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DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY



Scheme of Examinations & Courses B.A. (Programme) Philosophy

Semester I & II
Examination 2011-12

Semester III & IV
Examination 2012-13

Semester V & VI
Examination 2013-14

*Syllabi applicable for the students seeking admission to the
B.A. (Programme) Philosophy Courses in the Academic Year 2011-12*

**B.A. (Programme) PHILOSOPHY
SYLLABUS
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY
UNIVERSITY OF DELHI
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To implement the Semester System for the B.A. (Programme) at the Undergraduate level, the Department of Philosophy, has formulated and approved the following Syllabus.

**B.A. (PROGRAMME) PHILOSOPHY
(2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14)**

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

Semester – I

Paper Code 1.1	Logic – I Logical Reasoning Section A and B	3hrs 100 Marks
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Semester – II

Paper Code 2.1	Logic – II Logical Reasoning – Propositional & Predicate Logic	3hrs 100 Marks
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Semester – III

Paper Code 3.1	Ethics – I Section A & Section B	3hrs 100 Marks
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Semester – IV

Paper Code 4.1	Ethics – II Section A Section B	3hrs 100 Marks
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Semester – V

Paper Code 5.1	Philosophical Debates - I	3hrs 100 Marks
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Semester – VI

Paper Code 6.1	Philosophical Debates - II	3hrs 100 Marks
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SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

SEMESTER – I

Paper code 1.1	<p align="center">LOGICAL REASONING</p> <p>Paper – I 3hrs 100 Marks</p> <p>Traditional Logic (Sec. A) Classification of Propositions and distributions of terms Traditional square of opposition and its critique (Existential Import), Immediate Inferences: Conversion, Obversion, Contraposition Mediate Inference (Categorical Syllogism), figures and moods, special rules governing each figure, rules and fallacies.</p> <p>Informal Fallacies (Sec. B) Definition and examples.</p> <p><u>Readings</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) I.M.Copi & Carl Cohen, <i>Introduction to logic</i>, Prentice Hall India, New Delhi 1997. (Hindi Translation available) 2) A.H. Basson & D.J.O'Conner, <i>Introduction to Symbolic logic</i> University tutorial Press, London 1965 (Chapter 3)
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SEMESTER – II

Paper code 2.1	<p align="center">LOGICAL REASONING</p> <p>Paper – II 3hrs 100 Marks</p> <p>Propositional & Predicate Logic Types of truth functions: (Negation, Conjunction, Disjunction (Alternation), Conditional (Material Implication), Bi-conditional (Material Equivalence). Sheffer's Stroke function. Interdefinability of truth functions. Symbolization Truth and validity, decision procedures: Truth table method, <i>Redutio ad absurdum</i> Formal Proof of validity using only first nine rules of inference: Predicate Logic: Universal and existential quantifiers, symbolization of sentences.</p>
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Readings

- 1) I.M. Copi & Carl Cohen, *Introduction to logic*, Prentice hall of India, New Delhi 1997. (Hindi Translation available)
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SEMESTER – III

Paper code 3.1

ETHICS: THEORY AND PRACTICE

Paper – I: Section A & Section B

3hrs 100 Marks

Section A:

1. *Ethics*: A definition of the field and its demarcation from the field of customs, conventions and laws.
2. *Virtue Ethics*: Aristotle: Well being definition of Virtue, Concept of the Golden mean with special reference to Courage and Temperance, Moral and Intellectual virtue.
3. *Deontological Ethics*: Immanuel Kant, concept of Duty, Goodwill, Categorical Imperative
4. *Consequentialist Ethics*: Mill's utilitarianism

Section B:

1. Euthanasia
2. Female foeticide

Readings for Section A

1. (i) John Nuttal, *Moral Questions: An Introduction to Ethics*, Macmillan, London, 1993.
(ii) J.L. Amckie, *Ethics: Inventing Right and Wrong*. Harmonds Worth, Middlesex, 1977
2. Aristotle, *Nichomachean Ethics*
Book 1 1094A-1096A
Book 2 1103A-1109B
Book 3 1110A-1119B
3. Immanuel Kant, *Groundwork of Metaphysic of Morals* Lawrence Pasternack (ed.) Routledge. Preface and Chapter 1
4. J.S. Mill, 'Utilitarianism' in Mary Warnock, (ed.) Mill: *Utilitarianism and Other Writings*, Collins, Glassglow, 1962.

Readings for Section B

1. Euthanasia-'For and Against' in Jenny Teichmnan, *Social Ethics*, Blackwell, U.S.A. 1996
 - (i) Manmeet Kaur, 'Female foeticide'-A Sociological Perspective', *The Journal of Family welfare*, March 1993, 39.
 - (ii) Mary Ann Warren, 'Sex Selection: Individual Choice or Cultural coercion' In *Bio Ethics: An Anthology*, Blackwell, 1999.

SEMESTER – IV

Paper code 4.1	<p style="text-align: center;">ETHICS: THEORY AND PRACTICE - II</p> <p style="text-align: right;">3hrs 100 Marks</p> <p>Paper – II (Sec A)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Capital punishment2. Cruelty to animals <p>(Sec B)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Purusharthas2. Nishkama karma3. Buddhist and Jaina ethics4. Gandhi's Concept of Ahimsa <p><u>Readings for Sec A</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. (i) 'Punishment and Death Penalty' in T.L. Beauchamp and T.P. Pinkard (ed.) <i>Ethics and Public Policy: An Introduction to Ethics</i>, Prentice Hall 1983. (ii) Jonathan Glover, <i>Causing Death and saving lives</i>, Penguin Books, England 1977 Ch.182. 'Taking Life: Animals' Peter Singer <i>Practical Ethics</i> C.U.P. 1993 <p><u>Readings for Sec B</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 'Rajendra Prasad, The theory of Purusharthas: Revaluation and Reconstruction in <i>Karma causation and Retributive Morality</i>, I.C.P.R., 19892. <i>Bhagvad Gita</i>, Chap 2 and Chap 33. (i) S. Radhakrishnan, <i>Indian philosophy</i>, Vol 1 George Allen and Unwin 1983 (ii) L.C. Sharma, <i>Ethical Philosophies of India</i>, Harper and Row, U.S.A. 19653. Rudranshu Mukherjee, (ed.), <i>The Penguin Gandhi Reader</i>, Penguin, New Delhi, 1993. 'On Ahimsa' (Oct 1916) 'The Doctrine of Sword (Aug 1920)', 'Non-Violence' (March 1922)
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