

**STATE MODEL SYLLABUS FOR UNDER
GRADUATE**

**COURSE IN PHILOSOPHY
(Bachelor of Arts Examination)**

UNDER
CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

PHILOSOPHY

Semester		CORE COURSE (14)	Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course (AECC) (2)	Ability Enhancement Elective Course (AEEC) (2) (Skill Based)	Elective: Discipline Specific DSE (4)	Elective: Generic (GE) (4)
I	CC I	General Philosophy	English Communication / Odia/ Hindi			GE-I Symbolic Logic
	CCII	Logic and Scientific Method				
II	CCIII	Systems of Indian Philosophy –I	Environmental Studies			GE-II Indian Philosophy
	CCIV	Symbolic Logic				
III	CCV	Ethics		SEC -I		GE-III History of Modern European Philosophy
	CCVI	History of Greek Philosophy				
	CCVII	Systems of Indian Philosophy (II)				
IV	CCVIII	Contemporary Indian Philosophy		SEC -II		GE- IV Ethics: Theory and Practice
	CCIX	History of Modern European Philosophy				
	CCX	Philosophy of Language				
V	CCXI	Western Classics: Meditations of Rene Descartes			DSE-I PHILOSOPHY OF BHAGVAD GITA	
	CCXII	Indian Text: Isa Upanisad			DSE-II PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION	
VI	CCXIII	Social & Political Philosophy			DSE-III GANDHIAN STUDIES	
	CC XIV	Applied Ethics			DSE- IV RECENT WESTERN PHILOSOPHY/ PROJECT	

PHILOSOPHY- Honours

Core course – 14 papers

Discipline Specific Elective – 4 papers

Generic Elective for non Philosophy students – 4 papers. In case University offers 2 subjects as GE, then only papers 1 and 2 will be the GE paper.

Marks per paper - Midterm : 20 marks, End term : 80 marks, Total – 100 marks Credit per paper – 6,

Teaching hours per paper – 50 hours + 10 hours tutorial

CC 1: GENERAL PHILOSOPHY

Unit-I: Definition, Nature & Function of Philosophy, and Philosophy in relation to other modes of thinking like Science & Religion.

Unit-II: Metaphysics: Monism, Pluralism, Realism, Idealism, Metaphysical issues: Substance, Universal, Mind & Body.

Unit-III: Problem of knowledge: What is knowledge? Sources of knowledge: Empiricism, Rationalism, Theories of Truth: Correspondence, coherence and pragmatic theory

Unit-IV: Problems of Ethics: (1) Theories of Goodness: The good and the evil (2) Theories of conduct: Egoism & Altruism.

Prescribed Book:

1. John Hospers: An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis(relevant portions)
2. J.N. Sinha : Introduction to Philosophy

Reference book:

- (1) G.T.W. Patrick: Introduction to Philosophy
- (2) A.C. Ewing: The Fundamental Questions of Philosophy
- (3) G.W. Cunningham: Problems of Philosophy
- (4) Richard Taylor: Metaphysics
- (5) D.W. Hamlyn: Metaphysics

CC II: LOGIC AND SCIENTIFIC METHOD

Unit-I: Definition of Logic, Laws of Thought, Deductive and Inductive Arguments, Validity & Soundness of Arguments.

Unit-II: Classification of propositions (from stand-point of Quality & Quantity), Distribution of Terms, Square of oppositions, Existential Import of Propositions, Interpretation of categorical proposition.

Unit-III: Inference- Immediate Inference (Conversion and Obversion), Mediate Inference (Syllogism): Figure & Moods, Testing of Validity of Arguments by syllogistic Rules.

Unit-IV: Inductive Reasoning & Scientific Enquiry: Causation & Mills Experimental Methods.

Prescribed Book:

1. Cohen & Nagel- Introduction to Logic & Scientific Method.

Reference Book:

1. Copi, Cohen & Mac Mahan- Introduction to Logic (14th Edition)
2. Alex Rosenberg- Philosophy of Science: A Contemporary Introduction
3. John Hospers: An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis.

CC III: SYSTEMS OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY-I

Unit-I: Salient Features of Indian Philosophy, Basic concepts like Rta, Rna, Carvakas - Epistemology and Metaphysics (Lokayatamata)

Unit-II: Jainism - Syadvada, Anekantavada, Jaina ethics (concept of Triratna)

Unit-III: Buddhism: Four Noble Truths, Doctrine of Momentariness, Dependant Origination, No Soul Theory, Nirvana

Unit-IV: Samkhya-Dualistic System: Purusa, Prakriti, Theory of Causation, Theory of Evolution, Astanga Yoga of Patanjali

Prescribed Books:

- (1) Dutta&Chatterjee - An Introduction to Indian Philosophy
- (2) C. D. Sharma - A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy

Reference Books:

- (1) R. K. Puligandla- Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy.
- (2) M. Hiriyana- Outlines of Indian Philosophy
- (3) J. N. Sinha- Indian Philosophy
- (4) S. Radhakrishnan- Indian Philosophy(Vol.1 & 2)

CC IV: SYMBOLIC LOGIC

Unit-I: Chapter- I Introduction
Chapter- II-The Calculus of Propositions

Unit- II: Chapter-III Calculus of Propositions (Sec 1 to 6)

Unit-III: Chapter-IV Calculus of Propositions (Sec 7 to 9)
The Elements of Predicate Calculus (Section 1 to 9 of chapter V)

Unit-IV: Appendix (Sec-1 toSec-4)

Prescribed Books: - Basson & O' Corner: Introduction to Symbolic Logic

CC V: ETHICS

Unit-I: Definition, Nature & Scope of Ethics, Ethics in relation to Politics, Sociology and Religion

Unit-II: Distinction between moral and non-moral action, Moral and factual judgement. Object of Moral judgment.

Unit-III: Theories of Morality: Hedonism, Utilitarianism, Rigorism, Perfectionism

Unit-IV: Theories of punishment; Retributive, Reformative and Preventive theory.

Prescribed Book:

- (1) J. N. Sinha- A Manual of Ethics

Reference Books:

- (1) W. Frankena- Ethics
- (2) William Lily- An Introduction to Ethics

CC VI: HISTORY OF GREEK PHILOSOPHY

Unit-I: Nature of Greek Philosophy: What is Philosophy? Origin, development and Salient features of early Greek Thought

Unit-II: Pre-Socratic Thought: The Being of Parmenides, Becoming of Heraclitus and Atomism of Democritus

Unit-III: Socrates: Problem before Socrates, Dialectical method, epistemology and ethics of Socrates.

Unit-IV: Plato: Theory of Knowledge, Theory of Idea, and Theory of Soul Aristotle: Theory of Form and Matter, Theory of Causation.

Prescribed Book:

(1) W. T. Stace - Greek Philosophy

Reference books:

- (1) Burnet - Greek Philosophy
- (2) B. A. G, Fuller - A History of Greek Philosophy
- (3) B. Russell - A History of Western Philosophy
- (4) Y. Masih - A Critical History of Philosophy

CC VII: SYSTEMS OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY (II)

Unit-I: Upanisadic view of Atman and Brahman, Vidya and Avidya, Para vidya and Aparavidya

Unit-II: Nyaya theory of Inference, Prama and Aprama, Concept of God

Unit-III: Vaishesika: Categories (Padarthas),Nyaya: Pramanas

Unit-IV: Sankara and Ramanuja's view on Maya, Jiva, Isvara, Brahman and Liberation

Prescribed Books: -

1. Dutta and Chatterjee: An Introduction to Indian Philosophy
2. C.D. Sharma: A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy
3. M. Hiriyana: Outlines of Indian Philosophy

Books for Reference: -

1. J.N Sinha: Indian Philosophy
2. R.K Puligandla: Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy
3. S. Radhakrishnan: Indian Philosophy (Vol-I and II)

CC VIII: CONTEMPORARY INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT-I: Tagore: Nature of man God, Reality and Religion, Vivekananda: The concept of man, Universal Religion and Practical Vedanta

Unit-II: Sri Aurobindo: World, Maya, Evolution and Reality (Sacchidananda), Integral yoga

Unit- III: Gandhi: Truth, God and Non-violence, Ideal social order Dr B.R. Ambedkar: Vision of a just society

Unit- IV: S. Radhakrishnan: Man, Reality and Religion J Krishnamurti: Man and Nature, Human Crisis

Prescribed Book: -

1. B.K Lal: Contemporary Indian Philosophy

Books for Reference: -

1. H. Sahoo (Ed): Contemporary Indian Philosophy
2. T.M.P Mahadevan and V. Saroja: Contemporary Indian Philosophy

CC IX: HISTORY OF MODERN EUROPEAN PHILOSOPHY

Unit- I: Bacon: Theory of Idola, Inductive Method
Descartes: Universal Doubt, Cogito-Ergo-Sum, Existence of God

Unit-II: Spinoza: Substance, Attribute and Modes
Leibnitz: Theory of Monads, Pre-established harmony

Unit- III: Locke: Refutation of Innate ideas, Sources of knowledge Berkeley: Subjective idealism, Esse-est- percipii
Hume: Impression and Idea, Skepticism and Causality

Unit- IV: Kant: Reconciliation between empiricism and Rationalism Possibility of Synthetic-a priori judgment

Prescribed Book: -

1. R.K. Pati: History of Modern European Philosophy

Books for Reference: -

1. Y Masih: History of Western Philosophy
2. Ira Sen Gupta: A History of Western Philosophy
3. Frank Thilly: History of Western Philosophy

CC X: PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE

Unit-I: Word Meaning: Meaning of the word “meaning”, Ambiguity and Vagueness

Unit- II: Definitions: Denotative, Connotative and Ostensive Defining and Accompanying Characteristics
Stipulative, Reportive and Persuasive definition

Unit- III: Sentence Meaning: Proposition and sentence
Word Meaning and sentence meaning, Criteria of sentence meaning

Unit-IV: Concept: Nature and source
Truth: Correspondence, Coherence and Truth as it works

Prescribed book: -

1. John Hospers: An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis

Books for Reference: -

1. Alston: Philosophy of Language
2. Das P: Life Language & Reality: An Introduction to Philosophy of Language

CCXI: WESTERN CLASSICS: MEDITATIONS OF RENE DESCARTES

Unit- I: Meditation I: Sceptical Doubts
Meditation II: Cogito-ergo-sum, Sum- res-cogitans, The Wax argument

Unit- II: Meditation III: Clear and Distinct perceptions
Theory of Ideas, Existence of God

Unit- III: Meditation IV: God is no deceiver, will, intellect and possibility of Error Meditation
V: Essence of Material things, Existence of God

Unit- IV: Meditation- VI: Mind- body Dualism, Primary and Secondary Quality

Prescribed Book: -

1. Rene Descartes: Meditations on first Philosophy

Books for Reference: -

1. Rae Langton: A Study Guide to Descartes Meditations
2. Amelie Rorty: Essays on Descartes Meditations

CCXII: INDIAN TEXT: ISA UPANISAD

Unit-I	What are Upanishads? Place of Upanishad in Indian Philosophy and Isa Upanishad
Unit-II	Mantra 1 to 9
Unit- III	Mantra 10 to 14
Unit- IV	Mantra 15 to 18

Prescribed Book: -

1. Swami Gambhirananda, Eight Upanisads (vol-1) God and Reality, Advaita Ashrama, Calcutta

Books for Reference: -

1. S. Radhakrishnan: The Principal Upanisads
2. Satyabadi Mishra: Central Philosophy of the Upanishads
3. Aditya ku. Mohanty: Upanishads Rediscovered

CCXIII: SOCIAL & POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

Unit-I: Sociality, Social science & Social laws, Philosophy of Social Science- Relation between Individual & Society (Mechanical, Organic & Idealistic view)

Unit- II: Political Ideals- Justice, Liberty, Equality Political Doctrines- Humanism, Secularism, Feminism, Philosophy of Ecology.

Unit- III: Democratic Ideals- Democratic Government, Conditions for Successful Functioning of Democracy, Human Rights

Unit-IV: Political Ideologies- (a) Anarchism (b) Marxism (c) Sarvodaya

Prescribed Books-

1. O.P. Gauba - An Introduction to Political Philosophy.

Reference Books-

1. Mackenzie: Social & Political Philosophy
2. Sukhvir Singh- Social and Political Philosophy
3. Sushila Ramaswamy- Political Theories: Ideas & Concepts
4. D.D. Raphael- Problems of Political Philosophy
5. Patitapaban Das- Social and Political Philosophy

CCXIV: APPLIED ETHICS

Unit- I: What is Applied Ethics: Nature & Scope of Applied Ethics- Ethical Theories- Deontology, Utilitarianism, Relativism & Subjectivism

Unit-II: Taking Life: Animals- Animals rights, Reverence for life Taking Life: Humans - Types of Euthanasia, Abortion

Unit-III: Environmental Ethics: Anthropocentrism, Non-anthropocentrism, Deep Ecology

Unit-IV: Professional Ethics: (a) Business Ethics- Rights and Obligations, Justice & Honesty in Ethics. (b) Bio-medical Ethics- Hippocratic Oath, Rights and Obligations of Health- Care Professionals, Doctor-Patient-Relationship

Prescribed Book-

1. Peter Singer- Practical Ethics

Reference Books-

1. J. Jagadeb- Bio-medical Ethics
2. Tom Regan-Animal Rights
3. J. P. Theroux- Ethics: Theory & Practice
4. P.K Mohapatra :Ethics and Society

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE DSE I: PHILOSOPHY OF BHAGVAD GITA

Unit-I: Dharma:-Varnadharma, Swabhava, Swadharma- Paradharm

Unit-II: Karma:-Classification of Karma; Agency Niskama Karma, Lokasamgraha, Relation between Karma Yoga and Jnana yoga

Unit-III: Jnana:- Distinction between Jnana and Vijnana. Criteria of True Knowledge (Buddhi Yoga &JnanaYoga), Kshetra, Kshetrajna, Purusottama. Sattvika, Rajasika and TamasikaJnana **Unit-IV:** Bhakti Yoga:- Four kinds of devotee, Characteristics of Ideal Bhakti- Saranagati & Prapattikrupa(grace); Relation between Bhakti Yoga &Jnana Yoga

Prescribed Books-

The Bhagabad Gita- S. Radhakrishnan (Trs&Ed)

Reference Books-

1. Concept of Yoga in the Gita- S. C. Panigrahi
2. Bhagabad Gita & Modern Life- K. M. Munshi& R. R. Diwakar
3. The Lord Speaks (2016)- B. K. Tripathy
4. SrimadBhagabad Gita Bhasya of Sri Sankaracharya- A. G. K. Warriar(Trs)
5. The Ethical Philosophy of Gita- P. N. Srinivasachari

DSE-II: PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

Unit-I: Judaic- Christian Concept of God (Chapter-1) Introduction to Philosophy of Religion Grounds for belief in existence of God (Chapter- 2)

Unit-II: Grounds for belief against existence of God (Chapter- 3)

Unit-III: The Problem of Evil (Chapter- 4) **Unit-IV:** Problems of Religious Language **Prescribed Book-**
1. John Hick- Philosophy of Religion

Reference Books-

1. Y. Masih-Introduction to Religious Philosophy
2. Arvind Sharma- Philosophy of Religion

DSE –III:GANDHIAN STUDIES

Unit-I : Gandhi's concept of a Just society. Basic Ideals- Truth, Non-violence, Equality and Human Freedom.

Unit-II: Gandhi's idea of Social Engineering, Constructive Programme. Fight against social Evils (Injustice, Caste system, Untouchability) upliftment of Women.

Unit-III: Social Ideals of Gandhi - Sarvodaya, Criticism of industrial civilization, Grama Swaraj, Anarchism, Trusteeship.

Unit –IV: Method of Social Action, Satyagraha- Kinds of Satyagraha, Methods of Satyagraha. Mercy-Killing, Ideals of Basic Education. Basic Norms & Method of Education, Education for a Happier & Peaceful Society. World Peace.

Prescribed Book-The Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi, by:D.M Datta

Reference Books-

1. Social & Political Thought of M.K. Gandhi-
2. Jaya Tanuja Bandopadhyay
3. Mahatma Gandhi- R.R. Diwakar

DSE-IV: RECENT WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

Unit-1: Arther, Schopenhauer: The world as representation. The world as will, theory of perception, Ethics

Unit-2: Nietzsche: Critique of enlightenment Perspectivism, Appollonian and Dyonyasian will to power, concept of superman

Unit-3: Sartre, J.P.: Concept of Freedom, Bad-faith, Humanism

Unit-4: William James: Meaning & Truth, Varieties of Religious experience

Recommended Text

1. B.A.G Fuller&McMurrin , A History of Philosophy
2. D.M.Dutta Chief Currents of Contemporary Philosophy
3. Frank Thilly, History of Western Philosophy

Reference Book

1. M.K. Bhadra, A critical Survey of Phenomenology & Existentialism
2. H.J. Blackham, Six Existential Thinkers
3. W.Mc. Neil & K.S. Feldman, Continental Philosophy: An Anthology

Project (Optional)

Eligibility: Students who have scored more than 60% marks in Semester –I, II, III & IV are eligible to opt for project paper. The student has to prepare a project of his own selecting a topic from philosophical perspective (some broad themes are given below). The dissertation carries 60 marks which will be evaluated by an external examiner and he / she will face a viva- voce test of 40 marks by an external examiner along with his / her supervisor of the concerned project.

1. Philosophy, value and culture
2. Existentialism and Phenomenology
3. Philosophy of religion
4. Philosophy of Language
5. Socio-Political Philosophy
6. Indian Philosophy/Contemporary Indian Philosophy
7. Ethics/Applied ethics
8. Philosophy of Mind

GENERIC ELECTIVE GE 1: SYMBOLIC LOGIC

Unit I: Chapter 1- Introductory

Chapter II- The Calculus of Propositions

Unit II: Chapter III- The Calculus of Propositions (Sec 1 to 6)

Unit III: Chapter IV- The Calculus of Propositions (Sec 7 to 9) Chapter V- The Elements of Predicate Calculus

Unit IV: Appendix Sec 1 to Sec 4

Prescribed Book: -

1. Basson and O. Conner: Introduction to symbolic Logic

GE 1I: INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

Unit I: Salient features of Indian philosophy and key concepts, Carvaka epistemology and metaphysics, Jainism Syadvada and Anekantavada

Unit II: Buddhism- The Four Noble Truths, Doctrine of Dependent origination, No Soul Theory, Nirvana

Unit III: Samkhya- Purusa, Prakrti, Theory of Evolution Yoga- Patanjali's CittaVrttiNirodha, Astanga Yoga

Unit IV: Nyaya- Theory of Inference, Vaisheshika- Padarthas (Categories)

Prescribed Books:-

1. Dutta and Chatterjee: An Introduction to Indian Philosophy

Reference Books:-

1. C.D Sharma: A critical Survey of Indian Philosophy
2. G.C Nayak: Bharatiya Darshana (Odia)
3. B.B. Choudhury: Bharatiya Darshana Ruparekha(Odia Translated book)

GE III: HISTORY OF MODERN EUROPEAN PHILOSOPHY

Unit I : Bacon: Theory of Idolas, Inductive Method Descartes: Methods of Doubt, Cogito ergo Sum

Unit II: Spinoza: Substance, Attributes and Modes

Leibnitz: Theory of Monads, Pre-Established Harmony

Unit III: Locke: Refutation of Innate Ideas, Theory of Knowledge Berkeley: Esseest percipi, Subjective Idealism

Unit IV: Hume: Ideas and Impressions Skepticism

Kant: Reconciliation of Empiricism and Rationalism

Prescribed Books: -

1. R.K Pati- A History of Modern European Philosophy

Reference Books: -

1. Ira Sengupta- A History of Western Philosophy
2. Barlingay and Kulkarni- A History of Western Philosophy
3. Ray and Das- Paschatya Darshanra Itihasa
4. Y. Masih- A Critical History of Western Philosophy
5. Falkenberg- A History of Philosophy

GE IV: ETHICS: THEORY AND PRACTICE

Unit I: Definition, Nature and Scope of Ethics, Distinction between moral and Non-moral action.

Unit II: Distinction between factual and moral judgement, objects of moral Judgement.

Unit III: Moral Standards: Hedonism, Mill's Utilitarianism, And Kant's Rigorism and Perfectionism.

Unit IV: Environmental Ethics: Anthropocentrism and Non- Anthropocentrism Bio-centric Egalitarianism, Deep Ecology, Responsibility for future Generation

Prescribed Book: -

1. J.N. Sinha- A Manual of Ethics
2. Peter Singer- Practical Ethics

Reference Book:

1. H. Sahoo(ed) Ethics theory and practice

