

**PGRR.CENTRE FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION
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**M.A. (PHILOSOPHY)
SYLLABUS**

III – SEMESTER - PAPER – 301 – CONTEMPORARY WESTERN PHILOSOPHY - I

Unit-I - German Philosophy after Hegel – Arthur Schopenhauer

1. Irrational Will and Pessimism
2. Critique of Idealism and Anti–Hegelianism
3. Influence of Buddhism and Hindu Philosophy – Ethics of Pity and Self-denial

Unit-II - - French and British Philosophy of 19th Century

4. Reaction against Sensationalism
5. Positivism of August Comte
6. Herbert Spencer's Philosophy and the Law of Evolution

Unit-III - Origin of Existentialism

7. Soren Kierkegaard and his influence of Existentialism
8. Attack on Hegel's Philosophic System – Concept of Dread
9. Three Stages of Existence – Aesthetic, Ethical and Religious way of Life.

Unit-IV - Scientific Socialism

10. Karl Marx's Dialectical Materialism
11. Philosophy of Historical Materialism
12. Struggle between Classes – History as struggle to improve human condition

Unit-V - Pragmatism

13. Pragmatism and Empiricism - C.S. Pierce Pragmatism as Theory of Meaning
14. William James – Justification of Religion on Pragmatic basis – Pluralistic Universe and variety of Religious experience
15. John Dewey – Philosophy and Education

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III – SEMESTER - PAPER – 302 – CONTEMPORARY INDIAN PHILOSOPHY - I

Unit-I - Introduction

1. Common Characteristics of Indian Philosophy
2. Cosmic and Spiritualistic outlook – Integral and Synthetic view.
3. Matrix of Spirit and Matter – New approach to Salvation

Unit-II - Raja Ram Mohan Roy and Dayanand Saraswathi

4. Philosophy of Raja Ram Mohan Roy
5. Philosophy of Swami Dayanand Saraswathi
6. Swamy Vivekananda's Practical Vedanta

Unit-III - M.K.Gandhi and Ravindranath Tagore

7. Philosophy of M.K.Gandhi
8. Philosophy of Tagore
9. Gandhi and Tagore's views on Man and Religion

Unit-IV -Sri Aurobindo

10. Philosophy of Sri Aurobindo – Human Evolution – Superman
11. Integral Yoga
12. Human Cycle – Concept of Education

Unit-V - Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan & Mohd Iqbal

13. Philosophy of Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan – Concept of Reality – Intellect & Intuition
14. Idealist view of Life – God and the Absolute
15. Philosophy of Mohd. Iqbal.

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III – SEMESTER - PAPER – 303 – PHILOSOPHY OF HISTORY

Unit-I - Introduction

1. Philosophy of History – Meaning and Goal of History
2. Factor's determining Historical Process
3. Interpretation of History – An outline survey of Philosophy of History

Unit-II - - Philosophy of History – Hegel's Perspective

4. Rational and Dialectical view of World History
5. The March of World History
6. The Oriental, The Greek, the Roman and the Germanic World

Unit-III - Philosophy of History – Marxist Perspective

7. Materialistic interpretation of History
8. Epoch of History – Substructure and Superstructure
9. The Origin and Role of Ideas

Unit-IV - Spengler and Toynbee

10. Organistic View of Culture
11. Symptoms of Civilization : Decline of the West
12. The Study of World History – The Genesis, Growth and Decay of Civilization

Unit-V - Collinwood & Sri Aurobindo

13. Colling Wood – An Approach to Philosophy of History – Idea of History
14. Sri Aurobindo's Evoluntary view of History and Human Destiny
15. Global – Spiritual Unity and Future of Mankind

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Unit-I - Introduction

1. Nature and Definition of Philosophy of Religion
2. Religion and the Reality of God – Religious Consciousness
3. Man and Nature, Religion and Art, God and Theology

Unit-II - Basic Concepts of Philosophy of Religion

4. Reason, Revelation and Intuition – Imagination and Feeling in Religion.
5. Philosophy and Religion – Types of Religious Experiences
6. Religion in Philosophical perspectives ; Philosophic Faith

Unit-III - Religion in Different Traditions

7. Religion in Naturalistic and Idealistic traditions
8. Religion in Dialectical and Existentialist traditions
9. Religion in Materialistic and Linguistic traditions

Unit-IV - Religion in Different Traditions and Perspectives

10. Religion in Pragmatic and Phenomenological traditions.
11. Religion and Culture – Religion in Cultural Perspective
12. Psychology and Sociology of Religion

Unit-V - Comparative Religion

13. Indian Religions – Introduction – Hinduism
14. Jainism, Buddhism, and Sikhism
15. Abrahamic Religions – Judaism, Christianity, and Islam

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IV – SEMESTER - PAPER – 401 – CONTEMPORARY WESTERN PHILOSOPHY - II

Unit-I - Phenomenology

1. General introduction to Phenomenology
2. Edmund Husserl and Phenomenology
3. Intentionality of Consciousness – Phenomenological Reduction

Unit-II - - Existentialism

4. Martin Heidegger – The Problem of Being and Time – The Question and Meaning of Being
5. Jean Paul Sartre – Being and Nonthingness and the mode of Authentic Being
6. Existentialism and Humanism and the ethical challenge

Unit-III - Existentialism

7. Karl Jaspers Philosophy of Existence
8. The idea of Encompassing and Freedom as Existence
9. Morleau Ponty “Phenomenology of Perception” The relationship between consciousness and World

Unit-IV - Introduction to Analytical Philosophy

10. Logical Atomism of Bertrand Russell – Verification Theory
11. Ordinary Language Analysis
12. Meaning of External World

Unit-V - Introduction to Vienna Circle

13. Rejection of Metaphysics
14. Wittgenstein’s Picture Theory – Language Games.
15. Logical Positivism of A. J. Ayer

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IV – SEMESTER - PAPER – 402 – CONTEMPORARY INDIAN PHILOSOPHY - II

Unit-I - Mahatma Jyothirao Phule

1. Equality and Social Justice
2. Critique of Religion and Superstition
3. Education and Empowerment – Human Rights.

Unit-II - - Periyar E Rama Swamy

4. Rationalism, Humanism and Social Justice
5. Dravidian Movement – Social Reform as a prerequisite for Political Change.
6. Secularism and Freedom of Thought

Unit-III - Philosophy of M. N. Roy

7. Philosophy of Radical Humanism
8. M. N. Roy's Socio-Political thought
9. M. N. Roy's Views on Education and Values

Unit-IV - Philosophy of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar

10. Social Philosophy
11. Political Philosophy
12. Religious and Educational Philosophy

Unit-V - Philosophy of Narayana Guru, and J. Krishnamurthy

13. Socio – Religious Philosophy of Narayana Guru.
14. Jiddu Krishnamurthy – Man and Freedom
15. Krishnamurthy's Perception on Religion and Education

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IV – SEMESTER - PAPER – 403 – MARX AND SCHOOL OF MARXISM

Unit-I - Introduction

1. Introduction to Post – Hegelian Philosophy and the rise of Marxism – Meaning of Philosophy in Marxist thought
2. Social and Historical pre-requisites of Marxist Philosophy
3. New Concept of Matter in Marxism – Matter and Motion, Space and Time in Marxism

Unit-II - Materialist Dialectics of Marxism

4. Dialectic as theory of Knowledge and the doctrine of Truth
5. Law of Materialist Dialectics – Law of Unity and conflict of Opposites – The Law of transition of quantity in to quality and The Law of Negation of Negation
6. Materialist Concept of History – Concept of Alienation

Unit-III - Later Marxist Philosophers

7. Antonio Gramsci
8. Louis Althusser
9. Theodor Adorno

Unit-IV - Later Marxist Philosophers (Frankfurt School)

10. George Lukacs
11. Herbert Marcuse
12. Jurgen Habermas and Karl Korsch

Unit-V - Indian Marxist Philosophers

13. M.N.Roy Materialism as Philosophy of Science
14. Rationalistic and Humanistic outlook (Radical Humanism)
15. Other Indian Marxist Philosophers – (Chattopadhyaya, D.D. Kosambi, R.S.Sharma, Rahul Santrudhyayan etc).

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Unit-I

1. Nature and Scope of Social and Political Philosophy
2. Relation of Social and Political Philosophy with other Sciences
3. Fundamental Concepts of Social and Political Philosophy

Unit-II -

4. Nature, Origin and Characteristics of Society
5. Liberty, Equality and Fraternity – Different views
6. Role of Technology and Education in Social Change

Unit-III

7. Plato's Political Philosophy and the Nature of State
8. Hegel's Political Philosophy
9. Karl Marx's Political Philosophy – Materialism, Class – Struggle – Communism

Unit-IV

10. Political Philosophy of M. K. Gandhi
11. Political Philosophy of Jawaharlal Nehru
12. Political Philosophy of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar

Unit-V

13. Nature and Origin of State – Formation of Government
14. Legislative, Executive and Judicial powers of state
15. Forms of Democracy
