



**M.A.PROGRAMME- M.A.-Philosophy**

**Semester Wise Proposed Credit Distribution Pattern for the Academic Year 2022-23**

Semester-I	Credits	Teach. Hrs	Semester-II	Credits	Teach. Hrs	Semester-III	Credits	Teach. Hrs	Semester-IV	Credits	Teach. Hrs	Grand Total
Core-Paper-I	5	5	Core-Paper-I	5	5	Core-Paper	5	5	Core Paper-I	5	5	80 Credits
Core Paper-II	5	5	Core-Paper-II	5	5	Core Paper	5	5	Core Paper-II	5	5	
Core-Paper-III	5	5	Core-Paper-III	5	5	Elective-I-A B	4	4+4	Elective-III A B	4	4+4	
Core-Paper-IV	5	5	Core-Paper-IV	5	5	Elective-II A B	4	4+4	Project Work	6	6	
			Seminar			Seminar	2	2				
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>		<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>		<b>20</b>	<b>28</b>		<b>20</b>	<b>24</b>	

**M.A.- Philosophy - Semester-I**

SL. No.	Course	Paper-Theory	Teach. Hrs	Credits
1	Core Paper-I-101	History of Western Philosophy	5	5
2	Core Paper- II -102	History of Indian Philosophy	5	5
3	Core Paper-III-103	Moral Philosophy	5	5
4	Core Paper-IV-104	Logic & Epistemology	5	5
	<b>Total</b>		<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>

**\*Please Note- Each Semester Paper- Internals-30 Marks- Each Paper Semester End University Exam-70 Marks -Total 100 Marks Each Paper (Each Semester) 20 Credits-Total Four Semesters- 80 Credits – Core Papers 5 Units -Each Paper -Each Semester -Electives-4 Units Internals-Each paper Semester Wise Model/Pattern-5 Short Questions- 5x 2 (10 Marks) - Plus – 2 Long Questions-2 x 10 ( 20 Marks )- 30 Marks ( Average of both internals plus II Assignments -5 Marks plus 5 Marks -concept questions- 10 Marks)-Total Each Paper Internals-Total 30 Marks**  
**Main End University Exam-Each Paper Exam Model/Pattern-Core Papers-Part-A- Mandatory Short Answer Questions- Part-A-5 X 4 Marks-Total-20-Marks- Part-B-Essay Type Questions with Internal choice- 5 x 10 Marks -Total-70 Marks -Electives Part-A-Mandatory Short Answer Questions Part-A- 4 x 5 Marks -Total-20 Marks- Part-B-Essay Type Questions with Internal choice- 5 x 10 Marks - Total-70 Marks**  
**Project Work -in IV-Semester-6 Credits- Two Parts ( II ) Preferably hand written around -75 Pages**  
**Part-1-Internals-25 Marks-Research Design-1-Credit,25 Marks-Progress-1 Credit-Total-50 Marks**  
**Part-II- Dissertation-25 Marks -1 Credit – Final Presentation – 2 credits – 50 marks and Viva-Voce- 25 Marks-1 Credit -Total-100 Marks-Part-I & Part-II-Total-150 Marks-6 Credits**



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SYLLABUS  
M.A. (PHILOSOPHY) I – SEMESTER

PAPER – 101 – HISTORY OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHY – I

Unit - I

- a) Introduction to Philosophy
- b) Origin and Development of Early Greek thought
- c) Problem of Substance: Thales, Anaximander and Anaximanes.
- d) Pythagoras and his school.

Unit - II

- a) Problem of Being and Becoming. Heraclitus – concept of change. Parmenides – concepts of Being.
- b) Zeno – Paradoxes of Space and Time.
- c) The Age of Sophists – Protagoras and Gorgias.
- d) The Atomism of Democritus.

Unit. III

- a) Socratic problem and method
- b) Socratic influence and later Greek Philosophy
- c) Plato and his problem – Dialectics and theory of knowledge  
Doctrine of Ideas.
- d) Hierarchy of the sciences. The vision of just society

Unit. IV

- a) Aristotle – Philosophy and the Sciences
- b) Metaphysics
- c) Theory of Causation
- d) Matter and form

Unit.V

- a) Neo – Plotinus theory of Emanation
- b) The rise of Medieval Philosophy – The development of Christian Theology.
- c) The problem of Scholasticism – Faith and reason
- d) The spirit of Renaissance – Humanism and Revolt against authority.

**BOOKS RECOMMENDED :**

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| 1. | Frank Thilly | : A History of Philosophy                      |
| 2. | B.Russell    | : A History of Western Philosophy              |
| 3. | F.Ceppleston | : A History of Philosophy                      |
| 4. | B.A.G.Fuller | : A History of Philosophy                      |
| 5. | H.Hoffding   | : A.History of Modern Philosophy Vol.I & II    |
| 6. | O.J.Conner   | : Critical History of Western Philosophy An    |
| 7. | Stace.W.T.   | : Introduction to Greek Philosophy Early Greek |
| 8. | Bernal I     | : Philosophy                                   |



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PAPER – 102 – HISTORY OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY – I

Unit. I

- a) The basic characteristics of Indian Philosophy
- b) Sources of Indian Philosophy  
The Vedas: Religious Ideas,  
Rituals, Philosophical concepts.
- c) The Upanishads : Transitions to the Upanishads,  
Central problems of Upanishads,  
Nature of world.
- d) The Bhagavad Gita : The concept of Avatar,  
The three yogas.

Unit. II

- a) Study of Nastika School
- b) Indian Materialism of Carvaka
- c) Theory of knowledge (Ephistemolgy)
- d) Metaphysics and Ethics

Unit. III

- a) Jainism – Theory of knowledge  
Anekantavada : Syadvada
- b) Metaphysics – Dravya – Guna – nature of substance and its  
classification.
- c) Jiva – bondage and liberation
- d) Jaina ethics –  
anuvratas and mahavratas

Unit. IV

- a) Buddhism – Four noble truths (Arya Satyas)
- b) Pratitya Samutpada (depended origination) and Ksanabhangavada –  
Anatmavada
- c) Philosophical schools of Buddhism – Madhyamika School  
Sunnyavada – Yogacara School of Subjective Idealism – Savtrantika  
School of Representationism – Vaibhaslika School of Bahya pralyasha.
- d) Religions Schools of Buddhism – Mahayana and Hinayana

Unit.V

- a) Study of the Astika Schools – Nyaya – 16 categories
- b) Prama – Pratyaksa – Anumana - Upamana
- c) Theory of causation ( Arambhavada)
- d) Theology – the individual Self and its Liberation.

**BOOKS RECOMMENDED :**

1. Chatel : iee. S & DM. Dutta, : An Introduction to Indian Philosophy
2. Das.Gupta.SM : A History of Indian Philosophy Vol. I to V
2. Nanyana : Essentials of Indian Philosophy





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PAPER – 103 – MORAL PHILOSOPHY – I

- Unit. I Ethics and Ethical Reasoning
- Introduction : What is Ethics? The Problem of Definition
  - The Nature of Ethics – Is Ethics a part of Science or a part of Philosophy
  - The scope of Ethics – Why study Ethics?
  - Morality and moral reasoning
- Unit. II Relation of Ethics to other Sciences
- Ethics as compared with other Normative Sciences – Logic and Aesthetics
  - Ethics and Psychology – Analysis of the nature of volition and spring of action – Habit – Conduct and Character
  - Ethics and Politics The Government and the moral standards – The nature of the Moral laws and the political laws
  - Ethics and Religion – Moral Ideal and question of the Ultimate Reality Postulates of morality
- Unit. III Moral Judgement
- The Nature of Moral Judgement
  - Theories of Punishment – Reformatory theory of Punishment
  - Retributive theory of Punishment
  - Deterrent theory of Punishment
- Unit. IV Ethical Relativism
- Subjective Ethical Relativism – Psychological and Ethical Egoism
  - Utilitarianism – The greatest Happiness principle – Jeremy Bentham and maxims of Morality
  - Kant's Moral theory – The Good Will : The categorical imperative The maxims of Morality
  - Perfectionism – The Ethics of Personality – Self realization as the Highest good.
- Unit.V Development of moral Thought in Indian Philosophy
- Distinction between caste and varna
  - Varna ashram Vyavastha – Ashrama dharmas – Brahmacharya Grahasta – Vanaprastha and Sanyasa
  - Doctrine of Purusharthas 1) Dharma 2) Artha 3) Kama 4) Moksha
  - Ethics of Gita - Nishkama Karma and concept of Sthitapraina

**BOOKS RECOMMENDED :**

- Jadunath Sinha : Manual of Ethics
- Harold T. Titus : Ethics of today
- Sri.W.David Ross : Foundation of Ethics
- Surshi Kumar Maritra : The Ethics of Hindus Ethical



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M.A. (PHILOSOPHY) I – SEMESTER

PAPER – 104 - LOGIC AND EPISTEMOLOGY

- Unit. I Nature of Logic
- Definition of Logic – Deductive and Inductive branches in Logic. Logic as a Formal Science – Logic as the Science of Sciences.
  - Utility of logic
  - Logic and its relation with other Sciences. Logic and Language Psychology, Mathematics.
  - Fundamental Laws of thought
- Unit. II Proposition Constituents of Proposition
- Definition of Proposition, Proposition and Sentence
  - Traditional classification of Proposition
  - Opposition of Propositions
  - Distribution of terms, Euler's circle.
- Unit. III Syllogism
- Nature and structure of Syllogism
  - General rules of Syllogism
  - Classification of Syllogism
  - Figures and modes of Syllogism
- Unit. IV Problems of Induction – History of Inductive method: Kinds of Induction
- Perfect Induction
  - Unscientific induction
  - Scientific induction
  - Induction In Analogy
- Analogy and simple enumeration value of analogy – false analogy, Importance of analogy and soundness of analogical arguments.
- Unit. V Hypothesis: Meaning of Hypothesis. Nature and origin of hypothesis.
- Forms of hypothesis
  - Conditions of good hypothesis
  - Verification of hypothesis
  - Place of hypothesis in Science.

**BOOKS RECOMMENDED :**

- Copi, LM : Introduction to Logic
- A.S.Stebbing : A modern introduction to logic
- Cohen & Nagel : Logic and scientific method
- Minto : Logic, Deductive and Inductive
- J.M.Kenays : Formal logic