

Syllabus for PhD coursework, Department of Philosophy, Presidency University

Course Duration: Two Semesters (PHILC1 and PHILC2 will be taught in First Semester and PHILC3 and PHILE4 will be taught in Second semester)

Course Code	Title	Credit	Marks	Mode of the Papers
PHILC1	Research Methodology General Research Methodology, Subject Specific Methodology, Computer Application – 4 credit Literature Review – 2 Credits	4+2	75(50+25)	Taught
PHILC2	Research and Publication Ethics	2	25	Taught
PHILC3	Research Paper Writing and Presentation	4	50	Sessional
PHILE4	Optional Courses	4	50	Taught

PHILC 1: Research Methodology

6 Credits
Full Marks: 75

1. General Research Methodology:

1.1 Methods of Research – Quantitative and Qualitative Methods of Research, Bibliography Technique, Academic Writing and Presentation Skill.

1.2 Review of Research Papers.

2. Subject Specific Methodology:

2.1 Methodology in Western Philosophy – Socratic Method, Epistemic Approach: Rationalism and Empiricism, Phenomenological Method, Method of Linguistic Analysis, Hermeneutic Method, Post-Modern Approaches to Philosophy.

2.2 Methodology in Indian Philosophy – Philosophical Discourses and Techniques of Analysis: Tarka, Samsaya, Vada, Jalpa, Vitanda, Samvada.

3. Computer Application:

3.1 Internet: Access to web resources; Downloading and using articles and E-resources, Google Docs; E-mail communication.

3.2 Software Usage: MS Word, PowerPoint, PDF.

4. Literature Review

Different Books and Research Papers will be suggested by the instructors for Review

Suggested Readings

Kothari, C.R: *Research Methodology: Methods and Techniques*, New Age International, 2004.

Misra, R.P: *Research Methodology: A Handbook*, New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company, 1989.

Ramachandran, T.P: *The Methodology of Research in Philosophy*, University of Madras Press.

Veit, Richard, Christopher Gould, and John Clifford: *Writing, Reading and Research (2nd Ed.)*, New York: Macmillan, 1985.

Collingwood, R.G: *An Essay on Philosophical Method (New edition)*, with an Introduction and additional material edited by James Connelly, Giuseppina D'Oro. Oxford: Clarendon Press, 2005.

Gadamer, Hans-Georg: *Philosophical Hermeneutics*, University of California Press, 1977.

Moran, Dermot & Timothy Mooney (Eds.): *The Phenomenology Reader*, London: Routledge, 2002.

Rorty, Richard (Ed.): *The Linguistic Turn*, Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 1992.

Ricoeur, Paul: *Hermeneutics and Human Sciences*, MartinusNijhoff Dordrecht, 1984.

Mahamahopadhyay Satis Chandra Vidyabhusana, : *A History of Indian Logic: Ancient, Mediaeval, and Modern Schools*, India: Motilal Banarsidass, 2015.

Matilal B.K, Ganeri, J & Tiwari H. (eds.): *The Character of Logic in India*, Albany: State University of New York Press, 1998.

Wada, T: *The Analytical Method of Navya-Nyaya*, Groningen: Egbert Forsten, 2007.

Nyaya-Sutra of Gautama.

Matilal, B.K: *Epistemology, Logic and Grammar in Indian Philosophical Analysis*, Oxford University Press, 2005.

Chicago Manual Style Sheet.

Anderson, M., Nayar, P.K. & Sen, Madhucchanda: *Critical Thinking, Academic Writing & Presentation Skills*, Pearson Education, 2009.

Seech, Zachary: *Writing Philosophy Paper*, Cengage Learning; 5 edition, 2008.

Feinberg, Joel: *Doing Philosophy*, Cengage Learning; 5 edition, 2013.

Internet for Research in Philosophy:

Gateways:

- Episteme Links <http://www.epistemelinks.com/>
- Philosophy at Large <http://www.liv.ac.uk/pal/>
- Guide to Philosophy on the Internet <http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/philinks.htm>
- Philosophy around the Web http://users.ox.ac.uk/~worc0337/phil_index.html
- Extensive network of sites by subject specialists: <http://www.about.com/>
- Philosophy Pages <http://www.philosophypages.com/>

Gateways concerning specific topics or philosophers:

- Continental Philosophy <http://pegasus.cc.ucf.edu/~janzb/continental/>
- Ethics <http://ethics.sandiego.edu/>
- Kant on the Web <http://www.hkbu.edu.hk/~ppp/Kant.html>

- Hume <http://www.humesociety.org/>
- The Wittgenstein Archive Cambridge <http://www.wittgen-cam.ac.uk/main.html?http://www.wittgen-cam.ac.uk/>

Bibliography:

- Philosopher's Index <http://philinfo.org/>
- Philosophy Documentation Center <http://www.pdcnet.org/guide.html>
- Chalmers' List <http://www.u.arizona.edu/~chalmers/>
- John Locke Bibliography <http://www.libraries.psu.edu/tas/locke/>

Encyclopaedia:

- Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy <http://plato.stanford.edu/>
- Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy Online <http://www.rep.routledge.com/>
- The Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy <http://www.utm.edu/research/iep/>
- New World Encyclopedia <http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/>
- Catholic Encyclopedia <http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/>
- Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy <https://www.rep.routledge.com/>

PHILC2: Research and Publication Ethics

2 Credits

Full Marks: 25

1. Research Ethics

- 1.1. Philosophy and Ethics
- 1.2. Ethical theories, Basic concepts and Principles
- 1.3. Research Guidelines, Identifying Ethical Issues in Research
- 1.4. Ethical values of a Research and Moral Responsibilities of a Researcher

2. Publication Ethics

- 2.1. Publication Ethics – Introduction and importance
- 2.2. Violation of publication ethics
- 2.3. Plagiarism – difference between paraphrasing some text and quoting some text

Suggested Readings:

Comstock, Gary: *Research Ethics: A Philosophical Guide to the Responsible Conduct of Research*, New York: Cambridge University Press, 2013.

Lazerowitz, M. & A. Ambrose: *Philosophical Theories*, The Hague, Netherlands: Mouton, 1976

Watson, George: *Writing a Thesis: A Guide to Long Essays and Dissertations*, Longman, 1987.

PHIL C3: Research Paper Writing and Presentation

4 Credits

Full Marks: 50

Note: Different Books and Research Papers will be suggested by the instructors for Review. The students will write a research paper and present the paper.

PHILE4: Optional Courses

4 Credits

Full Marks: 50

PHILE4A: Ethics: Theory and Experience

Course Instructor: Dr. Barada Laxmi Panda

Unit I: Ethical Theories

Virtue Ethics, Utilitarianism, Deontological Theory, Theory of Justice

Unit II: Ethics in Human Experiments

Ethics of cloning, bio-technology, surrogacy, issues related to the beginning of life and the end of life, organ transplantation.

Suggested Readings:

- Aristotle (Tr. David Ross 1925) *The Nicomachean Ethics* Oxford University Press, Oxford
- Allen, W. (2007) *Kantian Ethics*, Cambridge University Press
- David, B. (2000) *Aristotle's Ethics*, Oxford University Press, UK
- Hudson, W.D. (1983) *Modern Moral Philosophy*, PalgraveMcMillan
- Foot, P. (Reprint edition 2003) *Virtues and Vices* Clarendon Press
- Feldman, F. (1978) *Introductory Ethics*, Prentice Hall
- Williams, B. & Smart, J.J. (1973) *Utilitarianism: For and Against*, Cambridge University Press
- Sterba, James P. (1998) *Ethics: The Big Questions*, Blackwell, USA
- Rawls, J., *A Theory of Justice* (second edition 1999), Harvard University, Cambridge

- Freeman, S. (ed.2002) *Cambridge Companion to Rawls*, Cambridge University Press
- Sen, A.(1995) *Inequality Reexamined*, Harvard University Press
- Hursthouse, R. (2002) *Virtue Ethics*, Oxford University Press
- Jowett, B. (2014) *The Dialogues of Plato, Volume One*, Create Space Independent Publishing Platform
- Hume,D. (2018)*An Enquiry Concerning the Principles of Morals*, A & D Publishing
- Slote , M. (2001), *Morals from Motives*, Oxford University Press, Oxford
- Swanton, C. (2003) *Virtue Ethics: A Pluralistic View*, Oxford University Press
- Sen, A & Williams, B. (Ed. 1982)*Utilitarianism and Beyond*, Cambridge University Press
- Amartya, S. (2011)*The Idea of Justice*, Harvard University Press
- Sen, A. (1993) “Capability and Wellbeing” *The Quality of Life* Edited by M. Nussbaum and Amartya Sen, Oxford Clarendon Press, New York
- Dr. K.S. Narayanan Reddy (2017) *The Essentials of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology* (Ch.3 ‘Medical Law and Ethics’), Hyderabad
- Talbott, M. (2012) *Bioethics: An Introduction*, Cambridge University Press.
- Tom. L.Beauchamp, & J.F. Childress (1994) *Principles of Biomedical Ethics*,Oxford University Press, USA
- Glannon, W. (2005) *Boimedical Ethics*, Oxford University Press, New York.
- Buchanan, A. (1984) “The Right to a Decent Minimum Health Care”, *Philosophy and Public Affairs* 13, pp. 55-78.
- McKerlie, D., (2002) “Justice between the Young and the Old”, *Philosophy and Public Affairs* 30, pp. 152-177.

PHILE4B: Faith and Reason

Course Instructor: Dr. Ngaineilam Haokip

4 Credits
Full Marks: 50

Unit 1: An Overview

St. Thomas Aquinas’ and other Scholastic thinkers’ account

Unit 2: Evolution of the Concepts

Modern and contemporary understanding of the concepts

Unit 3: Reasonable Faith

Apologetics and philosophical justifications of faith as rational

Suggested Readings

Helm, Paul, ed. *Faith and Reason*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1999.

McInerny, Ralph. *St. Thomas Aquinas*. Boston: Twayne, 1977.

Peterson, Michael, William Hasker, Bruce Reichenback, David Basinger. *Philosophy of Religion: Selected Readings*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001.

Buber, Martin. *I and Thou*, Mansfield Centre, USA: Martino Publishing, 2010.

Otto, Rudolf. *The Idea of the Holy*, Mansfield Centre, USA: Martino Publishing, 2010.

Penelhum, Terence. "The Analysis of Faith in St. Thomas Aquinas" in *Religious Studies*, Vol. 13, No. 2 (Jun., 1977), pp. 133-154.

Hartshorne, Charles. "Two Levels of Faith and Reason" in *Journal of Bible and Religion*, Vol. 16, No. 1 (Jan., 1948), pp. 30-38.

Polanyi, Michael. "Faith and Reason" in *The Journal of Religion*, Vol. 41, No. 4 (Oct., 1961), pp. 237-247.

PHILE4C: Philosophy of Perception

Course Instructor: Dr. Manoj Kumar Panda

4 Credits,
Full Marks: 50

Unit 1- Problems of Perception

1. The Nature of Perceptual Content: Fregean and Russellian Content
2. The Objectivity of Perceptual Representation
3. The Phenomenal and Representational Character of Perception
4. Nonconceptual and Conceptual Content of Perception

Unit 2- Philosophical theories of Perception

1. Varieties of Representationalism
2. Sense-data Theories
3. Adverbial theories

4. Belief-Acquisition Theories
5. Problem of Illusion and Disjunctive theories of Perception

Unit 3- Perception in Phenomenology

1. Perception and Body
2. Enactive Approach to Perception
3. Bodily Awareness and Subjectivity
4. Prereflective awareness and perception

Suggested Readings:

Block, N. 1990. "Inverted earth", *Philosophical Perspectives* 4:53-79.

Burge, Tyler. 2010. *Origins of Objectivity*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Byrne, A. 2001. "Intentionalism Defended", *Philosophical Review* 110:199-240.

Crane, T. 2003. "The Intentional Structure of Consciousness", In (Q. Smith & A. Jokic, eds.) *Consciousness: New Philosophical Perspectives*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Crane, T. (Ed.) 1992. *The Contents of Experience*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Dennett, D.C. 1968. *Content and Consciousness*, London: Routledge.

Dreske, F. 1993. "Conscious Experience", *Mind* Vol. 102, No. 406, 263-283.

Dretske, F. 1995. *Naturalizing the Mind*, Cambridge, Mass: MIT Press.

Haddock, A. & Fiona Macpherson (eds.) 2008. *Disjunctivism: Perception, Action and Knowledge*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Hopp, Walter. 2011. *Perception and Knowledge: A Phenomenological Account*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Kriegel 2002. "Phenomenal Content", *Erkenntnis*. 57:175-98.

Matthen, Mohan. (Ed) 2015. *The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy of Perception*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Noe, Alva. 2006. *Action in Perception*, Cambridge: The MIT Press, A Bradford Book.

Peacocke, C. 1983. *Sense and Content: Experience, Thought, and their Relations*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Shoemaker, S. 1990. "Qualities and Qualia: What's in the mind?" *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research Supplement*, 50:109-131.

Shoemaker, S. 1994. "Phenomenal Character", *Nous* 28:21-38.

Shoemaker, S. 2001. "Introspection and Phenomenal Character" *Philosophical Topics*, Reprinted in (D. Chalmers, ed.) *Philosophy of Mind: Classical and Contemporary Readings*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Travis, C. 2004. "The silence of the Senses", *Mind*. 113: pp. 57-94.

Tye, M. 1995. *Ten Problems of Consciousness: A Representational Theory of the Phenomenal Mind*, Cambridge, Mass.: MIT Press.

Tye, M. 2003. "Blurry Images, Double Vision, and other Oddities: New problems for Representationalism?" In (Q. Smith & A. Jokic, eds.) *Consciousness: New Philosophical Perspectives*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Valberg, J. J. 1992. *The Puzzle of Experience*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

William, F. 2010. *Philosophy of Perception: A Contemporary Introduction*. London: Routledge.

PHILE4D: Reading Text on Indian Philosophy

4 Credits,

Full Marks: 50

Instructor: Dr. Mainak Pal

Advaita Vedānta:

Vācaspati Mīśra: ***Bhāmātī*** on 'Adhyāśabhāṣya'

(from *syādetat, addhāpūrvapratītimātramupayujyate to sarvatrānāsvasaprasaṅgaḥ*)

OR

Nyāya:

Jayanta Bhaṭṭa: ***Nyāyamañjarī*** (*Āhnika I*): *Pramāṇalakṣaṇa*

Suggested Readings:

JayantaBhaṭṭa, *Nyāyamañjarī (Part-I)*, Edited with Chakradhara's Commentary *Granthibhaṅgaṭīkā* by Dr. GaurinathShastri, Varanasi, Sampurnananda Sanskrit Visvavidyalaya, 2017.

JayantaBhaṭṭa, *Nyāyamañjarī (Part-I)*, Edited and annotated by Pt. SūryaNārāyaṇaŚukla, Kashi Sanskrit Series 106, Varanasi, Chaukhambha Sanskrit Sansthan, 1998.

JayantaBhaṭṭa, *Nyāyamañjarī (Part-II)*, Edited by Pt. A. MadhyācāryaĀdya, Annotated by Pt. SūryaNārāyaṇaŚukla, Kashi Sanskrit Series 106, Varanasi, Chaukhambha Sanskrit Series Office, 1969.

JayantaBhaṭṭa, *Nyāyamañjarī (Pratyakṣakhaṇḍa)*, Translated and elucidated in Bengali by PanchananTarkavagish, Edited by Amit Bhattacharya, Kolkata, Sanskrit Book Depot, 2006.

JayantaBhaṭṭa, *Nyāyamañjarī*, Translated by Janaki Vallabha Bhattacharyya, Delhi, MotilalBanarasidass, 1978.

Śaṅkarācārya, *BrahmasūtraŚāṅkaraBhāṣya*, Edited and annotated with *Bhāmatī* of VācaspatiMiśra, *Kalpataru* of AmalānandaSarasvatī and *Parimala* of Appayadīkṣita by AnantakṛṣṇaŚāstrī, Re-edited by BhārgavŚāstrī, Bombay, PāṇḍuraṅgJāwajī (Proprietor of NirṇayaSāgar Press), 1938.

Śaṅkarācārya, *Brahmasūtra-Śāṅkarabhāṣyam(Vedānta-Darśanam: vol. I)*, Edited with VācaspatiMiśra's *Bhāmatī*, RāmānandaSarasvatī's *Bhāṣya-Ratnaprabhā*, AmalānandaSarasvatī's *Śāstradarpaṇa* and VidyāraṇyaMunīśvara's *Vyāsādhikaraṇa mālā* by Rajendranath Ghosh, Translated and elucidated in Bengali by PramathanathTarkabhushan, Calcutta, PaschimbangaRajyaPustakParshat, December, 1991.

Śaṅkarācārya, *Brahmasūtra-Śāṅkarabhāṣyam*, Edited with *Bhāṣya-Ratnaprabhā* of Govindānanda, *Bhāmatī* of VācaspatiMiśra, *Nyāyanirṇaya* of Ānandagiri, by MahādevŚāstrīBārke, Revised by VāsudevLaxmaṇŚāstrīPaṅsīkar, Bombay, PāṇḍuraṅgJāwajī (Proprietor of NirṇayaSāgar Press), 1934.

Śaṅkarācārya, *Brahmasūtra-Śāṅkarabhāṣyam: Bhāmatyādivyākhyopavyākhyā-navakopetam (vol.I)*, Edited by Srimat Ananta KrisnaShastri, Delhi, ChowkhambaSamskritaPratisthana, 1995.

VācaspatiMiśra, *Bhāmatī*, Edited, translated and elucidated by Srimohan Bhattacharya Tarkavedantatirtha, Kolikata, Sanskrit PustakBhandar, 1973.

VācaspatiMiśra, *Bhāmatī*, Translated and elucidated by PramathanathTarkabhushan, Edited by Rajendranath Ghosh, Calcutta, PaschimbangaRajyaPustakParshat, December, 1991.

PHILE4E: Logic

4 Credits,
Full Marks: 50

Instructor: Dr. Nusrat Jahan

Unit 1

Logic and Ontology

- a) Quantifiers
- b) The quantifiers and their interpretation
- c) Quine on quantification

OR

Unit II

Logic and Existence

Suggested Readings:

- Quine, W. V. O., (1953) “On What There Is”, in *From a Logical Point of View*, USA: Harvard University Press, pp. 1-19.
- Quine, W. V. O., (1970) *Philosophy of Logic*, London: Prentice Hall, INC.
- Quine, Willard Van Orman, (1950) *Methods of Logic*, USA: Harvard University Press.
- Haack, Susan, (1978) *Philosophy of Logics*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Munitz, Milton K., (1974) *Existence and Logic*, New York: New York Univ Press.
- Munitz, Milton K., ed. (1973) *Logic and Ontology*, New York: New York Univ Press.