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DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

U.G. Programme Outcomes (PO)

The teacher enables the students to:

- PO₁ get in depth knowledge of their individual discipline
- PO2 think creatively & critically
- PO₃ have a cognitive clarity of the content
- PO₄ think logically and show reflective reasoning
- PO₅ develop social skills and environmental sensitivity.
- PO₆ apply the disciplinary knowledge in real life situations
- PO7 appreciate and practice the universal values to be an efficient global citizen
- PO₈ demonstrate digital competencies.

Program Specific Outcome (PSO)

The Program will enable the students to:

- PSO 1-develop understanding of the methods, fundamental principles and concepts of the discipline of philosophy and its different branches such as epistemology, metaphysics, ethics etc. and its allied discipline such as logic, philosophy of religion, social and political philosophy.
- PSO 2-acquire knowledge of the philosophical theories and their historical developments and interrelations.
- PSO 3-develop philosophical knowledge of the ancient, modern and contemporary western tradition as well as the Indian tradition.
- PSO 4 -display a thorough knowledge of different epistemological and metaphysical theories of Philosophy.
- PSO 5-analyze, evaluate and criticize existing philosophical thoughts and develop independent theories regarding these thoughts.
- PSO 6- reason clearly and carefully in employing the principles of logic to construct cogent arguments in both of their speech and writing.
- PSO 7. develop ability to understand and interpret classical works of great philosophers.
- PSO 8- display thorough knowledge of Contemporary philosophical issues and the current developments in the disciplines.
- PSO 9-think creatively and independently in exploring possibilities beyond those deep-rooted existing opinions and practices.

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B.A. (Hons.): Philosophy

Programme Name	Semester	Course Code with Name	Course Outcome	PSO	PO
B.A. (Hons.)	I	BAO-111:	Student will be able to:		
		Indian Philosophy-I	 recognize the influence of <i>Vedas</i> on the systems of Indian philosophy. 	PSO 1	PO 1
			 explain the concept of Self and <i>Brahman</i> according to 	PSO 1	PO 3
			Upaniṣads.		
			 assess the notion of freedom and bondage expounded by 	PSO 3	PO 1
			Cārvāka and its received understandings by other		
			systems of philosophy.		
			 Illustrate the concepts of traditional philosophy. 	PSO 1	PO 1
			 examine the validity of ancient knowledge. 	PSO 3	PO 3
			• distinguish Śruti (āgama)		
			from Smṛti (nigama), Karma,	PSO 4	PO 3
			<i>Jñāna</i> and <i>Bhakti</i> from each		
			other, Indian Idealism from		

			Indian Materialism <i>, Preyasa</i> from <i>Śreyasa</i> .		
B.A. (Hons.)	I	BAO-112: Western Philosophy-I	Student will be able to: • recall the key thinkers, major themes as well as important theories available in the classical Greek philosophical	PSO 7	PO 3
			 traditions. implement the philosophical resources and tools available in the Greek traditions with adequate depth. 	PSO 8	PO 2
			develop a set of critical abilities to analyze the different philosophical theories discussed in the	PSO 8	PO 3
			 course. assess the respective arguments for and against the world-views offered by the Greek tradition. 	PSO 3	PO 4
			 recall an overview of the origins and development of early stages of Western Philosophy, which could lay a 	PSO 3	PO 1

			foundation for a several contemporary philosophical debates. • Identify the continuity from Greek to modern philosophy. • formulate presentation on the constructive and historical development of philosophical thought in the West.	PSO 3 PSO 4	PO 2 PO 4
B.A. (Hons.)	II	BAO-121: Indian Philosophy-II	 Student will be able to: compare the tradition of argumentation and scripture in Indian philosophy. differentiate the different positions on various issues of different systems of Indian philosophy. 	PSO 5 PSO 2	PO 2 PO 2
			 relate the concepts of Mukti, Māyā and the world as a whole according to the systems of Indian philosophy. 	PSO 3	PO 1
			 analyze the language to categories things referred by them according Nyāya- Vaiśeṣika. 	PSO 2	PO 1

			Write essays on Indian causation principles, traditional theories of the origin of the world, limbs of Yoga, etc.	PSO 6	PO 4
B.A. (Hons.)	II	BAO-122: Western Philosophy-II	 comprehend the ideas of key thinkers on major themes available in the modern western philosophical traditions. imply the philosophical resources and tools available in the modern western traditions with adequate depth. critically analyze the different philosophical theories discussed in the course. 	PSO 3 PSO 2 PSO 5	PO 2 PO 4

			 assess the respective arguments for and against the world-views offered by the modern western tradition. give an overview of the origins and development of early stages of Western Philosophy, which lay a foundation for several contemporary philosophical debates. 	PSO 3	PO 4 PO 3
			 identify the main tenets of rationalism, empiricism and criticism. 	PSO 3	PO 2
			 assess the understanding of the history of the ideas in the West. 	PSO1, PSO3	PO 3
B.A. (Hons.)	III	BAO-211: Ethics	Student will be able to: • define and explain the difference of approach in Indian and western Ethics.	PSO 3	PO 2

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			 explain the need of ethics in personal and social life. 	PSO 1	PO 2
				PSO 5	PO 2
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			judgments and moral		
			reasoning.	PSO 1	PO 2
			 discuss major normative ethical theories such as 	P50 1	PO 2
			Deontology, Utilitarianism, and virtue ethics.		
				PSO 8	PO 4
			 analyse and evaluate arguments for and objections 	1 50 o	FU 4
			to normative ethical theories.		
			estimate the central	PSO 7	PO 4
				1507	104
			arguments in the works of		
			key moral thinkers of		
			historical importance such as		
			Aristotle, Kant, Jeremy		
			Bentham and Mill.		
			 inculcate virtue and impart 	PSO 5	PO 3
			value education.		
			design presentations on what		
			0 1	PSO 6	PO 6
			makes an action justified, the		
			right kind of reward and		
			punishment for someone's		
			action/s, etc.		
B.A. (Hons.)	III	BAO-212:	Student will be able to:		
		Logic			

explain the fundamentals of	PSO 1	PO 4
Classical logic.identify the forms of proposition as opposed to grammatical forms of	PSO 8	PO 4
sentences.distinguish between deductive and inductive	PSO 6	PO 4
 arguments and their practical use in our daily life. describe the formal nature of syllogism and check its validity through Venn- 	PSO 6	PO 4
Diagram Technique. • translate ordinary sentences of natural language into	PSO 8	PO 4
 sentences of formal language. construct correct arguments and also provides valid ground to reject the incorrect 	PSO 9	PO 6
 ones. make sense of arguments and reasoning going on in Aristotelean categorical syllogisms. 	PSO 5	PO 3
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			 demonstrate Mill's methods of experimental enquiry. work with the forms of arguments instead of their contents. 	PSO 7 PSO 5	PO 3 PO 3
B.A. (Hons.)	IV	BAO-221: Philosophy of Religion	Student will be able to: • distinguish philosophy of religion from theology.	PSO 9	PO 4
			identify the basic elements of religion.	PSO 2	PO 2
		 differentiate old and preliminary forms of religious practices from modern practices. 	PSO 3	PO 2	
			 critically examine the arguments for and against God. 	PSO 4	PO 3
			 describe the grounds of religious knowledge. 	PSO 5	PO 4
			explain the problem of religious language. distinguish the various	PSO 2	PO 2
			 distinguish the various conceptions of God. 	PSO 2	PO 2

B.A. (Hons.)	IV	BAO-222: Social and Political	Student will be able to • explain the notion of democracy.	PSO 2	PO 1
		Philosophy	Make use of the relation of	PSO 4	PO 2
			individual and state.analyze the rights of Individuals and communities.	PSO 2	PO 1
			construct and develop how to learn and live in a cohesive manner in a multicultural	PSO 6	PO 5
			setup.design presentation on social institutions and political thinkers, Western as well as	PSO 6	PO 6
			Indian.Classify and develop political virtues and social values.	PSO 9	PO 6
			formulate presentation on the socio-political philosophy of contemporary Indian thinkers.	PSO 9	PO 7
B.A. (Hons.)	V	BAO-311: Indian Epistemology	Student will be able to:		

			learn and identify Indian style of reasoning.	PSO 6	PO 2
			• explain the difference between <i>Pramā</i> and <i>Apramā</i> .	PSO 3	PO4
			 Explain and identify the various theories of 	PSO 3	PO 2
			justification/truth of a knowledge claim. • compare the origin of nature, validity of knowledge in different schools of Indian	PSO 3	PO 2
			Philosophy. • define various kinds of knowledge and their instruments.	PSO 1	PO 1
			 design demonstrations on Anumāna process according to various systems of Indian philosophy. 	PSO 6	PO 5
B.A. (Hons.)	V	BAO-312: Western Epistemology	• describe about the complexity and dynamic of basic epistemological issues.	PSO 4	PO 3

			 identify the issues regarding source, validity and limits of human knowledge. explain the various theories of truth to make students able to critically think about nature, criteria and bearers of 	PSO 2	PO 3
			truth. • analyze the traditional definition of knowledge and critically examine the necessity and sufficiency of its constituents. • comprehend the difference and importance of knowing-how from knowing-that. • comprehend the structure of knowledge.	PSO 4 PSO 4	PO 2 PO 4
			 formulate comparative presentations on theories based on subject-object relation. 	PSO 6	PO 6
B.A. (Hons.)	V	BAO-313: Contemporary Indian Philosophy-I	Student will be able to:	PSO 7	PO 4

			 examine comparatively the views of contemporary Indian thinkers. develop the ability to critically think about contemporary issues in the light of contemporary Indian philosophies. recall and classify the difference of interpretation of classical notions like <i>Jagata</i>, <i>Mayā</i> and <i>Ātma</i> etc. identify new patterns of thinking to further research work. 	PSO 5 PSO 9	PO 3 PO 5
B.A. (Hons.)	V	BAO-314, Contemporary Western Philosophy- I	Student will be able to: • define noesis, noema, intentionality, appearance, reality, substantive and adjective. • explain and evaluate instrumentalism and meliorism of Dewey, dialectical materialism, reductionism.	PSO 1 PSO 7	PO 1 PO 2

 distinguish between appearance and reality, epoche and phenomenological reduction. 	PSO 6	PO 3
 explain radical empiricism, Sartre on freedom and 	PSO 8	PO 4
responsibility.Identify chief characteristics of existentialism.	PSO 7	PO 7
 explain the history of philosophy starting from the early 20th century. 	PSO 1	PO1
 Identify and analyze the issues with the increasing professionalization of the discipline. 	PSO 8	PO 6
 Identify the development of analytic philosophy and its difference from continental philosophy. 	PSO 5	PO 6
 Able to present/explain key philosophical issues on pragmatism, Marxism, phenomenology, & Absolute 	PSO 9	PO 6

			Idealism in seminars and		
			colloquium.		
B.A. (Hons.)	V	BAOE 311: Symbolic Logic	 define what are symbols, variables, operators, truth-functioning, quantifiers, propositional functions etc. explain what is different in modern logic from traditional logic, what are the presuppositions, interrelations and paradoxes implicit in operators of symbolic logic. do the calculus of propositions. elaborate the theoretical aspects of modern logic appreciate the contributions of modern logicians present on various methods and principles utilized to differentiate correct form of 	PSO 6 PSO 6 PSO 4 PSO 7 PSO 6	PO 2 PO 3 PO 6 PO 2 PO 3

			modern reasoning from incorrect.		
BA (Hons.)	V	BAOE 312: Tarka Bhāṣā (Pramāṇa prakaraṇa only)	 Student will be able to: explain the various concepts of Nyāya Philosophy. explain various strategies, methods, skills of the Nyāya system of Indian philosophy. illustrate Nyāya positions on various debatable issues of epistemic enquiry with examples. analyze and understand the traditional Sanskrit text. 	PSO 1 PSO 2 PSO 4	PO 1 PO 1 PO 4
			 identify the fallacies in definitions and traditional arguments. 	PSO 6	PO 2
			 differentiate various kinds of knowledge and the means to obtain them. 	PSO 1	PO 1
			inculcate analytic abilities	PSO 7	PO 6
			Recognize errors in logical thinking.	PSO 5	PO 4

BA (Hons.)	VI	BAO-321: Indian	Student will be able to:		
		Metaphysics	 Explain the satkāryavāda, vivartavāda, pratītyasamutpāda, asatkāryavāda. 	PSO 8	PO 3
			 critically explain the nature and proofs for the existence of God in Indian philosophy. 	PSO 5	PO 3
			illustrate materialism, idealism, realism, and atomism.	PSO 5	PO 3
			 classify the concepts of self in different systems of Indian philosophy. 	PSO 5	PO 3
			appreciate the Indian Metaphysics of various ancient Indian schools such as Cārvāka, Buddhism, Jainaism, Sāmkhya, Mimāmsa and Vedānta. They will become aware of the Metaphysics of various schools which will help them to understand the society at large.	PSO 5	PO 6

			 recall the Indian philosophy through some fundamental issues of Indian Metaphysics 	PSO 8	PO 3
BA (Hons.)	VI	BAO-322: Western Metaphysics	 discuss concepts of universals, particulars, realism, nominalism, conceptualism 	PSO 8	PO 1
			 explain the concept, nature and problems of metaphysics, 	PSO 5	PO 2
			 illustrate the need for metaphysics, Mind-Body Problem, concept of substance 	PSO 5	PO 2
			 critically examine various solutions to the mind-body problem and various theories of causation 	PSO 5	PO 2
			 discuss and relate problems and issues related to substance, God and Mind- Body. 	PSO 8	PO 4
			Develop understanding of the western style of thinking on the fundamental nature of reality.	PSO 4	PO 4

			 elaborate Greek theories of Soul and develop critical thinking about the mind body problem. 	PSO 5	PO 3
			Describe the philosophical causation and limits of scientific causation.	PSO 8	PO 2
			 Develop presentations on modern and contemporary theories of mind. 	PSO 8	PO 8
BA (Hons.)	VI	BAO-323, Contemporary Indian Philosophy-II	Student will be able to: • estimate the concept of intellect, intuition, absolute,	PSO 8	PO 2
			super-mind, self.explain and differentiate involution and evolution,	PSO 8	PO 3
			 concept of philosophy. comprehend chief philosophical ideas of Sri Aurobindo, Radhakrishnan, 	PSO 7	PO 5
			K. C. Bhattacharya, and Iqbalcritically examine the positions of contemporary Indian thinkers on God,	PSO 7	PO 3

			 Absolute, Spirit, Intuition, Intellect and the like. do a comparative analysis of the views of the 	PSO 7	PO 4
			contemporary thinkers.develop the ability to think philosophically on	PSO 8	PO 6
			 contemporary matters. restate the difference of interpretation of classical issues like <i>Jagata</i>, <i>Māyā</i> and 	PSO 5	PO 2
			 Ātma etc. recognize new patterns of thinking to further research work. 	PSO 9	PO 4
			 organize deliberations on various philosophical but socially relevant issues. 	PSO 9	PO 4
BA (Hons.)	VI	BAO-324, Contemporary Western Philosophy-II	• define common sense, logical atomism, illocutionary, perlocutionary, locutionary	PSO 6	PO 4
			speech acts. • explain category mistake, language game,	PSO 6	PO 4

illustrate verification winging in law in interest the company	PSO 5	PO 3
principle, picture theory of meaning,		
elaborate private language, logical positivism, Idealism	PSO 5	PO 4
differentiate names and	PSO 9	PO 3
descriptions, knowledge-how and knowledge-that, performative and constatives assess Moore's common	PSO 7	PO 4
sense, Russell's logical atomism, Wittgenstein and Logical Positivists' meaning	1307	104
theories, Ryle's idea of category mistake, and Austin's speech act theory.		
plan language games, use theory of meaning,	PSO 8	PO 2
 describe the history of western philosophy starting 	PSO 3	PO 2
from early 20th century • identify the issues with the increasing professionalization	PSO 8	PO 6
of the discipline. • explain the rise of analytic and continental philosophy.	PSO 2	PO2

			Plan & prepare presentation on the main tenets of continental and analytic philosophies.	PSO 9, PS	PO 8
BA (Hons.)	VI	BAOE-321, Language, Truth and Logic	Student will be able to: • define definition-in-use, logical constructions, observation statements	PSO 6	PO 1
			 examine verification principle, traditional understanding of metaphysics. 	PSO 4	PO 2
			appreciate the attempts to formulate a criterion of literal	PSO 6	PO 4
			meaningfulness of statementsillustrate different versions of verification principle	PSO 6	PO 4
			Justify definite description, definition-in-use, analysis of statements to check their	PSO 6	PO 3
			meaningfulness according to verification principle clarify how metaphysics, given the verification principle, gets eliminated	PSO 4	PO 2

			from the domain of meaningful enquiry. Relate logical positivism and its arguments through the text. interpret a set of interconnected sub-traditions that Analytic philosophy ramified into and which became equally influential in	PSO 5	PO 2
			 the twentieth century. get the basic training associated with the tradition, which helps to engage in critical and reflective thinking. 	PSO 9	PO 7
BA (Hons.)	VI	BAOE-323, Indian Religions	 Student will be able to: comprehend concepts of Rta, Rna, dharma, arhat, nirvāṇa, Bodhisattva, triratna. 	PSO 2	PO 1
			 Explain essencial ideas of Vaiṣṇavism and Śaivism. illustrate Bhakti Movement, Four Noble Truths, The sources of 	PSO 8	PO 2

Si ● Cr	ritically examine ethical and social spects of Indian religions. PSO 8	PO 4
• di	ifferentiate <i>Śvetāmbara</i> with igambara and Hīnayāna with	PO 6
• di bi	Mahāyāna. iscover the fundamental unity PSO 8 etween Indian religions in order o live peacefully in the world of nultiple religions.	PO 4
• de or	escribe the fundamental concept f Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism nd Sikhism as a part of Indian ulture.	PO 7
ei o m	ell the relationship between thical norms and religion and find ut the possibility of independent noral order from the shadows of	PO 7
• pi	eligions. lan & prepare presentations on PSO 7 ne characteristic of various eligions of India	PO 4