

## **DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY, A.M.U.**

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### **MODERN WESTERN PHILOSOPHY (PYM 7002)**

**M.A. 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER**

**CREDITS: 04  
M. MARKS: 75+25= 100**

#### **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

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#### **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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### CLASSICAL INDIAN PHILOSOPHY (PYM 7003)

M.A. I<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER

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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

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#### 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 (PYM 7004)

M.A. I<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER

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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: Mutazilism 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

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#### 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

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### ETHICS (PYM 7005)

M.A. I<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER

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#### 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

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#### SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. R. Brandt : Ethical Theories
2. J.D. Mabbot : An Introduction to Ethics
3. Seth James : A Study of Ethical Principles
4. H.J. Paton : The Categorical Imperative: A Study in Kant's Moral Philosophy
5. Antonio Rosmini : Principles of Ethics
6. Henry Hazlitt : The foundations of Morality

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### SYMBOLIC LOGIC (PYM 7006)

M.A. 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER

CREDITS: 04  
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#### UNIT- I

- (i) Propositional Logic: Simple and Compound Statements, Truth Tables and Validity of Arguments
- (ii) Tautology, Contradictory, Contingent, Equivalent Propositions
- (iii) Conditional and Biconditional; De Morgan Theorem

#### UNIT- II

- (i) Formal Proof of Validity; the Rules of Inference and Replacement; Proving invalidity
- (ii) The Rule of Conditional proof; The Rule of Indirect proof; Proofs of Tautologies
- (iii) The Strengthened rule of conditional proof; Shorter Truth Table Method; Reductio ad Absurdum

#### UNIT- III

- (i) Singular Propositions and General Propositions
- (ii) Quantification Rules; Proving Validity
- (iii) Symbolizing Relations; Some Attributes of Relations
- (iv) Formal properties of Identity, Singular terms and Definite Descriptions; Predicate Variables and Attributes of Attributes

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#### SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. I.M. Copi : Symbolic Logic ( Fifth Edition)

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**MODERN INDIAN THOUGHT  
(PYM 8003)**

**M.A. II<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER**

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**UNIT- I**

- (iv) M.N. Roy: Radical Humanism
- (v) Rabindra Nath Tagore: Problem of Evil; Humanism
- (vi) Mahatma Gandhi: Ahimsa; Concept of God

**UNIT- II**

- (iv) Mohammad Iqbal: Intellect and Intuition; Ideal Man
- (v) Abul Kalam Azad: Din and Shariah
- (vi) Maulana Maududi: Idea of Sovereignty

**UNIT- III**

- (iv) Sri Aurobindo: Theory of Evolution
- (v) Swami Vivekanand: Practical Vedanta
- (vi) B. R. Ambedkar: Interpretation of Buddhism
- (vii) S. Radhakrishnan: Intuition and Intellect

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**SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. V. S. Narvane : Modern Indian Thought
2. Ishrat Hasan : Metaphysics of Iqbal
3. M. Rafique : Sri Aurobindo and Iqbal
4. T. M. R. Mahadevan : Contemporary Indian Philosophy
5. B. K. Lal : Contemporary Indian Philosophy

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### MODERN ISLAMIC THOUGHT (PYM 8004)

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#### UNIT- I

- (i) Sir Syed Ahmad Khan : Theory of Revelation; Rationalism and Naturalism
- (ii) Syed Jamaluddin Afghani : Pan-Islamism
- (iii) Syed Qutb: Concept of Social Justice

#### UNIT- II

- (i) Syed Amir Ali : Islamic Modernism
- (ii) Syed Abul Ala Maududi : Rububiat; Interpretation of Din
- (iii) Sannusi : Neo-mysticism

#### UNIT- III

- (i) Syed Murtada Mutahhari : Concept of Irfan
- (ii) Ali Shariati : Critique of Marxism
- (iii) Seyyed Hossein Nasr : Critique of Modernism
- (iv) Fazlur Rahman : Emphasis on Ijtihad

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#### SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. M. M. Sharif : History of Muslim Philosophy
2. Mir Waliuddin : Quranic Sufism
3. Syed Amir Ali : Spirit of Islam
4. Fazlur Rahman : Islam
5. Syed Qutb : Social Justice in Islam

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### **APPLIED ETHICS (PYM 8005)**

**M.A. II<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER**

**CREDITS: 04  
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#### **UNIT- I**

- (i) Medical Ethics : Euthanasia; Sex Selection
- (ii) War Ethics : Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Warfare
- (iii) Political Ethics : Human Rights; Terrorism

#### **UNIT- II**

- (i) Environmental Ethics : Conservation vs. Development
- (ii) Bioethics : Genetic Modification of Life Forms; Genetic Determinism
- (iii) Legal Ethics : Intellectual Property Rights

#### **UNIT- III**

- (i) Media Ethics : Censorship; Private and Social Responsibilities
- (ii) Information Ethics : Invasion of Privacy
- (iii) Business Ethics : Consumer Rights : Monopolism

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#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

- 1. Peter Singer : Applied Ethics
- 2. Beachamp & Walter : Contemporary Issues in Bioethics
- 3. Graber & Thomas : Theory and Practice in Media Ethics
- 4. Michael D. Bayles : Ethics and Population
- 5. K. C. Laudon : Ethical Concepts and Information Technology



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### PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE (PYM 8007)

M.A. II<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER

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#### UNIT- I

- (i) Russell : Theory of Descriptions
- (ii) Moore : Refutation of Idealism
- (iii) Early Wittgenstein : Picture Theory; Family Resemblance

#### UNIT- II

- (i) Later Wittgenstein : Language Games; Possibility of Private Language
- (ii) Ryle : Knowing how and knowing that
- (iii) Austin : Speech Act Theory

#### UNIT- III

- (i) Strawson : In Defence of Dogma
- (ii) Davidson : Theory of Action
- (iii) Goldman : Casual theory of Knowledge
- (iv) Kripke : Concept of Rigid Designator

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#### SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. J. Passmore : Hundred Years of Philosophy
2. J. O. Urmson : Philosophical Analysis
3. A. J. Ayer : Language, Truth and Logic
4. W. Sellers (ed) : Readings in Philosophical Analysis
5. M. Warnock : English Philosophy since 1900
6. S. Kripke : Naming and Necessity
7. D. Davidson : Essays on Actions and Events
8. A. Goldman : Knowledge and Justification

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**PHENOMENOLOGY  
(PYM 8006)**

**M.A. II<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER**

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**UNIT- I**

**HUSSERL**

- (i) Ideal of a Presuppositionless Philosophy
- (ii) Critique of Psychologism
- (iii) Concept of Life World

**UNIT- II**

**HEIDEGGER**

- (i) Existentialist Orientation of Phenomenology
- (ii) Dasein

**MERLEAU-PONTY**

- (iii) Embodied Consciousness

**UNIT- III**

**SARTRE**

- (i) Existence precedes Essence
- (ii) Freedom and Bad faith
- (iii) Being-for-other

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**SUGGESTED READINGS:**

- 1. Richard Kearney : Modern Movements in European Philosophy
- 2. J. Collins : The Existentialists
- 3. M. Cranston : Sartre
- 4. J. L. Mehta : The Philosophy of Martin Heidegger
- 5. M. Farber : The Foundation of Phenomenology

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**PHILOSOPHY OF GANDHI  
(PYM 9048)**

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**M.A. III<sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER**

**UNIT- I**

- (i) Influences on Gandhi's Thought
- (ii) Soul-force, Celibacy and Nonviolence
- (iii) Satyagraha: Ideal and Techniques
- (iv) Sarvodaya; Trusteeship

**UNIT- II**

- (i) Truth as God
- (ii) Views on Religion
- (iii) Views on Morality
- (iv) Means and Ends

**UNIT- III**

- (i) Swadeshi and Swaraj
- (ii) Views on Education
- (iii) Critique of Industrial Society
- (iv) Status of Women

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**SUGGESTED READINGS:**

- 1. J. Bandyopadhyaya : Social and Political Thought of Gandhi
- 2. C.F. Andrews : Mahatma Gandhi's Ideas
- 3. Raghavan Iyer : The Moral and Political Thought of Mahatma Gandhi
- 4. S. Radhakrishnan : Gandhi: A Study
- 5. Anil Dutta Mishra (Ed) : Gandhian Approach to Contemporary Problems
- 6. J.K. Mehta : Gandhian Thought: An Analytical Study
- 7. M.K. Gandhi : Indian Home Rule (Hind Swaraj)

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### **PHILOSOPHY OF AUROBINDO (PYM 9049)**

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#### **M.A. III<sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER**

##### **UNIT- I**

- (i) Sources of Knowledge
- (ii) Origin and Nature of Ignorance
- (iii) Synthesis of Reason and Intuition
- (iv) Integral Yoga

##### **UNIT- II**

- (i) Nature of Schchidananda
- (ii) Rejection of Mayavada
- (iii) Involution and Evolution
- (iv) Rebirth and Law of Karma

##### **UNIT- III**

- (i) Four Theories of Existence
- (ii) Ideal of Human Life
- (iii) Concept of Super Mind
- (iv) Concept of Devine Life

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#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. A.V. Purani : Life and time of Sri Aurobindo
2. R.R. Divakar : The Mahayogi
3. Karan Singh : Sri Aurobindo: The Prophet of Indian Nationalism
4. M. Rafique : Sri Aurobindo's Ideal of Human Life
5. Ram Shankar Mishra : The Integral Advaitism of Sri Aurobindo
6. V.S. Naravane : Modern Indian Thought

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### **VEDANTA (PYM 9013)**

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### **M.A. III<sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER**

#### **UNIT- I**

##### **Advaitavada of Shankara**

- (i) Brahma Sutra of Badrayana and its significance
- (ii) Shankara's Theory of Knowledge
- (iii) Nature of Brahman; Concept of Atman
- (iv) Doctrine of Maya and Adhyasa

#### **UNIT- II**

##### **Visishtadvaitavada of Ramaniya**

- (i) Theory of Knowledge
- (ii) Concepts of God and Self
- (iii) Critique of Mayavada
- (iv) Concept of Liberation

#### **UNIT- III**

##### **Dvaitavada of Madhva, Nimbarka and Vallabha**

- (i) Madhava's Theory of Knowledge
- (ii) Nature of God, Soul and World according to Madhva
- (iii) Nimbarka's Theory of Dvaitadvaita
- (iv) Vallabha's rejection of Mayavada

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#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Radha krishnan & Moore : A Source Book of Indian Philosophy
2. S. Radha Krishnan : Indian Philosophy, Vol. II
3. S. Dasgupta : A History of Indian Philosophy
4. K.D. Bharaduvaj : Philosophy of Ramanuja
5. M.K.V. Iyer : Advaita Vedanta
6. Swami P. Saraswati : The Fundamentals of Vedanta Philosophy

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**SUFISM  
(PYM 9021)**

**CREDITS: 04  
M. MARKS: 25+75= 100**

**M.A. III<sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER**

**UNIT- I**

- (i) Sufism: Nature and Sources
- (ii) Key Concepts Renunciation; the 'Path'; States and Stages
- (iii) Wahdatul Wujud and Wahdatul Shuhud; Reconciliation
- (iv) Concept of Love

**UNIT- II**

- (i) Lataif-e-Khamsah
- (ii) Concept of Ma'rifah
- (iii) Ilm-al-yaqin; Ain-al-yaqin; Haqq-al-yaqin
- (iv) Subjective and Objective in mystic experience

**UNIT- III**

- (i) Aesthetic significance of mystic experience
- (ii) Concept of Guide (Murshid)
- (iii) Sufism and Shariah
- (iv) Ecstasy and Transcendence

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**SUGGESTED READINGS:**

- 1. S.A. Rizvi : A History of Sufism in India
- 2. S.H. Nasr : Sufi Essays
- 3. M.M. Sharif : A History of Muslim Philosophy
- 4. Donelson : Muslim Ethics
- 5. A.J. Arbery : Sufism An Account of the Mystic of Islam
- 6. Abdul Haq Ansari : Sufism and Sharia

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## POST MODERNISM (PYM 9003)

CREDITS: 04  
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### M.A. III<sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER

#### UNIT- I

##### Origins

- (i) Critique of Enlightenment Project
- (ii) Structuralism of Strauss
- (iii) Structuralism of Saussure
- (iv) Lyotard: Critique of Grand Narratives

#### UNIT- II

##### Foucault

- (i) Fall of Rational subject
- (ii) Power/ Knowledge
- (iii) Death of Author
- (iv) Critique of Sartrean Humanism

#### UNIT- III

##### Derrida

- (i) Differance
- (ii) Critique of Logocentrism
- (iii) Reduction of Consciousness
- (iv) Critique of Democracy

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### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. T. Dohoty : Postmodernism: An Introduction
2. P. Anderson : The Origins of Postmodernity
3. D. Harvey : The Condition of Postmodernity
4. Stuart Sim (Ed.) : The Routledge Companion to Post modernism
5. John Sturrock : Structuralism and Since
6. Christopher Butler : Postmodernism
7. Catherine Belsey : Poststructuralism
8. Jalalul Haq : Post-Modernity, Paganism and Islam
9. Hans Bertens : Idea of the Postmodern
10. J. F. Lyotard : The Postmodern Condition

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### CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL THOUGHT (PYM 9014)

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#### M.A. III<sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER

##### UNIT- I

- (i) Contemporary Theories of Democracy: Elitism and Pluralism
- (ii) Critique of Liberal Democracy
- (iii) Contemporary perspective on Secularism

##### UNIT- II

- (i) Pluralist Theories of Sovereignty
- (ii) Fascism: Liberal and Marxist Critiques
- (iii) Dialectical Materialism: Doctrine of class struggle

##### UNIT- III

- (i) Derrida: Deconstruction of Politics and Politics of Deconstruction
- (ii) Foucault: End of Politics
- (iii) Philosophy of Terror

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#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. George H. Sabine : A History of Political Theory
2. William Eben'tine : Great Political Thinkers
3. Mulford O'Sibley : Political Ideas and Ideologies
4. Anthony Quinton : Political Philosophy
5. Michel Foucault : Power/Knowledge
6. R. Beardsworth : Derrida and the Political
7. Francis W. Cokes : Recent Political Thought
8. Paul Wilkinson : Terrorism and the Liberal State
9. Charles Taylor : Modes of Secularism, in Rajeev Bhargava (ed) Secularism and its Critics



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### CONTEMPORARY EPISTEMOLOGY (PYM 9002)

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#### M.A. III<sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER

##### UNIT- I

- (i) Philosophical Skepticism
- (ii) Four Forms of Skepticism
- (iii) Unger: A Defense of Skepticism
- (iv) Lehrer: Why not Skepticism

##### UNIT- II

- (i) Gettier: Is Justified True Belief Knowledge?
- (ii) Goldman: A Casual Theory of Knowing
- (iii) Defeasibility Condition
- (iv) Reliabilism

##### UNIT- III

- (i) Foundationalism
- (ii) Coherentism
- (iii) Internalism
- (iv) Externalism

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#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

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| 1. Robert K. Shope                 | : The Analysis of Knowing                   |
| 2. Jourathan Daney                 | : Introduction to Contemporary Epistemology |
| 3. Laurence Bon Jour & Ernest Sosa | : Epistemic Justification                   |
| 4. Robert Audi                     | : Epistemology                              |
| 5. Ralph Baergen                   | : Contemporary Epistemology                 |
| 6. Jonathan Dancy                  | : Contemporary Epistemology                 |

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## PHILOSOPHY OF DERRIDA (PYM 9045)

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### M.A. III<sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER

#### UNIT- I

- (i) Metaphysics of Presence/ Logocentrism
- (ii) Speech/ Writing; Arche-writing
- (iii) Differance
- (iv) Trace; Supplement

#### UNIT- II

- (i) Undecidability
- (ii) Aporia
- (iii) Responsibility to the Other
- (iv) Messianic Promise

#### UNIT- III

- (i) Violence of Institution
- (ii) The Limit of Modernity
- (iii) Liberal Democracy and Radical Democracy
- (iv) Hospitality; Cosmopolitical

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### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Derrida, J : Politics of Friendship
2. Derrida, J : Specters of Marx
3. Derrida, J : Of Grammatology
4. Derrida, J : Dissemination
5. Derrida, J : Rogues
6. Derrida, J : Margins of Philosophy
7. Beardsworth, R : Derrida & the Political
8. Norris, C : Derrida
9. Thomson, AJP : Deconstruction and Democracy
10. Bennington, G : Jacques Derrida
11. Critchley, S : Ethics of Deconstruction

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**IQBAL: RECONSTRUCTION OF RELIGIOUS THOUGHT IN ISLAM  
(SELECTIONS)  
(PYM 9043)**

**CREDITS: 04  
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**M.A. III<sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER**

**UNIT- I**

- (i) Rationale for Reconstruction of Islamic Thought
- (ii) Sense-experience and Reason (pp. 01-16)
- (iii) Nature of Religious Experience (pp. 16-28)

**UNIT- II**

- (i) Conception of God (pp. 63-83)
- (ii) The Conception of Human Ego (pp. 95-105)
- (iii) Freedom and Immortality (pp. 106-113)

**UNIT- III**

- (i) The Principle of Ijtihad (pp. 148-153)
- (ii) The Principle of Movement in Islam (pp. 164-179)
- (iii) Possibility of Religion (pp. 180-190)

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**SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Iqbal : The Reconstruction of Religious Thought in Islam
2. Iqbal : Kulliyat-i-Iqbal (Iqbal's Urdu Collection of Poetry)
3. Iqbal : Diwan-i-Iqbal Lahori (Iqbal's Persian Collection)
4. Nicholson R.A. : The Secrets of the Self
5. B.A. Dar : Study in Iqbal's Philosophy
6. Ishrat H. Enver : Metaphysics of Iqbal
7. Khalifa Abdul Hakim : Fikr-i-Iqbal (Urdu)

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### **CONTEMPORARY METAPHYSICS (PYM X011)**

**CREDITS: 04  
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#### **M.A. IV<sup>TH</sup> SEMESTER**

##### **UNIT- I**

- (vii) The Nature of Metaphysics
- (viii) Descriptive and Reversionary Metaphysics (Susan Haack)
- (ix) Identity and Substitutivity (Richard Cartwright)

##### **UNIT- II**

- (vii) Possible Worlds and Possibles (William G. Lycan)
- (viii) Possible World (David Lewis)
- (ix) Way Worlds Could Be (Peter Forrest)

##### **UNIT- III**

- (viii) Universal and Properties (George Bearer)
- (ix) A Theory of Structural Universe (John Bijelow & Robert Pargetter)
- (x) Bare Particulars (Ddwin Allcire)

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#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Stephen Laurence (ed) : Contemporary Readings in the Foundation of Metaphysics
2. Michael Louxe : Metaphysics; A Contemporary Introduction

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### FEMINISM (PYM X012)

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#### M.A. IV<sup>TH</sup> SEMESTER

##### UNIT- I

- (i) Idea of a Feminist Philosophy
- (ii) Liberal Feminism
- (iii) Radical Feminism

##### UNIT- II

- (i) Ecofeminism
- (ii) Postmodernism and Feminism
- (iii) Psychoanalytic Feminist Theory

##### UNIT- III

- (i) Feminist Ethics
- (ii) Feminist Epistemology
- (iii) Feminist Linguistic Theories

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#### SUGGESTED READINGS:

- 1. Moira Gatens : Feminism and Philosophy
- 2. Jagger & Young : A Companion to Feminist Philosophy
- 3. Jackson & Jones : Contemporary Feminist Theories
- 4. Linda Kauffman : Gender and Theory
- 5. Vandana Shiva : Staying Alive

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### **PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION (PYM X015)**

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#### **M.A. IV<sup>TH</sup> SEMESTER**

##### **UNIT- I**

- (i) Problem of Religious Knowledge
- (ii) God: Personal and Absolute
- (iii) Proofs for the Existence of God

##### **UNIT- II**

- (i) Nature of Religious Language
- (ii) Interpretation of Religious Text (Scheleirmacher)
- (iii) The Idea of Holy (Rudolph Otto)

##### **UNIT- III**

- (i) Sociogenic origins of Religion (Durkheim)
- (ii) Historical Critique (Marx)
- (iii) Psychoanalysis and Religion (Freud)

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#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Peter Anthony Bertocci : Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion
2. Weinberg and Yandell : Philosophy of Religion
3. Basil Mitchell : Philosophy of Religion
4. Bowman : Studies in Philosophy of Religion
5. Albernethy & Langford : Philosophy of Religion

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### **BUDDHISM (PYM X017)**

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#### **M.A. IV<sup>TH</sup> SEMESTER**

##### **UNIT- I**

- (i) Four Noble Truths
- (ii) Theory of Dependent Origination (Pratitiya Samutpada)
- (iii) Rebirth and Nirvana

##### **UNIT- II**

- (i) Kshanikavada
- (ii) Anatmavada
- (iii) Shunyavada

##### **UNIT- III**

- (i) Himayana and Mahayana
- (ii) Vaibhasika and Santrantika
- (iii) Vijnanavada of Yogchara

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#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

- 1. Radhakrishnan : History of Indian Philosophy Vol. I
- 2. Dasgupta : History of Indian Philosophy Vol. I & II
- 3. H. J. Thomas : History of Buddhist Thought
- 4. A. K. Warden : Indian Buddhism
- 5. T. R. V. Murti : The Central Philosophy of Buddhism

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### AESTHETICS (PYM X034)

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#### UNIT- I

- (i) Nature of Aesthetics
- (ii) Aesthetic Language
- (iii) Nature of Aesthetic Experience
- (iv) The Function of Art

#### UNIT- II

- (i) Beauty: Subjectivism and Objectivism
- (ii) Beauty in Nature and in Art
- (iii) Truth, Beauty and Goodness
- (iv) Music: Language of Emotions: Susanne Langer

#### UNIT- III

- (i) Expressionism: Croce, Tolstoy, Collingwood
- (ii) Structuralist and Post-Structuralist Aesthetics
- (iii) Comparative Aesthetics: Indian (*Rasa*); Islamic (Sufis-Poetry and Music (*Sama*)): Rumi, Ali Hujwiri); Western (Mystical Aesthetics: Plotinus).

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#### SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. P.C. Chatterji : Fundamental Questions in Aesthetics
2. Morris Weitz : Problems in Aesthetics
3. Oswald Hanfling : Philosophical Aesthetics: An Introduction
4. Dabney Townsend : An Introduction to Aesthetics
5. Harold Osborne : Aesthetics
6. Shaikh Ali Hujwiri : Kashf al-Majub (tr. R.A. Nicholson, Adam Pub. & Dist., New Delhi, 2006, pp. 393-420.
7. G.T.W. Patrick, : Introduction to Philosophy, George Allen & Unwin Ltd. London 1968. (Specially Chapter I&V)
8. Melvin Rader, : A Modern Book of Aesthetics, (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.) New York, 1961. Reprinted: 1965)
9. Morris Weitz : Problems in Aesthetics New York, 1958
10. Seyyed Hossein Nasr, : Islamic Art and Spirituality, (Golgon Press, Suffolk, 1987).
11. Herbert Read, : Aesthetics
12. Edith Tomory, : A History of Art in India and the West, (Orient Longman, New Delhi, 1982).



13. The world book : (Scolt Fetger Co. London 1990 Selected Articles)  
Encyclopedia,  
14. Encyclopedia of Philosophy : (Selected Articles in Volumes).

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### **MUSLIM POLITICAL THOUGHT (PYM X016)**

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#### **M.A. IV<sup>TH</sup> SEMESTER**

##### **UNIT- I**

- (i) Theoretical Foundations of Islamic State
- (ii) Theories of State: al-Farabi; Nasiruddin Tusi
- (iii) Theories of State: al-Ghazali; Ibn Khaldun

##### **UNIT- II**

- (i) Good Government: al-Mavardi
- (ii) Justice, Equality and Social Justice in Islam
- (iii) Rights and Duties in Islam

##### **UNIT- III**

- (i) Islamic Practices: Ibn Taimiyah
- (ii) Political Thought: Shah Waliullah
- (iii) Concept of Sovereignty: Maududi

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#### **SUGGESTED READINGS:**

- 1. H.K. Sherwani : Early Muslim Political Thought and Administration
- 2. E.I.J. Roesenthal : Political Thought in Medieval Islam
- 3. Watt : Islamic Political Thought
- 4. S.A. Kamali : Types of Islamic Thought
- 5. G. Allana : Muslim Political Thought Through the Ages (1562-1947)
- 6. Hamid Enayat : Modern Islamic Political Thought