

UNIVERSITY OF GOUR BANGA



Modified Syllabus for

**Minor Courses for Four Year UG Program for the students of
3rd and 4th Semester who have already appeared in the 1st
Semester and/or 2nd Semester Examinations by the October 23,
2024 as per NEP-2020**

SUBJECT: PHILOSOPHY

(Minor)

**(Recommended by the Extended UG Board of Studies in
Philosophy, UGB)**

With effect from the session 2024-2025

Contents in detail are given from the next page onwards.

SEMESTER-III

SUB: PHILOSOPHY (MINOR)

PAPER CODE: PHI-MnC-3

PAPER: WESTERN LOGIC

Credits: 4

Full Marks – 50

(End Semester Exam.-40 + IA-10)

1. Proposition, Categorical Propositions and Classes: Quality and Quantity and Distribution of Terms. [5 Lectures + 2 Tutorials]
2. Traditional Square of Opposition of Propositions. [3 Lectures + 1 Tutorial]
3. Immediate Inference: Conversion, Obversion and Contraposition [4 Lectures + 1Tutorial]
4. Existential Import of Propositions, Boolean Interpretation of Categorical Proposition, Translating Categorical Propositions into Standard Form. [6 Lectures + 2 Tutorials]
5. Categorical Syllogism: Figure, Mood, Rules of Validity, Testing Syllogism for Validity. [6 Lectures + 2 Tutorials]
6. Testing Arguments by Venn Diagram; Fallacies. [6 Lectures + 2 Tutorials]
7. Disjunctive and Hypothetical Syllogism; The Dilemma. [4 Lectures + 1 Tutorial]
8. Symbolic Logic: The Value of Special Symbols, Truth-functions; Conjunction, Negation, Disjunction, Implication, Equivalence. [5 Lectures + 2 Tutorials]
9. Tautology, Contradiction and Contingent Statement Forms; Truth-Table Method for Testing Validity of Arguments and Argument Forms. [6 Lectures + 2 Tutorials]

Suggested Readings:

- I. M. Copi : *Introduction to Logic* (14th Ed.)
- Ramaprasad Das : *Pāścātya Darśan O Yuktivijñāna*
- Jagadiswar Sanyal : *Yuktivijñāna*
- Samarendra Bhattacharya : *Pāścātya Yuktivijñāna*
- Sukla Chakraborty : *Tarkavijñāna*

SEMESTER-IV

SUB: PHILOSOPHY (MINOR)

PAPER CODE: PHI-MnC-4

PAPER: ETHICS (INDIAN AND WESTERN)

Credits: 4

Full Marks – 50

(End Semester Exam.-40 + IA-10)

1. Four *Puruṣārthas* – *Dharma*, *Artha*, *Kāma* and *Mokṣa* and their interrelation; *Karma* (*Sakāma* & *Niṣkāma*) [7 Lectures + 2 Tutorials]
2. Jaina Ethics: *Triratna*, *Anuvrata*, *Mahāvratas*. [5 Lectures + 2 Tutorials]
3. Yoga Ethics: Eight-Fold Means of *Yoga*. [5 Lectures + 2 Tutorials]
4. Ethics (Western): Definition, Nature and Scope, Moral and Non-Moral Actions, Object of Moral Judgement– Motive and Intention. [12 Lectures + 4 Tutorials]
5. Teleological Ethics: Utilitarianism (Bentham and Mill), Deontological Ethics: Kant's Moral Theory. [10 Lectures + 3 Tutorials]
6. Theories of Punishment. [6 Lectures + 2 Tutorials]

Suggested Readings:

- S. C. Chatterjee: *The Fundamentals of Hinduism– A Philosophical Study*
- S. K. Maitra: *The Ethics of Hindus*
- P. B. Chatterjee: *Principle of Ethics*
- J. S. Mackenzie: *A Manual of Ethics*
- W. Frankena: *Ethics*
- W. Lillie : *An Introduction to Ethics*
- Somnath Chakraborty: *Nītividyā*
- Dikshit Gupta: *Nītiśāstra*
- Somnath Chakraborty: *Kathāy O Karma Ethics*
- Samarendra Bhattacharya: *Nītividyā*
- Somnath Chakraborty : *Nītividyār Tattvakathā*
- Sanjib Ghosh: *Nītividyā*