UNIT- I
(i) Descartes: Method of Doubt, Psycho-Physical Interactionism
(ii) Spinoza: Substance, Attributes and Modes; Psycho-Physical Parallelism
(iii) Leibnitz: Doctrine of Monads Pre-Established Harmony

UNIT- II
(i) Locke: Refutation of Innate Ideas; Primary and Secondary Qualities
(ii) Berkeley: Esse Est Percipi
(iii) Hume: Refutation of Causality, Denial of Soul-Substance

UNIT- III
(i) Kant: The Synthetic a priori; Categories of Thought; Forms of Intuition
(ii) Hegel: The Dialectical Method; Thought and Being
(iii) Marx: Dialectical Materialism

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Antony Flew : An Introduction to Western Philosophy
2. A.R. Lacey : Modern Philosophy: An Introduction
3. Albert Schwegler : Modern Philosophy: Descartes to Hegel
4. Frank Falckenberg : History of Modern Philosophy
5. Ratnakar Pati : History of Modern Philosophy
6. Archana Roy : Western Philosophy from Descartes to Kant
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UNIT-I

(i) Upanishads: The Concept of Brahman; Liberation
(ii) Nyaya: Theory of Knowledge
(iii) Vaisesika: Categories
(iv) Yoga: Nishkama Karma Yoga of Gita; Patanjali’s Eight-fold Yoga

UNIT-II

(i) Carvaka: Epistemology; Metaphysics
(ii) Jainism: Syadvada; Ethics (Bondage of Soul & Liberation)
(iii) Buddhism: Four Noble Truths; Doctrine of Karma
(iv) Samkhya: Prakriti and Purusha; Theory of Gunas

UNIT-III

(i) Advaita Vedanta: Shankara’s Conception of World, God, & Self; Bondage & Liberation
(ii) Visisthadvatta: Ramanuja’s Conception of World, God, & Self; Bondage & Liberation
(iii) Dvaitavada: Madhva’s Theism
(iv) Nimbarka’s theory of Dvaitadvaita

Suggested readings:

1. S. Radha Krishnan : Indian Philosophy (Vol. I & II)
2. S. Radha Krishnan : History of Philosophy Eastern and Western (Vol. I)
3. S. Radha Krishnan and Charles A. Moore (Ed) : A Source book in Indian Philosophy
4. M. Hiriyanna : Essentials of Indian Philosophy
5. Chatterji and Dutta : Introduction to Indian Philosophy
6. C.D. Sharma : A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy
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CLASSICAL ISLAMIC PHILOSOPHY

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UNIT- I

(i) Reason and Revelation in Islam
(ii) Metaphysical Dimensions of Quran: Idea of Personal God; Creationism
(iii) Ilm-al-Kalam: Mutazilizm and Ashiarism

UNIT- II

(i) Ibn Arabi: A’yan-e-Thabita (Archetypes) Ta’yyunat (Determination) and Tanazzulat (Descent)
(ii) Shaikh Ahmad Sirhindi: Critique of Wahadat-al-Wujud; Wahadat-al-Shuhud
(iii) Shah Wali Allah: Reconciliation between Wujud and Shuhud
(iv) Mulla Sadra: Analysis of Being

UNIT- III

(i) Al Tarabi: Theory of Emanation
(ii) Ibn Sina: Psychology
(iii) Al Ghazzali: Critique of doctrine of Eternity of the World; Critique of theory of Emanation
(iv) Shahabuddin Suhrawardi: Doctrine of Light

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. M.M. Sharif : History of Muslim Philosophy
2. O’ Leary : Arabic Thought and its Place in History
3. De Boer : History of Philosophy in Islam
4. Dr. Mir Waliuddin : Quaranic Sufism
5. Fazlurrahman : The Philosophy of Mulla Sadra
6. Waheed Akhtar : The Early Imamia Shiite Thinkers
7. B.A. Faruqi : Sheikh ahmad’s Concept of Tauhid
UNIT- I

(i) Bentham: Quantitative Utilitarianism
(ii) Mill: Qualitative Utilitarianism
(iii) Spencer: Evolutionary Hedonism
(iv) Sidgwick: Rational Utilitarianism

UNIT- II

(i) Kant: Notion of Good will
(ii) Kant: Categorical Imperative or the moral law
(iii) Kant: Maxims of Morality
(iv) Kant: Postulates of Morality

UNIT- III

(i) Moore: Intuitionism
(ii) Stevenson: Emotivism
(iii) Toulmin: Good Reason theory
(iv) Hare: Prescriptivism

Suggested readings:

1. R. Brandt : Ethical Theories
2. J.D. Mabbot : An Introduction to Ethics
3. Seth James : A Study of Ethical Principles
5. Antonio Rosmini : Principles of Ethics
6. Henry Hazlitt : The foundations of Morality
UNIT-I

1. The Idea of Existentialism
2. Kierkegaard : Attack on Hegelianism
3. Kierkegaard : Meaning of Existence
4. Kierkegaard : Spheres of Existence

UNIT-II

1. Sartre : Freedom and Responsibility
2. Sartre : Intersubjectivity
3. Heidegger : Dasein as being-in-the-world

UNIT-III

1. Marcel : Problem and Mystery
2. Jaspers : Notion of Existenz
3. Buber : I-It and I-Thou

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Robert C Solomon : From Rationalism to Existentialism
3. Blackham : Six Existentialist Thinkers
4. John Macquarrie : Existentialism
5. Thomas R. Flynn : Existentialism
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Greek Philosophy

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Paper Code:                                                                                           Mid
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Mid-Semester:30                                                                                           Semester:60
End-Semester:60                                                                                           Total=100

UNIT-I
1. Parmenides : Concept of Being; Zeno: Paradoxes; Empedocles : Love and Strife
2. Democritus : Atomism, Theory of Knowledge
3. The Sophists : Relativity of Values.

UNIT-II
3. Plato : Doctrine of Ideas, Ideal state.

UNIT-III
1. Aristotle : Metaphysics, Causation,
2. Epicurianism : Ethics
3. Plotinus : Stages of Being, Theory of Emanation

SUGGESTED READINGS:

2. Burnet, J. : Thales to Plato
3. Guthrie : History of Philosophy
4. Robinson : Greek Thinkers
5. Gomperz : The Greek Thinkers
6. Owens, J : A History of Ancient Western Philosophy
UNIT-I
1. Statements : Simple and Compound; Truth Table and Validity of Arguments
2. Statement Forms : Tautology, Contradiction, Contingent
3. Special Symbols : Negation, Conjunction, Disjunction, Conditional and Bi-conditional

UNIT-II
1. Formal Proof of Validity: Rules of Inference and Replacement; Proving Validity
2. Rule of Conditional Proof ; Rule of Indirect Proof; Proof of Tautologies
3. Strengthened Rule of Conditional Proof ; Shorter Truth Table Method; Reductio ad Absurdum

UNIT-III
1. Singular Propositions and General Propositions
2. Preliminary Quantification Rules; Proving Invalidity
3. Symbolizing Relations; Some Attributes of Relations

SUGGESTED READINGS:
1. I.M. Copi: Symbolic Logic (Prentic-Hall of India, 2002)