

B.A. (Hons.) Philosophy Syllabus
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S.C.S. (A) College, Puri



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2015-18

CBCS - B.A. Philosophy (Hons.) Syllabus

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B.A/B.Com/B.SC HONOURS COURSE STRUCTURE UNDER CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

(2015 – 16)

Sl. No.	Name of the Courses	Paper 100 Mark Each	Total Mark	Total Credit	Credit Points Without Pr	Credit Points With Pr	No of Class Without Pr (Th+Tut)	No of Class With Pr (Th+Pr)
01.	Core Course (CC)	14	1400	14x6=84	14x5+14x1=70+14	14x4+14x2=56+28	50(1hr)x14+10(1hr)x14	40(1hr)x14+2o(2hr)x14
02.	Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses (AECC)	02	100	02x2=04	02x2=04	02x2=04	20(1hr)x02	20(1hr)x02
03.	Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC)	02	100	02x2=04	02x2=04	02x2=04	20(1hr)x02	20(1hr)x02
04.	Discipline Specific Elective (DSE)	03	300	03x6=18	(3x5+3x1)=15+3	(3x4+3x2)=12+6	50(1hr)x3+10(1hr)x3	40(1hr)x3+2o(2hr)x3
05.	Discipline Specific Elective Project (DSEP)	01	100 75+25	01x6=06	01x6=06	01x6=06		
06.	Generic Elective Interdisciplinary (GE)	04	400	04x6=24	(4x5+4x1)=20+04	(04x4+04x)=16+08	50(1hr)x4+10(1hr)x4	40(1hr)x4+2o(2hr)x4
	Total	26	2400	140	140	140	1340	1340

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| 1. CC: | 14 PAPERS (THEORY+PRACTICAL) |
| 2. AECC (COMPULSORY): | 02 PAPERS- A1. ENV.STD, A2. ENG/MIL |
| 3. SEC (SKILL BASED): | 02 PAPERS- B1. COMMUNICATIVE ENG & WRITING |
| SKILL | B2. SKILL RELATED SUBJECT |
| 4. DSE (SUBJECT SPECIFIC) (REPORT+VIVA-VOCE) | 04 PAPERS (TH+PR)- C1. C2. C3. C4. PROJECT |
| 5. GE/INTER DISCIPLINARY PAPERS EACH) | 04 PAPERS (THEORY+PRACTICAL)- 2 SUBJECTS (2- |

PHILOSOPHY HONOURS

F.M. – 100 marks
Lectures: 60
Credits – 06

Time – 3hrs
End Sem. – 80 marks
Internal – 20 marks

SEMESTER – I Paper – I GENERAL PHILOSOPHY

UNIT – I

Definition, Nature and Function of Philosophy; Its Relation with Other Modes of Thinking

UNIT – II

Problems of Being: Monism, Dualism and Pluralism; Idealism and Realism

UNIT – III

Problems of Knowledge: Rationalism, Empiricism and Criticism

UNIT – IV

Problems of Truth: Correspondence theory, Coherence theory and Pragmatic theory

UNIT – V

Problems of Philosophy: Substance: Universals; Mind-Body Relation

Basic Study Materials

1. G.T.W. Patrick, *Introduction to Philosophy*
2. G.W. Cunningham, *Problems of Philosophy*
3. Bertrand Russell, *Problems of Philosophy*
4. Richard Taylor, *Metaphysics*
5. D.W. Hamlyn, *Metaphysics*

SEMESTER – I Paper – II

SYMBOLIC LOGIC

UNIT – I Chapters I, II

UNIT – II Chapter III (Section 1 to 5)

UNIT – III Chapter III (Section 6 to 9)

UNIT – IV Elements of Predicate calculus (Up to Section 7)

UNIT – V Appendix

Basic Study Materials

1. A.H. Basson and D.J. O'Conner, *An Introduction to Symbolic Logic*
2. M.R. Cohen and E. Nagel, *An Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method*
3. L. Sushan Stebbing, *A modern Elementary Logic.*

SEMESTER – II
Paper – III
SYSTEMS OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT – I

Carvaka Materialism;
Jainism: *Anekantavada, Syadvada*;

UNIT – II

Buddhism: The Noble Truths; Doctrine of Dependent Origination; Doctrine of Momentariness

UNIT – III

Samkhya: *Purusa, Prakrti*; Causality, Theory of Evolution

UNIT – IV

Nyaya: *Pramanas*, Vaisesika: *Padarthas*

UNIT – V

Samkara and Ramanuja: Brahman, Atman, *Jagat* and *Maya*

Basic Study Materials

1. S.C. Chatterji and D.M. Datta, *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*
2. C.D. Sharma, *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*
3. M. Hiriyanna, *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*
4. R. K. Puligandla, *Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy*
5. S. Radhakrishnan, *Indian Philosophy*, Volumes I and II

SEMESTER – II
Paper – IV
PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE

UNIT – I

Word Meaning; Ambiguity; Vagueness

UNIT – II

Definition: Defining and Accompanying Characteristics; Scope of Definition; Causal, Stipulative, Reportive, Real, Persuasive, Ostensive definitions

UNIT – III

Referential, Ideational, Behavioural and Use View of Meaning

UNIT – IV

Analytic and Synthetic; *A priori* and *A posteriori*; Synthetic-*A priori*; Logical Possibility

UNIT – V

Concept: Nature and Source; Truth: Correspondence, Coherence and What Works;
Knowledge: Sources

Basic Study Materials:

1. John Hospers, *An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis*
2. W.P. Alston, *Philosophy of Language*

SEMESTER – III
Paper – V
CONTEMPORARY INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT – I

Swami Vivekananda: Practical Vedanta; Universal Religion; Man and His Destiny

UNIT – II

R. N. Tagore: God as Reality; Nature of Religion; Man and His Destiny

UNIT – III

Sri Aurobindo: *Saccidananda*; Creation; Man and His Transformation

UNIT – IV

M. K. Gandhi: God as Truth; Non-Violence; *Satyagraha*, *Sarvodaya*

UNIT-V

S. Radhakrishnan: Man and His Destiny; Religion and Religious Experience; Intellect and Intuition

Basic Study Materials:

1. B. K. Lal, *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*
2. T. M. P. Mahadevan, *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*
3. H. Sahoo (ed) *Contemporary Indian Philosophy*

SEMESTER – III
Paper – VI
MODERN EUROPEAN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT – I

Bacon: Inductive Method Theory of Idola.

Descartes: Universal Doubt, Method, God, Mind-Body problem.

UNIT – II

Spinoza: Substance, Attribute and Modes

Leibnitz: Monads; Pre-establishment Harmony

UNIT – III

Locke: Refutation of Innate Ideas; Theory of Knowledge; Idea of Substance

UNIT – IV

Berkeley: Subjective Idealism

Hume: Scepticism; Theory of Causation; Idea of Self

UNIT – V

Kant: Review of the Claims of Empiricism and Rationalism; Space and Time; Categories of Understanding

Basic Study Materials:

1. W.T. Stace, *A Critical History of Greek Philosophy*
2. Frank Thilly, *History of Philosophy*
3. Richard Falkenberg, *History of Modern Philosophy*

4. Barlingay & Kulkarni, *A History of Philosophy*
5. Y. Masih, *Critical History of Western Philosophy*
6. Ratnakar Pati, *History of Modern European Philosophy*

SEMESTER – III

Paper – VII

STUDY OF A WESTERN CLASSIC:

RENE DESCARTES' *MEDITATIONS ON FIRST PHILOSOPHY*

UNIT – I

Meditation I: Sceptical Doubts,

Meditation II: *cogito ergo sum* and *sum res cogitans*, The Wax Argument

UNIT – II

Meditation III: Clear and Distinct Perceptions, Theory of Ideas, and Existence of God

UNIT – III

Meditation IV: God is no Deceiver, Will, Intellect and the Possibility of Error

UNIT – IV

Meditation V: Essence of Material Things, Existence of God

UNIT – V

Meditation VI: Mind-body Dualism, Primary and Secondary Qualities

Basic Study Materials:

1. Rene Descartes, *Meditations on First Philosophy* (Various editions)
2. Rae Langton, *A Study Guide to Descartes' Meditations*,
http://ocw.mit.edu/courses/linguistics-and-philosophy/24-01-classics-in-western-philosophy-spring-2006/study-materials/descartes_guide.pdf
3. Amelie Rorty, *Essays on Descartes' Meditations*

SEMESTER – IV

Paper - VIII

Study of The *Bhagavadgita*

UNIT – I

The *Bhagavadgita*: Conception of Yoga; Conceptions of Life and Death

UNIT – II

The *Bhagavadgita*: *Karma* and *Karmaphala*; *Karma*, *Akarma* and *Vikarma*

UNIT – III

The *Bhagavadgita*: *Jnana* and *Vijnana*; *Karma-Sannyasa*

UNIT – IV

Niskama Karma Yoga, Svadharma and Varma Dhama

UNIT – V

Synthesis of Bhakti Yoga and Jnana Yoga, Teachings of Gita

Basic Study Materials

1. (Tr. & Ed.) S. Radhakrishnan, *The Bhagavadgita*
2. (Tr. & Ed.) V. Panoli, *Gita in Samkara's Own Words*, I & II
3. (Tr.) A.G.K. Warrior, *Srimadbhagavadgita Bhasya of Sri Samkaracharya*
4. P.N. Srinivasachari, *The Ethical Philosophy of the Gita*
5. K.M. Munshi and R.R. Diwakar, *Bhagavadgita and Modern Life*
6. S.C. Panigrahi, *Concept of Yoga in the Gita*
7. B. K. Dash, *The Philosophy of Isopanisad & The Bhagbat Gita*.

SEMESTER – IV

Paper – IX

TRADITIONAL ETHICS AND APPLIED ETHICS

UNIT – I

Definition, Nature and Scope of Ethics; Moral and Non- moral Actions; Factual and Moral Judgments

UNIT – II

Teleological Ethics: Hedonism; Utilitarianism

UNIT – III

Rigorism and Theories of Punishment

UNIT – IV

Bio-Medical Ethics: Rights and Obligations of Health Care Professionals, Patient and His Family; Abortion; Euthanasia

UNIT – V

Environmental Ethics: Use and Exploitation of Nature; Animal Killing and Animal Rights

Basic Study Materials:

1. William Lillie, *Ethics*
2. J.N. Sinha, *Manual of Ethics*
3. Peter Singer, *Practical Ethics*
4. Jacques P. Thiroux, *Ethics: Theory and Practice*

SEMESTER – IV

Paper – X

STUDY OF MAJOR RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD

UNIT – I

Sanatana Dharma: The Conception of Man (*amrtasya putra*); His Pursuits (*dharma, artha, kama & moksa*); Ways of Conduct (*margas*): *jnana, karma & bhakti*

UNIT – II

Buddhism: Three Practices: *Sila, Samadhi & Prajna*; Four Noble Truths; Five Precepts; Eight-fold Path

UNIT – III

Jainism: Three Gems; Five Vows; The Jaina *Agamas*

UNIT – IV

Christianity: God as Trinity; Grace; Justice; Peace; Service; Salvation

UNIT – V

Islam: Conception of Man; Pursuits of Man: *Shahadah* (declaration of faith), *Salaah* (prayer), *Zakat* (charity), *Saum* (fasting) & *Hajj* (pilgrimage): Brotherhood and Equality of Mankind

Basic Study Materials:

1. Y. Masih, *A Comparative Study of Religions*
2. Lloyd Ridgeon, *Major World Religions*

SEMESTER – V

Paper – XI

SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

UNIT - I

Social and Political Philosophy – Scope and Concern, Individual, Society, State and Nation

UNIT – II

Political Ideals – Equality, Justice, Liberty

UNIT – III

Socialism, Marxism and Humanism

UNIT – IV

Secularism, Swaraj and Sarvodaya

UNIT – V

Women Studies – Feminism and Gender inequality

Basic Study Materials

1. A. K. Sinha, *Outlines of Social Philosophy*
2. N. V. Joshi, *Social and Political Philosophy*
3. Roy and Bhattacharya, *Political Theory*
4. E. Ashirvadhan, *Political Theory*
5. B. C. Rout, *Political Theory and Ideology*

SEMESTER – V
Paper – XII
STUDY OF AN INDIAN CLASSIC:
THE *ISA UPANISAD* WITH SAMKARA’S COMMENTARY

UNIT – I: What are *Upanisads*, Place of *Upanisads* in Indian Philosophy and Culture, The *Isa upanisad*

UNIT – II: Mantras 1 to 4

UNIT – III: Mantras 5 to 9

UNIT – IV: Mantras 10 to 14

UNIT – V: Mantras 15 to 18

Basic Study Materials:

1. The *Isa Upanisad* with Samkara’s Commentary (Various editions)
2. S. Radhakrishnan, *The Principal Upanisads*
3. Satyabadi Mishra, *Central Philosophy of the Upanisads*
4. B. K. Dash, *The Philosophy of Isopanisad & The Bhagbat Gita.*

SEMESTER – VI
Paper – XIII
GANDHIAN STUDY

UNIT – I

Political Thought of Gandhi: Gandhi's Concept of Politics - goals and methods of action; Concept and claim of spiritualising politics

UNIT – II

Economic Thought of Gandhi: Gandhi’s ideas and efforts in the field of economics; Gandhi’s critique of Industrialism - Evils and Consequences;

UNIT – III

Social Thought of Gandhi and Social Work: Philosophy and Sociology of *Sarvodaya*; Concept of *Gramswaraj*, *Varanshram* system and its distinction from caste system;

UNIT – IV

Education - meaning and aims of education; Basic Education; Duties of students, parents and teachers in education and their Interrelationship; Sex education;

UNIT – V

Gandhi’s Idea of Peace: Meaning of Peace and Violence; Peace and Disarmament; Non-violent way to world peace; Combating terrorism through non-violence;

Basic Study Materials

1. Mahatma Gandhi, *Autobiography*
2. Mahatma Gandhi, *Hind Swaraj*
3. Mahatma Gandhi, *Towards Non-violent Socialism*
4. Mahatma Gandhi, *Towards New Education*, http://www.mkgandhi.org/ebks/new_edu.pdf

SEMESTER – VI
Paper – XIV
PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION (BY JOHN HICK)

UNIT – I

Introduction and Chapter – I: What is Philosophy of Religion: The Judaic-Christian concept of God.

UNIT – II

Chapter – II and III: Arguments for the existence of God: Arguments against the existence of God.

UNIT – III

Chapter – IV: The Problem of Evil

UNIT – IV

Chapter – V: Revelation and Faith

UNIT – V

Chapter – X: Human Destiny: Immortality and Resurrection

Basic Study Materials:

1. John Hick, *Philosophy of Religion*
2. Y. Masih, *Introduction to Religious Philosophy*
3. Arvind Sharma, *Philosophy of Religion*

(DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE)

**SEMESTER – V
DSE – I**

FUNDAMENTALS OF REASONING – I (DEDUCTIVE)

UNIT – I: Nature and Scope of Logic

What is Logic? Inference and Argument, Validity and Truth, Formal and Material truth, what is science, what is an Art, Distinction between Art and Science, is Logic a Science or an Art, scope of Logic,

UNIT – II: Words, Terms and Proposition

What is a Word, what is a Term, Distinction between Word and Term, Classification of Words, Connotation, Denotation, Extension and Intension of Terms and their mutual relations,

What is Proposition, Nature and Structure of Proposition, Four-fold classification of Proposition, reduction of sentences to their Logical Forms, Distribution of Terms and Seven-Fold relation of Proposition

UNIT – III: Inference

Immediate Inference – Conversion, Obversion, Contraposition

Mediate Inference – Characteristics of Syllogism, kinds of Syllogism, Figure of Syllogism, Moods of Syllogism, Test of Syllogism, General Syllogistic rules, determination of Valid Moods, Special Syllogistic rules, Reduction-Direct and Indirect, Mixed Syllogism – Hypothetical-Categorical Syllogism, Alternative-Categorical Syllogism, Disjunctive-Categorical Syllogism, Dilemma.

UNIT – IV: Deductive Fallacies

Classification of Fallacies, Fallacies of immediate Inference, Fallacies of Mediate Inference, Fallacies of Dilemma, Semi-Logical fallacies, Non-Inferential Deductive Fallacies

UNIT – V: Symbolic Logic

Characteristics of Symbolic Logic, Variables, Constants, Truth-Functions, Truth-Tables, Testing of the validity of an Argument, Relation between truth-function

Basic Study Materials:

1. Sri G. Dash and Sri N. Mohanty, A manual of Deductive Logic
2. N. Durjii, Introduction to Deductive Logic
3. Ganeswar Mishra, Deductive Logic
4. B. N. Roy, Deductive Logic
5. Text Book Bureau, Deductive Logic (ED)

SEMESTER – V
DSE – II

FUNDAMENTALS OF REASONING – II (INDUCTIVE)

UNIT – I: Nature Problem and Procedure of Induction

Necessity of Induction, What is Induction, Nature of Induction, Problem of Induction, Procedure of Induction, Relation of deduction and Induction.

UNIT – II: Kinds of Induction

Induction Proper – Scientific Induction, Unscientific Induction, Analogy.

Induction Improperly so-called-Perfect Induction, Colligation of Facts, Induction by Parity of Reasoning

UNIT – III: Grounds of Induction

Formal Grounds of Induction – the Law of uniformity Nature & the Law of causation and their relation, Paradox of Induction

Material Grounds of Induction – the Observation & the Experiment and their relation, Conditions of Observation and Fallacies of Observation – Mal observation and non-observation, advantages of observation over Experiment, advantages of Experiment over observation.

UNIT – IV: Hypothesis

What is Hypothesis, Characteristics of hypothesis, kinds of hypothesis, Hypothesis, theory, Law and Fact, Condition of Legitimate hypothesis, Proof of Hypothesis and importance of hypothesis in scientific enquiry.

UNIT – V: Inductive Fallacies

Kinds of Fallacies, fallacies of causation, fallacies of illicit generalisation, fallacies of Petitio – Principii, Fallacy of Falsity of Proposition, Fallacy of Undue Assumption, fallacy of Ignoratio Elenchi, fallacy of Shifting Ground, Fallacy of many Questions

Basic Study Materials:

1. Sri G. Dash and Sri N. Mohanty, A manual of Inductive Logic
2. N. Durjii, Introduction to Inductive Logic
3. Ganeswar Mishra, Inductive Logic
4. B. N. Roy, Inductive Logic
5. Text Book Bureau, Inductive Logic (ED)

SEMESTER – VI
DSE – III

PHILOSOPHICAL TRADITIONS OF ODISHA

- UNIT – I** Naganti Tradition, Siddhanti Tradition
- UNIT – II** Vedanti Tradition
- UNIT – III** Yoganti Tradition
- UNIT – IV** Sri Chaitanya's Prema-Bhakti Tradition
- UNIT – V** Panchasakha Tradition

Basic Study Materials:

1. N. Mohanty, The Philosophy of Sri Thakur Sri Abhiram Paramahansa
2. N. K. Sahu, Buddhism in Orissa
3. T. R. V. Murti, The Central Philosophy of Buddhism
4. P. Nilakantha Das, Srimad Bhagavad Gita
5. A. K. Banerjee, The Philosophy of Gorakhnath
6. S. Dasgupta, Obscure Religion
7. C. R. Das. "Panchasakha of Orissa", Article in Sidelights on history and Culture of Orissa
8. M. Achyutananda, Tattva Bodhini.

SEMESTER – VI
DSE – IV

A Project work is to be undertaken by the student in consultation with the teachers of the department. The student has to prepare the project under the supervision of a teacher of the department. Further, he/she has to submit one Seminar Paper in the department.

Project Work/ Seminar	- 100 Marks
A) Dissertation/ Viva-voce	- 75 Marks
B) Seminar	- 25 Marks

The project work is to be evaluated by both the Internal & External Examiners and an External Examiner is to be invited to conduct the Project Evaluation and Viva-Voce.

GENERIC ELECTIVE (GE)

PAPER – GE-A1/GE-B1

ETHICS & METAPHYSICS (INDIAN)

UNIT – I

Niskama of the Bhagavat Gita, Varnashrama Dharma

UNIT – II

Theories of Purusarthas (Dharma, Artha, Kama, Moksa); Concept of Ahimsa

UNIT – III

Anekanta Vada (Jainism); Ksnika Vada (Buddhism); Pratityasamutpada (Buddhism)

UNIT – IV

Pramana (Naya); Padartha (Vaisesika)

UNIT – V

Brahman, Maya, Jagat (Sankara); Saguna Brahman, Moksa (Ramanuja)

Basic Study Materials:

1. I. C. Sharma, Ethical Philosophies of India
2. C. D. Sharma, A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy
3. Dutta & Chaterjee, An Introduction to Indian Philosophy
4. M. Hiriyana, Outlines of Indian Philosophy
5. S. C. Panigrahi, Issues in Indian Ethics

**GENERIC ELECTIVE (GE)
PAPER – GE-A2/GE-B2**

ETHICS & METAPHYSICS (WESTERN)

UNIT – I

Chapter – I & II (Symbolic Logic by Basson O' Conner)

UNIT – II

Chapter – III (Symbolic Logic by Basson O' Conner)

UNIT – III

Appendix (Symbolic Logic by Basson O' Conner)

UNIT – IV

Language & Meaning: Analysis of Languages-Sign, Symbol, Object, Analysis of Word Meaning, What is meaning-Ideational, Referential, Behavioural theories meaning, meaning as use, Word as Tools.

Meaning and Definition: Meaning by equivalent words, Definition by Connotation of Words, Reportive Definitions, Causal Definition, Stipulative Definition, Persuasive Definitions, Definition by Denotation and limits of Definition.

Sentence Meaning: Sentence and Proposition, Criterion of sentence Meaning

UNIT – V

Knowledge & Truth

Concepts: As basic element of knowledge-its source- What is a Concept?

Truth: Its nature and Criterion, Truth and Belief

Necessary Truth: Analytic and Synthetic Proposition

Basic Study Materials:

1. A. H. Basson and D. J. O' Conner, *An Introduction to Symbolic Logic*
2. John Hospers, *An Introduction to Philosophy Analysis*
3. A. D. Ewing, *Fundamental Questions of Philosophy*