

## UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT

(Abstract)

M.A Philosophy under (CUCSS)– in affiliated colleges -III<sup>rd</sup> and IV<sup>th</sup> semester syllabus –approved – implemented with effect from 2010 admission - orders issued.

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### GENERAL AND ACADEMIC BRANCH-IV B SECTION

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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.  
3. Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Philosophy (P.G) held on 18.08.2011 (itemNo.1)  
4.Orders of the Vice Chancellor in the file of even no.dated 06.09.2011.

### ORDER

Vide paper read 1<sup>st</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> above, the I<sup>st</sup> and II<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> the Board of Studies in Philosophy (P.G), at its meeting held on 18.08.2011, discussed ,finalized and approved the III<sup>rd</sup> and IV<sup>th</sup> semester syllabus of M.A Philosophy, to be offered in affiliated colleges with effect from 2010 admission.

Vide paper read 4<sup>th</sup>, the Vice Chancellor after having considered the matter and in view of urgency, had approved Item No. 1 of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Philosophy (P.G) held on 18.08.2011, exercising the powers of Academic Council, subject to ratification by Academic Council.

Sanction has therefore been accorded to implement the III<sup>rd</sup> and IV<sup>th</sup> semester syllabi of M.A Philosophy,(CUCSS) offered in affiliated colleges with effect from 2010 admission.

Orders are issued accordingly.

The Syllabus is uploaded in the university website.

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**III SEM: MA PHILOSOPHY  
PY III C 09 THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC PHILOSOPHY OF  
MAHATMA GANDHI (CORE)**

**6 Hrs/WEEK.**

**CREDIT 4**

**108 CONTACT Hrs.**

- 1) Introduction**
  - 1.1 Indian Influence.**
    - a) Upanisads b) Gita c) Ramayana
    - d) Jainism e) Buddhism

**27 Hr**
  - 1.2 Western Influence**
    - a) Leo Tolstoy
    - b) Thoreau
    - c) Ruskin

**27 Hr**
- 2) Gandhian Ideal Society.**
  - 2.1 Sarvodaya**
    - a) Truth
    - b) Non-violence
    - c) Satyagraha
    - d) Education
    - e) Untouchability
    - f) End and Means

**27 Hr**
- 3) Gandhian political ideal (Ramarajya)**
  - a) Decentralization of power
  - b) Panchayath Raj
  - c) Self rule
  - d) Swadesi

**27 Hr**
- 4) Economic ideal of Gandhi**
  - a) Trustee ship
  - b) Private Property & Exploitation
  - c) Socialism and Economic Equality
  - d) Village and cottage industries

e) Against over industrialization

27 Hr

**READING MATERIAL**

- 1)M.K.Gandhi : Sarvodaya
- 2)M.K.Gandhi: Hind Swaraj or Indian Homerule.
- 3)Unnithan T.K.N Gandhi and Ssocial change.
- 4)Bose N.K studies in gandhism &selections from Gandhi.
- 5)Tandon Viswanath,the social & political philosophy of sarvodaya after Gandhi..

**MODEL QUESTION PAPER**  
**III Sem MA Degree Examination**  
**PHILOSOPHY (CUCSS)**

**PY III C 09 THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC PHILOSOPHY OF  
MAHATMA GANDHI (CORE)**

Time: 3 Hrs

weightage: 36

**Part A**

**Answer all questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 50 words**

**Each question carries 1 weightage**

- 1) Summarise the message of 'Un to this last'.
- 2) Explain the term "Sarva mukti".
- 3 )Examine the role of constructive program in Gandhian economics.
- 4)"To see India in her true colors,we must true her villages".Explain.
- 5)Explain Gandhijies's views on women.
- 6)Examine the importance varnasramadharm.
- 7)Explain the term 'Swadeshi'.
- 8)Satyagraha is called the law of suffering, why ?
- 9) Bread Labour.
- 10) Passive resistance
- 11)Village Swaraj.
- 12) Untouchability.
- 13) End and Means.
- 14)Nishkamakarma

**Part-B**

**Answer any Seven Questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 150 words.**

**Each Question carries 2 Weightage**

- 15) State the relevance of the doctrine of trusteeship in modern times
- 16) What is 'Sarvodaya' ?
- 17) Account for the Gandhian method for social change.
- 18) What do you mean by 'simple life' ?
- 19) Write a short note on globalization.
- 20) Discuss the main characteristics of trusteeship.
- 21) Gandhian concept of Truth.
- 22) Discuss the relevance of Gandhian Political Philosophy.
- 23) Write a note on the influences on Gandhi.
- 24) Satyagraha.

### **Part- C**

#### **Answer any Two Questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 350 words.**

**Each Question carries 4 Weightage**

- 25) Briefly discuss the basic concepts of Gandhian Socio-economic philosophy.
- 26) Trusteeship-an alternative for Capitalism and Socialism.
- 27) Discuss the ethical implications of Sarvodaya.
- 28) Account for the Panchayat Raj and decentralisation of Political power.

### **III SEM: MA PHILOSOPHY**

#### **PY III C 10 PHILOSOPHY OF MIND**

**6 Hrs/WEEK.**

**CREDIT 4**

**108 CONTACT Hrs.**

#### **Unit I Mind Body Relationship**

1:1 Cartesian Dualism

2:2 Conceivability and Divisibility Argument

**20 Hr**

#### **Unit 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

2:5 Behaviorism

2:6 Behaviorism and Identity theory

35 **Hr**

### **Unit III Problem of Consciousness**

3:1 Intentionality

3:2 Nature of Qualia and Inverted Spectrum argument

3:3 Reductionism and Non Reductionism

23 **Hr**

### **Unit IV Human Rationality and Artificial Intelligence**

4:1 Human Rationality and Artificial Intelligence

4:2 Artificial Intelligence and Turing test

4:3 Searle's Chinese room argument

4:4 Connectionism and mind

30 Hr

### **READING MATERIAL**

1.Philosophy of Mind-A Beginner's Guide.-Ian Ravenscroft.

2.Philosophy of mind-A short Introduction.-Edward Feser

3.An introduction to the philosophy of mind- Lowe[Cambridge,2000]

### **MODEL QUESTION PAPER**

THIRD SEMESTER M.A DEGREE EXAMINATION

**PHILOSOPHY**

**PYIII C 010: PHILOSOPHY OF MIND**

Time: Three Hours

Weightage; 36

Part A (Short answer)

Answer all questions

Each question carries 1 weightage

Answer should not exceed 50 words

1. Substance dualism
2. Reductionalism
3. Monism of Spinoza
4. Inter theoretic reductionism
5. Artificial Intelligence
6. Interactionism
7. Intentionality
8. Qualia
9. Category mistake
10. Biological Naturalism
11. Chinese Room Argument
12. Imitation Game
  
13. Identity Theory
  
14. Turing Machine

Part B ( Short essay)

Answer any 7 questions

Each question should not exceed 150 words

Each question carries 2 weightage

15. Examine the distinction between human and artificial intelligence
16. Briefly discuss the argument of materialist against folk psychology
17. What is meant by propositional attitude
18. Discuss the main tenets of Functionalism
19. Give a short account of Behaviourism
20. Briefly discuss the contribution of Gilbert Ryle to the mind body problem
21. Explain the problem of Consciousness
22. Explain the notion of Rationality
23. Distinguish between Scientific and Logical Behaviourism
24. Discuss Chinese room argument

Part- C

Answer any Two Questions

Each answer should not exceed 350 words.

Each Question carries 4 Weightage

25. Critically evaluate the important features of Dualist theory of mind
26. Evaluate the different types of Identity theory of mind
27. Briefly discuss the salient features of the theory of Intentionality

28. Discuss the salient features of Functionalism

### **III SEM: MA PHILOSOPHY**

**PY III C 011 :PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE**

**6 Hrs/week.**

**CREDIT 4**

**108 Contact Hrs.**

Unit 1.	Introduction What is Philosophy of Science? Aristotle's Philosophy of Science Seventeenth Century attack on Aristotle's Philosophy of Science (Galileo, Bacon, Descartes)	28Hr
Unit II	Newton's Axiomatic Method	10 Hr
Unit III	Theory of Scientific Method Cognitive status of Scientific Laws Theories of Scientific Procedure Structure of Scientific Theories	25Hr
Unit IV	Scientific Inductionism & Hypothetico Deductionism Method-J.S.Mill	15Hr

Unit V	Theories of Scientific Progress	
	Karl Popper-Falsification,	
	Thomas Kuhn- Paradigm shift	
	Paul Feyarebend – Against Method.	30Hr

Reference: John Losse. A Historical Introduction to the Philosophy of Science

MODEL QUESTION PAPER

**THIRD SEMESTER M.A DEGREE EXAMINATION**

**PHILOSOPHY**

**PYIII C 011: PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE**

**Time: Three Hours**

**Weightage; 36**

Part A (Short answer)

Answer all questions

Each question carries 1 weightage

Each Answer should not exceed 50 words

1. Four causes
2. Method of resolution
3. Bacon's Ladder of Axioms

4. Descartes vision of science
5. Role of Hypothesis in science
6. Analysis and synthesis
7. Absolute space and Absolute time
8. Baconian Intuitivism
9. Regulative Principle
10. Context of Discovery
11. Whewell's pattern of scientific discovery
12. Tributary-River Analogy
13. Hypothesis and Dictionaries
14. Falsification

### Part. B ( Short essay)

Answer any 7 questions

Each answer should not exceed 150 words

Each question carries 2 weightage

15. Give an account of Aristotle's inductive-deductive method
16. Explain Briefly Absolute space and absolute time with reference to Newton
17. Give an account of Hume's skeptical position regarding the necessary knowledge of nature
18. Laws and theories are a colligation of facts Explain
19. Explain Hempel's deductive model of scientific Progress
20. Paul Feyerabend against method-Explain
21. Explain the laws of nature.
22. Explain how Campbell distinguishes between mathematical theories and mechanical theories
23. Show how Descartes modified Bacon's theory of procedure
24. Explain how Kuhn distinguishes between normal science and revolutionary science

### Part- C

Answer any Two Questions

Each answer should not exceed 350 words.

Each Question carries 4 Weightage

25. Critically Examine Aristotle's Philosophy of science
26. Explain Kant's view on regulative principle of science
27. Give an account of the structure of scientific theories
28. Critically examine the concept of paradigm shift of Thomas Kuhn

### **III SEM: MA PHILOSOPHY**

#### **PY E 012 PHILOSOPHY OF WITTGENSTEIN (Elective)**

**6 Hrs/WEEK.**

**CREDIT 4**

**108CONTACT Hrs.**

#### **Unit1: Historical background of the Linguistic Turn in Philosophy**

Post-Hegelian scenario- Against System Building in Philosophy-Metaphysics meaningless-

Analytic Trends

20Hr

#### **Unit 2: Early Wittgenstein**

Wittgenstein's entry into Philosophy-Picture Theory of language-Concept of Ideal language-  
correspondence theory of Truth-Style of Wittgensteinian writing-Language and world

35Hr

### **Unit 3: Later Wittgenstein**

A decade of Self criticism- Use theory of meaning –Blue and Brown books-- Language- games –  
ordinary language philosophy-family resemblance

35Hr

### **Unit 4 : Wittgenstein and contemporary Western Philosophy**

His influence in post modernism – Wittgensteinian critique of European investigation – scientific  
rationality – New dimension of spirituality outside institution.

18Hr

Text:

1. Richard M.Rorty(ed) The Linguistic Turn (University Of Chicago Press1967)
2. L.Wittgenstein, Tractatus-Logico Philosophicus(Routledge,London 1988)
3. John Heaton andJudy Grover, Wittgenstein for Beginners (Icons Book,Cambridge, 1994)
4. L.Wittgenstein Philosophical Investigaton(Basail Blackwell 1980)
5. David Bloor, Wittgenstein and Social Theory.

### **Model question paper**

### **THIRD SEMESTER M.A DEGREE EXAMINATION**

### **PHILOSOPHY**

### **PYIII E 012 PHILOSOPHY OF WITTGENSTEIN (Elective)**

**Time: Three Hours**

**Weightage; 36**

Part A (Short answer)

Answer all questions

Each question carries 1 weightage

Each Answer should not exceed 50 words

1. Correspondence theory
2. Ideal language theory
3. Picture theory
4. Use theory
5. Language Game
6. Ordinary Language Theory
7. Proposition – picture of reality
8. Tractatus Logico Philosophicus
9. Philosophical Investigation
10. Use theory of meaning
11. Blue and Brown Books
12. Metaphysics is meaningless
13. Description of Language
14. Vienna Circle and Wittgenstein

Part. B ( Short essay)

Answer any 7 questions

Each answer should not exceed 150 words

Each question carries 2 weightage

15. Examine the analytic trends which influenced linguistic turn in philosophy
16. Evaluate the style of writing of Wittgenstein
17. Discuss the relation between proposition and picture

- 18.Explain the statement “A thought is a proposition with a sense.”
- 19.How did Wittgenstein distinguish between signs and symbols
- 20.Bring out the special features of elementary propositions discussed in Tractatus
- 21.Discuss Wittgenstein’s view’s on sensation and imagination in the Blue and Brown book
- 22.What is meant by Ideal Language theory
- 23.Examine the dimensions of Language Games
24. Discuss the Language Game

Part- C

Answer any Two Questions

Each answer should not exceed 350 words.

Each Question carries 4 Weightage

- 25.Give a short account of Post – Hegelian trends in linguistic Philosophy.
- 26.Discuss the nature of ‘Object and things’ discussed in Tractatus
- 27.Examine later Wittgenstein’s view on use theory of meaning
28. Write an essay on Later Wittgenstein

**III SEM. MA PHILOSOPHY**

**PYIII E 013:PHILOSOPHY OF NARAYANAGURU**

**(ELECTIVE)**

**6 Hrs/WEEK.**

**CREDIT 4**

**108CONTACT Hrs.**

1.Post Sankara dialectics and Advaita Vedanta

a.The Guru trio of South India,Sankara,Ramanuja and the Madhva

b.Buddhism,Jainism and Saivism

c.Narayana Guru's emergence

35Hr

2.Evolution of Narayana Guru's Works

a.Devotion

b.Mysticism

c.Philosophy

30Hr

3.Significance Of Narayana Guru

a.Advaita Deepika Advaita(Lamp of Nondual Wisdom and Arivu(Knowledge)

b.Darsana Mala(Garland Of Visions)

25Hr

4. a.Sankara and Narayana Guru

b.The Humanistic Term in Indian Philosophy

c.Philosophy and the dream of one world

18Hr

BOOKS

1. Dr.Natarajaguru:The World Of the Guru
- 2.:The Philosophy Of a Guru
- 3: Life and Teaching of Narayana GURU.
- 4 . Experiencing One World
5. An Integrated Science of the Absolute 3Vols.
6. Muni Narayana Prasad:Vedanta Sutra of Narayana Guru

**Model question paper**

**III Sem. MA Philosophy**

**PY III E 013:PHILOSOPHY OF NARAYANAGURU**

**Time: 3 Hrs**

**weightage: 36**

**Part A**

Answer **all** questions

Each answer should not exceed **50 words**

**Each** question carries **1** weightage

1. Non dualism of Sankara
2. World and Soul in Visistadvaita
3. Three Malas in Dualism of Madhava
4. Kshanikavada
5. Pasu and Pati
6. Devotion is the means for Brahman realization
7. Mayadarsanam
8. Idol worship in Narayana Guru
9. The Mystic experience in the philosophy of Narayana Guru
10. Satyadarsanam
11. Narayanaguru's revolutionary ideas in the philosophy of Narayanaguru
12. Adyaropadarsanam
13. Caste system.
14. Anirvachaniyakyati

**Part B**

Answer **any Seven** Questions

Each answer should not exceed **150** words.

Each Question carries **2** Weightage

15. Maya in sankara Vedanta
16. Essential teachings of Vedanta
17. Revolutionary ideas of against caste system
18. Reality in Budhism
19. Humanism in the philosophy of Narayanaguru
20. Mysticism in Darsanamala
21. Knowledge in Darsanamala
22. Soul and World in Ramanuja.
23. Liberation.
24. Karma theory.

### **Part. C**

Answer **any Two** Questions

Each answer should not exceed **350** words.

Each Question carries **4** Weightage

25. Advatadarsanam in Narayana Guru.
26. A comparative study between Sankara and Narayana Guru.
27. Bring out the essential teachings of Darsanamala.
28. Humanism in Advaita Deepika.

## **III SEM MA PHILOSOPHY**

### **PY III E 014 PHILOSOPHY OF MARXISM( ELECTIVE)**

**6 Hrs/WEEK.**

**CREDIT 4**

**108CONTACT Hrs.**

1. Marxism an Introduction
  - 1.Theory of alienation
  - 2.Doctrine of ideology
  - 3.Theory of Mode of Production
  - 4.Class and Class Conciuousness
  - 5.Dictatorship of the Proletariat 38Hr
  
- 2.Imperialism as the Highest Stage of Capitalism(Lenin)
  - 1.Bourgeois and Proletarian revolution
  - 2.Materialism and Emperio Criticism
  - 3.Mao Tse Tung-On Contradiction 35Hr
  
- 3.New trends introduction
  - 1.Environment and Philosophy
  - 2.Socialist Feminism
  - 3.Cultural Criticism-Antonio Gramsci. 35Hr

BOOKS.Marx,Engles-Communist Manifesto(English Edition)

Robert Freedman(ed.)Marxist Social thought. Harvest Book,New York,1968.

Roger S.Gottlieb(ed)An Anthology of Western Marxism OUP 1989-Relevant portion

Mao-Tse Tung on Contradiction(In Selected Works Vol.1)Foreign Languages Press,Peking,1967 p 311-347.

## **Model question paper**

### **PY III E 014 PHILOSOPHY OF MARXISM(ELECTIVE)**

Time: 3 Hrs

weightage: 36

**Part A**

**Answer all questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 50 words.**

**Each question carries 1 weightage**

- 1) Summaries alienation
- 2) Explain the Doctrine of ideology
- 3) Examine the role of Industry in Marxian economics.
- 4) Explain Theory of Mode of Production.
- 5) Explain Class and Class Consciousness
- 6) Examine the importance of Class and caste
- 7) Explain the term 'Dialectic'
- 8) Dictatorship of the Proletariat
- 9) Exploitation.
- 10) Surplus Value
- 11) Class struggle
- 12) Materialism.
- 13) End and Mean.
- 14) Bourgeois

## **Part-B**

**Answer any Seven Questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 150 words.**

**Each Question carries 2 Weightage**

- 15) State the relevance of the doctrine of socialism in modern times
- 16) What is 'Dialectical Materialism
- 17) Account for the Marxian method for social change.
- 18) What do you mean by 'haves and have not'
- 19) Write a short note on globalization.
- 20) Discuss the main characteristics of egalitarian society.
- 21) Marxian concept of Revolution.
- 22) Discuss the relevance of Environment and Philosophy
- 23) Write a note on 'World Process'.
- 24) Dictatorship of the Proletariat

**Part- C**

**Answer any Two Questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 350 words.**

**Each Question carries 4 Weightage**

- 25) Briefly discuss the basic concepts of Marxian Socio-economic philosophy.
- 26) Compare and Contrast Capitalism and Socialism.
- 27) Discuss the implications of Bourgeois and Proletarian revolution
- 28) Account for the 'Dialectical Materialism and Surplus Value.'

**IV Sem: MA PHILOSOPHY**  
**PY IV C 0 15 PHILOSOPHY OF DECONSTRUCTION**  
**(CORE)**

**6 Hrs/WEEK.**

**CREDIT 4**

**108 CONTACT Hrs.**

**1) Deconstruction as a Methodology: From Nietzsche to Derrida**

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. 38Hr

**2) Of Grammatology- an Introduction.**

2.1 Derrida on Plato.

2.2 Nietzsche, Freud, Levi Straus: On the Method of Deconstruction. 35Hr

**3) Derrida and Indian theory of Meaning**

3.1 Bhartrhari and Sphota

3.2 Dinnaga and Apoha 35Hr

**READING MATERIALS**

Christopher Norris, Derrida, Fontana Press, 1987

Jacques Derrida, Acts in Literature, Derek Attridge Ed. Routledge , 1992.

Christopher Norris, Deconstruction: Theory and Practice

Derrida, Writing and Difference, Trans. Allan Bass(RKP)

Derrida Of Grammatology, , Motilal Banarsidas New Delhi(1994)

Harrold Coward, Derrida and Indian Philosophy, Sri Sadguru Pub. New Delhi, 1991.

C. D Sharma, Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy, Motilal Banarsidas New Delhi, 1991.

**Model question paper**

**IV Sem: M A Degree Examination**

**PHILOSOPHY (CUCSS)**

**PY IV C 0 15 PHILOSOPHY OF DECONSTRUCTION**

Time: 3 Hrs.

Weightage: 36

**Part- A**

Answer **all** Questions

Each answer should not exceed **50** words.

**Each Question carries 1 Weightage**

- 1) Write a note about the arbitrary nature of Language?
- 2) Explain 'Logocentricism'
- 3) Explain the nature of Unconscious.
- 4) Language game
- 5) Derrida says "Meaning is always indetermined"
- 6) Meta-narratives
- 7) Speech and Writing
- 8) Structural anthropology
- 9) SphoTa
- 10) Apoha
- 11) Signifier and Signified.
- 12) Noumena
- 13) Sign
- 14) Postmodern Condition

**Part- B**

Answer **any Seven** Questions

Each answer should not exceed **150** words.

Each Question carries **2** Weightage

15. What is structuralism ?
16. Distinguish between sign and signified?
17. What is 'Presence'?
18. Why meaning is arbitrary?
19. How does Derrida criticize Plato ?
20. Why is Nietzsche generally considered the father of Postmodernism ?
21. Bring out the essence of the book 'Of Grammatology'.
- 22 Distinguish between Speech and Writing.
- 23 'Language is a free play of Meanings', Explain.
- 24 'Reality is present in the Language', Discuss.

**Part-C**

Answer **any Two** Questions

**Each** answer should not exceed **350** words.

Each Question carries **4** Weightage

- 25 critically consider Derrida's deconstruction.
- 26 Discuss the intellectual influences on Derrida.
- 27 Comment on the notion of "metaphysics of presence".
- 28 Sign and free play of Language in Derrida.

**IV Sem: MA PHILOSOPHY**

6 Hrs/WEEK.

CREDIT 4

108CONTACT Hrs.

Unit I	Humanism in Greek thought	
	a. Protagoras- “Man is the measure of all things” –	
	b. Socrates and Plato	35Hr
Unit II	Positivist trends in the modern west	
	a. Comte and Law of three stages	
	b. Marxism and Humanism	
	c. Existentialism and Humanism	38Hr
Unit III	Humanism in India	
	a. Non Vedic Systems - Buddhism , Jainism, Carvaka, and Regional trends	
	b. Later trends: Jyothibhu Phule, Madhev Randay, E.V.Ramaswamy, Gurunanak , Ambedkar,Sree Narayanaguru, M.N.Roy.	
		35Hr

Model question paper

FOURTH SEMESTER M.A DEGREE EXAMINATION

PHILOSOPHY

**PYIV C 016: HUMANISM (INDIAN AND WESTERN)**

Time: Three Hours

Weightage ; 36

Part A (Short answer)

Answer all questions

Each question carries 1 weightage

Each Answer should not exceed 50 words

29. How Protagoras differ from other early Greek thinkers
30. State the relativism of Protagoras
31. comment on Socratic method
32. State the criticism of Sophist theory of knowledge
33. State the cardinal virtue upheld by Plato
34. Write a note on Plato concept of man
35. State how Auguste completes law of three stages
36. Comment on Auguste Comte's positivism
37. State Phule's view of social evil
38. What is self respect movement
39. What is classless society
40. How will you distinguish between Hegel and Marx
41. State the meaningful Existence precede essence
42. State the meaning of man is condemned to the free

Part B

Part. B ( Short essay)

Answer any 7 questions

Each answer should not exceed 150 words

Each question carries 2 weightage

43. Explain man is the measure of all things
44. Explain Socratic view of Virtue is knowledge
45. Explain the humanistic theory of Plato
46. Explain Auguste Comte classification of science
47. Explain Marxian concept of humanism
48. Explain the Existentialistic understanding of man
49. Explain Parmenides humanistic thought
50. Explain Narayana guru's philosophy of man
51. Explain Buddhism as humanistic philosophy
52. How did M.N Roy differ from Karl Marx

Part.C ( Essay)

Answer any 2 questions

Each answer should not exceed 450 words

Each question carries 4 weightage

53. Write an essay on humanism
54. Explain Ambedkar as a social reference
55. Give an account of Humanism of Gurunanak
56. Explain M.N Roy's radical humanism

## **IV Sem: MA PHILOSOPHY**

**PY IV C 017      PHILOSOPHY OF GENDER      (Core)**

**6 Hrs/WEEK.**

**CREDIT 4**

**108CONTACT Hrs.**

**Unit I Epistemological-Ontological Break**

Tom Paine's Rights of Man -Mary Wollstonecraft's Vindication of the Rights of Woman-Man centred world & Philosophy- Feminist epistemology and ontology

30Hr

**Unit II First Wave of Feminism**

Assertion of man-woman equality-Individual identity and dignity as a woman-Equal rights and voting rights-Virginia Woolf's – A Room of One's Own. 28Hr

**Unit III Second Wave of Feminism**

Emphasis on sexual autonomy-politics of representation-personal is political-Militant phase of Feminism-Religion and Myths interpreted from woman's point of view-Science, Language, Art and Literature are deconstructed from feminist perspective-Liberal, Radical, Socialist, Psycho-analytic, Eco-feminist school 35Hr

**Unit IV Contemporary Feminism**

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

15Hr

### Reading list

12. Tom Paine-Rights of Man in Selected works of Tom Paine, Carlton House, New York,1945
13. Mary Wollstonecraft(1792) – Vindication of Right of Woman
14. Michelle Boulous Walker-Philosophy and Maternal body, Routledge London, New York 1998
15. Philosophy of Feminism
16. Virginia Woolf: A Room of One's Own,. CUP ,1998 (edition)
17. Mirian Scheneir (ed): The Vintage Book of Feminism, Vintage ,1995
18. Rosalind Miles : The Women's History of the world, Paladin 1989
19. Betty Freidan- The Feminine Mystique, Penguin, 1965
20. Shulaimath Firestone: The Dialectic of Sex, Quill William Morrow. New York,1970
21. Deborah Cameron: Feminist Critique of Language, A reader, Routledge ,1990
22. Raven Armstrong: The Gospel according to Women, Harper Collins, 1996
23. Simon de Beauvoir: The Second Sex, Pengun. 1987
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25. Madhu Kishwar : Why I am Not a Feminist- Off the Beaten Track,. OUP ,1999
26. Susan Faludi, Backlash: The Undeclared War against American Women. New York 1991

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER

### PY IV E 17 PHILOSOPHY OF GENDER (CORE )

Part A (Short answer)

Answer all questions

Each question carries 1 weightage

Each Answer should not exceed 50 words

1. Seneca Falls Convention
2. Feminist Epistemology
3. Equality Feminism
4. Patriarchy
5. Post-Feminism
6. Man centred Philosophy
7. Women-Nature Connections
8. Environmental Feminism
9. Feminist Ontology
10. The Other
11. Feminine Mystique
12. Liberal Feminism
13. Radical Feminism
14. Cultural Feminism

Part. B ( Short essay)

Answer any 7 questions

Each answer should not exceed 150 words

Each question carries 2 weight age

15. Explain Feminism as Politics of Representation
16. Examine how religion and myths are interpreted from a woman's view point
17. Distinguish between Liberal and Radical Feminism
18. Gender is constructed through Language
19. Write a note on Patriarchy
20. Write a note on equal rights and voting rights
21. Explain the "child in custody" campaign
22. Write a note on Mill's Subjection of Women
23. Bring out the importance of Lang ham Place circle
24. Explain Consciousness-raising.

Part. C ( Essay)

Answer any 2 questions

Each answer should not exceed 450 words

Each question carries 4 weightage

25. Discuss briefly the origin and development of First wave feminism
26. Explain the characteristics of Second wave of Feminism
27. Give a brief account of Feminist Schools
28. Explain the basic concerns of Eco-feminism

### **IV Sem: MA PHILOSOPHY**

**PYIV E 018: MODERN MORAL PHILOSOPHY ( ELECTIVE )**

**6 Hrs/WEEK.**

**CREDIT 4**

**108CONTACT Hrs.**

## **Unit 1 Introduction**

Distinction between first order and second order Moral Discourse

Analysis of Ethical terms-Good and Right.

38Hr

## **Unit II. Ethical Cognitivism**

- a. Ethical Naturalism-J S Mill
  - b. Ethical Non Naturalism-G E Moore-Ethical terms as indefinable-Naturalistic Fallacy
- 35Hr

## **Unit III Ethical Non Cognitivism**

- a.Ethical Skepticism-Logical Positivist Account
- b.Emotivism-C L Stevenson
- c.Prescriptivism-R M Hare-Prescriptivity Supervenience, Universalisability Thesis.

35Hr

Reference

W.D Hudson :Modern Moral Philosophy, Macmillan

(1970)

C.D Broad :Five Types of Ethical Theory.

T E Hill :Contemporary Ethical Theory .

William Lilly : Introduction to Ethics

Mackenzie : Manuel of ethics

**Model question paper**

**FOURTH SEMESTER M.A DEGREE EXAMINATION**

**PHILOSOPHY**

**PYIV E 018: MODERN MORAL PHILOSOPHY**

**Time: Three Hours**

**Weightage ; 36**

Part A (Short answer)

Answer all questions

Each question carries 1 weightage

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1.

1. Positivist view on right
2. Good and right
3. Is and ought
4. Good as indefinable
5. The naturalistic fallacy
6. Genuine agreements of Stevenson
7. Reasoned argument
8. Perlocutionary force
9. Prescriptivity
10. Supervenience
11. Value judgements
12. Cognitivism
13. Non- naturalism
14. Emotivism

Part. B ( Short essay)

Answer any 7 questions

Each answer should not exceed 150 words

Each question carries 2 weightage

15. Moral judgements are universalizable
- 16 Is there any connection between moral philosophy and first order moral discourse
- 17 Verificationist theory of moral discourse
- 18 Emotivism of C.L.Stevenson
- 19 Ethical naturalism
- 20 Stevenson's three features of moral discourse
- 21 Psychological theory of meaning
- 22 Rationalist kind of non-descriptivism
- 23 Universalizability of R.M. Hare
- 24 How and why are value judgements Universalizable

Part.C ( Essay)

Answer any 2 questions

Each answer should not exceed 450 words

Each question carries 4 weightage

25. Write an essay on Prescriptivism of R.M.Hare
26. Distinguish between first order and second order moral discourse
27. Compare ethical non- naturalism and naturalism
28. Write an essay on Ethical scepticism

IV SEM MA PHILOSOPHY

PY1V E 019 :ECO-PHILOSOPHY (ELECTIVE)

6 Hrs/WEEK.

CREDIT 4

108CONTACT Hrs.

Unit 1 Nature and Scope of Philosophy of Environment

Concepts of Environment ,Ecology , Eco- Sophy

35Hr

Unit 2 Man- Nature Relationship

Classical -Modern – Scientific – Tribal Pagan – Jaina- Buddhist perspectives -Ancient Indian- Semitic Religions

25Hr

Unit 3 Contemporary Philosophy

Paradigm Shift -Rejection of Anthropocentrism -Critique of Scientific- Technological Civilization- Emerson -Thoreau -Gandhi -Marxist Perspective

25Hr

Unit 4. Ecological Problems

Population , Aggressive Consumerist, Capitalism, Critique of Idea of Progress ,Genetic Engineering – Nuclear Energy – Environmental Consciousness -Ethics

23Hr

Books ;

1. Warwick Fox , Towards a Transpersonal Ecology
2. A.F.Robin, The Ethics of Environmental Concern
3. Sampedro, Ecophilosophy – A field Guide to Literature Environmental Ethics(Journal)
4. Brennen Andnin, Thinking about Nature; An investigation of Nature, Value and Ecology
5. M.K.Gandhi, Relevant sections from collected works

#### **IV SEM MA PHILOSOPHY**

#### **PY1V E 020: PHILOSOPHY AND FILMS (ELECTIVE)**

**6 Hrs/WEEK.**

**CREDIT 4**

**108 CONTACT Hrs.**

1.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  
23Hr

## 2.Film Genres

Realism-Neo Realism-New-Wave-Popular Commercial-Underground Cinema-Political cinema  
25Hr

3.Sergei Evenstein- Bazine -Semiotic -Psychoanalytic-Auter-Post Modernist-Feminist-Theories of Cinema  
25Hr

## 4.Philosophy of Cinema

### 1.Philosophy of Cinema

Roshomon – Akira Kurussowa

Suraj Ka Sathwan Ghoda -Shyam Benegal

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

Nazarin – Louis Bunnel

Esthapan -G Aravindan

### 3.Question of Male/Female subjectivity

Amma Ariyan- John Abraham.

Ghaire Bhaire- Sathyajith Ray.

### 4.Crisis of Modernity.

Kathapurushan-Adoor Gopalakrishnan

Sacrifice-Andrei Tarkovsky

Basic Readings (relevant sections)

1. Jarvic Ian:Philosophy of the Film:Epistemology,Ontology and Aesthetics (RKP London,1987
2. Allen Richard,Smith Murray (ed), Film Theory and Philosophy (Clarendon Press,Oxford,1977)
3. Gilles Deleuze: Cinema 1,2 Minnesota University Press,1989)
4. Carrol Neol: Philosophical Problems of Classical Film Theory,(Princeton University Press,1988)
5. Cavell Stanley:The World Viewed, Reflection on the Ontology and Film,(Cambridge University Press,1979)
6. Currie Gregory: Image and Mind :Films, Philosophy and Cognitive Sciences, Cambridge University Press,1955)
7. Nichols Bill (ed) Movies and Methods Vol I & II,(University of California Press,1985)
8. M .Madhava Prasad –Ideology of the Hindi Films,A Historical Construction,(OUP,1988
9. Annette Kuhn,Women’s Pictures,Varso 1994

FILMS

1. Citizen Kane-Orson Welles
2. Battleship Potemkin
3. Bicycle Thieves-Victoria Dessica
4. Dolco Vita-Federic Fellini
5. Breathless-Godard
6. Pather Panjali-Sathyajith Ray
7. Swayamvaram-Adoor Gopalakrishnan
8. Meghe Daka Thara-Ritwik Ghatak
9. Roshomon-Akira Kurosawa
10. Nazarin-Louis Bunuel
11. Sacrifice-Tarkovsky
12. Amma Ariyan-John Abraham
13. Three colours Blue-Kieslowsky
14. Suzanna-T V Chandran.

Typical popular commercials from Hollywood , Bollywood and South Indian Film Industry.

**Model question paper**

**FOURTH SEMESTER M.A DEGREE EXAMINATION**

**PHILOSOPHY**

**PY1V C 020: PHILOSOPHY AND FILMS (ELECTIVE)**

**Time; Three Hours**

**Weightage; 36**

**Part A (Short answer)**

**Answer all questions**

**Each question carries 1 weightage**

**Each Answer should not exceed 50 words**

1. Realism
  2. Neo -realism
  3. The philosophical elements in Popular Commercial film.
  4. Ontology of moving images ,
  5. Theories of perception
  6. Reality and illusion
  7. Cinema is an 'Art'
  8. Bring out the impact of technology on film production
  9. Examine the difference between Political cinema and Political documentary
  10. Give an account of Post modernist cinema
  11. Explain the underground cineme
  12. How does sacrifice depict the crisis of modernity
  13. Give a review of Adoor Gopalakrishnan's Swayamvaram
  14. Write a note on commercial aspect of cinema
- 14 x 1=14 Weightage

Part. B ( Short essay)

Answer any 7 questions

Each answer should not exceed 150 words

Each question carries 2 weightage

15. Explain the concept of male-gaze
16. state the chief features of nostalgia films
17. Write about the philosophy of cinema you like
18. Write on note on Aravindan's Esthapan
19. Compare and cntrast Neo Realism and New Wave Cinema
20. Give a critical account of the filim Pathre Panjali
21. Examine the role and impact of cinema on cinema

22. Discuss the crisis of Modrenity as depicted in Katha purushan
23. Write a note on popular cinema
24. Comment on Roshomon

7 x 2 = 14 weightage

Part.C ( Essay)

Answer any 2 questions

Each answer should not exceed 450 words

Each question carries 4 weightage

25. Write an essay on Film and Philosophy

26. Critically examine the difference genre of films
27. Write an essay on Subversive Reading of Mythico – religious text as film
28. Discuss the question of Male - Female subjectivity in film

2 x 4 =8 weightage

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