

# University of Kalyani



**FOUR YEARS UNDER GRADUATE COURSE FOR  
SEMESTERZED AS PER NEP IN PHILOSOPHY**

**WITH EFFECT FROM THE ACADEMIC SESSION**

**2023-24**

**TABLE-1: SEMESTER & COURSEWISE CREDIT DISTRIBUTION IN IN B.A. (Major & Minor)**

Course Code	<b>SEMESTER -I</b>		Credit	Marks
	Course Title			
PHIL-Mj-T-01	Outline of Indian and Western Philosophy – 1		06	75
PHIL-Mi-T-01	Logic: Indian and Western		04	50
PHIL-SEC-T-01	Western Logic and Its Application		03	45
Course Code	<b>SEMESTER -II</b>		Credit	Marks
	Course Title			
PHIL-Mj-T-02	Outline of Indian and Western Philosophy - 2		06	75
PHIL-Mi-T-02	Logic: Indian and Western		04	50
PHIL-SEC-T-02	Ethics: Theory & Practice (Indian and Western)		03	45

*\*Detail Course & Contents of each subject specific syllabus will be given as per existing standard format as provided below.*

## **B.A. PHILOSOPHY**

### **SEMESTER-I & II**

#### **COURSE CONTENT:**

<b>PHIL-Mj-T-01</b>	
<b><u>Outline of Indian Philosophy – 1</u></b>	
<b>Prescribed Course:</b>	<b>Total Marks: 75</b> <b>Credits: 06</b>
Section: A	General Introduction
Section: B	Cārvāka
Section: C	Jainism
Section: D	Buddhism
<b>Section: A</b> <b><u>General Introduction</u></b>	

<b>Unit: I</b>	Distinctive Features of Indian Philosophy.
<b>Unit: II</b>	Basic concepts of Vedic and the Upaniṣadic World Views. <i>ṛta</i> ( The Cosmic Order); <i>ṛṇa</i> (Duty/Obligation) <i>ātman</i> ; <i>jāgrat</i> , <i>svapna</i> , <i>suṣupti</i> , <i>turīya</i> ; <i>śreyas</i> , <i>preyas</i> , <i>karma</i> .
<b>Section: B</b> <b><u>Cārvāka</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Epistemology: Perception, Inference and Verbal testimony.
<b>Unit: II</b>	Metaphysics: Materialism, <i>Dehātmavāda</i>
<b>Section: C</b> <b><u>Jainism</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Epistemology: Theory of Knowledge ( <i>mati</i> , <i>śruta</i> , <i>avadhi</i> , <i>manaparyāya</i> and <i>kevela</i> ).
<b>Unit: II</b>	Metaphysics: Concepts of <i>sat</i> , <i>dravya</i> , <i>guṇa</i> , <i>paryāya</i> , <i>Jīva</i> , <i>ajīva</i> , <i>anekāntavāda</i> , <i>syādvāda</i> , <i>saptabhangīnaya</i> .
<b>Section: D</b> <b><u>Buddhism</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Four Noble Truths, <i>pratītyasamutpādavāda</i> , <i>Karmavāda</i> , <i>kṣaṇabhangavāda</i> , <i>nairātmyavāda</i> .
<b>Unit: II</b>	Schools of Buddhism: Vaibhāṣika, Sautrāntika, Jogācara ,Mādhyamika.
<b>Group- B</b> <b><u>Outline of Western Philosophy</u></b>	
Prescribed Course	
Section: A Section: B Section: C	Short Introduction of Western Philosophy Plato Aristotle
Section: A	Short Introduction of Western Philosophy
<b>Unit: I</b>	Distinctive features of Ancient, Medieval and Modern Periods
<b>Unit: II</b>	Short Introduction of Pre-Socratic Philosophers: Thales, Anaxagoras, Anaximenes, Ionians, Pythagoras, Parmenides, Heraclitus and Democritus.

<b>Unit: III</b>	Short Introduction of the Sophists and Socrates
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Section: B <b>Plato</b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Theory of Knowledge, Opinion and Belief
<b>Unit: II</b>	Theory of Ideas or form

Section: C <b>Aristotle</b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Refutation of Plato's Theory of Ideas
<b>Unit: II</b>	Theory of Causation, Form and Matter.

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<b><u>Logic: Indian and Western</u></b>	
<b>Prescribed Course:</b>	<b>Total Marks:50</b> <b>Credits:04</b>
Group A	Indian Logic (Nyāya)
Group B	Western Logic
<b><u>Group A</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Definition of Inference, Concepts of <i>paksa, sadhya</i> and <i>hetu</i>
<b>Unit: II</b>	<i>Parāmarśa, Vyāpti, Vyāptigraha</i>
<b>Unit: III</b>	Classification of Anumāna, <i>Hetvābhāsa</i>
<b><u>Group B</u></b>	
<b>Prescribed Course:</b>	
Section: A	Basic Concepts of Western Logic
B	Deductive Logic
Section: C	Inductive Logic

<u>Section: A</u>	
<b><u>Basic Concepts of Western Logic</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Sentence, Proposition, Logical form, Truth, Argument, Validity and Soundness
<b>Unit:II</b>	Deductive and Inductive argument
<b>Unit:III</b>	Laws of Thought
<b><u>Section: B</u></b>	
<b><u>Deductive Logic</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Aristotelian Classification of Categorical Propositions; Distribution of terms, Square of Opposition, Conversion, Obversion, Contraposition, Existential Import.
<b>Unit:II</b>	Categorical Syllogism: Figures and Moods; Rules of Validity; Fallacies
<b>Unit III</b>	Boolean interpretation of propositions; Venn diagram technique for testing the validity of syllogisms
<b><u>Section: C</u></b>	
<b><u>Inductive Logic</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Cause and Effect
<b>Unit: II</b>	Mills Methods of Experimental Enquiry
<b>Unit: III</b>	Scientific Hypothesis
<b>Unit: IV</b>	Elementary Probability Calculus

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- I.M. Copi & C. Cohen: *Introduction to Logic* (13th edn.)

Indra Kumar Roy: *Pratiki Nyaya*

Rama Pradas Das: *Sanketic juktivijnān (vol-I-IV)*

W. Hodges: *Logic*

W.Salman: *Logic*

<b>PHIL-SEC-T-01</b>	
<b><u>Western Logic and Its Application</u></b>	
<b>Prescribed Course:</b>	<b>Total Marks:45</b> <b>Credits:03</b>
Section A	Basic Concepts of Western Logic
Section B	Deductive Logic
Section C	Inductive Logic
<b>Section A</b>	
<b><u>Basic Concepts of Western Logic</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Sentence, Proposition, Logical form, Truth, Argument, Validity and Soundness.
<b>Unit: II</b>	Deductive and Inductive argument.
<b>Unit: III</b>	Laws of Thought.
<b>Section B</b>	
<b><u>Deductive Logic</u></b>	
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<b>Section C</b>	
<b><u>Inductive Logic</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Cause and Effect
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**SEMESTER II**

<b>PHIL-Mj-T-02</b> <b><u>Outline of Indian and Western Philosophy – 2</u></b>	
<b>Prescribed Course:</b>	<b>Total Marks:75</b> <b>Credits:6</b>
<b>Group A</b> <b><u>Outline of Indian Philosophy</u></b>	
Section A	Nyāya – Vaiśeṣika
Section B	Sāṃkhya
Section C	Yoga
<b>Section A</b> <b><u>Nyāya – Vaiśeṣika</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	<b>Nyāya:</b> Four <i>pramāṇa</i> -s: Perception, Inference, Comparison and Testimony, Theory of Error, Nature of Cause, Classification of Causes: <i>samavāyī</i> , <i>asamavāyī</i> , <i>nimitta</i> , <i>aṣatkāryavāda</i> , The Idea of God and Proofs for the existence of God. <b>Vaiśeṣika:</b> <i>Paramāṇuvāda</i> , Seven Categories ( <i>dravya</i> , <i>guṇakarma</i> , <i>sāmānya viśeṣa</i> , <i>samavāya</i> , and <i>abhāva</i> ).
<b>Unit: II</b>	
<b>Section: B</b> <b><u>Sāṃkhya</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Sāṃkhya Duality : <i>Prakṛti</i> and its constituents , proofs for the existence of <i>Prakṛti</i> , <i>Satkāryavāda</i>
<b>Unit: II</b>	<i>Puruṣa</i> : Its nature and arguments for its existence. Plurality of <i>Puruṣa</i> .

<b>Section: C</b> <b><u>Yoga</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Definition of Yoga, <i>citta</i> , <i>cittabhūmi</i> , <i>cittavṛtti</i>
<b>Unit: II</b>	<i>Eightfold Path (astānga yoga)</i> , Nature and Proofs for the existence of <i>Īśvara</i>
<b>Group-B</b> <b><u>Outline of Western Philosophy</u></b>	
Section: A	Descartes
Section: B	Spinoza
Section: C	Leibnitz
<b>Section A</b> <b><u>Descartes</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Cartesian Method, <i>Cogito Ergo Sum</i> , Types of Ideas, Criterion of Truth, substance
<b>Unit: II</b>	Proofs for the existence of God, Mind-Body Relation.
<b>Section B</b> <b><u>Spinoza</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	The Doctrine of Substance, Attributes and Modes, The Concept of God or Nature, Intellectual Love of God, Pantheism.
<b>Unit: II</b>	Mind - Body Relation. Degrees of Knowledge.
<b>Section C</b> <b><u>Leibnitz</u></b>	

<b>Unit: I</b>	Doctrine of Monads, Pre-established Harmony, God: Nature and Proofs for the Existence of God.
<b>Unit: II</b>	Truths of Reason and Truths of Fact, Theory of Knowledge: Principles of Non-contradiction, Sufficient Reason and the Identity of Indiscernible.

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Group B	Western Logic
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<b>Unit: I</b>	Definition of Inference, Concepts of <i>paksa, sadhya</i> and <i>hetu</i>
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<b>Unit: III</b>	Classification of <i>Anumāna, Hetvābhāsa</i>
<b><u>Group B</u></b>	
<b>Prescribed Course:</b>	
Section: A	Basic Concepts of Western Logic
B	Deductive Logic
Section: C	Inductive Logic
<b>Section: A</b>	
<b><u>Basic Concepts of Western Logic</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Sentence, Proposition, Logical form, Truth, Argument, Validity and Soundness
<b>Unit:II</b>	Deductive and Inductive argument
<b>Unit:III</b>	Laws of Thought

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- Rama Pradas Das: *Sanketic juktivijnān* (vol-I-IV)
- W. Hodges: *Logic*
- W. Salman: *Logic*

<b>PHIL-SEC-T-02</b> <b><u>ETHICS: THEORY &amp; PRACTICE (Indian and Western)</u></b>	
<b>Prescribed Course:</b>	<b>Total Marks: 45</b> <b>Credits: 03</b>
Section A	Indian Ethics
Section B	Western Ethics
<b>Section: A</b> <b><u>Indian Ethics</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Basic Concepts: Presuppositions, Theory of <i>Karma</i> , <i>Purusārtha</i> .
<b>Unit-II</b>	Cārvāka Ethics, Buddhist Ethics: <i>Pañcaśīla</i> and <i>Astāṅgika Mārga</i> ; Jaina Ethics: <i>Triratna</i> , <i>Anuvrata</i> and <i>Mahāvratā</i> ; Yoga Ethics: Eight fold means in Yoga Philosophy.
<b>Section: B</b> <b><u>Western Ethics</u></b>	
<b>Unit: I</b>	Basic Concepts: Meaning, Nature and Scope of Ethics, Rights, Duties, and Justice
<b>Unit II</b>	Practical Ethics: Killing, Euthanasia, Suicide, Abortion, Theories of Punishment.

### **Suggested Reading**

- I. C. Sharma : *Ethical Philosophies of India*, George Allen & Unwin Ltd., London, 1965
- Samiran Ch. Charaborty : *The concept of purusarthas*
- Davjanananda Vargava : *Jaina Ethics*
- Stevenson : *The Heart of Jainism*
- Syed Ameer Ali : *The spirit of Islam* ( English and Bengali Version)
- Laugaksibhaskara : *Arthasamgraha* ( Edited by Swami Bhargananda)
- Prasastapada: (Ed. By Brahmacavi Medhacaitanya ( 2nd Vol.): *Padarthadharmasamgraha* (guna Prakarana)

S.K.Maitra : *The Ethics of Hindus*

- Surama Dasgupta : *Development of Moral Philosophy*
- M.Hiriyanna : *The Indian Conception of Values*
- P.V. Kane : *History of Dharma Sastra Vol -1*
- W. Lillie : *An Introduction to Ethics*, University Paperbacks, London,1955
- W. Frankena: *Ethics*,2nd ed., Prentice Hall of India Private Limited, Delhi, 1973
- Samarendra Bhattacharya : *Tattvagata Nitividya O Vyavaharika Nitividya*
- Aristotle : *The Nichomachean Ethics* ( Trans. Devid Ross Revused by J.L. Ackrill and J. Urmson)
- Mrinal Kanti Bhadra : *Nitividya*, The University of Burdwan , Burdwan,1991
- David Bostock : *Aristotle's Ethics*
- Julia Driver : *Ethics – The Fundamentals*
- Fred Feldman : *Introductory Ethics*
- W. Frankena : *Ethics*
- W. Lillie : *An Introduction to Ethics*
- J.D. Mabbott : *Introduction to Ethics*
- J.Hospers: *Human Conduct*
- Rosalind Hurstthron: *Virtue Ethics*
- Kant: *Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals*
- J.S.Mill: *Utilitarianism*
- W.D.Hudson: *Modern Moral Philosophy*
- Phillappa Foot (Ed.): *Theories of Ethics*
- R.M. Hare: *The Language of Morals*
- H.J. Paton: *The Moral Law*
- Plato: *Parmenides and Protagoras*
- Aristotle: *Nichomachean Ethics*
- Bernard Williams: *Morality: An Introduction to Ethics*
- J.L. Mackie: *Ethics: Inventing Right and Wrong*
- Bernard William and J.J.C. Smart: *Utilitarianism: For and Against*
- C.D. Broad: *Five Types of Ethical Theory*
- *Nitividya*: Aurobindo Basu (in Bengali)

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