

INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDIES IN  
EDUCATION (DEEMED UNIVERSITY)  
GANDHI VIDYA MANDIR  
SARDARSHAHR

*Detailed Syllabus*

*for*

*Distance Education*

**Masters of Arts – Philosophy**  
(YEARLY SYSTEM)

## FIRST YEAR

COURSE TITLE	PAPER CODE	MARKS		
		THEORY	PRACTICAL	TOTAL
Indian Philosophy	MAPHI-110	100	00	100
History of Western philosophy	MAPHI-120	100	00	100
Ethics	MAPHI-130	100	00	100
Polotical Philosophy	MAPHI-140	100	00	100

## SECOND YEAR

COURSE TITLE	PAPER CODE	MARKS		
		THEORY	PRACTICAL	TOTAL
Approaches to Western Philosophy	MAPHI-210	100	00	100
Jainism	MAPHI-220	100	00	100
Buddhism	MAPHI-230	100	00	100
Vedanta	MAPHI-240	100	00	100

## SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

1. Each Theory paper 70 Marks
2. Internal Marks 30 Marks

There will be eight papers, four in first year and four in second year. Each theory paper will carry 70 marks and 30 marks for internal assessment.

# FIRST YEAR

## MAPHI-110 INDIAN PHILOSOPHY (Metaphysical and Epistemological Problems)

**Duration - 3 hrs.**

**M.M. 100 Marks**

Note:-This paper contains 5 sections, there will be 12 questions, two questions from each section. Candidate will have to answer 5 questions in all, taking at least one questions from each section.

### Section-A

Problem of Reality, Problem of Meaning, Problem of Universals.

### Section-B

Problem of Self Moksha and its relations to Action, the problem of relation and Causality.

### Section-C

Nature of knowledge, Nature of Prama & Aprama & Pramanyavada.

### Details of Problems

#### 1. Problem of Reality:

- (1) The criteria to distinguish between the real and the unreal.
- (2) Theory of reality according to:
  - (a) Charvaka
  - (b) Sankhya-yoga-pursh, prakriti and their relationship, the nature of creation.
  - (c) Nyaya Vaisesika-Seven Categories.
  - (d) Jainism-Nature and kinds of Dravva,
  - (e) Buddhism:
    - (1)Vijnanavada-Vijnaptimatrata Siddhi.
    - (2) Sunyavada-Nagarjuna.
    - (3) Samkara-Brahman, Maya, Jiva, Jagat.
    - (4) Ramanuja-Brahman, Jagat.

## **2. Causation:**

- (1) The problem of causation.
- (2) Nature of cause and its different kinds.
- (3) Explanation and critical estimate of the positions of Nyaya, Buddhism, Sankhya and Samkara.

## **3. Problem of Self.**

- (1) Nature of problem.
- (2) Proofs for the existence of the self and their evaluation:
  - (a) Responsibility argument.
  - (b) Personal identity argument.
  - (c) Substratum argument.
  - (d) Moral argument.
  - (e) Presuppositional argument.
- (3) Self :
  - (a) One or many
  - (b) Atomic, All pervasive or dimensional
  - (c) As knower, enjoyer, doer
- (4) Empirical and Transcendental self

## **4. Moksha and its relation to Action:**

- (1) The problem.
- (2) The nature and cause of bondage.
- (3) Moksha as summum bonum, hierarchy of values and its criteria.
- (4) Nature of Moksha according to Nyaya-Vaisesika. Samkhya yoga, Jainism, Buddhism, Samkara Ramanuja.
- (5) Path of Moksha according to the above and the Janana-Karma controversy.
- (6) Doctrine of Karma and its relevance to the problem of Liberation.

## **5. The problem meaning:**

- (1) Nyaya and Mimamsa theories of the meaning of a Word-Universal or Particular or both.
- (2) Meaning-Natural, Conventional or Divine.
- (3) Theory of reference.
- (4) Theory of sphota.

## **6. The problem of Universal.**

- (1) Ontological status of the Universal, Nyaya, Mimamsa, Jainism, Vedanta, Buddhism.
- (2) Knowledge of the Universal.
- (3) Apoha theory of the Buddhism.

## **7. Prama and Aprama:**

- (1) The nature of the problem.
- (2) Definition and criteria of Prama according to Mimamsa, Nyaya, Buddhism and Advaita-Vadanta
- (3) Kinds of Aprama.
- (4) Theories of error

## **8. Pramanyavada:**

The theories of Nyaya, Mimamsa Buddhism and Samkhya.

## **9. Problem of Relation**

- (1) Definition, proof of quality as a separate category
- (2) The relation between Quality and Substance.
- (3) Nature and kinds of Relation.
- (4) Nature of Samavaya and its difference from Samyoga and refutation of Samavaya.

## **10. Nature of Knowledge**

- (1) Knowledge as quality of the self : Nyaya, Jainism and Ramanuja.
- (2) Knowledge as the activity of the self: Kumarila Mimamsa.
- (3) Samkara's Theory of Knowledge as Pure consciousness.
- (4) Nature and status of Knowledge according to the Buddhism.
- (5) The Empirical and the Transcendental Knowledge.

### **Recommended Books:**

- (1) Madhavach Bhawan : Sarva Darshan Sangraha. (Chowkhamba) Vidy Varanasi,1964.
- (2) Brij Narain Sharma : Bhartiya Darshan men Anuman
- (3) D.M.Dutta : Six Ways of Knowing.
- (4) G.P.Bhatta : Epistemology of Bhatta School of Purva Mimamsa
- (5) K.D.Bhattacharya : Recent Indian Philosophy.
- (6) K.H.Potter : Presuppositions of Indian Philosophies.
- (7) M.Hiriyanna : Indian Philosophical Studies.
- (8) M.Hiriyanna : Outlines of Indian Philosophy
- (9) Ninian Smart : Doctrine and Argument in Indian Philosophy
- (10) R.C.Pandey : The Problem of Meaning in Indian Philosophy
- (11) S.C.Chatterji : Nyaya Theory of Knowledge.
- (12) S.K.Kunhan Raja : Fundamental Problems of Indian Philosophy.
- (13) नन्दकिशोर शर्मा : भारतीय दार्शनिक समस्यायें (राजस्थान हिन्दी ग्रन्थ अकादमी,जयपुर)

**MAPHI-120**

**HISTORY OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHY**

**Duration - 3 hrs.**

**M.M. 70 Marks**

Note:- This paper contains 5 sections, there will be 1 questions, 2 questions from each section, Candidate will have to answer 5 question in all taking at least one question from each section.

**Section A**

Plato, Aristotle, Descartes, Spinoza

**Section B**

Leibnitz, Locke, Berkeley, Hume.

**Section C**

Kant, Hegel, Schopenhauer, Nietzsche.

**Books Recommended:**

1. D.J.O Connor (Ed.) : A Critical History of Western Philosophy
2. F. Copleston S.J. : A History of Philosophy.
3. Passmore John : A Hundred years of philosophy (Hindi-translation available from Rajasthan Hindi Granth Academy, Jaipur)
4. Wornock G.J. : English Philosophy Since 1900.
5. Daya Krishna (Ed.) : Paschatya Darshan Vol. I&II

**Duration - 3 hrs.****M.M. 70 Marks**

Note:-This paper contains 5 sections, there will be 10 questions.2questions from each section.Candidate will have to answer 5 questions in all. Taking at least one question from each section.

**Section-A Indian Ethics**

Varnadharma as natural and obligatory, How it is maintainable?

Prescription of Nishkama Karma:

Moral or non moral : teleological or deontological

Inculcating a general dharma, forgiveness or moral command : wronging. rapturing and rejoining social relationship

**Section B-Western Ethics**

Kant: Sidgwick, Hume, Buttler

**Section C-Meta Ethics**

Content of morals: Precriptivism ; Intuitionism, Naturalism

**Prescribed Books:**

- (1) Dr. Prasad Rajendra: Varnadharm ; Nishkama karma and practical morality, D.K. Printworld P.Ltd.-New Delhi 1999. Chapter -1,2&7
- (2) BROAD C.D. : Five types of Ethical Theories
- (3) Warnock – Contemporary Moral Philosophy

**Duration - 3 hrs.****M.M. 70 Marks**

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**Section-A**

1. Plato
2. Aristotle
3. Locke
4. Rousseau

**Section-B**

Mill, Hegel, Marx, What is state – from Machiver's Book

**Section-C**

The limits of political control, The locus of authority, Sovereignty, law and order, Political government and economic order - from Machiver's Book

**Prescribed Book**

1. Machiver : The Modern State, Oxford university press.

**Books Recommended:**

1. Barker : Plato and his Predecessors.
2. Sabine : A History of Political theory.
3. Dunning : A History of Political theory.
4. Michael B. Foster : Masters of Political thought Vol.1
5. W.T. Jones (Ed.) : Masters of Political thought Vol.2
6. Lane W. Lancaster : Masters of Pol. Thought Vol.3

## SECOND YEAR

### MAPHI – 210      APPROACHES TO WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

**Duration - 3 hrs.**

**M.M. 70 Marks**

Note:- Note:-This paper contains 5 sections, there will be 10 questions.2questions from each section.Candidate will have to answer 5 questions in all. Taking at least one question from each section.

#### **Section-A**

Analytic Philosophy : G.E. Moore, Russell. Wittgenstein, Ryle Austin

Logical Positivism : Rudolf Carnap, Ayer, Mozart Schlick

#### **Section-B**

Existentealism : Jaspers, Sartre, Kierkegaard, Heidegger, Phenomenology, Husser

#### **Section-C**

Pragmatism : William, James, Pirce & John Dewy

Dialectical Materialism : Karl Marx.

Idealism : Bradley,T.H. Green

#### **Books Recommended:**

- (1) History of Philosophical Systems-Ed. V. Ferm.
- (2) Philosophy in the Twentieth Century (in four volumes) Ed. Barratt & Aike (Consult relevant authors & their papers) (consult relevant chapters in heading for the topics mentioned above)
- (3) Encyclopedia of Philosophy : By Paul Edward (recent edition)
- (4) Samkaleen Paschatya Darshan : Ed.Dr.Laxmi Saxena
- (5) Samkaleen Paschatya Darshan :By B.K.Lal

Duration - 3 hrs.

M.M. 70 Marks

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### Section-A

Nature and types of Dravya, Critical evaluation of the metaphysical position of Charvak, Vaisheshik, Bddhism and Vedanta, Anekantvad, Sayadvad and saptabhangi naya.

### Section-B

Jain definition of Praman and critical evaluation of the definitions of praman according to Nyaya & Buddhism, Pramanyavad Types of Pramans-Pratyaksha-Samvyavsharik and Parmarthik Paroksha –Smriti, Pratyabhi-Jnana, Tarka, Anuman and Agama. Nature of Apat and Sarvajya Siddhi. Praman and Naya, Types of Naya

### Section-C

Jain theory of Karma, Seven theory of Karma, Seven Tattvas -Jiva. Ajiva Asrava, Bandha, Samyara, Nirjara, and Moksha five Bhavas of Jiva Nature and kinds of dhyana

### Books Prescribed:

- (1) Tattvartha sutra: Chapter 6 and 9 complete, Chapter 7 sutra 1 to 20. Tattvartha Vartika Chapter 1 sutra 1 to 4, 33, Chapter 2 sutra 1 to 8 Chapter 8 sutra 1 to 4 & Chapter 5 to 10 complete
- (2) Prameya Ratna Mala, Chapter 1, 2 & 3
- (3) Apta Mimnsa –complete
- (4) Tattvarth, Vartika- A commentary on Tattvartha surea by Akalanka, Ed- Mahendrcce Kumar Jain, Pub.-Bhartiya Jnana Pith
- (5) Prameya Ratna Mala. Ed Heera Lal Jain Pub. Chaumba Prakashan.
- (6) Apta Mimansa. Ed, Udyachand Jain Pub. Veer Seva Mandir Delhi,
- (7) दर्शन मनन और मीमांषा—मुनि नथमल
- (8) बृहद् द्रप्य संग्रह – ब्रह्म देव
- (9) स्यादवाद मंजरी— मल्लि
- (10) जैन –दर्शन डॉ.महेन्द्र कुमार जैन
- (11) जैन न्याय—पंडित कैलाष चन्द्र षास्त्री
- (12) पंचास्तिकाय संग्रह
- (13) नयदर्पण—जिनेन्द्र वर्णी
- (14) जैन धर्म और दर्शन – मुनि प्रमाण सागर

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**Section A**

Vignaptimatratasiddhi Apoha Siddhi

**Section B**

Nyaya Bindu

**Section C**

Vighraha Vyavartnni

**Books Prescribed:**

1. Dharma Kirti
2. Nagarjuna's
3. Ratnkirti
4. Vasubandhu

Nyauabindu न्याय बिन्दु  
विग्रह व्यायर्तिनी Vighraha Vyavartnni  
Apoha Siddhi अपोह सिद्धि  
Vagaptimatra Siddhi (Vinshika only)  
(विज्ञप्ति मात्रता सिद्धि)

**Books Recommended:**

1. Narendra Dev
2. S.Mookerji
3. Sogen
4. Stcherbatsky
5. Stcherbatsky
6. Tokakusu
7. T.R.V.Murti

Boddha Dharma Darshan  
The Buddhist Philosophy of Universal Flux.  
System of Buddhist Thought  
Central Conecption of Buddhism  
Buddhist Logic 2 Vols.  
(Hindi Translation available)  
Essential Buddhist Philosophy  
the Central Philosophy of Buddhism

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**Section-A**

Ashyasabhasya and bhasya on Sutras 1to 4 of Adhyaya I,Pada I.

**Section-B**

Samkara's commentary on the remaining prescribed Sutras.

**Section-C**

Post-Samkara Advaita Vedanta,S.N.Dasgupta, History of Indian Philosophy

**Books Prescribed:**

1. Brahma-Sutra: Samkara Bhashya  
The following Sutras only  
Adhyaya 1 Pada 1Adhyaya Bhashya and Sutras 1 to 4  
Adhyaya 2 Pada 2 Sutras 18 to 20  
Adhyaya 3 Pada 3 Sutras 1 to 19 and 27, 28  
Adhyaya 4 Pada 4 Sutras 3, 14, 15,19,22,23  
Adhyaya 2 Pada 1 Sutras 1 to 36  
Adhyaya 2 Pada 3 Sutras 17,29-32,40,43-53  
Adhyaya 3 Pada 1 Sutras 1 to 8  
Adhyaya 3 Pada 2 Sutras 11 to 23
2. S.N.Das Gupta: History of Indian Philosophy Vol. II, Chapter I

**Books Recommended:**

1. Kirtiker: Studies in Advaita Vedent
2. T.M.Mahadevan: Studies in Advaita Vedanta
3. Ashutosh Shastri: Post-Samkara Dialectics.
4. Pual Deussen: Vedanta Darshan (Hindi Translation)