

# Department of English

## BA (Hons.) English

### Category I

[UG Programme for Bachelor in English (Honours) degree in three years]

#### DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE -1 (DSC-1) – : Introduction to Literary Studies

#### CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
DSC 1: Introduction to Literary Studies	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English	NIL

#### Learning Objectives

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3. Kaul, A.N. 'A New Province of Writing,' *The Domain of the Novel: Reflections on Some Historical Definitions*. Routledge, 2021. pp 20-36

### **UNIT – II (20 Hours)**

#### **UNIT II: Reading Poetry**

1. John Milton: 'On His Blindness'
2. William Wordsworth: 'Composed Upon Westminster Bridge'
3. Emily Dickinson: '341 After Great Pain'
4. Rabindranath Tagore: 'Where the Mind is Without Fear'
5. Ferguson, Margaret, Mary Jo Salter and Jon Stallworthy, 'Versification and Poetic Syntax', *The Norton Anthology of Poetry, 5th edition*. NY and London: W.W. Norton & Company, 2005. pp 2021 – 2065

### **UNIT – III (20 Hours)**

#### **UNIT III: Reading Drama**

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2. Watson, G.J. 'The Nature of Drama', *Drama: An Introduction* (London: Macmillan, 1983)
3. Tanvir, Habib. *It Must Flow: A Life in Theatre*  
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**Practical component (if any) - NIL**

**Essential/recommended readings-** as listed in the units

#### **Suggestive readings:**

1. Hudson, William Henry. *An Introduction to the Study of Literature*. New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers and distributors 1998, 2006.
2. Booth, Wayne C. *The Rhetoric of Fiction*. University of Chicago Press, 1983.
3. King, Bruce. 'Introduction', *Modern Indian Poetry in English*. New Delhi: OUP, 2nd edn. 2005.
4. Dharwadker, A.B. *Theatres of Independence: Drama, theory and urban performance in India since 1947*. University of Iowa Press, 2009

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## DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE – 2 (DSC-2): European Classical Literature

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Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
DSC 2- European Classical Literature	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English	NIL

### Learning Objectives:

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- To offer students a basic understanding of the mode of thought and understanding in classical Europe and contextualize the western classical texts within literary studies in a scholarly manner.

### Learning outcomes:

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying this course, students will be able to gain an understanding of the classical, that is valuable in itself and as a frame of reference for subsequent periods of literary studies

## SYLLABUS OF DSC- 2

### UNIT – I (20 Hours)

- Homer: *The Odyssey*

### UNIT – II (20 Hours)

- Aristotle: *Poetics*
- Sophocles: *Antigone*

### UNIT – III (20 Hours)

- Aristophanes: *Lysistrata*

**Practical component (if any) - NIL**

**Essential/recommended readings-** as listed in the units

**Suggestive readings** (if any):

1. Plato, 'Book X', *The Republic*. tr. Desmond Lee, London: Penguin, 2007.
2. Horace, 'Ars Poetica', *Horace: Satires, Epistles and Ars Poetica*. tr. H. Rushton Fairclough, Cambridge Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2005.

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## DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE– 3 (DSC-3): Indian Classical Literature

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Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
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Indian Classical Literature	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English	NIL

### Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- To offer students a foundational understanding of Indian classical literary tradition.
- To introduce students to a rich and diverse literature from two classical languages of India, Sanskrit and Tamil.

### Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying this course, students will be able to gain knowledge of the aesthetic and cultural values that serve as the groundwork for later developments in Indian philosophical and social change.

## SYLLABUS OF DSC-3

### UNIT – I (20 Hours)

1. Vyasa. Selections from *The Mahabharata*, from *The Mahabharata of Krishna-Dwaipayana Vyasa*, trans. K. M. Ganguli (Delhi: Munshiram Manoharlal Publishers, 2012).

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- c) 'Krishna's Peace Proposal', Book 5, Udyog Parva, Section LXXXIX-CXXXI

### UNIT – II (20 Hours)

1. Kalidasa. *Abhijnanasakuntalam*, trans. Chandra Rajan, in *Kalidasa: The Loom of Time*. Penguin Classics, 1989, reprint 2000.

### UNIT – III (20 Hours)

1. Ilango Atikal. 'The Book of Vanci', *Cilappatikaram*. trans. R. Parthasarathy (Columbia University Press, 1993; Penguin Books India, 2004).

**Practical component (if any) - NIL**

**Essential/recommended readings-** as listed in the units

#### **Suggestive readings:**

1. Bharata Muni. Selections from *Natyasastra*. (i) Chapter 6, 'The Sentiments'; (ii) Chapter 20, 'Ten Kinds of Play'; (iii) Chapter 35, 'Characteristics of the Jester', trans. Manomohan Ghosh, Calcutta: Asiatic Society of Bengal, 1951. pp105-17; 355-74; 548-50
2. Osho. Selections from *Krishna: The Man and His Philosophy*. (i) Krishna is Complete and Whole (ii) Draupadi: A Rare Woman (iii) Action, Inaction and Non-Action (iv) Rituals, Fire and Knowledge, Delhi: Jaico Publishing House, 1991.
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## **BA (PROG) WITH ENGLISH AS MAJOR**

### **Category II**

**(Discipline Specific Courses for Undergraduate Programme of study with ENGLISH(Major) as one of the Core Disciplines)**

#### **DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE (DSC-1): Introduction to Literary Studies**

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