

Department of Liberal Education
Era University, Lucknow
Course Outline
Effective From: 2023-24

Name of the Program	B.A. / B.Sc. (LIBERAL EDUCATION)			Year/ Semester:	3rd / 6th
Course Name	Epistemology and Metaphysics (Indian)	Course Code:	PHI305	Type:	Theory
Credits	04			Total Sessions Hours:	60 Hours
Evaluation Spread	Internal Continuous Assessment:	50 Marks		End Term Exam:	50 Marks
Type of Course	<input type="radio"/> Compulsory	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Core	<input type="radio"/> Creative	<input type="radio"/> Life Skill	
Course Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To get an idea about the origin, types and sources of knowledge as admitted by the schools of Indian philosophy To get an over-view of the nature, types, possibility and some of the important metaphysical problems addressed by the various Indian philosophical schools 				
Course Outcomes (CO): <i>After the successful course completion, learners will develop following attributes:</i>					
Course Outcome (CO)	Attributes				
CO1	To explain that what is valid knowledge and how it can be attain.				
CO2	To determine the criteria for knowledge so that we can know what can or cannot be known.				
CO3	uses broad concepts to help define reality and our understanding of it.				
CO4	To explain inherent or universal elements of reality which are not easily discovered or experienced in our everyday life.				
Pedagogy	Interactive, discussion-bases, student-centered, presentation.				
Internal Evaluation Mode	Mid-term Examination: 20 Marks Activity: 10 Marks Class test: 05 Marks Online Test/Objective Test: 05 Marks Assignments/Presentation: 05 Marks Attendance: 05 Marks				
Session Details	Topic			Hours	Mapped CO
Unit 1	Introduction to Epistemology I <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Basic concepts of epistemology: Prama, Pramana Pratyaksa, Anumana, Upamana, Sabda, Arthapatti, Anupalabdhi Basic concepts of metaphysics: Pramaeya, Padartha Universals: the Nyaya-Buddhist debate Causation: satkaryavada, asatkaryavada, vivartavada Activity-Chart preparing on Pramanas of Indian philosophy.			15	CO1,CO2
Unit 2	Indian Epistemology II <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Carvaka: Pratyaksa as the only pramana, Bhutachaitanyavada, svabhava vada Jainism: Anekantavada, Syadvada 			15	CO4

	3. Buddhism: Theory of Dependent Origination, Theory of Impermanence, Doctrine of Momentariness, Theory of no-soul. Activity-Quiz competition.		
Unit 3	Indian Metaphysics I 1. Nyaya: A brief introduction of sixteen kinds of padarthas, Nature and proofs for the existence of God. 2. Vaisesika: Seven Padarthas, Paramanukaranavada 3. Samkhya: Satkaryavada, Nature of Prakriti and proofs for its existence, Nature of Purusa and proofs for its existence. 4. Yoga: Citta, Cittavrtti, Cittabhumi, Eight fold path of Yoga. Activity-Quiz competition.	15	CO3, CO4
Unit 4	Indian Metaphysics II 1. Mimansa: Prabhakara and Bhatta, Arthapatti and Anupalabdhi as sources of knowledge. 2. Advaita Vedanta: Sankara's view of Brahman; Saguna and Nirguna Brahman, Three grades of Satta: pratibhasika, vyavaharika and paramarthika, Sankara's view of Jiva, Jagat and Maya. Activity-Write an essay on Purva Mimansa (Mimansa Darshan) and Uttar Mimansa (Advait Vedanta Darshan).	15	CO3,CO4

CO-PO and PSO Mapping

CO	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PO7	PO8	PSO1	PSO2	PSO3	PSO4	PSO5	PSO6
CO1	1	2							2				1	
CO2	2	3							2				1	
CO3	2	3							2				1	
CO4	2	3							3				1	

Strong contribution-3, Average contribution-2, Low contribution-1,

Suggested Readings:

Text- Books	1. Bhattacharya, Gopinath, Tarkasamgraha with Dipika 2. Maitra, S.K., Fundamental Questions of Indian Metaphysics & Logic 3. Chatterjee, S & Datta. D.M (1984) An Introduction to Indian Philosophy, 8th ed., University of Calcutta.
Reference Books	1. Dasgupta, S.N (2004), A History of Indian Philosophy, vol.1, Delhi: MLBD Publishers. 2. Hiriyanna, M. (1994) Outlines of Indian Philosophy, Delhi: MLBD Publishers. (2015) The Essentials of Indian Philosophy, Delhi: MLBD Publishers.
Para Text	Articles: 1. Chatalian, G. (1983) Early Indian Buddhism and the Nature of Philosophy: A Philosophical Investigation, Journal of Indian Philosophy, June 1983, Volume 11, Issue 2, pp 167-222 2. Gokhale, P. P. (1991) The Logical Structure of Syādvāda, in The Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research, Vol. 8, No.3. 3. Koller, J. M. K. (1977), Skepticism in Early Indian Thought, Philosophy East and West, 27(2): 155-164 4. Prevos, p. (2002) The Self in Indian Philosophy: Hindu, Buddhist and Carvaka views. http://prevos.net/humanities/philosophy/self/ Videos: 1. https://youtu.be/4ZrkrK7t6ws 2. https://youtu.be/5gmclPvOc2c 3. https://youtu.be/Mo2jefbv3A

Recapitulation & Examination Pattern		
Internal Continuous Assessment:		
Component	Marks	Pattern
Mid Semester	20	Section A: Contains 10 MCQs/Fill in the blanks/One Word Answer/ True-False type of questions. Each question carries 0.5 mark . Section B: Contains 07 descriptive questions out of which 05 questions are to be attempted. Each question carries 03 marks .
Activity	10	Will be decided by subject teacher.
Class Test	05	Contains 05 descriptive questions . Each question carries 01 mark.
Online Test/ Objective Test	05	Contains 10 multiple choice questions . Each question carries 0.5 mark.
Assignment/ Presentation	05	Assignment to be made on topics and instruction given by subject teacher.
Attendance	05	As per policy.
Total Marks	50	

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