

Presidency University

Department of Philosophy

Proposed Syllabus for UG Course in Philosophy Honours

Sem. 1

- PHIL 101: Paper Major-1 Western Logic 1 35+15 Marks
PHIL 102: Paper Major-2 Indian Epistemology and Metaphysics 1 35+15 Marks

Sem.2

- PHIL 201: Paper Major-3, History of Western Epistemology and Metaphysics 35+15 Marks.
PHIL 202: Paper Major-4 Western Logic 2 35+15 Marks

Sem 3

- PHIL 301: Paper Major-5, History of Western Epistemology and Metaphysics 2 35+15 Marks
PHIL 302: Paper Major-6 Western Ethics 35+15 Marks
PHIL 303: Paper Major-7, Indian Epistemology and Metaphysics 2 35+15 Marks

Sem-4

- PHIL 401: Paper Major-8 Philosophy of Language [Western] 35+15 Marks
PHIL 402: Paper Major-9 Indian Logic 1 35+15 Marks
PHIL 403: Paper Major-10 Philosophy of Mind 35+15 Marks

Sem-5

- PHIL 501: Paper Major-11 Epistemology & Metaphysics [western] 35+15 Marks
PHIL 502: Paper Major-12 Verbal Knowledge- Indian Perspective 35+15 Marks
PHIL 503: Paper Major-13 Western Logic 35+15 Marks
PHIL 581: Paper Sessional 1 Presentation/seminar/work shop 50 Marks
PHIL 582: Paper Sessional 2 Presentation/seminar/work shop 50 Marks

Sem-6

- PHIL 601: Paper Major-14 Philosophy of Religion 35+15 Marks
PHIL 602: Paper Major-15 Applied Ethics 35+15 Marks
PHIL 603: Paper Major-16 Western Logic 35+15 Marks
PHIL 681: Paper Sessional 3 Presentation/seminar/work shop 50 Marks
PHIL 682: Paper Sessional 4 Presentation/seminar/work shop 50 Marks

Sem. 1

PHIL 101: Paper Major-1 Western Logic 1 Marks 35+15

- A. Categorical propositions and classes: quality, quantity and distribution of terms, Translating categorical propositions into standard form.
- B. Traditional square of opposition; Immediate inference; Existential Import, symbolism and Venn Diagrams for categorical propositions.
- C. Categorical Syllogism: Standard Form categorical Syllogism; The Formal nature of Syllogistic Argument, Rules and Fallacies, General Rules.
- D. Boolean Interpretation of categorical propositions; Venn Diagram Technique for testing Syllogisms, Enthymeme.
- E. Induction and its characteristics; the Problem of Induction.
- F. 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.
- G. Science and Hypothesis: Explanations; Scientific and Unscientific, Evaluating Scientific Explanations; The pattern of Scientific Investigation; Crucial Experiments and Ad Hoc Hypotheses; Law and Theory.
- H. Probability: Alternative Conception of Probability.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- Introduction to Logic (13th Edn.): I.M. Copi & C. Cohen
- Symbolic Logic: I.M. Copi
- Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive: Chhanda Chakraborty
- Logic: Stan Baronett & Madhuchhanda Sen
- The Elements of Logic: Stephen Barkar
- Understanding Symbolic Logic: Virginia Klenk
- Logic- A Comprehensive Introduction: S.D. Guttenplan & M. Tamney
- An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis—John Hospers
- A Preface to Logic: Morris R. Cohen (Chap. VI)
- Rolf Eberle
- Hughes and Londey
- Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method: Cohen & Nagel

Bengali:

- Nabya Yuktibijnana (Pratham , dwitiyo , chaturtho khanda): R. P. Das
- Sanketik Yuktibijnana: R. P. Das
- Samsad Yuktibijnana Abhidhan: R. P. Das o Subirranjan Bhattacharya

Sem 1

PHIL 102: Paper Major-2 Indian Epistemology and Metaphysics 1

35+15 Marks

- A. Introduction, Division of Indian Philosophical Schools-- Astika and Nastika
- B. Carvaka--Pratyaksa as the only pramana , Bhutacatustayavada, Bhutacaitanyavada Svabhavavada, Kama as the only purusartha.
- C. Jaina—Analysis of Sat, Dravya, Paryaya, Guna, Anekantavada, Syadvada and Saptabhanginaya; Jiva, ajiva.
- D. Bauddha—Four noble Truths, Theory of Dependent Origination, Definition of Reality (sat), Theory of Impermanence, Doctrine of Momentariness, Theory of no-soul, Four Schools of Buddhism (Basic tenets).
- E. Nyaya – A brief introduction of sixteen kinds of padarthas, Nature and proofs for the existence of God.
- F. Vaisesika—Seven Padarthas : dravya, guna, karma, samanya, viśesa, samavaya, Abhava; Paramanukaranavada.

Suggested Readings:

Indian Philosophy

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 (Vo. I & II): S. Radhakrishnan
- Indian Philosophy (Vo. 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
- Six ways of Knowing: D.M. Dutta
- Nyaya-Vaisesika Metaphysics: Sadananda Bhaduri
- Fundamental Questions of Indian Metaphysics & Logic: S.K. Maitra

Bengali:

- Bharatiya o Paschatya Darshan: S.C. Chatterjee
- Bharatiya Darshan: Debabrata Sen
- Sayan Madhaviya Sarva Darshan Samgraha: Styajyoti Chakraborti
- Lokayata Darshan: Debiprasad Chattopadhyay
- Carvakacarca: Ramakrisna Bhattacharya
- Carvaka Darshan: Pancanan Sastri
- Bauddha Dharma O Darshan: Swami Vidyananya
- Bauddha Darshan: Pancanan Sastri
- Gautama Buddher Darshan o Dharma: Sukomol Choudhury
- Ksanabhangavada: Bidhubhusan Bhattacharya
- Jainadarshaner Digdarshan: Satindra Chandra Nyayacharya
- Nyaya Darshan: Phanibhushan Tarkavagish
- Nyaya Paricaya: Phanibhushan Tarkavagish
- Nyaya-Vaisesika Darshan: Karuna Bhattacharya
- Nyaya Tattva Parikrama: Kalikrishna Bandyopadhyaya

Sem.2

PHIL 201: Paper Major-3

History of Western Epistemology and Metaphysics 35+15 Marks

- Plato: Theory of Knowledge , theory of Forms.
Aristotle: Critique of Plato's theory of Forms, theory of Causation.
- Descartes : Cartesian method of doubt, cogito ergo sum, criterion of truth, types of ideas, proofs for the existence of God, error.
- Spinoza : Doctrine of substance, attributes and modes, existence of God, Pantheism, three orders of knowing, ethics.

- D. Leibniz : Monads, truths of reason, truths of facts, innateness of ideas, Some metaphysical principles : Law of Identity of indiscernibles, Law of sufficient reason.

Suggested Readings:

English:

- History of Greek Philosophy- W. K.C. Guthrie
- A Critical History of Greek Philosophy: W.T. Stace
- A History of Philosophy: F. Copleston, vol.s. 2, 4
- 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: B. Williams
- Descartes: A. Kenny
- Spinoza: S. Hampshire
- Spinoza: Leon Roth
- Leibniz-An Introduction to His Philosophy: N. Rescher
- The Rationalists: J. Cottingham
- Modern Classical Philosophers – Benjamin Rand

Bengali:

- Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Kalyan Chandra Gupta
- Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Tarak Candra Roy (pratham o dwitiya khanda)
- Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Chandrodaya Bhattacharya
- Rene Descartes er Darshan (ed. Prahlad Kumar Sarkar , Tattwa o Prayog)

Sem.2

PHIL 202: Paper Major-4 Western Logic 2 Marks 35+15

- A. Symbolic Logic: The value of special symbols; Truth-functions; Symbols for negation, conjunction, disjunction, conditional statements and material implication; argument forms and arguments, statement forms and statements; material equivalence and logical equivalence; Tautologous, contradictory and contingent statement-forms; the paradoxes of material implication.
- B. Testing argument-form and arguments; statement-form and statement for validity by a) the method of Truth-table
b) the method of Resolution (Fellswoop & Full sweep) [dot notation excluded]
- C. 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; Propositional logic and logic of terms. Proof of invalidity by assignment of truth-values.
- D. Quantification Theory: Need for Quantification Theory; singular propositions; Quantification; translating propositions into the logical notation of propositional function and quantifiers; Quantification Rules and proving validity; proving invalidity for arguments involving quantifiers.

Suggested Readings:

Western Logic

English:

- Introduction to Logic (13th Edn.): I.M. Copi & C. Cohen
- Symbolic Logic: I.M. Copi
- Methods of Logic (Part I, Ch.s 5,7,9): W.V.O. Quine
- 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

Bengali:

- Nabya Yuktibijnana (tritiyo khanda): R. P. Das
- Sanketik Yuktibijnana: R. P. Das
- Samsad Yuktibijnana Abhidhan: R. P. Das & Subirranjan Bhattacharya

Sem 3

PHIL 301: Paper Major-5

History of Western Epistemology and Metaphysics 2 35+15 Marks

- 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.
- B. Berkeley : Refutation of abstract ideas; rejection of Locke's distinction between primary and secondary qualities; immaterialism; esse-est-percipi; solipscism.
- C. Hume : Impression and 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, Copernican Revolution, distinction between a priori and a posteriori judgements, distinction between analytic and synthetic judgements; possibility of synthetic apriori judgements; forms of sensibility and categories of understanding.

Suggested Readings

History of Western Philosophy

English:

- Philosophy: A. C. Grayling (ed.)
- A History of Philosophy: F. Copleston
- 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
- 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.) 8 vols
- 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 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: Guyer

- A Handbook to Kant's Critique of Pure Reason: Rasvihari Das
- Kant's Theory of Synthetic Apriori: Jolly Ghosh

Bengali:

- Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Tarak Candra Roy (pratham o dwitiya khanda)
- Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Kalyan Chandra Gupta
- Paschatya Darshaner Itihas:Ikshanvada(Locke,Berkeley,Hume): N.B. Chakraborty
- Hume-er Enquiry-Ekti Upasthapanana: Ramaprasad Das
- Kanter Drashan-Tattva o Prayog: Prahlad Kumar Sarkar (ed.)
- Kanter Drashan:Rasvihari Das
- Kanter Shuddha Prajnar Bichar: Mrinal Kanti Bhadra

Sem 3

PHIL 302: Paper Major-6 Western Ethics 35+15 Marks

- Nature of Ethics; postulates of morality.
Moral and Non-moral actions; Object of Moral Judgement—Motive and Intention.
- Egoism and Utilitarianism: Act-Utilitarianism, Rule-utilitarianism.
- Deontological Theories: Act-Deontological Theories, Rule-Deontological Theories—Kant's Theory.
- Theories of Punishment
- Justice.
- Virtue Ethic: Plato Aristotle and modern views

Suggested Readings:
Ethics

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 Thought: K.N. Tewari
- Ethics in the Gita-An Analytical Study (pp-119-145): Rajendra Prasad
- Ethics in the Vedas, Satya prakash Singh in Historical-Developmental Study of Classical Indian Philosophy,[History of Science, Philosophy and Culture in Indian Civilisation(Vol. XII, Part 2)]: Rajendra Prasad (ed.)
- 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.)
- Development of Moral Philosophy in India: Surama Dasgupta
- Ethical Philosophies of India: I.C. Sharma

- Studies on the Purusarthas: P.K. Mahapatra (ed.)
- A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy: C.D. Sharma
- Indian Philosophy (Vo. I): J.N. Sinha
- Philosophy of Hindu Sadhana: N.K. Brahma
- The Indian Conception of Values : M. Hiriyanna
- Cognition, Man and the World-Perspectives in Jaina Philosophy : Asha Mukherjee (ed.)
- 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
- A Manual of Ethics: J.N. Sinha
- An Introduction to Ethics: W. Lillie
- Moral Reasons: J. Nuttall
- Human Conduct: J. Hospers
- Ethics-The Fundamentals: Julia Driver
- An Introduction to Kant's Ethics: R. Sullivan
- Philosophical Ethics-An Introduction to Moral Philosophy: T.L. Beauchamp (ed.)
- Karma, Causation and Retributive Morality: Rajendra Prasad
- Plato's Moral Theory: Terrance Irwine
- Virtue Ethics: R. Crisp & M. Slote (eds.)
- The Nicomachean Ethics: Aristotle
- Virtue Ethics: Rosalind Hursthorne (Ch. III)

Bengali:

- Nitividya: Mrinal Kanti Bhadra
- Nitividyar Tattvakatha: Somnath Chakraborty
- Nitishastra: Dikshit Gupta
- Nitividya: Sibapada Chakraborty

Sem 3

PHIL 303: Paper Major-7

Indian Epistemology and Metaphysics 2 35+15 Marks

A.Samkhya—Satkaryavada, Nature of Prakrti, its constituents and proofs for its existence. Nature of Purusa and proofs for its existence, Doctrine of the plurality of Purusas, theory of evolution.

B.Yoga—Citta, Cittavrtti, Cittabhumi. Eight fold path of Yoga, Importance of God, proofs for the existence of God.

C.Mimamsa (Prabhakara and Bhatta) : Arthapatti and Anupalabdhi as sources of knowledge, Svatahpramanyavada. Purva Mimamsa: Anuvyavasaya or Triputipratyaxsa or Jnatatalingakarumana.

D.Advaita Vedanta—Sankara's view of Brahman-- Saguna and Nirguna Brahman, Three grades of Satta: pratibhasika, vyavaharika and paramarthika, Sankara's view of Jiva, Jagat and Maya.

E.Visistadvaita—Ramanuja's view of Brahman, Jiva, Jagat. Refutation of the doctrine of Maya.

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English:

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- 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 (Vo. I & II): S. Radhakrishnan
- Indian Philosophy (Vo. I & II): J.N. Sinha
- The Doctrine of Maya: A.K. Roychoudhuri
- Debabrata Sen
- Reflections on Indian Philosophy: K.P. Sinha
- Self and Falsity in Advaita Vedanta: A.K. Roychoudhuri
- *Nyayamanjari* (Ahnika v- Vaxyarthacinta) with elucidations by Prabal K. Sen.

Bengali:

- Samkhya Darshanam: Bhupendranath Bhattacharya
- Samkhya Darshaner Vivarana: Bidhubhushan Bhattacharya
- Samkhyamata Samiksa: Yogendranath Bagchi
- Samkhya Tattva Kaumudi: Annotated by Narayan Chandra Goswami

- Samkhya-Patanjal Darshan: Kanakprabha Bandyopadhyaya
- Patanjali Darshan: Purnachandra Veadantachanchu
- Purva Mimamsa Darshan: Sukhamaya Bhattacharya
- Saddrshan Yoga: Dinesh Chandra Bhattacharya
- Vedanta Darshan: Advaitavada: Ashutosh Sastri
- Mayavada: Pramatha Nath Tarkabhushan
- Vedanta Darshan: Swami Vidyaranya

Sem-4

PHIL 401: Paper Major-8

Philosophy of Language [Western] 35+15 Marks

An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis—John Hospers (Ch.1, 3, 4)

Meaning and Definition

- A. Word-meaning, Definitions.
- B. Sentence-meaning.
- C. Testability and Meaning

Necessary Truth

- D. Analytic truth and logical possibility.
- E. The a priori.
- F. The Principles of Logic.

Suggested Readings:

Philosophy of Language (Western)

English:

- The Problem of Knowledge: A.J. Ayer
- Language, Truth and Logic: A.J. Ayer
- Readings in Philosophical Analysis: J. Hospers
- Theory of Knowledge: A.J. Woozley
- Elements of Analytic Philosophy: A. Pap
- Semantics and Necessary Truth: A. Pap
- Readings in Philosophical Analysis: A. Pap
- Readings in Philosophical Analysis : A.Pap (ed.)

Bengali:

- Darshanik Jijnasa (Bagarthatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva-Jnaner Svarup): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Bishlesaner Ruparekha: Samarikanta Samanta
- Sabdo o artha-sabdarter darshan: R.P. Das

Sem-4

PHIL 402: Paper Major-9

Indian Logic 1

35+15 Marks

Recommended Text: Tarkasamgraha and Dipika (selections as follows)

- A. Buddhi, smrti, yathartha and ayathartha anubhava, karana(specific cause), karana(generic cause) and karya.
- B. Pratyaksa as prama and pramana, nirvikalpaka and savikalpaka pratyaksa, different kinds of laukika sannikarsa, perception of abhava.
- C. Anumiti and anumana, paramarsa, paksata, vyapti and vyaptigraha, svarthanumana, parathanumana, analysis of pancavayavi-nyaya; classification of linga ,classification of paksata, sapaksata, vipaksata, marks of sadhetu, laksana of hetvabhasa, kinds of hetvabhasa with examples, upadhi and its kinds.
- D. Upamiti and upamana.
- E. Arthapatti-controversy between Naiyayikas and Mimamsakas. Arguments for recognizing Arthapatti. Rejection of *arthapatti* and *anupalabdhi* as presented in Tarkasamgrahadipika

Suggested Readings:

Indian Logic

English:

- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika--Annambhatta : Tr. and annotated in English by Gopinath Bhattacharya
- Tarkasamgraha: M.R. Bodas & Y.V. Athalye (tr. & ed.)
- A Primer of Indian Logic: Kuppuswami Shastri

Bengali:

- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika --Annambhatta: Annotated in Bengali by Narayan Chandra Goswami,
- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika --Annambhatta : Translated in Bengali by Indira Mukhopadhyay,
- Bengali Translation of *Nyayakusumanjali* by Pandit Srimohana Bhattacharya (paschimbanga Rajya Pustak Parishad)
- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Translated and annotated in Bengali by Pancanan Shastri

Sem-4

PHIL 403: Paper Major-10 Philosophy of Mind 35+15 Marks

- A. Philosophical Psychology : Definition, nature and scope.
- B. Methods of Psychology: Introspection, Observation and Experimental Methods-
limitations
- C. Psychological processes:
Perception: Classical approach: Helmholtz, Gestalt approach: Wertheimer,
Koffka& Kohler, Gibsonian approach.
Memory: Theories about short-term memory, long-term memory, Atkinson-
Shiffrin model and Tulving's model of episodic, semantic and procedural
memory, forgetting
Learning : Thorndike's connectionism, Pavlov's classical conditioning, Skinner's
operant conditioning, Gestalt theory, J. Piaget's theory of cognitive development
- D. Aspects of developmental psychology: sensory, emotional, cognitive, social and
linguistic
- E. Consciousness: Levels of mind—Conscious, Sub-conscious, Unconscious, proofs
for the existence of Unconscious, Freud's theory of Dream.

Suggested Readings:

Philosophical Psychology

English:

- Seven Psychologies by Heidebreder
- A Book on Psychology by Benjamin B. Wohman
- A Textbook of Psychology: Pareshnath Bhattacharya
- Introduction to Psychology: G.T. Morgan
- A Modern Introduction to Psychology: Rex Knight & M. Knight
- A Manual of Psychology: G.F. Stout
- Psychology: Woodworth & Marquis
- General Psychology: G.D. Boaz
- General Psychology: G. Murphy
- Psychology: W. James
- A Textbook of Psychology: E.B. Titchener
- Introduction to Psychology: N.L. Munn
- Developmental Psychology: E.B. Harlock

- Cognition : M.W. Matlin (5th ed.)
- Theories of Learning : E.R.Hilgard & G.H. Bower (3rd ed.)
- Theories in Contemporary Psychology : M. Marx & F. Goodman
- Psychology- An Introduction : A.F. Wittig & G. Williams

Bengali:

- Monovidya: Priti Bhushan Chattopadhyay
- Monovidya: Pareshnath Bhattacharya
- Monovidya: Ira Sengupta
- Monovidya: Samarendra Bhattacharya
- Monosamikksha: M. N. Mitra o Pushpa Mishra
- Monovijana Prasanga: Saradindu Bandyopadhyay
- Adhunik Monovijana: Ira Sengupta
- Shikshashrayi Monovidya: Sushil Roy
- Monodarshan: Arabinda Basu o Nibedita Chakraborty

Sem-5

PHIL 501: Paper Major-11

Epistemology & Metaphysics [western] 35+15 Marks

An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis—John Hospers (Ch. 2,5,6,8)

Knowledge

- Concepts, Truth, the sources of knowledge.
- Some principal uses of the verb “To know”, Conditions of propositional knowledge; strong and weak senses of “know”.
- Our knowledge of the Physical World: Realism, Idealism, Phenomenalism.

Some Metaphysical Problems

- Substance
- Universal
- Mind and Body
- Cause

Suggested Readings:

Epistemology & Metaphysics (Western)

English:

- The Problem of Knowledge: A.J. Ayer

- Language, Truth and Logic: A.J. Ayer
- Readings in Philosophical Analysis: J. Hospers
- Theory of Knowledge: A.J. Woozley
- Concept of Mind: G.Ryle

Bengali:

- Darshanik Jijnasa (Bagarthatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva-Jnaner Svarup): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Jijnasa (Paratattva o Bhauto Jagater Jnan): Ramaprasad Das
- Darshanik Bishlesaner Ruparekha: Samarikanta Samanta

Sem-5

PHIL 502: Paper Major-12

Verbal Knowledge- Indian Perspective 35+15 Marks

A. Recommended Text: Tarkasamgraha-Dipika (selections):

Sabdabodha and Sabda, Nyaya analysis of sakti, controversy regarding the nature of sakti between Nyaya and Mimamsa schools ; laksana, its varieties; gaunivrtti, vyanjanavrtti analysed either as a kind of sakti or as a kind of laksana. The issue of laksana-bija; conditions of sabda-bodha; two kinds of statements-vaidika and laukika.

Suggested Readings:

(Philosophy of Language[Indian])

English:

- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika- Annambhatta: Tr. and annotated by Gopinath Bhattacharya
- Tarkasamgraha: M.R. Bodas & Y.V. Athalye (tr. & ed.)

Bengali:

- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika-- Annambhatta: Annotated by Narayan Chandra Goswami
- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika- Annambhatta: Tr. by Indira Mukhopadhyay
- Tarkasamgraha with Dipika-- Annambhatta: Tr. and annotated by Panchanan Shastri
- Vivaranaprameyasamgraha: Mimamsa-upakramanika(1st Part) : Asoke Kumar Gangopadhyay

Sem-5

PHIL 503: Paper Major-13 Western Logic 35+15 Marks

1. Stroke and dagger ,Truth-tree method
R.Jeffery: Formal Logic—Its scope and Limits (first edn.) [Ch.IV]:
2. Indirect and Conditonal proofs, Strengthened Rule of Conditional Proof.
I.M. Copi: Symbolic Logic [Ch.8.5 & 3.5-3.7]:

Suggested Readings:

IV. Western Logic

- Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive: Chhanda Chakraborty
- Logic: Stan Baronett & Madhuchhanda Sen
- Logic- A First Course: A.E. Blumberg
- Sanktetik Yuktivijnan (Vakyakalan O Vidheyakalan): Ramaprasad Das
- Yukhtivaijnanik Paddhati: Ramaprasad Das
- Samsad Yuktivijnan Abhidhan: Ramaprasad Das o Subirranjan Bhattacharya

Sem. 5

PHIL 581: Paper Sessional 1 50 Marks

Presentation/seminar/work shop

Sem. 5

PHIL 582: Paper Sessional 2 50 Marks

Presentation/seminar/work shop

Sem-6

PHIL 601: Paper Major-14

Philosophy of Religion 35+15 Marks

A. Nature of Philosophy of Religion

- i) Introductory :Definition, Nature and Scope of Philosophy of Religion
- ii) Origin and development of Religion: Anthropolical and Psychological theories
- iii) Types of Religion- Tribal, National and Universal religion.
- iv) Grounds of Belief in God- Cosmological, Teleological, and Ontological arguments
- v) Grounds of Disbelief in God-Sociological Theory and Freudian Theory.
- iv) The peculiarity of Religious Language- Different Theories.
- v) Relation of Philosophy of Religion to Theology and Philosophy.

Suggested Readings:

- Miall Edwards- Philosophy of Religion
- John Hick- Philosophy of Religion
- Caird
- Laird
- Pringle Pattison
- Dilip Kumar Mohanta-Dharmadarshaner
- Katipay-Ramasya
- Pritibhashan Chatterjee- Studies in Comparative Religion.

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PHIL 602: Paper Major-15 Applied Ethics 35+15 Marks

A. Sanctity of Life

- (i) Euthanasia
- (ii) Suicide
- (iii) Animal Killing

B. Human Rights: Nature and value of Human Rights—Different forms of discrimination, poverty and childlabour.

C. War and Violence: Terrorism

D. Environment and Man

- (i) Introduction
- (ii) Anthropocentricism and non-anthropocentricism
- (ii) Deep Ecology and shallow ecology
- (iii) Moral attitude towards the environment and animals

Suggested Readings:

- Ethics-Theory and Practice: J. Thiroux
- Ethics-Theory and Practice: Y.V. Satyanaryan
- Philosophical Ethics-An Introduction to Moral Philosophy: T.L. Beauchamp (ed.)

- Practical Ethics: Peter Singer
- Applied Ethics: Peter Singer (ed.)
- A Companion to Ethics: Peter Singer
- A Companion to Bio-Ethics: Peter Singer & H. Kuhse (eds.)
- Life and Death-Philosophical Essays in Bio-medical Ethics: Dan W. Brock
- Just and Unjust Wars: M. Walzer
- On War and Morality: R. L. Holmes
- Terrorism: W. Laquer
- The Anatomy of Terrorism: D.E. Long
- Identity and Violence: Amartya Sen
- Ethics in Practice-An Anthology: Hugh Lafollette (ed.)
- A Companion to Applied Ethics: P. Singer & M. Slote (eds.)
- Applied Ethics-A Reader: E.R. Winkler & J.R. Coombs (eds.)
- Human Rights, Gender and the Environment: Manisha Preya, Krishna Menon, Madhulika Banerjee
- Byabaharik Nitishastra: Dikshit Gupta
- Nitividyar Tattvakatha: Somnath Chakraborty
- Vyavaharik Nitividyaya-Peter Singer: Pardip Kumar Roy (tr.)
- Prayogik Nitividyaya: A.S.M. Abdul Khalek

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PHIL 603: Paper Major-16 Western Logic 35+15 Marks

1. The Method of Existential Conditional
W.V.O. Quine: Methods of Logic (third edn.) [Ch.s 18, 19]
2. Intuitive Set Theory
P. Suppes: Introduction to Logic (Indian edn.) [Ch.9, Section 9.1 to 9.7]

Suggested Readings:
IV. Western Logic

- Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive: Chhanda Chakraborty
- Logic: Stan Baronett & Madhuchhanda Sen
- Logic- A First Course: A.E. Blumberg
- Sanktetik Yuktivijnan (Vakyakalan O Vidheyakalan): Ramaprasad Das
- Yukhtivaijnani Paddhati: Ramaprasad Das
- Samsad Yuktivijnan Abhidhan: Ramaprasad Das o Subirranjan Bhattacharya

Sem. 6

PHIL 681: Paper Sessional 3 50 Marks

Presentation/seminar/work shop

Sem. 6

PHIL 682: Paper Sessional 4 50 Marks

Presentation/seminar/work shop.