



**UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT**

**Abstract**

M.A Philosophy under (CUCSS)– in affiliated colleges modified syllabus and scheme–approved – implemented with effect from 2014 admission - orders issued

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**G & A - IV - B**

U.O.No. 7671/2014/Admn

Dated, Calicut University.P.O, 06.08.2014

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*Read:-*1.U.O No.GA IV/J1/1373/08 dated 23-07-2010.

2. U.O's of even no. dated 17.08.2010, and 19.02.2011 and 15-09-2011
3. Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Philosophy held on 13-02-2014 (Item No. 1 c)
4. Remarks dated 13-03-2014 from the Dean, Faculty of Humanities
5. Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 20-03-2014 (item No.27)

**ORDER**

Vide paper read first above, Calicut University Credit Semester System has been introduced at PG level in affiliated colleges of Calicut University with effect from 2010 admission onwards.

Vide paper read second above, the I, II, III and IV semester syllabi of M.A Philosophy (CUCSS) in affiliated colleges with effect from 2010 admission have been implemented subject to ratification by the Academic Council.

Vide paper read third above, the Board of Studies in Philosophy at its meeting held on 13-02-2014 vide Item No. 1 c has approved the modified syllabi and scheme of the MA Philosophy (Semester Course) offered by the Philosophy departments in affiliated colleges to be implemented with effect from 2014.

Vide paper read fourth above, the Dean, Faculty of Humanities has forwarded his remarks vide email that considering the urgency of the matter, the item no. 1c of the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Philosophy held on 13-02-2014 be approved.

Vide paper read fifth above, the Academic Council, at its meeting held on 20-03-2014 vide item No.27 has resolved to approve item No.1c of the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Philosophy held on 13-02-2014.

Sanction has therefore been accorded to implement the modified syllabus and scheme of MA Philosophy (Semester Course) in affiliated colleges with effect from 2014 admission.

Orders are issued accordingly.

The Syllabus is uploaded in the university website

Muhammed S  
Deputy Registrar

To

The Principals of all Affiliated Colleges

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Section Officer

**UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT**  
**M. A. Philosophy Programme (CUCSS)**  
**Revised Syllabi & Scheme of Examination 2014**

The duration of the **M. A. Philosophy Programme (CUCSS)** is 4 semesters. The programme consists of two types of courses - Core and Elective courses.

Elective courses are offered in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Semester.

Total number of courses is 14 core and 2 elective courses. In addition to the core and elective courses, there will be a Project work and a general Viva voce.

Total credits for Core, Elective, Dissertation and Viva voce is 72, i.e.  $14 \times 4 = 56$ ,  $2 \times 4 = 8$ ,  $2 \times 4 = 8$ , Total =  $56 + 8 + 8 = 72$  credits.

**Course Code**

In the code for each course, PY indicates the discipline Philosophy, I II III and IV stand for the semester number, C represents Core course, E elective course and Pr Project dissertation.

**Schedule of Semesters and Courses**

SEMESTER	COURSE CODE	TITLE OF THE COURSE	CREDITS
<b>I</b>	PY I C 01	Indian Epistemology	4
	PY I C 02	Philosophy of Kant	4
	PY1 C 03	Symbolic Logic	4
	PY1 C 04	Phenomenology and Existentialism	4
<b>Semester total</b>			<b>16</b>
<b>II</b>	PY II C 05	Western Metaphysics	4
	PY II C 06	Indian Metaphysics	4
	PY II C 07	Recent Developments in Western Thought	4
	PY II C 08	Philosophy of Language	4
<b>Semester total</b>			<b>16</b>
<b>III</b>	PY III C 09	The Socio-Economic Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi	4
	PY III C 10	Philosophy of Mind	4
	PY III C 11	Philosophy of Science	4
<b>ELECTIVES</b> (Any one of the three)	PY III E 01	Philosophy of Wittgenstein	4
	PY III E 02	Philosophy of Sri Narayana Guru	
	PY III E 03	Philosophy of Marxism	

<b>Semester total</b>			<b>16</b>
<b>IV</b>	PY IV C12	Philosophy of Deconstruction	4
	PY IVC 13	Philosophy of Humanism	4
	PY IV C 14	Philosophy of Gender	4
<b>ELECTIVES(Any one of the three)</b>	PY IV E 04	Modern Moral Philosophy	4
	PY IV E 05	Ecophilosophy	
	PY IV E 06	Film and Philosophy	
<b>*PROJECT WORK</b>	PY IV - Pr	(External evaluation based on the dissertation. Internal evaluation based on the Viva voce on the dissertation conducted along with the General Viva voce). The weightage will be distributed in the 3:1 ratio.	4
GENERAL VIVA VOCE			4
<b>Semester total</b>			<b>24</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>72</b>

\*Project evaluation and Viva-Voce shall be conducted by two external examiners.

The dissertation should be prepared under the guidance of a supervising teacher. It should be submitted as directed by the department concerned in the prescribed format having approximately 40 - 50 pages in spiral binding.

### **Scheme of Evaluation and Pattern of Question Paper**

The evaluation scheme for each course contains two parts - (a) internal evaluation and (b) external evaluation. 25% weightage shall be given to internal evaluation and the remaining 75% to external evaluation. Therefore, the ratio of weightage between internal and external is 1:3. Both internal and external evaluation shall be carried out using direct grading system.

There shall be **external examinations** at the end of each semester, which will be conducted by the university.

The question papers for external examination consist of **three** parts:

**Part A** consists of 14 short answer type questions carrying 1 weightage each; each answer should not exceed 50 words. There is no choice in this section.

**Part. B** consists of paragraph type questions, carrying a weightage of 2 each. In this section, 7 questions out of 10 should be answered. Each answer should not exceed 150 words.

**Part C** consists of Essay type questions each carrying a weightage of 4. In this section, 2 essays out of 4 should be answered. Each answer should not exceed 450 words.

Total weightage for each paper will be  $14+14+8 = 36$ .

Total weightage of **internal assessment** will be 5.

**Distribution of weightage for Internal Assessment**

<b>Component</b>	<b>Weightage</b>
Attendance	1
Test papers (Minimum 2)	2
Seminar presentation	1
Assignments (Minimum 2)	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>

NB: The UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT regulations for the Credit Semester System (PG) for affiliated colleges apply to the programme as a whole.

**Syllabi of the Courses**

**I SEMESTER**

**PY I C 01 - INDIAN EPISTEMOLOGY**

**5 Hrs/week.**

**Credits 4**

**108 Contact Hrs.**

Module I Carvaka System: Epistemology

15 Hrs

## Theory of Pramanas

Module II	Jainism; Epistemology Immediate and Mediate knowledge, Anekantavada, Syadvada	15 Hrs
Module III	Nyaya-Vaisesika- Epistemology Perception, Inference, Comparison and Verbal testimony	20 Hrs
Module IV	Purva Mimamsa- Epistemology Perception, Inference, Comparison and Verbal testimony	20 Hrs
Module V	Sankara's Advaita Vedanta - Epistemology Perception, Inference and Scriptural testimony	20 Hrs

### Reference books:

1. History of Indian Philosophy: S.N.Das Gupta
2. A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy: C.D.Sharma.
3. Perception. M.K.Manulal.
4. Nyaya Theory of Inference . R.C.Mullatti.
5. Indian Philosophy (Vol. & II) : Dr. S.Radhakrishnan

## PY I C 02 - PHILOSOPHY OF KANT

5 Hrs/Week.

108 Contact Hrs.

Credits 4

Module I.

25. Hrs

Introduction

The Distinction between Pure and Empirical Knowledge

Need of a Science of a priori

The distinction between Analytic and synthetic judgments

Synthetic a priori Judgments

The General Problem of Pure Reason  
The Idea and the Division of the Critique of Pure reason

Module. II. 25. Hrs

- 1) Transcendental Aesthetic-Introduction
- 2) Definition
  - a) Sensibility) Intuition c) Sensation d) Representation e) Appearance
  - f) Phenomena g) Noumena h) Matter of Appearance i) Form of Appearance
  - j) Pure or A priori intuition k) Empirical Intuition
- 3) Space-Metaphysical Exposition and Transcendental Exposition
- 4) Time- Metaphysical Exposition and Transcendental Exposition
- 5) General observations on Transcendental Aesthetic

Module. III. 25. Hrs

- Transcendental Logic-Introduction
- 1) Logic-Division of Logic into Analytic and Dialectic
  - 2) Transcendental Logic, Division into Transcendental Analytic and Transcendental Dialectic

Module. IV. 25. Hrs

- 1) Transcendental Analytic-Introduction
- 2) Analytic of Concepts
- 3) The clue to the discovery of all pure concepts of the Understanding
- 4) The logical employment of the Understanding
- 5) Pure concepts of the Understanding or Categories
- 6) Table of Categories
- 7) Transcendental deduction of the Categories

**Textbook**

*Critique of Pure reason.* Norman Kemp Smith.

**Reference books:**

**1. Kant's Critique of pure reason: An Introduction by Jill Vance, Buroker in Books**

2. *A Short Commentary on Kant's Critique of Pure Reason* - AC Ewing

3. *The Cambridge Companion to Kant*

**PY1 C 03 - SYMBOLIC LOGIC**

**5 Hrs/Week.**

**Credit 4**

**108 Contact Hrs.**

Module I Introduction:

30 Hrs

- 1.1 Definition, nature and scope of logic
- 1.2 Traditional and symbolic logic - correlation and differences
- 1.3 Categorical Propositions- Quality, Quantity and Distribution

1.4 The Traditional Square of Opposition

1.5 Syllogism

- a) Standard - Form Categorical Syllogisms- Rules and Fallacies
- b) Venn Diagram technique for testing Syllogisms
- c) Disjunctive and Hypothetical Syllogism

Module II Symbolic logic 20 Hrs

2.1 The use of symbols and its advantages

2.2 Statement forms and statements

- a) Tautologous, contradictory and Contingent Statement forms
- b) Material equivalence

2.3 Argument forms and testing their validity using truth tables

Module III Methods of Deduction 20 Hrs

3.1 Formal Proof of Validity

3.2 The Elementary valid argument forms

- a) Disjunctive Syllogism
- b) Modus Ponens
- c) Modus Tollens
- d) Hypothetical Syllogism
- e) Additional five rules

3.3 The ten Rules of Replacement

Module IV Quantification Theory 20 Hrs

4.1 The need for quantification

4.2 Singular propositions

4.3 Universal and Existential quantifiers

4.4 Symbolizing traditional A, E, I, O propositions by means of quantifiers

**Textbook:**

Copi, Cohen and McMahon. *Introduction to Logic*, 14<sup>th</sup> edition. Pearson: Delhi, 2012.



**Reference books:**

1. Irvin M. Copi. *Symbolic Logic*. (Relevant chapters and sections)
2. Irvin M. Copi. *Introduction to Logic* (Relevant chapters and sections)
3. Stan Baronett & Madhuchadrass. *Logic*. Pearson.
4. Chhanda Chakraborti. *Logic, Informal, Symbolic and Inductive*.

## PY1 C 04 - PHENOMENOLOGY AND EXISTENTIALISM

<b>5 Hrs/Week.</b>	<b>Credit 4</b>
<b>90 Contact Hrs.</b>	
Module 1. Phenomenology – Introduction	Hrs.18
The background of Phenomenology	
The Ideal of Philosophy as a Rigorous Science	
Module II. Edmund Husserl – Husserl’s Phenomenological Method.	Hrs.18
Different phases of Husserl’s Phenomenology	
Basic features of Husserl’s Phenomenology	
Husserl’s Doctrine of Essences	
Intentionality	
Phenomenological Reduction	
Module III The Methodological Questions of Existentialism	Hrs.18
The Background of Existentialism	
Chief Features of Existentialism	
Module IV Soren Kierkegaard	Hrs.18
Kierkegaard’s notion of Existence	
The Subjective truth	
Freedom and Subjectivity	
Module V. Jean Paul Sartre	Hrs.18
Sartre’s Ontology	
Bad Faith	
Being-for-itself, Being-in-itself	
Concept of Freedom	

**Textbook** –Mrinal Kanti Bhadra- *A Critical Survey of Phenomenology and Existentialism*, ICPR in association with Allied Publishers, New Delhi. (Relevant Chapters and Sections)

### Reference books:

1. *Introduction to phenomenology: Second Edition*. By **Dermot Moran** Routledge
2. *Reading Sartre: On Phenomenology and Existentialism*. Edited by **Jonathan Webber** Routledge
3. *Kierkegaard and Philosophy: Selected Essays*. By **Alastair Hannay**. Routledge
4. Blackham H.G, *Six Existentialist Thinkers*, Second Edition, New York, 1952
5. Michelman, Stephen. *Historical Dictionary of Existentialism*. The Scarecrow Press, Toronto, 2008.
6. Moran Dermot. *Introduction to Phenomenology: Second Edition*, Routledge
7. Moran, D and Mooney T (ed.) *Phenomenology Reader*, Routledge, 2002
8. Solomon, Robert C, *Existentialism*, Oxford University Press, New York, 2005

9. Warnock, Mary, *Existentialism*, Oxford University Press, New York; 1970
10. Webber Jonathan (ed.) *Reading Sartre: On Phenomenology and Existentialism*.  
Routledge

## II SEMESTER

### PY II C 05 - WESTERN METAPHYSICS

6 Hrs/Week.

Credit 4

108 Contact Hrs.

Module 1. Introduction - The concept of Metaphysics	Hrs.30
1.1 Aristotle's View - Metaphysics as the Science of Being, Being Qua Being.	
1.2 Concept of metaphysics	
a) Cartesian view	
b) Spinoza's view	
c) Kant's view	
d) Positivist view	

Module II Approaches to Metaphysics	Hrs.40
Metaphysics as protoscience (pre-scientific thinking)	
Metaphysics as a pseudo science (a body of nonsensical utterance)	
Metaphysics as going beyond science	
Metaphysics as thrusting beyond the limits of language (Heidegger, Wittgenstein)	
Metaphysics as presuppositionlessness (Phenomenology)	

Module III Problems of Metaphysics	Hrs.38
Appearance and Reality	
Being, Essence and Existence	
Mind and Body	
Space and Time	
Part and Whole	

#### Reference books:

1. Walsh.W.H , *Metaphysics*.
2. Russell.B, *Problems of Philosophy*, OUP
3. A.E. Taylor, *An Introduction to Metaphysics*.
4. Taylor, Richard (ed) *Introductory reading in Metaphysics*.
5. Sclesinger, G.N, *Metaphysics*.
6. Bergson *Introduction to Metaphysics*,
7. Hiedegger, *An Introduction to Metaphysics*,
8. Bradley, *Approach to Reality* (Introduction).
9. Camap. R, *Elimination of Metaphysics in Ayer*.
10. Aristotle, *Metaphysics* , relevant chapters from Book A and E.

### PY II C 06 - INDIAN METAPHYSICS

**6hrs/Week.**

**Credit 4**

**108 Contact Hrs.**

Module 1.Upanishads- Metaphysics Hrs.18  
Nature of reality-Brahman-Atman-Creation-Degrees of Reality.

Module II. Jainism-Metaphysics Hrs.20  
Reality and Existence,-Ontology-Jiva- Ajiva

Module III Buddhism –Metaphysics Hrs.22  
The four noble truths, eight fold path and  
The Doctrine of Dependent Origination

Module IV Sankyha Yoga -Metaphysics Hrs.22  
Reality – Prakrti-Purusha- Theory of evolution

Module V. Schools of Vedanta Hrs.22  
Sankara’s Advaita System- Visistadvaita and Dvaita

**Reference books:**

1. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan ; *Indian Philosophy* Vol I and II.
2. C.D Sharma ; *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*.
3. Hiriyanna ; *Essentials of Indian Philosophy*.
4. Datta and Chatterjee ; *Indian Philosophy*.
5. S.N. Das Gupta ; *Indian Philosophy* (relevant vols).

**6 Hrs/Week.**  
**108 Contact. Hrs.**

**Credit 4**

Module I Structuralism and Semiotics	Hrs.24	
Concept of Sign – Generation of Meaning – Deep Structure and Surface Structure – Media and Message – Truth and Meaning		
Module II Ideology and Criticism;	Hrs.24	
Ideology as material force – Interpretation – Two features – Super structure and Ideology		
Module III Post Structuralism	Hrs.25	
Structure, Sign, play- The indeterminacy of meaning – Text and – Difference – Philosophy of writing, reading and deconstruction		
Module IV	Postmodernism	Hrs.35
a) Modernism and the project of modernity – features of modern philosophy – Renaissance and enlightenment –Descartes, Kant and Marx.		
b) Postmodernism - Incredulity towards metanarratives - Paralogical ways – postmodernism and globalization – postmodernism and the concept of progress – commodification- Real and representation revivalism.		

**Reference books:**

1. Jacques Derrida, *Writing and Difference*, Tran. Alan Bass
2. Jameson; *Post-modernism or the Cultural Logic of Late Capitalism*. Duke University Press (Introduction and conclusion).
3. Lenin and Philosophy. Monthly Review Press, New York.
4. Lyotard ;*The Post Modern Condition*, Manchester.
5. Terence Hawkers. *Semiotics and Structuralism*, Methuen.
6. Terence Hawke. *Cultural Materialism: Theory and Practice*. Blackwell Publication.

## PY II C 08 - PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE

6 Hrs/Week.

Credit 4

108 Contact Hrs.

Module 1.	Frege Sense and reference Concept and object	Hrs.20
Module II.	Russell Theory of description	Hrs.20
Module III	Quine Meaning and Truth Logical Grammar	Hrs.20
Module IV	Davidson Truth and Meaning	Hrs.15
Module V.	Dummett Theory of meaning	Hrs.15
Module IV.	Chomsky Transformational Grammar Standard – theory of transformational Grammar	Hrs.18

### Reference books:

1. R. C. Pradhan. *Recent Developments in Analytic Philosophy*. ICPR, 2001.
2. Milton Munitz; *Contemporary Philosophy Analytical Philosophy*(Chapters on Frege and Russell only)
3. W.V.Quine ; *Philosophy of Logic* , Prentice Hall of India PVT Ltd New Delhi.
4. Davidson's article on "*Truth and Meaning*".
5. Dummett's article on "*Theory of Meaning*".
6. M.Devitt. *Language and Reality* (Chapter 6) pp. 89- 110.
7. Chomsky; *The Essential Chomsky*. Penguin Books India.
8. Morton Winston; *On Chomsky*; Wadsworth Publishing Company.

**III SEMESTER**  
**PY III C 09 - THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC PHILOSOPHY OF**  
**MAHATMA GANDHI**

**5 Hrs/Week.**

**Credit 4**

**108 Contact Hrs.**

Module I Introduction

1.1 Indian Influence

- a) Upanishads
- b) Bhagavad Gita
- c) Ramayana
- d) Jainism
- e) Buddhism

1.2 Western Influence

- a) Leo Tolstoy
- b) Thoreau
- c) Ruskin

Module II Gandhian Ideal of Society

2.1 Sarvodaya

- a) Truth
- b) Non-violence
- c) Satyagraha
- d) Education
- e) Untouchability
- f) End and Means

Module III Gandhian political ideal

- a) The ideal of Ramarajya
- b) Decentralization of power



- c) Panchayat Raj
- d) Swaraj
- e) Swadesi

Module IV Economic ideal of Gandhi

- a) Trusteeship
- b) Private Property and Exploitation
- c) Socialism and Economic Equality
- d) Village and cottage industries
- e) Anti-industrialism

**Reference books:**

- 1)M.K.Gandhi. *Sarvodaya*
- 2)M.K.Gandhi. *Hind Swaraj or Indian Home rule.*
- 3)Unnithan T.K.N. *Gandhi and Social Change.*
- 4) Bose N.K. *Studies in Gandhism & Selections from Gandhi.*
- 5) Tandon Viswanath. *The Social & Political Philosophy of Sarvodaya after Gandhi.*



## PY III C 10 - PHILOSOPHY OF MIND

**5 Hrs/Week.**

**Credit 4**

**108 Contact Hrs.**

### Module I. Mind - Body Relationship

- 1.1 Cartesian Dualism
- 1.2 Conceivability and Divisibility Argument

### Module II

Mental states

- 2.1 Mental States and Propositional Attitudes
- 2.2. Eliminative Materialism and Folk Psychology
- 2.3 Functionalism
- 2.4 Functionalism and Brain States

### Module III

- 3.1 Behaviorism
- 3.2 Arguments for and against Behaviorism
- 3.3 Behaviorism and Identity theory

### Module IV

Problem of Consciousness

- 4.1 Intentionality
- 4.2 Nature of Qualia and Inverted Spectrum Argument
- 4.3 Reductionism and Non- Reductionism

### Module V

- 5.1 Human Rationality and Artificial Intelligence
- 5.2 Artificial intelligence and Turing Test
- 5.3 Searle's Chinese Room Argument
- 5.4 Connectionism and philosophy of mind

### Reference books:

1. Ian Ravenscroft. *Philosophy of Mind-A Beginner's Guide*.
2. Lowe-*An Introduction to The Philosophy Of Mind*. Cambridge, 2000.
3. John Heil. *The Nature of True Minds*. Cambridge UP, 1997.
4. Jane Heal. *Mind, Reason and Imagination*. Cambridge UP, 2003.
5. Brian Cooney. *The Place of Mind*. Wadsworth, 2000.

## PY III C 11 - PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE

**6 Hrs/Week**

**Credit 4**

**108 Contact Hrs.**

### Module I Introduction

- 1.1 Philosophy of Science - Definition, nature and characteristics
- 1.2 Aristotle's Philosophy of Science
- 1.3 Seventeenth Century attack on Aristotle's Philosophy of Science
- 1.3. Bacon's account of scientific method 18Hrs

### Module II Inductivism and the Hypothetico-Deductive View of Science

- 2.1. Mill's Inductivism
  - a. Mill's Inductive Methods
  - b. Multiple Causation and the Hypothetico-Deductive Method
  - c. Context of Justification
  - d. Causal Relations and Accidental Relations
  - e. Justification of Induction
- 2.2 Jevons' Hypothetico-deductive view 15Hrs

### Module III Physics and Metaphysics

- 3.1 Newton
  - a) Absoluteness of Space and Time
  - b) The Clock-Work Universe: Determinism
- 3.2. Einstein
  - a) Relativity of Space, Time and Mass
  - b) The Space-time Continuum
- 3.3. The Quantum Revolution
  - a) Dual Nature: The role of observer
  - b) Uncertainty principle: Determinism and Probability
  - c) The Ontological and Epistemological Questions in Quantum Mechanics
- 3.4. Towards a Theory of Everything: Stephen Hawking 30 Hrs

### Module IV Theories of Scientific Progress

- 4.1. Karl Popper-Falsification
- 4.2. Thomas Kuhn- Paradigm shift
- 4.3 Paul Feyerabend – Against Method 30Hrs

### Module V The Philosophy of Biology

- 5.1. Natural Selection - Causes and purposes
- 5.2. Genetic engineering and its ethical implications 15 Hrs

### Reference books:

1. *A Historical Introduction to the Philosophy of Science*- John Losse.

2. *Philosophy of science* – Alex Rosenberg.
3. *Philosophy of Science: A Very Short Introduction*. Samir Okasha.
4. *Philosophy of Science*. Antony O’Hear.
5. *What is the thing Called Science?* Alan Chalmers.
6. *Understand Philosophy of Science*. Mel Thompson.
7. *ABC of Relativity*. Bertrand Russell.
8. *Physics and Philosophy*. Werner Heisenberg.
9. *Philosophy of Science: Contemporary readings*. Ed. Yuri Balasho and Alex Rosenberg.

**PY III E 01 - PHILOSOPHY OF WITTGENSTEIN**

**5 Hrs/Week.  
108 Contact Hrs.**

**Credit 4**

Module I - Historical background of the Linguistic Turn in Philosophy

Post-Hegelian scenario- Against system building in philosophy-Metaphysics as meaningless- Analytic Trends

Module II - Early Wittgenstein

Wittgenstein's entry into philosophy- Picture Theory of language-Concept of ideal language- Correspondence theory of Truth- The style of Wittgenstein's writing-Language and world

Module III - Later Wittgenstein

A decade of self- criticism, Use theory of meaning, Language games, Ordinary language philosophy

Module IV - Wittgenstein and Contemporary western Philosophy

His influence on postmodernism - Jean Francois Lyotard -Wittgenstein's critique of European investigation-scientific rationality – New dimension of spiritual outside institutions-

**Reference books:**

1. Richard M.Rorty(ed). *The Linguistic Turn* (University Of Chicago Press1967).
2. L.Wittgenstein. *Tractatus-Logico Philosophicus*. (Routledge, London 1988).
3. John Heaton and Judy Grover. *Wittgenstein for Beginners* (Icons Book,Cambridge, 1994).
4. L. Wittgenstein. *Philosophical Investigations* (Basil Blackwell 1980).
5. R. C. Pradhan. *Recent Developments in Analytic Philosophy*. ICPR, 2001.

**PY III E 02 - PHILOSOPHY OF SRI NARAYANA GURU**

**6 Hrs/Week.**  
**108 Contact Hrs.**

**Credit 4**

Module I Post - Sankara dialectics and Advaita Vedanta

- a. The Guru trio of South India - Sankara, Ramanuja and Madhva
- b. Buddhism, Jainism and Saivism
- c. Sri Narayana Guru's emergence

35Hrs

Module II Evolution of Sri Narayana Guru's Philosophy

- a. Devotion
- b. Mysticism
- c. Philosophy

Module III Significance of Sri Narayana Guru

- a. *Advaita Deepika* (Lamp of Non-dual Wisdom) and *Arivu* (Knowledge)
- b. *Darsana Mala* (The Garland of Visions)

25Hrs

Module IV

- a. Sankara and Sri Narayana Guru
- b. The Humanistic trend in contemporary Indian Philosophy
- c. Philosophy and the vision of one world

18Hrs

**Reference books:**

1. Natarajaguru: *The Word of the Guru.*  
*The Philosophy of a Guru.*  
*Life and Teaching of Narayana Guru.*  
*Experiencing One World.*  
*An Integrated Science of the Absolute 3Vols.*
2. Muni Narayana Prasad: *Vedanta Sutra of Narayana Guru.*

**5 Hrs/Week.**  
**108 Contact Hrs.**

**Credit 4**

**Module I- Introduction**

1.1 The theoretical sources of Marxism

- a) Hegelian dialectics
- b) Feuerbach's materialism
- c) The synthesis and formation of dialectical materialism

**Module II - Doctrinal bases of Marxism**

- 2.1 Theory of alienation
- 2.2 Doctrine of ideology
- 2.3 Theory of Mode of Production
- 2.4 Class and Class Consciousness
- 2.5 Dictatorship of the Proletariat

**Module III - Imperialism as the Highest Stage of Capitalism (Lenin)**

- 3.1 Bourgeois and Proletarian revolution
- 3.2 Materialism and Emperio Criticism
- 3.3Mao Tse Tung-On Contradiction

**Module IV - Critical trends**

- 4.1 Lukacs - Critical and socialist realism
- 4.2 The Frankfurt School -
  - a) Antonio Gramsci - Historicism, concept of hegemony, critique of economism
  - b) Horkheimer - Principles of critical theory
  - c) Adorno - Negative Dialectics

**Reference books:**

- 1. Marx and Engels. *Communist Manifesto*.
- 2. Leszek Kolakowski. *Main Currents of Marxism*. OUP, 1990. (for Module IV, relevant portions from Vol. 3).
- 3. Robert Freedman(ed.). *Marxist Social Thought*. Harvest Book,New York,1968.
- 4. Roger S.Gottlieb(ed). *An Anthology of Western Marxism*.OUP 1989-(Relevant portions).
- 5. Mao-Tse Tung. *On Contradiction* (In Selected Works Vol.1) Foreign Languages Press, Peking, 1967 p 311-347.

**IV SEMESTER**

**PY IV C12 - PHILOSOPHY OF DECONSTRUCTION**



**5 Hrs/Week.**  
**108 Contact Hrs.**

**Credit 4**

Module I- Deconstruction as a Methodology: From Nietzsche

- 1.1 Philosophy and Literature.
- 1.2 Speech, Presence, Origins: From Hegel to Saussure.
- 1.3 Derrida and Kant : Enlightenment Tradition.
- 1.4 Structure, Sign and Play: The Question of Meaning and Centre.

Module II - Of Grammatology- an Introduction.

- 2.1 Derrida on Plato.
- 2.2 Nietzsche, Freud, Levi Straus: On the Method of Deconstruction.

Module III- Derrida and Indian theory of Meaning

- 3.1 Bhartrhari and *Sphota*
- 3.2 Dinnaga and *Apoha*

**Reference books:**

1. Christopher Norris, *Derrida*, Fontana Press, 1987.
2. Jacques Derrida, *Acts in Literature*, Derek Attridge Ed. Routledge , 1992.
3. Christopher Norris, *Deconstruction: Theory and Practice*.
4. Derrida, *Writing and Difference*, Trans. Allan Bass (RKP).
5. Derrida, *Of Grammatology*, , Motilal Banarsidas New Delhi(1994).
6. Harrold Coward, *Derrida and Indian Philosophy*, Sri Sadguru Pub. New Delhi, 1991.
7. C. D Sharma, *Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*, Motilal Banarsidas New Delhi, 1991.

## PY IV C 13 - PHILOSOPHY OF HUMANISM

5 Hrs/Week.  
108 Contact Hrs.

Credit 4

### Module I - Introduction

- 1.1 Definition, basic concerns and tenets
- 1.2 The Biblical interpretation of human glory - Genesis concept of man  
as the special creation of God.
- 1.3 Renaissance Humanism - From theocentrism to homocentrism in education, philosophy and art. The 'Humanities'. Revival of interest in classical literature. The discovery of man and the birth of humanism.

### Module II - The Humanistic trend in Greek philosophy

- 1.1 Protagoras - Man is the measure of all things, Relativism
- 1.2 Socrates - the human prerogative to self-knowledge, virtue is knowledge
- 1.3 Plato - The doctrine of soul

### Module III - Contemporary western humanism

- 3.1 Comte - The Law of The three stages, the religion of humanity
- 3.2 Marxism - Atheistic humanism, The dictum- "Man is the root of mankind", Concept of real man in real society.
- 3.3 Existentialism as Humanism - the human prerogative to being-for-itself, the ethical dimension of human existence as the being- for- others.
- 3.4 Pragmatic Humanism - Schiller's humanistic theory of meaning and truth.

### Module IV - Humanism in Indian philosophy

- 4.1 Neo-Vedanta as the basis of human dignity and equality - The humanistic interpretation of Vedanta philosophy as the means to eradicate the evils of Hinduism with special reference to Swami Vivekananda and Sri Narayana Guru
- 4.2 Materialistic/scientific humanism of M. N. Roy
- 4.3 Humanism and liberation of the marginalized sections with special reference to the movements led by Jyotirao Phule and Ambedkar.

### Reference books:

1. Will Durant. *The Story of Civilization*, Vol. 5, 'The Renaissance'.
2. N. Abbagnano. "Humanism" in *Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, ed. Paul Edwards. Macmillan.
3. Alex, Tharamangalam. 'Humanism' in *ACPI Encyclopedia of Philosophy* Vol. 1. Asian Trading Corporation, Bangalore.

4. T.M.P. Mahadevan & C.V. Saroja: *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*, Madras, 1985.
5. Basant Kumar Lal: *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*, Delhi, 1999
6. Benay Gopal Ray: *Contemporary Indian Philosophers*, Allahabad, 1957
7. V.S. Naravane: *Modern Indian Thought*, Bombay, 1964
8. M. N. Roy. *New Humanism: A Manifesto*.
9. Paul Oscar Kristeller. *Renaissance Concepts of Man and Other Essays*. Harper& Collins, New York, 1972.
10. Jean Paul Sartre. *Existentialism and Humanism*, Tr. Philip Mairet. Eyre Mathun Ltd., London, 1973.
11. Swamy Muni Narayana Prasad 'The Philosophy of Narayana Guru', New Delhi: DK Printworld, 2003.
12. [B.R. Ambedkar](#), *The Essential Writings of B. R. Ambedkar* [Valerian Rodrigues](#) (Editor) Oxford University Press, USA, 2002.
13. [B.R. Ambedkar](#), *The Buddha and His Dhamma: A Critical Edition* [Ajay Verma](#), [Aakash Singh Rathore](#) (Editor) OUP, 2011.
14. Dhananjay Keer. *Mahatma Jotirao Phooley: Father of the Indian Social Revolution*, Popular Prakashan, 1974.
15. 'Dr. Ambedkar as a Humanist'.  
<http://www.ambedkar.org/Babasaheb/DrAmbedkar.htm>

**5 Hrs/Week.**  
**108 Contact Hrs.**

**Credit 4**

**Module I - Epistemological-Ontological Break**

Man centered world & Philosophy

Feminist epistemology and ontology

Tom Paine's rights of man-Mary Wollstonecraft's vindication of the rights of women.

**Module II - First Wave of Feminism**

Assertion of man-women equality

Individual identity and dignity as a woman

Equal rights and voting right-Virginia Woolf's 'A Room of One's Own'.

**Module III - Second wave of feminism**

Emphasis on sexual autonomy-politics of representation-personal is political.

Militant phase of feminism-Religion and myths interpreted from women's point of view- science, Language, Art and literature deconstructed from feminist perspective- Liberal, Radical, Socialist, Psychoanalytic, and Ecofeminist schools.

**Module IV - Contemporary feminism**

Internal dissension -Feminist movement responds to local, Racial, National Post-Colonial, Class-caste specificities-Stress on difference- decentered and pluralistic phase-post-feminism

**Reference books:**

1. Tom Paine-'Right of man' in *Selected Works of Tom Paine*, Cariton House, New York,1945
2. Mary Wollstonecraft (1792) – *Vindication of Rights of Women*.
3. Micheelee boulos walker- *Philosophy and Maternal body*. Routledge New York, 1998.
4. Virginia Woolf: *A Room of One's Own*. CUP 1998 (edition).
5. Mirian Scheneir (ed): *The Vintage Book of Feminism*. Vintage 1995.
6. Rosalind Miles : *The Women's History of the World*. paladin 1989.
7. Betty Freedooan- *The Feminine Mystique*, Penguin 1965.
8. Shulaimath Firestone: *The Dialectic of Sex*, Quill William Marrow, New York,1970.
9. Deborach Cameron: *Feminist Critique of Language: A Reader*. Routledge, 1990.
10. Raven Armstrong: *The Gospel according to Women*. Harper Collins, 1996.
11. Simon de Beauvoir. *The Second Sex*. Penguin, 1987.
12. Helen Cixous & Catherin Clement. *The Newly born Women*. Manchester University Press, 1975.
13. Madhu Kiswar. *Why I'm not a Feminist- off the beaten track*. OUP 1999.
14. Susan Faludi, *Backlash: The Undeclared War against American Women*. New York, 1991.

**PY IV E 04 - MODERN MORAL PHILOSOPHY**

**5 Hrs/Week.**  
**108 Contact Hrs.**

**Credit 4**

Module 1 Introduction

- 1.1 Distinction between first order and second order Moral Discourse.
- 1.2 Analysis of Ethical terms-Good and Right. 38Hr

Module II. Ethical Cognitivism

- 4.1 Ethical Naturalism-J S Mill
- 4.2 Ethical Non Naturalism-G E Moore-Ethical terms as indefinable-Naturalistic Fallacy. 35H

Module III Ethical Non- Cognitivism

- 3.1 Ethical Skepticism-Logical Positivist Account
- 3.2 Emotivism- C L Stevenson
- 3.3 Prescriptivism- R M Hare- Prescriptivity, Supervenience, Universalisability Thesis. 35H

**Reference books:**

1. W. D Hudson. *Modern Moral Philosophy*. Macmillan. (1970)
2. C.D Broad. *Five Types of Ethical Theory*.
3. T E Hill. *Contemporary Ethical Theory*.
4. William Lilly. *Introduction to Ethics*.
5. Mackenzie. *Manual of Ethics*.

**PY IV E 05 - ECOPHILOSOPHY**

**5 Hrs/Week.**

**Credit 4**

## 108 Contact Hrs.

### Module I Nature and Scope of Philosophy of Environment

- 1.1 Concepts of ecology - environment, ecosystem, biosphere, the principle of interconnectedness.
- 1.2 Ecology and ecosophy.
- 1.3 Deep Ecology of Arne Naess, Deep ecology and shallow ecology.

### Module II Man -Nature Relationship

- 4.3 The tribal vision of ecospiritualism.
- 4.4 The Buddhist perspective of 'there is a Buddha in everything'. The ethics of compassion and loving kindness of all beings.
- 4.5 Semitic Religions - The Biblical view of man's dominion over nature, The new interpretation of the Christian view of man as ecologically responsible.
- 4.6 The modernist view of man-nature divide in the light of the construction of binaries like subject/object and knower/known.

### Module III Contemporary Philosophy

- 3.1 The paradigm shift -Rejection of Anthropocentrism, Critique of scientific-technological civilization- Emerson, Thoreau and Gandhi.
- 3.2 Ecological Marxism and ecosocialism.
- 3.3 Ecofeminism - Rejection of the modernist concept of human self as separate and distinct, Critique of woman-nature identity, Personal is political.

### Module IV Ecological Problems

- 4.1 Population explosion and ecological devastation.
- 4.2 Aggressive and consumerist Capitalism.
- 4.3 Critique of idea of Progress.
- 4.4 Ecological consequences of Genetic Engineering and Nuclear Energy projects.

### Reference books:

1. Arne Naess. *Ecology, Community and Lifestyle-Outline of an Ecosophy*. CUP, 1989.
2. Warwick Fox, *Towards a Transpersonal Ecology*.
3. A.F.Robin, *The Ethics of Environmental Concern*.
4. Sampedro, *Ecophilosophy – A Field Guide to Literature -Environmental Ethics*(Journal).
5. Brennen Andinin, *Thinking about Nature; An investigation of Nature, Value and Ecology*.
6. M.K.Gandhi, *relevant selections from collected works*.
7. Roger Gottlieb. *The Sacred Earth-Religion, Nature, Environment*. Routledge, 1996. (Relevant articles).
8. Greta Gaard. *Ecofeminism, Women, Animals, Nature*. Temple University Press, 1993.

### PY IV E 06 - FILM AND PHILOSOPHY

5 Hrs/Week.

Credit 4

## **108 Contact Hrs.**

### Module I Nature of Cinematic Representation:

Human beings and art of image- making-Ontology of moving images, reality and illusion  
-Theories of perception [analytic,cognitive,phenomenological etc]-Cinema as art ,industry  
and technology

### Module II Film Genres

Realism-Neo Realism-New-Wave-Popular Commercial-Underground cinema-Political  
cinema

### Module III Sergel Evenstein-Bazine-Semiotic-Psychoanalytic-Auter-Post Modernist- Feminist-Theories of Cinema

### Module IV Philosophy of Cinema

#### **For Study:**

##### 1. Philosophy of Cinema

Roshomon – Akira Kurussowa

Suraj Ka Sathwan Ghoda -Shyam Benegal

##### 2. Subversive Readings of Mythico – Religious Texts

Nazann – Louis Bunnell

Esthapan -G Aravindan