the relation between individual and society:
 - i) Individualistic theory
 - ii) Organic theory
 - iii) Idealistic theory
- e) Secularism—its nature, Secularism in India.
- f) Social Change: Nature, Relation to social progress, Marx-Engels on social change, Gandhi on social change.
- g) Political Ideals: Nature of Democracy and its different forms, Direct and Indirect democracy, Liberal democracy, Democracy as a political ideal, Socialism: Utopian and Scientific, Anarchism.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- Fundamentals of Sociology: P. Gisbert
- Outlines of Social Philosophy: J.S. Mackenzie
- Problems of Political Philosophy: D.D. Raphael
- Society: R.M. MacIver & C.H. Page
- Sociology: M. Ginsberg

- Sociology: Tom Bottomore
- Sociology: S.N. Shankar Rao
- Sociology: D.C. Bhattacharya
- Sociology: P.B. Kar
- Guide to Modern Thought: C.E.M. Joad
- Introduction to Modern Political Theory: C.E.M. Joad
- The Evolution of Political Philosophy of Gandhi: Buddhadeb Bhattacharya
- Social and Political Thought of Gandhi: Jayantanuja Bandyopadhyay
- The Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi: D.M. Dutta
- The Philosophy of Sarvodaya: K.S. Bharathi
- Communist Manifesto: Karl Marx & Frederick Engels
- Socialism: Utopian and Scientific: F. Engels
- Open Society and Its Enemies: Karl Popper
- The Open Philosophy and the Open Society: M. Cornforth
- Secularism in the Present Indian Society, Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay in
Bulletin of the Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Vol. LVII, No. 11
- Civil Society and Its Institutions: Andre Beteille
- Political Thought: C.L. Wayper
- Political Philosophy: An Introduction: W.T. Blackstone
- Political Philosophy: East and West: Krishna Roy
- Political Philosophy: V.P. Verma
- Essays in Social and Political Philosophy: Krishna Roy and Chhanda Gupta
(eds.)
- Western Political Thought: Brian R. Nelson
- Western Political Thought: From Plato to Marx: Shefali Jha

Bengali:

- Samaj Darshan Dipika: Pritibhushan Chattopadhyay
- Samaj Tattva: Parimal Bhushan Kar
- Bisay Samaj Tattva: Anadi Kumar Mahapatra
- Samajdarshan O Rashtradarshaner Parichoy: A.K. Mahapatra o P. Mukherjee
- Rashtradarshaner Dhara: Amal kumar Mukhopadhyay
- Samaj O Rajnaitikdarshan: Sandip Das
- Samyobader Istehar: Marx o Engels
- Marxiya Rashtrachinta: Shovan Lal Dutta Gupta
- Sarvodaya Andoloner Itihas: Gurudas Bandyopadhyay
- Gandhi Rachanasambhar: M.K. Gandhi- Sailesh Kumar Bandyopadhyay(sampadito)
- Bharater Dharma nirapekshatar Sankat: Bholanath Bandyopadhyay in Essays on Science and Society: Biplab Chakraborti
- Dharmanirapekshata Birodhi Istehar: Ashis Nandy.

Nyāya Logic and Epistemology – I

- a) *Mangalācaran Śloka* of the text: **Tarkasaṃgraha**
- b) Definition of *buddhi* or *jñāna* (cognition), its two kinds; Definition of *smṛti*; Two kinds of *smṛti* (memory cognition); Definition of *anubhava*, its division into veridical (*yathārtha*) and non-veridical (*ayathārtha*) cognition; Three kinds of non-veridical cognition (*anubhava*);

- c) Four-fold division of *pramā* and *pramāṇa*. Definition of *kaṛaṇa* (special causal condition) and *kāraṇa* (general causal condition). The concept of *anyathāsiddhi* (irrelevance) and its varieties. The definition of *kārya* (effect). Kinds of cause: *samavāyī*, *a-samavāyī* and *nimitta kāraṇa* (definitions and analysis).
- d) Definition of *pratyakṣa* and its two-fold division: *nirvikalpaka* and *savikalpaka jñāna*. Evidence for the reality of *nirvikalpaka jñāna*.
- e) *Laukika sannikarṣa* and its six varieties. Problem of transmission of sound; The claim of *anupalabdhi* as a distinct *pramāṇa* and Annambhatta's reaction to it.

Text: Tarkasaṃgraha by Annambhatta

Suggested Readings:

English:

- Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipika: Gopinath Bhattacharya
- Tarkasaṃgraha: M.R. Bodas & Y.V. Athalye (tr. & ed.)
- The Elements of Indian Logic and Epistemology: Chandrodaya Bhattacharya
- A Primer of Indian Logic: Kuppuswami Shastri
- Fundamental Questions of Indian Metaphysics & Logic: S.K. Maitra
- The Nyaya Theory of Knowledge: S.C. Chatterjee.

Bengali:

- Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipika: Narayan Chandra Goswami
- Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipika: Indira Mukhopadhyay
- Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipika: Panchanan Shastri
- Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipika: Kanailal Poddar

History of Western Philosophy-II

- a) Locke: Refutation of innate ideas, The origin and formation of ideas, Simple and Complex ideas, Substance, Modes and Relations, Nature of knowledge and its degrees, Limits of knowledge, Primary and Secondary qualities, Representative Realism.
- b) Berkeley: Refutation of Abstract ideas. Criticism of Locke's distinction between Primary and Secondary qualities, Immaterialism, *Esse est percipi*, Role of God.
- c) Hume: Impression and ideas, Association of ideas, Distinction between Judgements concerning Relations of Ideas and Judgements concerning Matters of fact, Theory of causality, Theory of Self and Personal Identity, Scepticism.
- d) Kant: Conception of Critical Philosophy, Distinction between a priori and a posteriori judgement; Distinction between analytic and synthetic judgements. synthetic a priori judgements, General problem of the Critique, Copernican Revolution in Philosophy; Transcendental Aesthetic: Space & Time - Metaphysical & Transcendental expositions of the Concepts of Space & Time.

Suggested Readings:

English:

A Critical History of Greek Philosophy: W.T. Stace

Encyclopaedia of Philosophy: P. Edwards (ed.)

A History of Philosophy: F. Copleston, Vol- V, VI

History of Western Philosophy: B. Russell

History of Modern Philosophy: R. Falckenberg

A Critical History of Modern Philosophy: Y.H. Masih

A History of Philosophy: F. Thilly

A History of Modern Philosophy: W.K. Wright

A Critical History of Western Philosophy: D.J. O'Connor

A Short History of Modern Philosophy: From Descartes to Wittgenstein: R. Scruton

The Fundamental Questions of Philosophy: A.C. Ewing

A Brief History of Western Philosophy: A. Kenny

An Essay Concerning Human Understanding: J. Locke

John Locke: R. Aron

Berkeley: G. Pitcher

The Works of George Berkeley: T.E. Jessop & A.R. Luce(eds.)8Vols

An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding-D. Hume: J.N. Mohanty(ed)

A Treatise on Human Nature: D. Hume

Locke, Berkeley, Hume: J. Bennett

Locke, Berkeley, and Hume: C.R. Morris

A Commentary to Kant's Critique of Pure Reason-Immanuel Kant: N.K. Smith (tr.& ed.)

Kant's Metaphysics of Experience: H.J. Paton Vols I & II

The Philosophy of Kant: J. Kemp

Kant: Paul Guyer

A Handbook to Kant's Critique of Pure Reason: Rashvihari Das

Kant: S. Körner

Kant: Allen W. Wood

Lectures on Kant's Critique of Pure Reason: J. N. Mohanty

Bengali:

Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Tarak Candra Roy (Dwitiya khanda)

Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Kalyan Chandra Gupta

Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Susanta Chakraborty

Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Samarendra Bhattacharya (Pratham o Dwitiya khanda)

Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Ikshanvada (Locke, Berkeley, Hume): Chandrodaya Bhattacharya

Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: (Locke, Berkeley, Hume): N.B. Chakraborty

Hume-er Enquiry-Ekti Upasthapan: Ramaprasad Das

Kanter Darshan-Tattva o Prayog: Prahlad Kumar Sarkar(ed.)

Kanter Darshan: Rasvihari Das

Kanter Shuddha Prajnar Bichar: Mrinal Kanti Bhadra

Psychology and Philosophy of Mind

- a) Psychology: Definition, Nature and Scope
- b) Methods of Psychology: Introspection, Extrospection, Experimental Methods, Variables - dependent & independent, Controls in experiment, Limitations of experimental method
- c) Sensation and Perception: Nature of Sensation, Nature of Perception, Relation between Sensation and Perception, Gestalt Theory of Perception. Illusion and Hallucination

- d) Learning: Theories of Learning: Trial and Error Theory, Thorndike's Laws of Learning, Gestalt Theory, Pavlov's Theory of Conditioned Response, B. F. Skinner's Theory of Operant Conditioning (Reinforcement, Extinction, Punishment)
- e) Personality: Types, Factors and Traits of Personality
- f) Nature of Philosophy of Mind
- g) Philosophical Theories of Mind: Interactionism, Double-Aspect Theory, Philosophical Behaviorism, Materialism - Mind-Brain Identity Theory, The Person Theory (Strawson)
- h) Consciousness: Levels of mind—Conscious, Sub-conscious, Unconscious, Proofs for the existence of Unconscious, Freud's Theory of Dream.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- A Text book of Psychology: Pareshnath Bhattacharya
- Introduction to Psychology: G.T. Morgan, R.A. King Jr.
- A Modern Introduction to Psychology: Rex Knight & M. Knight
- A Manual of Psychology: G.F. Stout
- Psychology: R. Woodworth & D. Marquis
- Science and Human Behaviour: B.F. Skinner
- About Behaviorism: B.F. Skinner
- General Psychology: G.D. Boaz
- General Psychology G. Murphy
- Psychology: W. James
- A Text book of Psychology: E.B. Titchener

- Principles of Psychology: W. James
- Introduction to Psychology: N.L. Muna
- Philosophy of Mind: J. Heil
- A Materialist Theory of Mind: D.M. Armstrong (Ch s 1,5, & 6)
- Philosophy of Mind: J. Shaffer (Ch s 2,3 & 4)
- An Introduction to Philosophy of Mind: C.J. Lowe (Ch s 2 & 3)

Bengali:

- Monovidya: Priti Bhushan Chattopadhyay
- Monovidya: Pareshnath Bhattacharya
- Monovidya: Ira Sengupta
- Monovidya: Samarendra Bhattacharya
- Monosamiksha: M.N. Mitra o Pushpa Mishra
- Kalpa- Galpe Monodarshan: Amita Chatterjee
- Monodarshan- Sarirvada o Tar Vikalapa: M.N.Mitra, A. Chatterjee o P.Sarkar (Sampadito)
- Monovijñana Prasanga: Saradindu Bandyopadhyay
- Adhunik Monovijñana: Ira Sengupta
- Shikshashrayi Monovidya: Sushil Roy
- Monodarshan: Arabinda Basu o Nibedita Chakraborty
- Paschatya Monovidya: Mainak Pal

Philosophy of Religion

- a) Nature and scope of Philosophy of Religion. Doctrine of karma and rebirth, doctrine of liberation, (Nyāya, Bauddha and Jaina views).
- b) The Philosophical teachings of the Holy Quran: God the ultimate Reality, His attributes, His relation to the world and man.
- c) Some basic tenets of Christianity: The doctrine of Trinity, The theory of Redemption.
- d) Arguments for the existence of God: Cosmological, Teleological and Ontological arguments, Nyāya arguments.
- e) Grounds for Disbelief in God: Sociological theory (Durkheim), Freudian theory, *Cārvāka*, *Bauddha* and *Jaina* views.
- f) The Peculiarity of Religious Language: The doctrine of analogy, Religious statements as Symbolic, Religious language as Non-Cognitive (Randal's view), the language game theory (D. Z. Phillip).
- g) Religious Pluralism, Inter-religious dialogue and Possibility of Universal Religion.

Suggested Readings:

English:

Philosophy of Religion: J. Hick

An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion: Brian Davies

Indian Philosophy of Religion: A. Sharma

Comparative Religion: P. B. Chatterjee

Comparative Religion: Eric J. Sharpe

Patterns in Comparative Religion: M. Eliade (Ch I, Sec. I)

Atheism in Indian Philosophy: D.P. Chattopadhyay

Essays in Indian Philosophy(pp-145-169): Sukharanjan Saha(ed.)
 Studies in Nyaya-Vaisesika Theism(pp-102-137,139-159): Gopika
 Mohan Bhattacharya
 Encyclopaedia Britannica, Vol.I
 Encyclopaedia of Islam, Vols. I&II
 Indian Religions: S. Radhakrishnan
 Foundations of Living Faith: H.D. Bhattacharya
 Aspects of Hindu Morality: Saral Jhingram
 A History of Muslim Philosophy (Vols. I&II): M.M. Sharif
 Islam and Secularism: Sayed Muhammad Al-Naquib Al-Attas
 The History of Philosophy in Islam- T.J. de Boer: E. Jones (tr.)
 The Holy Quran: Mohammad Yusuf Ali(tr.)
 The Spirit of Islam: Syed Amir Ali
 The Meaning of the Glorious Koran: M. Pickthall
 A History of Islamic Philosophy: M. Fakhry
 The Spirit of Islam's Message, Muhammad Qamaruddin in Religions of
 the People of India: S.R. Saha (ed.)
 Cultural Heritage of Islam: Osman Ghani
 Old Testament: R. Kittel(ed.)
 New Testament: Thomas B Kilpatrick
 The Doctrine of the Trinity: R.S. Franks
 The Doctrine of the Trinity: Leonard Hodgson
 The Idea of the Holy: R. Otto
 A Brief Account of the Religion of the Hindus: Srilekha Dutta in Religions of
 the People of India: S.R. Saha (ed.)

Dharma in Hinduism: An Ideal Religion: Tapan Kumar Chakraborty in Religions of the People of India: S.R. Saha (ed.)

Jainism-A Religion of Non-Theistic Humanism: Tushar Sarkar in Religions of the People of India: S.R. Saha (ed.)

Essays in Analytical Philosophy (Ch. VII): Gopinath Bhattacharya

Buddhism in India and Abroad: Anukul Bandyopadhyay

Introduction to Religious Philosophy: Y. Masih

A Comparative Study of Religion: Y. masih

Bengali:

Dharma Darshan: A. Bandyopadhyay o K.C. Gupta

Dharma Darshan: Rabindranath Das

Dharma Darshan: Sushil Kumar Chakraborty

Bharatiya Dharmaniti: Amita Chattopadhyay (Sampadito)

Dharmadarshaner Katipay Samasya: Dilipkumar Mohanta

Bharatiya Darshane Nirishwarvada: B.B. Purakayastha (PP. 39—50, 56—66)

Bharatiya Darshaner Dristite Muktir Swarup: Chandana Das

Sarvadarshan Samgraha: Satya Jyoti Chakraborty (Pratham khanda)

Quoran Sharif: Osman Ghani (Anubad o bhasya)

Islami Darshan: Hasan Ayub

Islamer Chinta o Chetanar kramabikash (Dasham khanda): Osman Ghani

Pabitra Bible (Puratan o Natun Niyam): Bharater Bible Society

Bauddha Dharmer Itihas: Mani Kuntala Halder.

Bauddha Dharma o Darshan: Sukamal Chaudhury

Nyaya Logic and Epistemology-II

- a) Definition of *anumiti*, concept of *pakṣadharmatā* and *parāmarśa*. Analysis of *pakṣatā*. Definition of *vyāpti*; *vyāptigrahopāya*.
- Classification of *anumiti* - *svārthānumiti* and *parārthānumiti*; Analysis of *pañcāvayavī nyāya*. Necessity of *parāmarśa*. Three kinds of *linga* or *hetu*: *kevalānvayī*, *kevalayatirekī* and *anvayavyatirekī*, and three kinds of *anumiti* resulting from these *hetu*-s. Definition of *pakṣa*, *sapakṣa* and *vipakṣa* with illustrations. Marks of legitimate *hetu* (*sat hetu*).
 - *Hetvābhāsa*-two types of definition. Five kinds of *hetvābhāsa*: (1) *Savyabhicāra* and its three kinds; (2) *Viruddha*, (3) *Satpratipakṣa*; (4) *Asiddha* and its three kinds; (5) *Bādhita* (definition and illustration). Concept of *Upādhi* and its four kinds.
 - Definition of *Upamiti*- its *karaṇa* and *vyapāra*, should *upamiti* be regarded as distinct *pramā*?
 - Definition of *Śabda*, definition of *pada*, *pada-padārtha sambandha*, concept of *Śakti*, its definition. Controversy between the *Mīmāṃsakas* and the *Naiyāyikas* regarding the nature of *Śakti* and regarding what it signifies, *Śaktigrahopāya*, *lakṣaṇā*, varieties of *lakṣaṇā*, *ākankṣā*, *yogyatā*, *sannidhi* and *tātparya*. Two kinds of statements- *Vaidika* and *Laukika*.
 - Refutation of *Gauni -vṛtti* and *Vyanjana-vṛtti*.
- b) *Arthāpatti* as a distinct *pramāṇa*: Controversy between the *Mīmāṃsakas* and the *Naiyāyikas*.
- c) The theory of *prāmānya*: The issue between *svataḥprāmānyavāda* and *parataḥprāmānyavāda* regarding *utpatti* and *jñapti*.

Text: **Tarkasaṃgraha** by Annambhatta.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Gopinath Bhattacharya
- Tarkasamgraha: M.R. Bodas & Y.V. Athalye (tr. &ed.)
- The Elements of Indian Logic and Epistemology: Chanrodaya Bhattacharya
- A Primer of Indian Logic: Kuppaswami Shastri
- Fundamental Questions of Indian Metaphysics & Logic: S.K. Maitra
- The Nyaya Theory of Knowledge: S.C. Chatterjee

Bengali:

- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Narayan Chandra Goswami
- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Indira Mukhopadhyay
- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Panchanan Shastri
- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Kanailal Poddar

Epistemology and Metaphysics (Western)

- a) Concepts, Truth, Sources of Knowledge
- b) Analytic Truth and Logical Possibility, The A priori
- c) Law, Theory and Explanation
- d) Cause, The Causal Principle, Determinism and Freedom
- e) Some Metaphysical Problems: Substance and Universal, Matter and Life.
- f) Realism, Idealism, Phenomenalism.

Text: An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis- John Hospers

Suggested Readings:

English:

- The Problem of Knowledge: A.J. Ayer
- Readings in Philosophical Analysis: J. Hospers
- The Central Questions of Philosophy: A.J. Ayer
- Theory of Knowledge: A.J. Woozley
- An Introduction to Philosophy: Shibapada Chakraborty
- Metaphysics: Richard Taylor

Bengali:

- Darshanik Jijnasa (Bagarthatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva-JnanerSvarup): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Paratattva o Bhauto Jagater Jnana): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Bishlesaner Ruparekha (Pratham o dwitiya khanda):
Samarikanta Samanta
- Paschatya Darshaner Ruparekha: Ramaprasad Das o Shibapada
Chakraborty
- Darshanik Bishlesaner Bhumika: Rabindranath Das.

Ethics: Indian and Western

- a) Introduction: Concerns and Presuppositions of Indian Ethics, Concept of *Sthitaprañjna*, *Karmayoga* in *Gīta*, *Puruṣārthas* and their inter-relations.
- b) Buddhist Ethics: *Pañcaśīla*, *Brahmavihārabhāvanā*.
- c) Jaina Ethics: *Mahabrata*, *Anubrata*, *Concept of Ahimsā*.
- d) Mimamsa Ethics: *Nitya karma*, *Naimittika karma*, *Nitya Naimittika karma and kāmyakarma*, *Vidhi and Niṣedha*.
- e) Moral Theories: Plato and Aristotle
- f) Standards of Morality: Hedonism—Ethical, Psychological. Utilitarianism: Act-utilitarianism, Rule-utilitarianism, Deontological Theories: Act-Deontological Theories, Rule-Deontological Theories—Kant's Theory, Perfectionism.
- g) Theories of Punishment.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- The Fundamentals of Hinduism-A Philosophical Study: S.C. Chatterjee
- The Ethics of the Hindus: S.K. Maitra
- An Outline of Hinduism: T.M.P. Mahadevan
- Classical Indian Ethical Thought: K.N. Tewari
- Ethics in the Gita-An Analytical Study (pp-119-145): Rajendra Prasad
- Development of Moral Philosophy in India; Surama Dasgupta
- Ethical Philosophies of India: I.C. Sharma
- A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy: C.D. Sharma
- Indian Philosophy (Vol. I): J.N. Sinha
- Philosophy of Hindu Sadhana: N.K. Brahma
- History of Philosophy-Eastern and Western: (Vol. I & II): S. Radhakrishnan
- Principles of Ethics: P.B. Chatterjee
- A Manual of Ethics: J.S. Mackenzie
- Ethics: W. Frankena
- An Introduction to Ethics: W. Lillie
- Ethics-Theory and Practice: J. Thiroux (Chs II & III)
- Ethics-Theory and Practice: Y.V. Satyanaryana
- Moral Reasons: J. Nuttall
- Human Conduct: J. Hospers
- Ethics-The Fundamentals: Julia Driver

- An Introduction to Kant's Ethics: R. Sullivan
- Nicomachean Ethics: Aristotle tr. by David Ross
- Philosophical Ethics-An Introduction to Moral Philosophy: T.L. Beauchamp (ed.)
- Virtue Ethics: Rosalind Hursthouse (Ch. III)
- Karma, Causation and Retributive Morality: Rajendra Prasad

Bengali:

- Nitividya: Mrinal Kanti Bhadra
- Nitividyar Tattvakatha: Somnath Chakraborty
- Nitishastra: Dikshit Gupta
- Nitividya: Sibapada Chakraborty
- Pashchatya Darshaner Itihas (Pratham o dwitiya khanda): S. Radhakrishnan
- Nitividyar Tattvakatha: Somnath Chakraborty
- Nitividya: Samarendra Bhattacharya

Skill Enhancement Course

SEC: Man and Nature

- Introduction
The meaning of the word nature; Narrow and broad sense of nature;
Attitude towards nature
- Classical Indian Attitude to Nature
The Upanisadic world-view; Tagore's understanding of nature; The
Post-Upanisadic view of nature
- Respect for nature
The attitude of respect; Bio-centric outlook to nature; Ethical
standards and rules that follow from the attitude of respect to nature,
The idea of inherent worth of nature.
- Intrinsic Value of nature
Moore's talk of 'intrinsic properties'; Chisholm's idea of intrinsic
Value; Attfield on the intrinsic value of nature; Callicott's idea of
intrinsic value of nature; Rolston - III on intrinsic value of nature;
Intrinsic value: Subjective and objective value
- Deep Ecology and its Third World Critique
Arne Naess on Deep Ecology; Ramchandra Guha's critique of Deep
Ecology

Suggested Readings

English:

'Attitudes to Nature' John Passmore , Environmental Ethics (ed.) Robert Elliot
Sadhana (first Chapter), Rabindranath Tagore

Respect for Nature: A Theory of Environmental Ethics (Select Parts), Paul Taylor
'Intrinsic value, Environmental Obligation and Naturalness', Robert Elliot, Monist,
1975

'The Shallow and the Deep, Long-Range Ecology Movements: A Summary',
Arne Naess, Inquiry, 1973

Nature, Self and Gender: Feminism, Environmental
Philosophy and the Critique of Rationalism, Val Plumwood,
Environmental Ethics (ed.) Robert Elliot

Bengali:

Paribesh o Naitikata: Nirmalya Narayan Chakraborty

SEC: Recent Issues in Philosophy: Political and Ethical

A. Human Rights

- General Idea of Human Rights: Its Origin and Development during Ancient period; Modern Period and Contemporary Period
- Normative Justification of Human Rights
- Nature and Value of Human Rights: Discrimination on the basis of Race, Caste and Religion
- Concepts of Justice and Equality
- Theory of Justice – John Rawls
- Idea of Justice – Amartya Sen

B. Feminist Ethics: Some Key Concepts of Feminism

- The Sex/Gender Dichotomy
- Three Forms of Gender Discrimination: Sexism, Patriarchy and Androcentrism or Phallocentrism
- Androcentrism in Philosophy: Feminist Approach
- Feminist Movement – Feminist Consciousness
- Liberal and Radical Feminism: Their Distinction
- A Brief Overview of Feminist Approach to Different Branches of Philosophy: Metaphysics, Epistemology and Ethics.
- Ethics of Care.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- The Elements of Moral Philosophy: James Rachels
- Moral Problems: James Rachels
- The Philosophy of Human Rights: P. Hayden
- Human Rights: Alan Gewirth
- Human Rights - An Introduction: D.J.O'Byrne
- Gender: G.Geetha
- A Theory of Justice: John Rawls
- The Idea of Justice: Amartya Sen
- Feminist Thought: A Comprehensive Introduction, RoSEMESTER
arie Tong, Volume 1 & 2, Third Edition
- Feminist Thought: Shefali Moitra
- *The Second Sex*: Simone De Beauvoir

- A Companion to Feminist Philosophy (**ed.**): Alison, M. Jaggar and Iris Marion Young
- *Feminist Knowledge* (RLE Feminist Theory) Critique and Construct (ed.) : Sneja Gunew)
- Representing Reason- Feminist Theory and Formal Logic : Rachel Joffe Falmagne and Marjorie Hass
- A short introduction to Feminist Theory: Rinita Majumder

Bengali

- Narivad: Rajasree Basu
- Naitikata o Narivad: Shefali Moitra,
- Neeti o Nyajyata : Amartya Sen (Anirban Chattopadhyay o Kumar Rana sampadita)

SEC: Logical Reasoning and application: Indian and Western

1. The main objective of logical reasoning.
2. Definitions: *Pakṣa*, *sādhya*, *hetu*, *sapakṣa* and *vipakṣa*
3. Construction of *kevalānvayī*, *kevalvyāptireki*, *anvayavyāptireki anumiti*.
4. *Hetvābhāsa* and its different kinds.
5. Reasoning in practice:
 - i) Fallacy of relevance, Fallacies of ambiguity, Fallacies of weak induction, Avoiding fallacies
 - ii) Functional applications of ordinary operative relations between sense-organs and respective objects.
6. Analogy and Probable inference
 - i) Argument by Analogy
 - ii) Appraising Analogical Arguments
 - iii) Refutation of Logical Analogy.
7. Scientific Explanation
 - i) The value of Science
 - ii) Explanations: Scientific and Unscientific
 - iii) Evaluating Scientific Explanations.
8. Inductive reasoning in Law
 - i) The method of inquiry in law
 - ii) Causation in Legal reasoning
 - iii) Analogical Reasoning in legal argument
 - iv) Probability in legal argument.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- Introduction to Logic (9th Edition): I. M. Copi & C. Cohen, Prentice Hall of India Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1999.
- The Elements of Logic (5th Edition): S.F. Barker, McGraw- Hill Book Company, 1988.
- Introduction to Logic: P.J. Hurley, Wadsworth, 2007.
- Word and the World: B.K. Motilal
- Tarkasaṃgraha: M.R. Bodas and Y.V. Athalye (tr. & ed.)
- The Concept of Logical Fallacies: Nandita Bandyopadhyaya.

Bengali:

- Tarkasaṃgraha: Annambhatta
- Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipika: Narayan Chandra Goswami
- Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipika: Indira Mukhopadhyay
- Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipika: Panchanan Shastri
- Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipika: Kanailal Poddar.

Western Logic

- a) What is Logic, premises and conclusions, arguments, Deductive and Inductive Arguments, Truth and Validity.
- b) Categorical propositions and classes: quality, quantity and distribution of terms, Translating categorical propositions into standard form.
- c) Immediate inferences: Traditional square of opposition and Immediate Inferences based thereon; Conversion, Obversion and Contraposition, Existential Import, Symbolism and Diagrams for categorical propositions.
- d) Categorical Syllogisms: Standard Form Categorical Syllogisms; The Formal nature of Syllogistic Argument, Boolean Interpretation of categorical propositions; Venn Diagram Technique for Testing Syllogisms, Rules and Fallacies, testing Syllogistic Arguments for validity (by applying general rules for syllogism).
- e) Symbolic Logic: the value of special symbols; Truth-Functions; Symbols for Conjunction, Negation, Disjunction, Conditional Statements and Material Implication; Argument Forms and Arguments, Construction of Truth Tables, Statement Forms and

Statements, Material Equivalence and Logical Equivalence; inter-definability of truth functors.

- f) Tautologous, Contradictory and Contingent Statement-Forms; testing Argument Forms and Arguments, Statement Forms and statements for validity by the method of Truth table; The Paradoxes of Material Implication; The Three “Laws of Thought”.
- g) Causal Connections: Cause and Effect, the meaning of “Cause”; Induction by Simple Enumeration; Mill’s Method of Experimental Inquiry; Mill’s Method of Agreement, Method of Difference, Joint Method of Agreement and Difference, Method of Residues, Method of Concomitant Variations.

Suggested Readings:

English:

Introduction to Logic (13th ed.): I. M. Copi and C. Cohen

Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method: Cohen & Nagel

Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive: Chhanda Chakraborty

Logic: Stan Baronett & Madhuchhanda Sen

The Elements of Logic: Stephen Barker

Understanding Symbolic Logic: Virginia Klenk

Logic-A Comprehensive Introduction; S.D. Guttenplan & M. Tamney

Logic & Philosophy-A Modern Introduction: Howard Kahne

Logic-A First Course: A.E. Blumberg

Bengali:

Nabya Yuktivijnan (Pratham theke chaturtha khanda): Ramaprasad Das

Sanketik Yuktivijnan: Ramaprasad Das

Samsad Yuktivijnan Abhidhan: Ramaprasad Das O Subirranjan Bhattacharya.

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- Readings in Philosophical Analysis: J. Hospers

- The Central Questions of Philosophy: A.J. Ayer
- Theory of Knowledge: A.J. Woozley
- An Introduction to Philosophy: Shibapada Chakraborty
- Metaphysics: Richard Taylor

Bengali:

- Darshanik Jijnasa (Bagartha tattva): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva- Jnaner Swarup): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Paratattva o Bhauto Jagater Jnana): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Bishlesaner Ruparekha (Pratham o Dwitiya khanda):
Samarikanta Samanta
- Paschatya Darshaner Ruparekha: Ramaprasad Das o Shibapada
Chakraborty
- Darshanik Bishlesaner Bhumika: Rabindranath Das

Psychology and Philosophy of Mind

- a) Psychology: Definition, Nature and Scope
- b) Sensation and Perception: Nature of Sensation, Nature of Perception, Relation between Sensation and Perception, Gestalt Theory of Perception. Illusion and Hallucination
- c) Learning: Theories of Learning: Trial and Error Theory, Thorndike's Laws of Learning, Gestalt Theory, Pavlov's Theory of Conditioned Response.
- d) Personality: Types, Factors and Traits of Personality
- e) Nature of Philosophy of Mind
- f) Philosophical Theories of Mind: Interactionism, Double-Aspect Theory, Mind-Brain Identity Theory.
- g) Consciousness: Levels of mind—Conscious, Sub-conscious, Unconscious, Proofs for the existence of Unconscious, Freud's Theory of Dream.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- A Text book of Psychology: Paresh Nath Bhattacharya
- Introduction to Psychology: G.T. Morgan, R.A. King Jr.
- A Modern Introduction to Psychology: Rex Knight & M. Knight

- A Manual of Psychology: G.F. Stout
- Psychology: Woodworth & Marquis
- Science and Human Behaviour: B.F. Skinner
- About Behaviorism: B.F. Skinner
- General Psychology: G.D. Boaz
- General Psychology G. Murphy
- Psychology: W. James
- A Text book of Psychology: E.B. Titchener
- Principles of Psychology: W. James
- Introduction to Psychology: N.L. Muna
- Philosophy of Mind: J. Heil
- A Materialist Theory of Mind: D.M. Armstrong (Ch s 1,5, & 6)
- Philosophy of Mind: J. Shaffer (Ch s 2,3 & 4)
- An Introduction to Philosophy of Mind: C.J. Lowe (Ch s 2 & 3)

Bengali:

- Monovidya: Priti Bhushan Chattopadhyay
- Monovidya: Paresh n Nath Bhattacharya
- Monovidya: Ira Sengupta
- Monovidya: Samarendra Bhattacharya
- Monosamiksha: M.N. Mitra o Pushpa Mishra
- Kalpo- Galpe Monodarshan: Amita Chatterjee

- Monodarshan- Sarirvada o Tar Vikalapa: M.N. Mitra, A. Chatterjee o P.Sarkar (Sampadito)
- Monovijñana Prasanga: Saradindu Bandyopadhyay
- Adhunik Monovijñana: Ira Sengupta
- Shikshashrayi Monovidya: Sushil Roy
- Monodarshan: Arabinda Basu o Nibedita Chakraborty
- Paschatya Monovidya: Mainak Pal.

SEC: Recent Issues in Philosophy: Political and Ethical

A. Human Rights

- General Idea of Human Rights: Its Origin and Development during Ancient period; Modern Period and Contemporary Period
- Nature and Value of Human Rights: Discrimination on the basis of Race, Caste and Religion
- Concepts of Justice and Equality
- Theory of Justice – John Rawls
- Idea of Justice – Amartya Sen

B. Feminist Ethics: Some Key Concepts of Feminism

- The Sex/Gender Dichotomy
- Three Forms of Gender Discrimination: Sexism, Patriarchy and Androcentrism or Phallocentrism
- Androcentrism in Philosophy: Feminist Approach

- Feminist Movement – Feminist Consciousness
- Liberal and Radical Feminism: Their Distinction

Suggested Readings:

English:

- The Elements of Moral Philosophy: James Rachels
- Moral Problems: James Rachels
- The Philosophy of Human Rights: P. Hayden
- Human Rights: Alan Gewirth
- Human Rights - An Introduction: D. J. O'Byrne
- Gender: G. Geetha
- A Theory of Justice: John Rawls
- The Idea of Justice: Amartya Sen
- Feminist Thought: A Comprehensive Introduction, Rosemarie Tong
Volume 1 & 2, Third Edition
- Feminist Thought: Shefali Moitra
- *The Second Sex*: Simone De Beauvoir
- A Companion to Feminist Philosophy (**ed.**): Alison, M. Jaggar and
Iris Marion Young
- *Feminist Knowledge* (RLE Feminist Theory) Critique and Construct (ed.):
Sneja Gunew)
- Representing Reason- Feminist Theory and Formal Logic: Rachel Joffe
Falmagne and Marjorie Hass
- A short introduction to Feminist Theory: Rinita Majumder

Bengali

- Narivad: Rajasree Basu
- Naitikata o Narivad: Shefali Moitra,
- Neeti o Nyajyata : Amartya Sen (Anirban Chattopadhyay o Kumar Rana sampadita)

Interdisciplinary Course (IDC)

Philosophy of Peace and Conflict Resolution

A. Understanding Peace

- Concept of Peace; Meaning of Peace
- Positive and Negative Peace
- Typologies of Peace
- Sustainable Peace

B. Peace Building: Different Theories

- Realist Theory
- Idealist Theory
- Liberalist Theory

C. Gender and Peace

- Gender-Equality and Peace
- Gender, Conflict and Peace

D. Some Philosophical Approaches to Peace and Conflict Resolution

- Kantian Perspective – Morality and Peace; Pre-condition and Condition of Perpetual Peace
- Gandhian Perspective – Non-Violence, Truth, Satyagraha
- Tagore's Perspective –Spiritual Idealism and Humanism

Suggested Readings:

English

- ☐ Handbook of Peace – (eds.) Charles Webel and Johan Galtung, Oxon, Routledge, 2007, <https://www.mkgandhi.org/ebks/handbook-of-peace-and-conflict-studies.pdf>, 6.
- ☐ Philosophical Perspectives of Peace – Howard P. Kainz
- ☐ Peace, War and Defence – (ed.) Johan Galtung
- ☐ The Moral and Political Writings of Mahatma Gandhi—(ed.) R. Iyer
- ☐ Conflict Resolution and Gandhian Ethics --Thomas Weber, Gandhi Peace Foundation, New Delhi, 1991.
- ☐ Gandhi, Gandhism and Gandhians – Thomas Weber, Roli Books, 2006.
- ☐ Peace Education: The Concept, Principles and Practices around the World – (eds.) Gabriel Solomon and Baruch Nevo, .
- ☐ Comprehensive Peace Education—Betty Reardon, Teachers College Press, 1988.
- ☐ Peace, Culture and Society—(eds.) Elise Boulding, Clovis Brigagao, and Kevin Clements
- ☐ ‘Perpetual Peace’ – Immanuel Kant, in Immanuel Kant, Political Writings of Kant, (ed.) Hans Reiss, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1977.
- ☐ Kant’s Political Writings –(ed.) Hans Reiss, 1977.
- ☐ Three Decades of Peace Education Around the World – (ed.) Robin J. Burns and Robert Aspeslagh, New York and London, garland Publishing, 1996.
- ☐ Conflict: Resolution and Prevention – J.W. Burton, New York, Martin’s Press, 1990.
- ☐ Peace by Peaceful Means: Peace and Conflict, Development and Civilization –Johan Galtung, London, Sage, 1996.
- ☐ Gender, War and Peacebuilding –Academy for International Conflict

Management and Peacebuilding (www.usip.org/npec)

- Women, War and Peace—Elizabeth G. Ferris, Life and Peace Institute, (<http://www.lifepeace.org>)
- Nationalism – Rabindranath Tagore, London, Macmillan & Co. Limited, 1950.
- ‘The Nation’, in R. N. Tagore, Creative Unity, EBook, Release Date - October, 21, 2007, <http://manybooks.net/>
- The English Writings of Rabindranath Tagore, (Volume 3), (ed.) Sisir Kumar Das, New Delhi, Sahitya Academy, 1996.
- Rabindranath Tagore and Universal Humanism – Saumyendranath Tagore, Published by M. Chatterjee, 1961.
- The Religion of Man (‘Spiritual Union’)– Rabindranath Tagore.
- Man the Universal: A Socio-Cultural Exploration of Tagore’s Creative Vision of Humanity –Santi Nath Chattopadhyay, 2017.

Bengali

- Sabhyatar Sankat: Rabindranath Thakur
- Svadeshisamaj: Rabindranath Thakur
- Swarajsadhan: Rabindranath Thakur
- Rabindra Darshan: Hiranmoy Bandyopadhyay (Sahitya Samshad)
- Biswa Sankat o Shantir Path: Hajrat Mirza Masrur Ahmed(I) (Pancham Khalifa)