

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

BA (Hons.) Philosophy

Category-I

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE -1 (DSC-1) – : Introduction to Philosophy

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		
Introduction to Philosophy DSC 1	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII	Nil

Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- This course introduces the basic areas of philosophy, like metaphysics, epistemology, ethics, aesthetics, social and political philosophy etc.
- Questions like What is reality?, what is good and what is bad?, what is beautiful ? What is justice? What is science and scientific temper? Etc will be raised/discussed in the course
- The course aims at comprehensive view of philosophy and its branches

Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying the course, the student will be able to comprehend nature and scope of the course
- Apart from the subject matter of ethics, aesthetics, and social political philosophy, the student will also learn about the relation between philosophy and science and about the inculcation of the scientific temper for doing further research in philosophy.
- The student will be well prepared to tackle questions of philosophy after taking this course.

SYLLABUS OF DSC-1

UNIT I What is Philosophy?

(16 Hours)

1. Philosophy, *Darsana, Anviksiki, Tattva*

2. Classifications of Philosophy

“What is Philosophy” (pp. 1-5), “Divisions of Philosophy”, (pp. 13-15, in Moore, Brooke Noel and Bruder, Kenneth (2010). *Philosophy: The Power of Ideas*. McGraw-Hill
“Introduction” (pp. 1-10) by Bertrand Russell, *History of Western Philosophy*, RKP,
“General Introduction” (1-12) in Ramakrishna Puligandla’s *Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy*, D K Printworld, 2008
Kautīlya. (2003). *Arthaśāstra*, Book 1, section 1-3, *The Kautīlya Arthaśāstra-*, trans. R. P. Kangle, (Bombay University : 1972), reprint, Delhi: 2003, Motilal Banarasi Dass Publishers.

UNIT II Metaphysics and Epistemology

(16 Hours)

1. The Question of Existence
2. Different views of reality
3. Knowledge and Belief

Kristie Miller: What is Metaphysics? (193-209)

Duncan Pritchard: What is Knowledge? (123-133)

Prescribed Text: Duncan Pritchard : What is this thing called Philosophy? (RKP, 2015)

UNIT III Ethics and Aesthetics

(16 Hours)

1. The basis of right and wrong
2. Aesthetics: art and its objects

Michael Brady: What is Ethics? (3- 6)

Kathleen Stock: What is Art? (81-93)

Prescribed Text: Duncan Pritchard: What is this thing called Philosophy? (RKP, 2015)

UNIT IV Social and Political Philosophy and Philosophy of Science

(16 Hours)

1. Social Contract
2. Justice
3. Scientific Temper

Thom Brooks “What is Justice” (52-65)

Chattopadhyaya, D. P. (1990). Defending the Scientific Temper. *India International Centre Quarterly*, 17(3/4), 42–57. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/23002452>

Prescribed Text: Duncan Pritchard : What is this thing called Philosophy? (RKP, 2015)

Essential Readings/Recommended Readings

Pritchard, Duncan (ed.) (2015). *What is This Thing Called Philosophy?*. Routledge.

Appiah, Anthony (2003). *Thinking It Through: An Introduction to Contemporary Philosophy*. Oxford University Press.

Blackburn, Simon (1999). *Think: A Compelling Introduction to Philosophy*. Oxford University Press.

Moore, Brooke Noel and Bruder, Kenneth (2010). *Philosophy: The Power of Ideas*. McGraw-Hill.

Suggestive readings

Perry, John ;Bratman, Michael & Fischer, John Martin (2009). *Introduction to Philosophy: Classical and Contemporary Readings, Fourth Edition, International Edition*. OUP USA.

Pojman, Louis P. &Fieser, James (eds.) (2007). *Introduction to Philosophy: Classical and Contemporary Readings*. Oxford University Press.

Strawson, Peter (1992). *Analysis and Metaphysics: An Introduction to Philosophy*. Oxford University Press.

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DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE – 2 (DSC-2): Logic

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		
Logic DSC 2	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII	Nil

Learning Objectives

- This course primarily helps in developing one’s skill in correct reasoning or argumentation.
- It trains the student to construct good and sound arguments rejecting the vague and unsound ones at any point of time and situation.

Learning Outcomes:

- Helps in sharpening the reasoning and argumentation skills of a learner and simultaneously helps in identifying the flaws.
- Enhances the analytical skills, so that one can resolve the difficult issues and finally arrives at a reasonable solution.
- Helps in good scoring for a better rank in form of result.

Unit I Basic Concepts in Logic

12 Hours

1. Proposition and Sentence
2. Arguments: Deductive and Inductive
3. Truth, Validity and Soundness

1. Copi, Irving M., Carl Cohen, and Kenneth McMahon. *Introduction to Logic*. 14th ed. Delhi: Pearson, 2016. pp. 1-33.

Unit II Traditional Logic

24 Hours

1. Categorical Propositions: Quality, Quantity and Distribution of Terms
2. The Traditional Square of Opposition, Existential Import
3. Immediate Inferences- Conversion, Obversion and Contraposition
4. Translating Ordinary Language Sentences into Standard Logical Form

1. Copi, Irving M., Carl Cohen, and Kenneth McMahon. *Introduction to Logic*. 14th ed. Delhi: Pearson, 2016. pp. 167-250.

Unit III Categorical Syllogisms

24 Hours

1. Moods and Figures
2. Rules of Syllogism and Syllogistic Fallacies
3. Determining Validity/Invalidity using rules of Syllogism
4. Determining Validity/Invalidity using Venn Diagrams

1. Copi, Irving M., Carl Cohen, and Kenneth McMahon. *Introduction to Logic*. 14th ed. Delhi: Pearson, 2016. pp. 211-254.

Essential/Recommended Readings

Copi, Irving M., Carl Cohen, and Kenneth McMahon. *Introduction to Logic*. 14th ed. Delhi: Pearson, 2016.

Suggestive Readings:

Jain, Krishna. *A Textbook of Logic*. New Delhi: D.K. Printworld, 2018.

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DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE – 3 (DSC-3): Indian Philosophy

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		
Indian Philosophy DSC 3	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII	Nil

Learning Objectives

- In this course the focus will be on interactive learning where students will engage themselves into rigorous and an analytical examination of key concepts in a manner that enables them for contemporary engagement and reflection . Hence there will be a focus on the dialectical and analytical method to understand Indian philosophy.
- The aim is to make students familiar with and develop a clear understanding of the major concepts such as the Śruti and Smṛiti, Karma, Jñāna and Bhakti in different systems of Indian Philosophy and Śreyas and Preyas in Kathopanishad . It will also show the problems which arise in translating the Sanskrit terms to English, for example dharma as translated as religion within Indian Philosophical studies.
- Debate amongst the schools regarding the nature of the self will enhance various perspectives and further increase students understanding of Indian Philosophical systems and their philosophy.
- Improved critical reading of the texts, their rational and logical understanding, and writing abilities.
- Finally it will give a holistic development of their personality.

Learning Outcomes

- Students will understand the richness of Indian Intellectual Traditions through basic concepts such as Śruti and Smṛiti, Karma, Jñāna and Bhakti, Śreyas and Preyas and Students will appreciate the Indian Metaphysics of various ancient Indian schools such as Cārvāka, Buddhism, Jainism, Sāṅkhya, Pūrva-Mīmāṃsā and Vedānta, which will help them to understand and appreciate different perspectives within the society at large.
- Students will learn to develop scientific, logical and rational inquiry for understanding the systems.
- Students will be able to do a comparative analysis of all systems which will further enhance their debating skills.
- Students will develop the ability to think critically and to read and analyse scientific literature.

- Students will develop strong oral and written communication skills through the effective presentation of Projects, Quiz as well as through Seminars.

UNIT I Introduction to Indian Philosophy

12 Hours

1. Historical overview
1. Rise of Systems
2. Origins of Indian Philosophy

J.N.Mohanty, *Classical Indian Philosophy*, Lanham: Rowman and Little field,1999, pp.1-10.

A.K.Warder, *A Course in Indian Philosophy*, Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass Publishers,2018, pp.4-11

UNIT II Outlines of Indian Philosophy Hours

16

1. Distinction between *Śruti* and Smṛiti.
2. Distinction between Dharma and Religion.
3. Emphasis on *Karma* (Action), *Jñāna* (Knowledge) and *Bhakti* (Devotion) : An Understanding of different Indian Philosophical Schools
4. Śreyas and Preyas with reference to *Kaṭha Upaniṣad*.

1. Dasgupta, S.N. (2004), *A History of Indian Philosophy*, Vol. 1, Motilal Banarasi Das Publications, Delhi.

2. Radhakrishnan, S. Moore, (1967) CA, *A Sourcebook in Indian Philosophy*, Princeton.

3. Raju, P.T. (1985) *Structural Depths of Indian Thought*, NY Albany: State University of New York Press.

4. *Kaṭha Upaniṣad*

UNIT III Indian Metaphysics

20 Hours

- 1 Four Noble Truths (catvariayasatyanī), Doctrine of Dependent Origination (Pratityasamutpada) and Doctrine of Momentariness (Kshanabhangavada) in Buddhism. Prakṛti, Purusa and Parinamvada of Sankhya School.
- 2 Pūrva- Mīmāṃsā theory of Karma (Apuṛva)
- 3 Indian school of Materialism (Cārvāka, Early Sankhya, Atomism of Vaisesika)

1. Hiriyanna, M: (1951), *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*, London: Allen & Unwin

2. Dasgupta, S.N. (2004), *A History of Indian Philosophy*, Vol. 1, Motilal Banarasi Das Publications, Delhi

3. Chatterjee, S.C. & D.M. Datta (1984), *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*, reprint, University of Calcutta.

4. M.N.Roy, *Materialism in Indian Philosophy*, Delhi: Critical Quest ,2017, Pp1-22(Selections from Materialism: An Outline of the History of Scientific Thought
5. Bhattacharya, Ramkrishna. “Materialism in India: A Synoptic View.” Retrieved 27 July 2012.<http://www.carvaka4india.com/2011/08/materialism-in-india-synoptic-view.html>

UNIT IV Indian Epistemology

20 Hours

1. Syādvāda of Jainism
 2. Prama and Pramana distinction with reference to Nyāya theory of Perception.
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1. Chatterjee, S.C. (2008), *Nyāya Theory of Knowledge*, Delhi, Bharatiya Kala Prakashan.
 2. Sharma, C.D. (2003) *Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*, Delhi: MotilalBanarsidass
 3. Stevenson, S.1951. *The Heart of Jainism*. London: Oxford University Press.
 4. Shastri, Haridatta, *BhartiyaDarshanKaItihas*.(Hindi)
 5. Upadhaya, Baldeva. *BhartiyaDarshan* (Hindi), Banaras.

Essential/recommended Readings

1. Hiriyanna, M: (1951), *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*, London: Allen & Unwin
2. Dasgupta, S.N. (2004), *A History of Indian Philosophy*, Vol. 1, MotilalBanarasiDas Publications, Delhi

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BA (Prog) with Philosophy as Major
Category II

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE (DSC-1): Philosophical Issues

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 Philosophical Issues	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII	Nil

Learning Objectives

- The primary objective of this course is to introduce the main philosophical issues to students
- It will encourage the students to think critically about some of the most important questions that philosophers ask
- It will also teach students how analytical and rigorous answers are possible to hard questions

Learning Outcomes

- By studying this course, a student should be able to demonstrate a clear understanding of the background the philosophical issues.
- They will acquire a good understanding of the key concepts of Indian schools as well as Western philosophy.
- They will have a sound understanding of epistemological, metaphysical, and ethical issues and shall be able to go for further studies in the subject.

Unit I Introduction

12 Hours

- What is Philosophy?
- What is a Philosophical Issue?
- Origins of Indian Philosophy

Moore, B. N., & Bruder, K. (2001). *Philosophy: The power of ideas* (5th ed.). New York: McGraw-Hill, pp. 1-5, 13-15
Warder, A K (2018). *A course in Indian Philosophy*, Motilal Banarsidass, Pg. 4-19

Unit II Metaphysical Issues

16 Hours

- What is metaphysics?
- Idea of Reality, Being, and Becoming

Laurence, Stephen and Cynthia Macdonald (eds.), 1998, *Contemporary Readings in the Foundations of Metaphysics*, Oxford: Blackwell.pp 1-21

Unit III. Epistemological Issues

12 Hours

- What is Knowledge?
- Prama, Prameya and Pramana

Lehrer, K. (1990). *Theory of knowledge*. Boulder, CO: Westview Press.pg 2-4

Puligandla, R. (2008). *Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy*, D K Printworld, pp. 184-191

Unit IV. Ethical Issues

20 Hours

- Morality and Ethics
- Buddhist Ethics

Rachels, J., & Rachels, S. (2012). "What is Morality?" In *The Elements of Moral Philosophy* 7e. McGraw Hill. pp 1 to 13

Keown, Damien (2018). "Buddhist Ethics", in Billimoria, Purushottama (ed.) (2018). *Routledge History of Indian Philosophy*. Routledge, pp. 496-505

Essential/recommended readings

Gupta, R.K., (1995), *Social Action and Non-violence*, ICPR, New Delhi.
Hiriyana, M. (1951), *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*, Allen & Unwin, London.
Kar, Bijayananda (1985), *Indian Philosophy*, Ajanta Publications, Delhi.
Keown, D. (1992), *The Nature of Buddhist Ethics*, Macmillan, London.

Lama, Dalai (1999), Ethics for the New Millennium, Riverhead Books, New York.
 O'Connor, D.J., (1964), Critical History of Western Philosophy, Free Press of Glencoe, London.
 Raju, P.T., (1971), The Philosophical Traditions of India, George Allen & Unwin ltd., London.

Suggestive Readings

Rao, V. Ramakrishna (1987), Selected Doctrines from Indian Philosophy, Mittal Publications, Delhi.

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DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE – 2 (DSC-2): Logic

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Prerequisites of the Course

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		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Logic DSC 2	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII	Nil

Learning Objective

- This course primarily helps in developing one's skill in correct reasoning or argumentation.
- It trains the student to construct good and sound arguments rejecting the vague and unsound ones at any point of time and situation.

Learning Outcomes

- Helps in sharpening the reasoning and argumentation skills of a learner and simultaneously helps in identifying the flaws.
- Enhances analytical skills so that one can resolve difficult issues and finally arrives at a reasonable solution.

Unit I Basic Logical Concepts

8 Hours

1. Proposition and Sentence
2. Deductive argument
3. Truth, Validity, and Soundness

Copi, Irving M., Carl Cohen, and Kenneth McMahon. *Introduction to Logic*. 14th ed. Delhi: Pearson, 2016. Ch 1-2.

Unit II Traditional Logic (A)

20 Hours

1. Terms and Distribution of terms
2. Categorical Propositions
3. Traditional Square of Opposition and Existential Import
4. Translating Ordinary Language Sentences into Standard form

Traditional Logic (B)

1. Immediate Inferences- Conversion, Obversion, and Contraposition
2. Categorical Syllogism: Figure and Mood
3. Syllogistic Rules and Fallacies
4. Venn Diagram

1. Copi, Irving M., Carl Cohen, and Kenneth McMahon. *Introduction to Logic*. 14th ed. Delhi: Pearson, 2016. Ch 5-7.

Unit III Symbolization Hours

20

1. Types of Truth functions: Negation, Conjunction, Disjunction (Alternation), Conditional (Implication), and Bi-Conditional (Equivalence)
2. Statements, Statement forms, and Logical status
3. Decision procedures: Truth table Method and Reductio ad Absurdum

1. Copi, Irving M., Carl Cohen, and Kenneth McMahon. *Introduction to Logic*. 14th ed. Delhi: Pearson, 2016. Ch 8.

Unit IV Indian Logic

12 Hours

1. Debate
2. Logic
3. Steps of Inference in Indian Logic

Warder, A K (2018). *A course in Indian Philosophy*, Motilal Banarsidass, Pg. 128-137 (“Debate and Logic”)

Essential/Recommended Readings

1. Copi, Irving M. *Introduction to logic*. 6th Ed. New York London: Macmillan Collier Macmillan, 1982. Ch5-7.
2. Ganeri, Jonardon (2001). *Indian Logic a Reader*. Psychology Press.

Suggestive Readings

- Jain, Krishna. *A Textbook of Logic*. New Delhi: D.K. Printworld, 2018.

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BA (Prog) with Philosophy as Non-Major
Category II

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE (DSC-1): Philosophical Issues

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 Philosophical Issues	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII	Nil

Learning Objectives

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Unit I Introduction

12 Hours

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- Origins of Indian Philosophy

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Warder, A K (2018). *A course in Indian Philosophy*, Motilal Banarsidass, Pg. 4-19

Unit II Metaphysical Issues

16 Hours

- What is metaphysics?
- Idea of Reality, Being, and Becoming

Laurence, Stephen and Cynthia Macdonald (eds.), 1998, *Contemporary Readings in the Foundations of Metaphysics*, Oxford: Blackwell.pp 1-21

Unit III. Epistemological Issues

12 Hours

- What is Knowledge?
- Prama, Prameya and Pramana

Lehrer, K. (1990). *Theory of knowledge*. Boulder, CO: Westview Press.pg 2-4

Puligandla, R. (2008). *Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy*, D K Printworld, pp. 184-191

Unit IV. Ethical Issues

20 Hours

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- Buddhist Ethics

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Keown, Damien (2018). "Buddhist Ethics", in Billimoria, Purushottama (ed.) (2018). *Routledge History of Indian Philosophy*. Routledge, pp. 496-505

Essential/recommended readings

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Hiriyana, M. (1951), *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*, Allen & Unwin, London.

Kar, Bijayananda (1985), *Indian Philosophy*, Ajanta Publications, Delhi.

Keown, D. (1992), *The Nature of Buddhist Ethics*, Macmillan, London.

Lama, Dalai (1999), Ethics for the New Millennium, Riverhead Books, New York.
O'Connor, D.J., (1964), Critical History of Western Philosophy, Free Press of Glencoe, London.
Raju, P.T., (1971), The Philosophical Traditions of India, George Allen & Unwin Ltd., London.

Suggestive Readings

Rao, V. Ramakrishna (1987), Selected Doctrines from Indian Philosophy, Mittal Publications, Delhi.

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COMMON POOL OF GENERIC ELECTIVE COURSES

Offered by Department of Philosophy

Category –IV

GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE-1): Ethics in Public Domain

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	Department offering the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice			
Ethics in Public Domain GE 1	4	3	1	0	Passed XII class	Nil	Philosophy

Learning Objectives

- The course aims to develop an ethical perspective on socio-political and even economic issues where the public discourses and debates are often bereft of ethical/moral considerations and are often plagued with objectivism and materialism.
- Through theoretical understanding of ethics and its practical application in daily life, it generates ethical awareness/sensitivity necessary for overall wellbeing and inspires the readers to contribute voluntarily to the society as a responsible member.

Learning Outcomes

- To equip the students with tools and techniques for handling socio political issues that affect them on individual / collective basis.
- Larger awareness of public issues and empathy with marginalised issues in society.
- Inculcate a sense of ethical responsibility and a vision to challenge the existing norms in need of change.

Unit I: Introduction to Ethics

12

Hours

1.Morality

*Rachel, James. "What is Morality?" In The Elements of Moral Philosophy. 1-14. McGraw-Hill, 2012.

2.Cultural Relativism

*Rachel, James. "The Challenge of Cultural Relativism." In The Elements of Moral Philosophy. 15-34. McGraw- Hill, 2012.

Unit II Structures of Inequality

16 Hours

1.Caste

*Ambedkar, B. R. "Castes in India: Their Mechanism, Genesis and Development." Paper presented at an Anthology Seminar, Columbia University, 1916.

2. Gender

*Beauvoir, Simone de. "The Married Woman." In *Second Sex*, vol. II, part two, chapter 5. USA: Vintage, 2011.

Unit III Freedom and Morality

16 Hours

*Sen, Amartya. "Freedom, Agency and Wellbeing." In *Inequality Re-examined*, 56-72. USA: First Harvard University Press, 1992.

Archard, David. "Privacy, the public interest and a prurient public. In *Media Ethics* edited Matthew Kieran, 82-96. USA; Canada: Routledge. 2014

Unit IV Animal Ethics

16 Hours

*Singer, Peter. "All Animals Are Equal." In *Ethics in Practice: An Anthology* edited by Hugh LaFollette, 107-115. USA; UK; Australia: Blackwell, 2004.

Essential/Recommended Readings

Frey, R. G. & Wellman, Christopher Heath (eds.) (2003). *A Companion to Applied Ethics*. Wiley-Blackwell.

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GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE-2: Technology and Ethics)

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	Department offering the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice			
Technology and Ethics GE 2	4	3	1	0	Passed XII class	Nil	Philosophy

Learning Objectives

- To enable students to ethically analyse the technological advancements which is a challenge for human kind in the light of ethical evaluation and implications of actions in the digital space.
- The studies aim to guide students to use technology responsibly. They will understand the development of technology and the importance of its ethical usage so that they become ethical citizens in a digital world.

Learning Outcomes

- Students' enhanced ability to analyse the impact of technology on social, political, economic and legal issues from an ethical point of view.

- They will responsibly function and lead the usage to technology so as to save society from its harmful effects.
- With an increased ethical sensitivity and an improved ethical judgment capacity, they will be expected to advocate for the best practices of technology with its ethical implications.

Unit I Ethical and Social Implications of Technology

16 Hours

- Ethical Issues in the Use of Technology
- Information Technology and Digital Divide

Veraszto, E. V., Freito, L. V. "Technology and Its Social Implications: Myths and Realities in the Interpretation of the Concept" *International Scholarly and Scientific Research & Innovation*, vol. 8, no 9, 2014, pp. 3015-19.

Floridi, L. (ed) *The Cambridge Handbook of Information and Computer Ethics*. Cambridge University Press. Cambridge . 2010. pp 116-131. 168-173.

Tavani, H. T. *Ethics and Technology*, (4th ed.) Wiley, 2004. pp. 303-309.

Unit II Biotechnology and Ethics

16 Hours

- Stem Cell Culture and its issues.

"Of Stem Cells Ethics" *Nature Cell Biology*, vol. 19, 2017. editorial pp. i. Also available at www.nature.com/articles/ncb3652.

Harris, J. (1997). "Goodbye Dolly?" The ethics of human cloning. *Journal of Medical Ethics* 23 (6):353-360.

Unit III Some Recent Considerations in Technology and its ethical implications (28 Hours)

1. Artificial Intelligence
2. Nano- technology

Tavani, H. T. *Ethics and Technology*, (4th ed.) Wiley, 2004. pp. 355-363, 382-387.

Robison, Wade L. (2011). Nano-Technology, Ethics, and Risks. *NanoEthics* 5 (1):1-13.

Liao, S. Matthew (ed.) (2020). *Ethics of Artificial Intelligence*. Oxford University Press.

Essential/recommended readings

- Mitcham C. *Encyclopedia of Science Technology and Ethics*, Introduction, Macmillan , U.S.A 2005.
- Bynum T.W. and Rogerson S. (eds.) *Computer Ethics and Professional Responsibility*, Wiley Blackwell Publishing , 2003.
- Canellopoulou M. and Himma K. E. *The Hand Book of Information and Computer Ethics*, New Jersey: John Wiley and sons, 2008.
- Floridi, L. (ed) *The Cambridge Handbook of Information and Computer Ethics*. Cambridge University Press. Cambridge . 2010.
- Barnes, B. *The Public Evaluation of Science and Technology From Carl Mitcham* (Ed.) *Encyclopedia of Science, Technology and Ethics:Mac Millan Reference USA*, 2005.

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GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE-3): Constitutional Morality

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course

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		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice			
Constitutional Morality GE 3	4	3	1	0	Passed XII class	Nil	Philosophy

Learning Objectives

- This course is about the underlying ethics and political philosophy of Indian constitution. The aim of the course is to introduce the key themes of constitution in terms of morality.
- Further this course explores the importance of democracy and its functioning by representing the aspirations of its people.

Learning Outcomes

- The student will come to know about the constitutional morality and its implications in everyday social and political life.
- The student will be aware of representation of people, rights of citizens and that leads to develop the democratic political culture for strengthening the nation state.

Unit I Constitutionalism and Democracy

16 Hours

John Elester, Introduction, John ElesterRune Stagstand, GudmundHernes(Eds), *Constitutionalism and Democracy*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press,1988, pp.1-17
Preamble of Indian Constitution

Unit II Constitutional Morality

16 Hours

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, motion to introduce the Draft Constitution, Constituent Assembly Debates vol 7 (4 November 1948)

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, speech on third reading of the Draft Constitution, Constituent Assembly Debates vol 11 (25 November 1949)

Vallabhai Patel, Appendix. Constituent Assembly of India Debates Proceedings), Vol.3, Tuesday, the 29th April, 1947

Annexure-Justifiable Fundamental Rights, Constituent Assembly of India Debates Proceedings), Vol.3Tuesday, the 29th April, 1947

Unit III Citizenship and Rights

16 Hours

Upendra Baxi (2010), 'The Justice of Human Rights in Indian Constitutionalism', in Akash Singh and Silika Mohapatra (eds.), *Indian Political Thought: A Reader*. Routledge, London & New York, Chapter 17.

Shefali Jha, 'Rights versus Representation', *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 38, Issue No. 16, 19 Apr, 2003

Unit IV Secularism and Social Justice

12 Hours

Rajeev Bhargava, 'India's Secular Constitution', Zoya Hasan, E. Sreedharan and R. Sudarshan (Eds.), *India's Living Constitution-Ideas, Practices and Controversies*, Delhi: Permanent Black, 2002 Pp. 105-133

Gopal Guru, 'Reclaiming Social Justice' Rajeev Bhargava (ed.) *Ethics and Politics of the Indian Constitution*, Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 92

Essential/Recommended Readings

Jawaharlal Nehru, "Speech on the Aims and Objects of the Constituent Assembly," Constituent Assembly Debates (13 December 1946)

Sujit Choudhary, Madhav Kosla and Pratap Bhanu Mehta . ' Locating Indian Constitutionalism,' *The Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution*, New Delhi: OUP, 2016

Uday S Mehta, "Indian Constitutionalism: Crisis, Unity, and History," *The Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution*, New Delhi: OUP, 2016

Granville Austin (1999), *Working a Democratic Constitution*. Oxford University Press, Delhi.

Ujjwal Kumar Singh and Anupama Rao, "B. R. Ambedkar and the Ideas of Constitutionalism and Constitutional Democracy," Summerhill, IAS Review, XXIII:2 (Winter 2017)

Rajeev Bhargava, *Ethics and Politics of the Indian Constitution*, Delhi: Oxford University Press, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2008

Pratap Bhanu Mehta, 'What is constitutional morality?'

https://www.india-seminar.com/2010/615/615_pratap_bhanu_mehta.htm

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GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE-3): Media Ethics

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	Department offering the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice			
Media Ethics GE 4	4	3	1	0	Passed XII class	Nil	Philosophy

Learning Objectives

- To acquaint students with ethical practice of media usage, to democratize the public sphere.
- Also, theories of media ethics will be discussed along with the case studies related to important issues

Learning Objectives

- The student will learn how ideology affects content of media, and how media is often saturated with manufactured consent, paid or otherwise.
- The student will learn to be wary of the distinction between appearance and reality in media usage, ownership, democratization and representation of caste and gender and transparency in news etc.

Unit I Introduction to Media and Ethics

12 Hours

1. Defining Media Ethics
2. Approaches to media Ethics

Stephen J.A. Ward, (2011). Ch. 2. Approaches to Media Ethics (Pg. 52-87), *Ethics and the Media*. Cambridge University Press.

Unit 2: Media, Power and Control

16 Hours

- 1 Cultural Imperialism as Globalisation of Ideology
- 2 Adorno : Culture Industry
- 3 Political Economy and Ideology
- 4 Manufacturing Consent

Adorno, Ch.3. Culture Industry Reconsidered (Pg. 98-106), *Culture Industry*. Routledge. Chomsky, Ch. 1. A Propaganda Model, *Manufacturing Consent*. Pantheon Books

Unit3: Media and Democratic Bases

16 Hours

1. Objectivity: Senses and Origins
2. Normative Theory of Media
3. Evolution of Normative Traditions

Stephen J.A. Ward (2004). Ch. 1. Objectivity: Senses and Origins (Pg.9-36), *The Invention of Journalism Ethics*. McGil-Queens University Press

Christian G. Clifford, Theodore L. Glasser, Dennis McQuail, Kaarle Nordenstreng (2009). Evolution of Normative Traditions (Pg. 37-64), *Normative Theories of the Media*. University of Illinois Press.

Unit 4 Issues in Media Ethics and Professional Ethics

16 Hours

1. Representation of caste, gender
2. Violence and Obscenity
3. Paid News and advertisements
4. Professional ethics

Subarno Chatterji and Sevanti Ninan, *The Hoot Reader (Media Practice in Twenty First Century India)*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2013 (Relevant Selections)

Vipul Mudgal. Ch. 6. *News for Sale: 'Paid News', Media Ethics, and India's Democratic Public Sphere* (Pg. 100-117). In Shakuntala Rao (Ed.), Herman Wasserman (Ed.). (2015). *Media Ethics and Justice in the Age of Globalization*. Palgrave MacMillan

Ashwini, S(2021) Social Media Platform Regulation in India- A special Reference to The Information Technology(Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules,2021 , *Perspectives on Social Media Platform Regulation*, Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft, mbH&co.KG, pp215-232

Essential/Recommended Readings

Philip Patterson and Lee Wilkins,(1998). *Media Ethics: Issues and Cases* (7th Edition), New York: Mc Graw-Hill Co

Louis A Day, (2000). *Ethics in Media Communication: Cases and Controversies*(3rd edition) Belmont, CA: Wadsworth

Black , Jay, B. Steele and R.Barney (1999) *Doing Ethics in Journalism: A Hand book with case studies* (3rd edition), Boston: Allyn& Bacon

Christains, Clifford, M. Fackler, K. Rotzoll and B.McKee(1998) *Media Ethics: Cases and Moral Reasoning*(5th Edition) new York: Longman

Arant, David(Ed)(1999) *Ethics, Issues and controversies in Mass media*. Cpulder, Co: Coursewise Publishng

Suggestive Readings

Gordon, A. David and J M Kittross(1999), *Contraversies in Media Ethics*, New York: Addison Wesley Longman

Limburg Val E (1994) *Electronic Media Ethics*, Boston: Focal Press

Lynch, Dianne (ed) (1999) Stand! Virtual Ethics: Debating Media in Digital Age, Boulder, Co
Foreman, G(2010) The Ethical Journalist, MA: Wiley-Blackwell

Norms of Journalistic conduct, Press council of India

Untitled-1 (presscouncil.nic.in)

Salient features of Press Council of India's norms of Journalistic Conduct in India - Legal Desire

Thakurta, Paranjay Guha. (2008). Media Ethics: Truth, Fairness and Objectivity , New Delhi:
Oxford University Press, 2015

Rao, S. (2014). Covering Rape in Shame Culture: Studying Journalism ethics in India's New
Television News Media , Journal of Mass Media Ethics, 29(3), 153-167

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