

CBCS SYLLABUS
for
B.A. (PROGRAMME) IN PHILOSOPHY
(w.e.f. 2017)



BANKURA UNIVERSITY
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AP= Arts Programme, PHI = PHILOSOPHY (Subject Code), ACSHP= Arts Commerce Science Honours Programme, C = Core Course, AECC = Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course, SEC = Skill Enhancement Course, GE = Generic Elective, DSE = Discipline Specific Elective IA = Internal Assessment, ESE = End-Semester Examination, Lec. = Lecture, Tu. = Tutorial, and Prc. = Practical

SEMESTER – I

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 101C – 1A	Indian Philosophy	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
UG 103C - MIL	Hindi/MIL	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
ACSHP 104AECC - ENV	Environmental Studies	4	10	40	50	3	1	-
Total in Semester – I		22	40	160	200			

SEMESTER – II

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 201C –1B	Western Metaphysics	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
UG 203C - E	English	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
ACSHP 204 - E/MIL	English/Hindi/MIL	2	10	40	50	2	-	-
Total in Semester – II		20	40	160	200			



Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 301C -1C	Deductive Logic (Western)	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
UG 303C - MIL	Hindi/MIL	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
APPHI 304SEC -1	Communicative English	2	10	40	50	1	-	2
Total in Semester – III		20	40	160	200			

SEMESTER – IV

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 401C -1D	Western Ethics	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
UG 403C - E	English	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
APPHI 404SEC -2	Computer Skill and IT Ethics	2	10	40	50	1	-	2
Total in Semester – IV		20	40	160	200			

**SEMESTER – V**

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 501DSE -1	A. Psychology OR B. Philosophy of Religion	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
APPHI 503GE -1	Religion of Man: R. N. Tagore	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
APPHI 504SEC -3	Critical Thinking	2	10	40	50	1	1	-
Total in Semester – V		20	40	160	200			

SEMESTER – VI

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks			No. of Hours		
			I.A.	ESE	Total	Lec.	Tu.	Pr.
APPHI 601DSE -2	A. Socio Political Philosophy OR B. Inductive Logic (Western)	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
	Discipline 2	6	10	40	50			
APPHI 603GE -2	Feminism	6	10	40	50	5	1	-
APPHI 604SEC -4	Art and Film Appreciation	2	10	40	50	1	-	2
Total in Semester – VI		20	40	160	200			



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B.A. (General) in Philosophy CBCS Syllabus

(Revised Syllabus)

Per Course Internal Assessment: 10 marks and End Semester Examination: 40 marks

Recommended by the UGBS Meeting on 14.02.2017

SEMESTER-I

COURSE: APPHI 101C -1A: INDIAN PHILOSOPHY (Marks: 50)

1. *C rv ka: pratyak a is the only pram a and Refutation of anum na* (10 Hours)
2. *Bauddha: Four Noble Truths, k a abhangav da, nairatmyavada mok am rga* (20 Hours)
3. *Jaina : mah vrata, anuvrata, anek ntavadasy dav da* (20 Hours)
4. *Ny ya : pratyak a and anum na* (20 Hours)
5. *Vai e ika: Ontology* (20 Hours)

References :

- C. D. Sharma : *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*
- M. Hiriyanna : *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*
- D.M. Dutta & S. C. Chatterjee : *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*
- Pradyot Kumar Mandal : *Bh rat ya Dar an*
- Debabrata Sen : *Bh rat ya Dar an*
- Niradbaran Chakraborty : *Bh rat ya Dar an*
- Karuna Bhattacharya: *Nyaya-Vai e ika Dar an*
- Panchanan Shastri : *C rvaka Dar an*
- Panchanan Shastri : *Bauddha Dar an*



COURSE: APPHI 201C -1B: WESTERN METAPHYSICS (Marks: 50)

1. Nature of Metaphysics (15Hours)
2. Elimination of Metaphysics(10 Hours)
3. Realism: Naïve Realism and Scientific Realism (10 Hours)
4. Idealism: Subjective and Objective(10 Hours)
5. Theories of Causation (Regularity Theory, Entailment Theory) (10 Hours)
6. Relation between Mind and Body (Interactionism and Parallelism) (15 Hours)
7. Theories of Evolution (Mechanistic and Emergent) (20 Hours)

References :

- Pradip Sengupta, An Introduction to Philosophy
- Sibapada Chakraborti, An Introduction to General Philosophy
- Rama Prasad Das &Sibapada Chakraborty, Paschatya Darsaner Ruparekha
- Ramchandra Pal, Darsana Parichaya
- Niradbaran Chakraborti, Paschatya Darsaner Bhumika



COURSE: APPHI 301C -1C: DEDUCTIVE LOGIC (WESTERN) (50 Marks)

1. Classes and their Relations (10 Hours)
2. Boolean Interpretation of A, E, I and O (10 Hours)
3. Propositions (5 Hours)
4. Square of Oppositions (10 Hours)
5. Conversion (5 Hours)
6. Obversion and Contraposition (10 Hours)
7. Categorical Syllogism (10 Hours)
8. Figure and Mood(10 Hours)
9. Venn Diagram technique for Testing Validity (10 Hours)
10. Test of Truth-functional Arguments by Truth Tables (10 Hours)

References :

- I. M. Copi & C. Cohen, *Introduction to Logic* (9th Edition) [Relevant Chapters]
- B. Indra Kr. Roy, *Pratiki Nyaya*
- Samir Kumar Chakraborty, *Yuktibijñāner Bhumikā*, Disha Prakashan, Hooghly, 2008
- Shukla Chakraborty, *Tarkabijñān*, Pragatishil Prakashak, Kolkata, 2009

COURSE: APPHI 304SEC -1: COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH (Marks: 50)

The Syllabus of English Department will be followed.



COURSE: APPHI 401C -1D: WESTERN ETHICS (50 Marks)

1. Nature and Scope of Ethics (7 Hours)
2. Moral and Non-moral Actions (15 Hours)
3. Kant's Categorical Imperative (8 Hours)
4. Utilitarianism (15 Hours)
5. Hedonism (15 Hours)
6. Punishment (15 Hours)
7. Euthanasia (15 Hours)

References:

- W. Lillie: *An Introduction to Ethics*
- W.K. Frankena, *Ethics*
- J. S. Mackenzie: *A Manual of Ethics*
- P. Singer: *Practical Ethics* 2nd Ed, Cambridge, 1999
- P. Singer: *Applied Ethics*, OUP, 1986
- Somnath Chakraborty : *N tividy r Tattvakath*
- Somnath Chakraborty : *Kath y Karne Ethics*
- Mrinal Kanti Bhadra: *N tividy*
- Santosh KumarPal: *Falita Nit tra* (Pratham Khanda)
- Dikshit Gupta: *N ti tra*
- Aurobindo Basu: *Fr ken r N tidar an*



A. Computer Skill – Basic Course (Marks: 20) (30 hours)

B. IT Ethics (Marks: 20) (15 hours)

1. IT Ethics – What is IT Ethics (3 hours)
2. Ethical Issues in IT and e-business (4 hours)
3. Ethical Issues on the Internet, IT and Society (3 hours)
4. Cyber Crime (Hacking, Computer Sabotage, Fraud, Freedom of Expression, Cyber Terrorism) (5 hours)

References :

- G. Stamatellos, Computer Ethics: A Global Perspective, Jones and Bartlett, Canada, 2007.
- Ali Salehnia, Ethical Issues of Information Systems, IRM Press, London, 2002.
- George Reynolds, Ethics in Information Technology, (5th Ed.), Cengage, 2014.
- Jeroen van den Hoven, John Weckert (ed.), Information Technology and Moral Philosophy, Cambridge, 2008.
- Richard T. De George, The Ethics of Information Technology and Business, Blackwell, 2003.
- David Wall, Crime and the Internet, Routledge, 2003.
- Tom Chen, Lee Jarvis, Stuart Macdonald (ed.), Cybercrime: The Transformation of Crime in the Information Age, Springer, NY, 2014.



COURSE: APPHI 501DSE: (Chose any one of the following) (Marks: 50)

A. Psychology (Marks: 50)

1. Nature and Scope of Psychology (10 Hours)
2. Methods of psychology (Introspection, Observation and Experimental Methods) (20 Hours)
3. Memory (10 Hours)
4. Theories of Learning (Trial and Error Theory, Gestalt Theory) (20 Hours)
5. Freud's Theory of Consciousness and Proofs for the Existence of the Unconscious (15 Hours)
6. Freud's Theory of Dream (15 Hours)

References:

- G.T. Morgan, *Introduction to Psychology*, Tata McGraw-Hill, 1993.
- Clifford Morgan, *A Brief Introduction to Psychology*, Tata McGraw-Hill, 1987.
- Rex Knight & M. Knight, *A Modern Introduction to Psychology*, University Tutorial Press, London, 1948.
- R. S. Woodworth, *Contemporary Schools of Psychology*, Asia Publishing House, 1961.
- Pareshnath Bhattacharya, *A Textbook of Psychology*, A. Mukherjee & Co., 1973.
- S. K. Mangal, *General Psychology*, Sterling Publishers, 1998.
- Debiprasad Chattopadhyay, *Manobigyan*, New Central Book Agency, 1964.
- Pareshnath Bhattacharya, *Manovidy*, Mukherjee and Co., 1963.
- PritiBhusan Chattopadhyay, *Manovidy*
- Ira Sengupta, *Manovidy*
- M. N. Mitra O Puspa Mishra, *Manasam k*



B. Philosophy of Religion (Marks: 50)

1. Nature of Religion (15 Hours)
2. Distinction between Religion and Dharma (25 Hours)
3. Different Types of Religion: Hinduism, Islam, Christianity and Buddhism (30 Hours)
4. Humanism as a form of Religion (20 Hours)

References:

- Mial Edwards : The Philosophy of Religion
- The Complete Works of Swami Vivekananda, Vol.-II
- Swami Vivekananda : The Chicago Address
- J.S. Mackenzie : Outlines of Social Philosophy
- Rabindranath Tagore : Religion of Man

COURSE: APPHI 503GE -1: Text:Religion of Man,R. N. Tagore (Marks: 50)

1. Spiritual Union (15 Hours)
2. The Man of My Heart (15 Hours)
3. Man's Nature (15 Hours)
4. The Teacher (15 Hours)
5. Spiritual Freedom (15 Hours)
6. The Four Stages of Life (15 Hours)

References:

- Santinath Chattopadhyay, *The Universal Man: Tagore's Vision of the Religion of Humanity*, Naya Prokash, 1987.
- Kalpana Paul Choudhury, *Rabindra darshner Muktibhavana*



UNIT I: Critical Thinking and its Components

1. Critical Thinking: A Second-Order Activity
2. Identification and Analysis of the Problem.
3. Organizing the Data and Identifying the Errors.

UNIT II: Problem Analysis, Decision Making and Wrapping up for Solution

1. Evaluating the Argument: Validity, Soundness and Strength; Reflecting upon the issue with Sensitivity and Fairness.
2. Evaluating Decision Options from Multiple Perspectives.
3. Identifying Inconsistencies, Understanding Dilemma and Looking for Appropriate Solution within Limitations.

References :

- Hurley, Patrick J.(2007) Introduction to Logic, Wadsworth, Cengage learning.
- Kam Chun Aik, and Stephen Edmonds, Critical Thinking, Longman
- Dewey, John. (1933) How to Think: A Restatement of the Relation of Reflective Thinking to the Educative Process. revised edition. Boston: Heath
- Noisich, Gerald M. (2002) Learning to Think things through: A Guide to Critical Thinking, Prentice Hall.
- Madhuchhanda Sen, An Introduction to Critical Thinking



COURSE: APPHI 601DSE: (Chose any one of the following) (Marks: 50)

A. Socio-Political Philosophy : (Marks: 50)

1. Nature and Scope of Social and Political Philosophy (20 Hours)
2. Basic Concepts (Society, Social Group, Community, Association, Institution) (40 Hours)
3. Political Ideas (Forms of Democracy, Meaning and Nature of Secularism, Swaraj and Sarvodaya) (30 Hours)

References :

- R. M. MacIver & C. H. Page, *Society*, Rinehart and Co., NY, 1949.
- Morris Ginsberg, *Sociology*, OUP, 1947.
- Tom B. Bottomore, *Sociology*, Routledge, 2010.
- Pascual Gisbert, *Fundamentals of Sociology*, Orient Longman, 2004.
- Satyabrata Chakraborty, *Bh ratbar a: R rabh ban*
- AmalKumar Mukhopadhyay, "Secularism in the Present Indian Society" in *Bulletin of the Ramkrishna Mission Institute of Culture*, Vol. No. II
- Donald E.Smith, *India as A Secular State*, Princeton University Press, 1969.
- Krishna Roy (ed.), *Political Philosophy: Eastand West*, Allied Publishers, 2003.
- Krishna Roy and Chhanda Gupta (eds.), *Essays in Social and Political Philosophy*, Allied Publishers, 1989.
- Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay, *R ra dar aner Dh ra*
- Sandip Das, *Sam j O R jnaitik Dar an*
- Sailesh Kumar Bandyopadehyay, *G ndhi Parikram*
- JaharSen, *Gandhipather Digdarshan*
- Bhikhu Parekh, *Gandhi, A Very Short Introduction*, OUP, 1997.
- Bhikhu Parekh, *Gandhi's Political Philosophy*, Palgrave MacMillan, 1989.
- Samarendra Bhattacharya, *Sam jdar an O R adar an*
- M.K. Gandhi, *Hindswaraj*
- AndreaVeltman, *Social and Political Philosophy*, OUP, 2008.
- Pannalal Dasgupta, *Gandhi Gobeshana*, Nabapatra, 1986.
- Asoke Kumar Mukhopadhyay, *Bharatiya R racint Paricaya*



B. Western Logic (Inductive) (Marks: 50)

I.M. Copi: *Introduction to Logic* (14th Edition) [Chapters: 11 to 14]

1. Chapter 11 - Analogical Reasoning (20 Hours)
2. Chapter 12 - Causal Reasoning (20 Hours)
3. Chapter 13 - Science and Hypothesis (25 Hours)
4. Chapter 14 - Probability (25 Hours)

Reference:

- I. M. Copi, C. Cohen, K. McMahon: *Introduction to Logic* (14th Edition), Pearson, 2015.
- Samir Kumar Chakraborty, *Yuktibijn̄ ner Bhumik* , Disha Prakashan, Hooghly, 2008
- Shukla Chakraborty, *Tarkabijn̄ n*, Pragatishil Prakashak, Kolkata, 2009



1. History of Feminist Movements (15 Hours)
2. Gender Inequality (20 Hours)
3. Gender Role Development (20 Hours)
4. Women in Workplace (15 Hours)
5. Transgender Human Rights (20 Hours)

References :

- V. Geetha, *Gender*, Stree, Calcutta, 2015.
- Barbara Ryan, *Feminism and the Women's Movement*, Routledge, NY, 1992.
- Marlene LeGates, *In Their Time: A History of Feminism in Western Society*, Routledge, NY, 2001.
- S. Gillis, G. Howie, R. Munford (eds.), *Third Wave Feminism: A Critical Exploration*, Palgrave MacMillan, NY, 2007.
- S. Budgeon, *Third-Wave Feminism and the Politics of Gender in Late Modernity*, Palgrave MacMillan, NY, 2011.
- Linda J. Nicholson, *The Second Wave: A Reader in Feminist Theory (Vol. 1)*, Routledge, NY, 1997.
- Imelda Whelehan, *Modern Feminist Thought: From the Second Wave to 'Post-Feminism'*, New York University Press, 1995.
- Rory Dicker, *A History of U.S. Feminisms*, Seal press, California, 2008.
- Frederic P. Miller and A. F. Vandome (ed.), *Feminism*, Alphascript Publishing, 2010.
- Olive Banks, *Becoming a Feminist: The Social origins of First Wave Feminism*, University of Georgia Press, 1987.
- Carole R. Beal, *Boys and Girls: The Development of gender Roles*, Tata McGraw-Hill, 1994.
- Suzanne J. Kessler, Wendy McKenna, *Gender: An Ethnomethodological Approach*, University of Chicago Press, 1978.
- Deborah L. Rhode, *Speaking of Sex: The Denial of Gender Inequality*, Harvard University Press, 1997.
- Raymond F. Gregory, *Women and Workplace Discrimination: Overcoming Barriers to Gender Equality*, Rutgers University Press, 2003.
- Nancy Elder Walden, *Gender Bias As Related to Women in the Workplace*, Xlibris Corporation, 2000.
- Indrani Sen, *Human Rights of Minority and Women's: Transgender human rights (Vol. 2)*, Isha Books, 2005.



UNIT I: Art and Experience

1. Meaning and Analysis

UNIT II: Film as an Art Form

1. Documentaries, Commercial and Parallel Cinema

UNIT III: Art, Social Values and Morality

1. Life art interface
2. Film and Cultural representation

UNIT IV: Art and Communication in and through Films

References:

- Harold Osborne, (1976) Aesthetics, OUP.
- John Hospers. (1969) Introduction Readings in Aesthetics, Free Press.
- Christopher Falzon, Philosophy goes to the Movies, Routledge.
- Vijaya Mishra. (2009) Specters of Sensibility: The BollywPood Film. Routledge.
- Sussane Langer. (1953) Feeling and Form, Longman Publishing House.