

NEW ALIPORE COLLEGE
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY
SYLLABUS DISTRIBUTION & TEACHING PLAN
SEMESTER 1
Academic Session 2024 (July- December) Under CCF

SEMESTER-1(MAJOR & MINOR)	
PAPER : DSCC-1/CC1/MN1: FUNDAMENTALS OF PHILOSOPHY	
NAME OF FACULTY: JAYITA DUTTA	
NO. of LECTURES Required	PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT
15	<p style="text-align: center;">A. Introduction :</p> <p>Nature of Philosophy, Commonsense, Science and Philosophy</p> <p>Branches of Philosophy-Metaphysics, Epistemology, Ethics, Logic, Social and Political Philosophy etc.</p>
12	<p style="text-align: center;">B. Metaphysics :</p> <p>Substance : General Introduction, Rationalist View of Substance, The Empiricist View of Substance</p> <p>Causality : Notion of Causal relation , The Rationalist View of Causality- Entailment Theory, The Empiricist View of Causality-Regularity Theory</p>
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18	<p style="text-align: center;">C.Epistemology :</p> <p>Three principle uses of the verb ‘to know’ , Conditions of propositional knowledge, Strong and weak senses of “know”, Theories of origin of knowledge : Rationalism , Empiricism, Kant’s Critical Theory</p>
17	<p style="text-align: center;">D.Ethics :</p> <p>Nature and scope of ethics, Branches of ethics : Normative ethics, Meta Ethics, Applied Ethics</p> <p>Moral and non-moral actions, Concepts of good & bad, right & wrong, duty & obligation , Right & Duty, Duty & Virtue.</p> <p>Object of Moral Judgment - Motive and Intention</p>

TEACHING PLAN FOR SEMESTER-1(MAJOR)**PAPER : MAN AND NATURE(SEC)****NAME OF FACULTY: SHUBHABRATAA CHAKRABORTY**

NO. of LECTURES Required	PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT
15	Introduction The meaning of the word nature ; Narrow and Broad sense of nature; Attitude towards nature
10	Classical Indian Attitude to Nature The Upanisadic world -view : Tagore's understanding of nature ; The Post- Upanisadic view of nature
12	Respect for Nature The attitude of respect; Bio -centric outlook to nature ; Ethical standards and rules that follow from the attitude of respect to nature ; The idea of inherent worth of nature.
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15	Intrinsic Value of nature Moore's Talk of 'intrinsic properties' : Chisholm's idea of intrinsic Value : Attfield on the intrinsic value of nature ; Callicott's idea of intrinsic value nature ; Rolston - III on intrinsic value of nature: Intrinsic value : Subjective and Objective value
10	Deep Ecology and its Third World Critique Arne Naess on Deep Ecology : Ramchandra Guha's critique of Deep Ecology

PAPER : IDC: PHILOSOPHY OF PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

NAME OF FACULTY: SHUBHABRATAA CHAKRABORTY

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PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT

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Concept of Peace ; Meaning of Peace

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Sustainable Peace

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B. Peace Building : Different Theories

Realist Theory

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Gender and Peace

Gender - Equality and Peace

Gender, Conflict and Peace

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Some Philosophical Approaches to Peace and Conflict Resolution

Kantian Perspective – Morality and Peace; Pre-condition and Condition of Perpetual Peace

Gandhian Perspective – Non-Violence, Truth, Satyagraha

Tagore's Perspective –Spiritual Idealism and Humanism

TEACHING PLAN FOR SEMESTER-1 (MINOR)

PAPER : SEC (RECENT ISSUES IN PHILOSOPHY: POLITICAL AND ETHICAL)

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**PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE
TAUGHT**

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A. Human Rights

General Idea of Human Rights: Its Origin and Development during Ancient period;
Modern
Period and Contemporary Period
Nature and Value of Human Rights: Discrimination on the basis of Race, Caste and
Religion
Concepts of Justice and Equality
Theory of Justice – John Rawls
Idea of Justice – Amartya Sen

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B. Feminist Ethics: Some Key Concepts of Feminism

The Sex/Gender Dichotomy
Three Forms of Gender Discrimination: Sexism, Patriarchy and Androcentrism or
Phallocentrism
Androcentrism in Philosophy: Feminist Approach
Feminist Movement – Feminist Consciousness
Liberal and Radical Feminism: Their Distinction

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SEMESTER 3
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Four Year PHIM (Major Courses)	
PAPER : DSCC-3 INDIAN PHILOSOPHY-I	
NAME OF FACULTY: JAYITA DUTTA	
NO. of LECTURES Required	PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT
8	a) Cārvāka School- Epistemology, Metaphysics, Ethics.
10	b) Jainism- Concept of Sat, Dravya, Paryāya, Guṇa. Anekāntavāda, Syādvāda and Saptabhangīnaya.
12	c) Buddhism— Four Noble Truths, Theory of Dependent Origination (Pratītyasamutpāda), Definition of Reality, Doctrine of Momentariness, (Kṣanabhangavāda), Theory of No-soul (Nairātmyavāda), Four Schools of Buddhism (Basic tenets).
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16	d) Nyāya School- Concepts of Pramā and Pramāṇa, Definition of perception (Pratyakṣa), Classification of Sannikarṣa into laukika and alaukika, Classification of Laukika Pratyakṣa into Nirvikalpaka, Savikalpaka and Pratyavijñā. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Definition of anumiti, vyāpti, parāmarśa, Classification of Anumiti into pūrvavat, śesavat, sāmānyatodṛṣta, kevalānvayī, kevalavyātirekī, anvayavyātirekī, svārthānumiti, parārthānumiti. • Definition of Upamiti. • Definition of Śabda. • Nyāya Theory of Causality: Asatkāryavāda
12	e) Vaiśeṣika School- Seven categories or padārthas: dravya, guṇa, karma, sāmānya, viśeṣa, samavāya and abhāva.

PAPER : DSCC-4: WESTERN LOGIC-I	
NAME OF FACULTY: JAYITA DUTTA	
NO. of LECTURES Required	PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT
8	a) What is Logic, premises and conclusion, arguments, Deductive and Inductive Arguments, Truth and Validity.
10	b) Categorical propositions and classes: quality, quantity and distribution of terms, Translating categorical propositions into standard form.
10	c) Immediate inferences: Traditional square of opposition and Immediate Inferences based thereon; Conversion, Obversion and Contraposition, Existential Import, Symbolism and Diagrams for categorical propositions.
10	d) Categorical Syllogisms: Standard Form Categorical Syllogisms; The Formal nature of Syllogistic Argument, Boolean Interpretation of categorical propositions; Venn Diagram Technique for Testing Syllogisms, Rules and Fallacies, testing Syllogistic Arguments for validity (by applying general rules for syllogism).
10	e) Review of the Traditional Laws of Logic concerning immediate inference and syllogism; Hypothetical and Disjunctive Syllogisms, Enthymemes.
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12	f) Symbolic Logic: the value of special symbols; Truth-Functions; Symbols for Conjunction, Negation, Disjunction, Conditional Statements and Material Implication; Argument Forms and Arguments, Construction of Truth Tables, Statement Forms and Statements, Material Equivalence and Logical Equivalence; inter-definability of truth functors.
12	g) Tautologous, Contradictory and Contingent Statement-Forms; testing Argument Forms and Arguments, Statement Forms and statements for validity by the method of Truth table; The Paradoxes of Material Implication; The Three "Laws of Thought".
12	h) Causal Connections: Cause and Effect, the meaning of "Cause"; Induction by Simple Enumeration; Mill's Method of Experimental Inquiry; Mill's Method of Agreement, Method of Difference, Joint Method of Agreement and Difference, Method of Residues, Method of Concomitant Variations; Criticism of Mills Methods, Vindication of Mill's Methods.

PAPER : SEC-3: LOGICAL REASONING AND APPLICATION: INDIAN AND WESTERN**NAME OF FACULTY: SHUBHABRATAA CHAKRABORTY****NO. of
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1. The main objective of logical reasoning.

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2. Definitions: Pakṣa, sādhya, hetu, sapakṣa and vipakṣa

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3. Construction of kevalānvayī, kevalvyātireki, anvayavyātireki anumiti.

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4. Hetvābhāsa and its different kinds.

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5. Reasoning in practice:
i) Fallacy of relevance, Fallacies of ambiguity, Fallacies of weak induction, Avoiding fallacies
ii) Functional applications of ordinary operative relations between sense organs and respective objects.

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6. Analogy and Probable inference
i) Argument by Analogy
ii) Appraising Analogical Arguments
iii) Refutation of Logical Analogy.

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7. Scientific Explanation
i) The value of Science
ii) Explanations: Scientific and Unscientific
iii) Evaluating Scientific Explanations.

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8. Inductive reasoning in Law
i) The method of inquiry in law
ii) Causation in Legal reasoning
iii) Analogical Reasoning in legal argument
iv) Probability in legal argument

**MPHI Courses For CC 1/ CC2
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**PHI MD Minor Courses (MPHI MDC)
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PAPER : CC-11 (HONOURS) NYĀYA LOGIC AND EPISTEMOLOGY –I	
NAME OF FACULTY : SHUBHABRATAA CHAKRABORTY	
NO. of LECTURES Required	PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT
24	Definition of buddhi or jñāna (cognition), its two kinds; Definition of smṛti; Two kinds of smṛti (memory); Definition of anubhava, its division into veridical (yathārtha) and non-veridical (ayathārtha); Three kinds of non-veridical anubhava; Definitions clarified in TarkasaṁgrahaDīpikā
20	Four-fold division of pramā and pramāṇa. Definition of “Kāraṇa” (special causal condition) and “kāraṇa” (general causal condition). The concept of anyathāsiddhi (irrelevance) and its varieties. The definition of kārya (effect). Kinds of cause: samavāyi, a-samavāyi and nimittakāraṇa (definitions and analysis).
18	Definition of pratyakṣa and its two-fold division :nirvikalpaka and savikalpakajñāna. Evidence for the actuality of nirvikalpaka.
18	Sannikarṣa and its six varieties. Problem of transmission of sound; The claim of “anupalabdhi” as a distinctive pramāṇa examined.

PAPER : CC12 (HONOURS) ETHICS (INDIAN)

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NO. of LECTURES Required	PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT
20	Introduction: Concerns and Presuppositions, Concept of Sthitaprañjña, Karmayoga: (Gīta) Puruṣārthas and their inter-relations.
15	Meaning of Dharma, Concept of Ṛṇa and Ṛta. Classification of Dharma: sādharmaṇadharmā and Asādharmaṇadharmā, Varnāśrama dharmā.
10	Vidhi and Niṣedha.
15	Buddhist Ethics: Pañcaśīla, Brahmavihārabhāvanā (Bauddha) Anuvrata, Mahāvratā, Ahimsā.
10	Jaina Ethics: anubratā, mahabratā.
12	Mīmāṃsā Ethics: nityanaimittika karma and kāmya karma, the imperative in kāmya karmas and in kāmya karmas involving himsā.

PAPER : DSE-A (HONOURS) - PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE (INDIAN)

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NO. of LECTURES Required	PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT
18	Definition and classification of pada
16	Introduction of concepts of āsatti, yogyatā, tātparya, ākāṃṣā
15	Different types of lakṣaṇā
20	śābdabodha
16	anvitābhīdhānvāda and avihitānvayavāda.

**PAPER : DSE-B (HONOURS)- AN ENQUIRY CONCERNING HUMAN UNDERSTANDING –
D. HUME**

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NO. of LECTURES Required	PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT
10	Chapter 1
10	Chapter 2
12	Chapter 3
8	Chapter 4
8	Chapter 5
8	Chapter 6
8	Chapter 7
8	Chapter 8
8	Chapter 9
10	Chapter 10
12	Chapter 11
8	Chapter 12

PAPER : DSE-A(GENERAL)- ETHICS : INDIAN&WESTERN	
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NO. of LECTURES Required	PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT
12	Four Purusarthas- Dharma, artha, kama and moksa and their interrelation. Karma (Sakama and Niskama), Carvaka Ethics.
8	Buddhist Ethics : The four Noble Truths and the Eight -Fold Path.
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8	Moral and Non-Moral Actions, Objects of Moral Judgment.
14	Teleological Ethics : Utilitarianism (Bentham and Mill) Deontological Ethics : Kant's Moral Theory.
8	Theories of Punishment

PAPER—SEC-A(GENERAL)- BUSINESS ETHICS

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NO. of LECTURES Required	PROPOSED TOPIC(S) TO BE TAUGHT
8	Why study Business Ethics? i) Ethical Issues in business ii) Ethical principles in business
15	Environment and Business Ethics i) Business Ethics and Environmental values ii) Ethics of conserving depletable resources
15	Ethics in Management i) Management by Value Programmes : a qualitative appraisal ii) Ethical vision of Management : A Vedantic outline