

**Syllabus as per CBCS for
PG Course in Philosophy 2016
Sidho-Kanho-Birsha University**

Semester—I

MPHICCT 101	Western Logic	40+10
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1. Direct and Indirect Proof of Validity
2. Rules of Conditional Proof and Indirect Proof of Validity
3. Reductio Ad Absurdum Method
4. Quantification theory: multiply general propositions, techniques of symbolisation, quantificational rules, proof of validity and invalidity, logical truth involving quantifiers.
5. The logic of relations: Symbolising relation arguments involving relations, attributes of relations, validity and definite descriptions.
6. Tree methods for testing validity of quantificational argument.

Texts: 1. Symbolic Logic – I.M. Copi
 2. Formal Logic – Its Scope and Limits – by R. C. Jeffry
 3. पञ्चमहाभाष्ये – लज्जितपिपि

MPHICCT 102	Indian logic	40+10
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1. Definition of Anumāna: Nyāya, Buddhist and Jaina Perspectives
2. Constituents of Anumāna: Nyāya, Buddhist and Jaina Perspectives
3. Process of Anumāna: Nyāya Buddhist and Jaina Perspectives
4. Nyāya: Paksata, Parāmarṣa, Definition of vyapti

Texts: 1. Tarka-Bhasa (Anumana Khanda)—Keshab Mishra
 2. Nyaya Bindu (Anumana Khanda)
 3. Vedanta Paribhasa (Dvitiya Parichcheda)

Suggested readings:

1. Perception—B.K. Motilal
2. Buddhist Logic—Stcherbatsky
3. ऐतच्छास्त्रे – पञ्चमहाभाष्ये

MPHICCT 103	Epistemology (Western)	40+10
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1. Kant's Critique of Pure Reason (From Introduction to Transcendental deduction of categories)
2. Theories of Truth: Correspondence, Coherence and Pragmatic.
3. Some issues in Epistemology: Nature and definition of Knowledge, including Gettier's problem.
4. Scepticism and possibility of knowledge.

Text: Immanuel Kant's Critique of Pure Reason—Norman Kemp Smith (Tr.)

Suggested readings:

1. Handbook to Kant's Critique of Pure Reason—Rash Bihari Das
2. Kant's metaphysics of Experience—H.J. Patton
3. Problem of Knowledge—A.J. Ayer
4. Introduction to Contemporary Epistemology—Jonathan Dancy
5. Knowledge and Justification—John Pollock
6. Knowledge—K. Lehrer
7. Justification: Concept and Theories—Sandhya Basu.
8. Scepticism and Naturalism: Some Varieties—P.F. Strawson
9. Philosophy: A Guide through the Subject—A.C. Grayling

MPHICCT 104	Epistemology (Indian)	40+10
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1. Nature of Pramā and Pamaṇā: Pramanā Saṁplava and Pramaṇā Vyavasthā following Vātsyayana Bhāṣya
2. Arthāpatti, anupalabdhi following Tarka-Bhāsa
3. a) Concept of Pratyaksha following Nyāya (Nyāya Sutra 1.1.4)
b) Concept of Pratyaksha following Vedanta (selection from Pratyaksa Parichched O Vedānta Paribhasā).
c) Concept of Pratyaksa following Buddhism (selected portion from the Pratyaksa parichched)
4. Prāmaṇyavāda (Utpatti, Jnapti following Tarka Bhāsa, Tarka Samgraha).
5. Khyativāda

- Texts:** 1. eÉjufçlQu— geÉiŞoZ aÑLh;N£n
 2. eÉju cnÑe—geÉi“oZ aLÑh;N£n
 3. -hcjç‘fçliçç—f’jee nçÛ»£ pÇfçca
 4. eÉjuçh³ç— djÑL£çañ
 5. aLÑ pwNËq— eçlçue -Nçüçj£
 6. çhhçZ fË-ju pwNËq— çhcÉçZÉ

Suggested Readings

1. Perception—B.K. Motilal
2. Buddhist Logic—Stcherbatsky
3. eÉjuçh³ç—pç”a pçdçMçy

MPHICCT 105	Indian Ethics	40+10
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1. The First Şutra of Purva Mimamşsa: Sutra of Jaimini with Sutras Bhāşya.
2. Moral Dilemma and Religious Dogmas from B.K. Motilal’s Ethics and Epics
3. Sri Ramakrishna: Simplicity with Profundity from B.K. Motilal’s Ethics and Epics
4. Caste, Karma and the Gita from B.K. Motilal’s Ethics and Epics
5. The problem of Inter-Faith Studies from B.K. Motilal’s Ethics and Epics
6. Religion and Value from B.K. Motilal’s Ethics and Epics

Suggested Readings:

1. Artha Saṃgraha – Logakshi Bhaskara
2. Indian Ethics—Shurama Dasgupta
3. Problem of Inter-Faith Studies—Asgar Ali Engineer
4. Varna and Jati – Shurama Dasgupta

MPHICCT 106	Social and Political Philosophy	40+10
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1. Nature and Scope of Social and Political Philosophy
2. Theories of the relation between individual and society: Individualistic theory, Organic Theory, Idealistic Theory.
3. Concept of Family, Society and state.
4. Theories of state: Liberalism, Socialism, Communism, Anarchism.

5. Concept of Welfare State.
6. Concept of Right, Liberty, Justice and Equality
7. Concept of Value in Society and politics.

Suggested Readings:

1. Society—MacIver and Page
2. Sociology—Morris Ginsberg
3. Sociology—S.N. Shankara Rao
4. Sociology—P.B. Kar
5. Introduction to Modern Political Thought—C.E.M. Joad

Semester—II

MPHICCT 201	Metaphysics (Western)	40+10
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1. Aristotle's Metaphysics Topics: First Philosophy, Substance, Universality, Being-Qua-Being, Potentiality and Actuality
2. Hegel: The concept of Geist (Spirit), The Dialectical Method, Concepts of being, non – being and becoming; Absolute Idealism

Suggested Readings:

1. Aristotle's Metaphysics—W.D. Ross
2. Doctrine of being in Aristotle's Metaphysics—Woeyns
3. Articles on Aristotle—Barne, Sorabji, and Schofield
4. Hegel's Idea of Phenomenology of Spirit—Michael Foster
5. Routledge Philosophy guide book to Hegel and the Phenomenology of Spirit—Robert Stern
6. AÉϕlØV-mI AϕdϕhcÉi - Bëam Sϕmm ϕjUj (YjLj ϕhnÄϕhcÉimu)
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MPHICCT 202	Metaphysics (Indian)	40+10
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1. The seven categories of Vaisesika system: their svādharmā, vaidharmā, ordering of categories.
2. Nitya and Anitya dravya, Paramāṇuvada.

3. Cit, Acit, Atmān from Vedanta standpoint
4. Theory of Causation: Satkāyavāda, Asatkāryavāda, Ākasmikavada, Vivartavāda

Texts:

1. Prasastapāda Bhāṣya with Nyāyakandali— Shyamapada Mishra (Tr. & An.)
2. Dharmarajadhvarindra's Vedānta Paribhasā—Panchanan Shastri (Tr. & An.)

Suggested Readings:

1. Classical Indian Metaphysics by Stephen H. Phillips.
2. Indian Realism by J.N. Sinha.
3. Nyaya-Vaisesika Metaphysics by Sadananda Bhaduri.
4. Essays in Analytic Philosophy by Gopinath Bhattacharya.

MPHICCT 203	Contemporary Western Philosophy	40+10
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1. Husserl: Phenomenological Method, Intentionality and Philosophy of life world.
2. Heidegger: Dasein, Being and Nothingness, Critique of Technological Civilization.
3. Sartre: Nothingness, Being-for itself, being-for others.

Suggested Readings:

1. Phenomenology and Existentialism—R.C. Solomon.
2. What is Phenomenology—P. Thevenaz.
3. An Introduction to Existentialism—R. G. Olson.
4. Existentialism—M. Warnock
5. Phenomenology and existentialism—M.K. Bhadra
6. From Rationalism to Existentialism—R.C Solomon
7. Being and Nothingness—Jean Paul Sartre.
8. Existentialism and Humanism— Jean Paul Sartre.
9. Aṣṭāhikā Jyotiḥ—j'ZimLj'ç'1 iāz
10. Syi fm pi-œl cnÑe—j'aeim Lj'ç'1 iāz
11. ýpi-mÑl fE'çaijp çh'je—fçl-ajõ (hijwmj AÉjLj-Xçj, YjLj)

MPHICCT 204	Contemporary Indian Philosophy	40+10
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1. B.R. Ambedkar; topics to be covered Annihilation of Caste, Varna and Cast System:
Neo Buddhism

2. M. Iqbal; topics to be covered Reconstruction of Religious thought in Islam, Self, God, Man and Super man
3. J. Krishnamurty; topics to be covered Freedom from the Known, Analysis of the Self
4. M.K. Gandhi; topics to be covered Civilization, True Civilization, Woman

Suggested Readings:

1. Annihilation of Caste—Ambedkar
2. Neo- Buddhism—Ambedkar
3. Hind Swaraj—M.K. Gandhi
4. Contemporary Indian Philosophy—B.K. Motilal
5. Freedom from the Known—J. Krishnamurty
6. Tradition and Revolution—J. Krishnamurty.
7. Gandhian Philosophy of Education—Ramakant Shukla

MPHICCT 205	Ethics	40+10
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1. Kant's Moral Theory.
2. Naturalism
3. Intuitionism
4. Emotivism
5. Eudaemonism (Aristotle's Ethics).
6. Prescriptivism

Suggested Readings:

1. Groundwork of the Metaphysics of morals—H. J. Patton
2. The Philosophy of Kant, his Moral and Political writing—Carl J. Friedrich
3. Utilitarianism—John Stuart Mill.
4. Modern Moral Philosophy—W.D. Hudson.
5. Philosophical Ethics: An Introduction to Moral Philosophy—Tom Beauchamp
6. Ethics: Theory and practice—J. P. Thiroux.
7. "The Philosophy of Kant, his Moral and Political writing—Carl J. Friedrich"
8. "Utilitarianism—John Stuart Mill."

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MPHICCT 206	Analytic Philosophy	40+10
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1. Russell – Theories of description
2. Gilbert Ryle - Descartes' Myth
3. Quine - Two Dogmas of Empiricism
4. Frege: Sense and Reference
5. Moore: Defence of common sense

Suggested Readings:

1. Some Main Problems of Philosophy—G.E. Moore
2. Contemporary Analytic Philosophy—M. K. Munitz
3. Russell—A.C. Grayling
4. Twentieth Century Analytic Philosophy—Avrum Stroll.
5. Problems of Philosophy—Bertrand Russell.
6. Philosophy of Language—Gottlob Frege.
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Semester III

MPHICCT 301	Philosophy of Language (Western)	40+10
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1. Wittgenstein's *Tractatus Logico Philosophicus*, topics to be covered Language and Reality, Facts and Object, Picture Theory, Names and Proposition.
2. Philosophical Investigation topic to be covered Language Game.
3. Speech Acts – Searle, Austin.

Suggested Readings:

1. Readings in Philosophy of language—Peter Ludlow
2. Wittgenstein and the Philosophical Investigations—M. Dummet
3. Key Ideas in Linguistic Philosophy and Philosophy of Language— S. Chapman and C. Routledge (Ed.)
4. Essays on J.L. Austin—I Berlin.
5. Ešl f-hÑI ECV-NeØV;Ce—çfËuwhcj pL;l

MPHICCT 302	Philosophy of Language (Indian)	40+10
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1. Problem of meaning: *Abhidhā, Lakṣanā, Vyanjanā*
2. Import of words: *Aktivādā, vyaktivādā, Jativādā, Jātyākritivyaktivādā, Jātivīṣitavyaktivādā, apohavādā.*
3. Conditions for Knowing sentence: *Ākankhā, yogyotā, sannidhi*
4. Comprehension of Sentence – *Anvitāvidhānavādā, abhihitānvayavādā, tātparyajnanā*

Suggested Readings:

1. Word and its meaning: A New Perspective—K. N. Chatterjee
2. The Philosophy of word and Meaning—Gouri Nath Shastri
3. Indian Theories of Meaning—K. Kunjuni Raja
4. The Word and The World—B.K. Motilal
5. A Study in Language and Meaning—B. Bhattacharya
6. Nyaya Theory of Linguistic Performance: A New Interpretation of Tattvachintāmaṇi—P. K. Mukhopadhyay
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MPHIMET 303	Logic/Applied Ethics	40+10
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Logic

1. Axiomatic presentation of Truth Functional Propositional Logic—PM system the theory of Deduction; Primitive Ideas and Propositions, Proofs of Theorems (as per as possible).
2. Intuitive Set Theory – Notions of Set, Set membership, Set identity, Set inclusions.
3. Operation on Sets – Interaction , Union difference
4. Translation into set theoretic notion
5. Venn diagram method: for testing validity of argument involving and testing consistency of a collection of statements involving not more than three sets
6. Relation and Properties of binary relations.
7. Consistency and Completeness of an axiomatic system

Suggested Readings:

1. Principia Mathematica (1st Edition)—Russell and Whitehead
2. Introduction to Logic—Patric Suppees
3. Symbolic Logic—I.M. Copi

Applied Ethics

1. Nature, Scope and Methodology of Applied Ethics.
2. Environmental Ethics in Indian and Western Perspective (Climate Change, Ecology and Conservation Biology, Environmental Justice, Future Generation, Pollution, Sustainability, Wilderness. Indian Conservational Ethics, Religion and Environment, Ecology, Chipco Movement).
3. Medical Ethics in Indian and Western Perspective (Introduction to Medical Ethics, Confidentiality, Disclosure, Informed consent, Risks Involved, Conclusion, Charak with the report of Indian Medical Council).
4. The Nature of Bioethics in Indian and western perspective.(Issues in Bio- Ethics, defining Bio-ethics, Biological Dimension of Ethics, Altruism, Origin of Ethical Norms).

Suggested Readings:

1. Applied Ethics: A Critical Concept—Ruth. F. Chandwick & D. Schroeder
2. Companion to Applied Ethics— Peter Singer
3. Indian Heritage of Conservational Ethics (Selection)—Madhava Gadgil (Selected chapters)
4. Ethical Perspective on Environmental Issues In India—George. A. James
5. Women in Forest—Vandana Shiva
6. Bio-Diversity--Holmes Rolston
7. A Companion to Environmental Philosophy (selected Chapters)—D. Jamieson
8. Medical Ethics and Doctor-Patient Relationship--Dr. Chew Chin Hin.
9. The Nature of Bioethics—Ben Mephram

10. Charaka and the Notification of Indian Medical Council of Physician-Patient Relationship—R.D Sharma.

MPHIMET 304	Nyāya /Vedānta	40+10
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Nyāya

Vātsāyana Bhāṣya from *Ādi Bhāṣya Pramāṇa Khanda*

Vedānta

Brahman Sutra (selected portion)

Topics: Brahman, Distinction between *Saguṇa* and *Nirguṇa* Brahman, *Māyā*—Its nature, Argument in favour of *Māyā*

Sribhasya of Ramanuja (selected portion)

Topics: Brahman, Distinction between *Saguṇa* and *Nirguṇa* Brahman.

MPHIOET 304	Modern Indian Thoughts	40+10
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Tagore's Philosophy:

Surplus in Man, Problem of Evil, Problem of Self, Realisation of Beauty, Realization of the infinite.

Gandhi's Philosophy

Ahimsa, , Sarvodaya, , Education, State and Individual, Nature of the world

1. **Suggested Readings** Cotemporary Indian Philosophy, by B.K. Lal , published by Motilal Banarasidas, 1996,
2. Sadhana by Rabindranath Tagore, Macmillan India Ltd. 2000.
3. Religion of Man by R.N. Tagore Visva Bharati,
4. Hind Swaraj and Indian Home Rule by M.K. Gandhi, Navajivan Publishing House, Ahmedabad 1982,
5. My Experience With Truth, by M.K. Gandhi, Jaico Publishing House 2016,
6. Contemporary Indian Philosophy, by B.K. Lal, Motilal Banarasidas 1996.

MPHIMOP 306	Outreach Programme	40+10
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Community service by teaching students & organizing seminars

Semester IV

MPHICCT 401	Comparative Religion	40+10
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1. Outlines of Four Major Religions: Hinduism, Buddhism, Christianity & Islam
2. Philosophy of Religions
3. Comparative Religion
4. Commonality and difference among religions.
5. The nature of inter- religious dialogue.
6. Religion and Moral social Values.
7. Religion and Secular Society.

Suggested Readings:

1. Pattern in Comparative Religion—Mircea Eliade
2. Reader in Comparative Religion. Vol—W.A. Lessa and Z. Vogt (Ed.)
3. Problems of Religious Pluralism—John Hick
4. Dialogues in the Philosophy of Religion—John Hick
5. Tracing Common Themes : Comparative Courses in the Study of Religion, J.B. Carman and P.H. Steven (Ed.)
6. Inter-Religious Dialogue: International Religious Foundation, D. Fleyant and F. Flent (ed).
7. A Handbook of living Religion—John. R. Hinnells

MPHIMET 402	Logic/Applied Ethics	40+10
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Logic

1. Axiomatic presentation of modal propositional logic
2. Basic Modal Notion
3. The axiomatic base of the system
4. Proofs of theorems
5. Concept of validity in the system T
6. Semantic Diagram method for testing validity in T

7. Normal Forms – Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)
8. Disjunctive Normal Form (DNF)
9. Induction
10. Evidence and probability
11. The problem of induction
12. Induction as Probable
13. Interpretation of probability
14. Relation of probability to evidence

Suggested Readings:

1. An Introduction to Modal Logic—Hughes and Creswell
2. Fundamentals of Symbolic Logic—Ambrose and Lazerowetz.
3. Induction an Hypothesis—Stefen Barker
4. Probability and Induction—W. Kneale

Applied Ethics

1. Cultural Ethics in Western and Indian perspective (topics: claims of multiculturalism, it's justification , communitarianism, liberal framework, History of caste system, Liberal Democracy in India, quota system, group alienation through Maoist and naxalist movement & political culture)
2. Socio Political ethics in Western and Indian perspective. (post cold war era, Islamic fundamentalism, guiding map, division of east and west, creation of Pakistan, Hindu fundamentalism, emergence of new provinces)
3. Feminism in Western and Indian perspective. (Feminist ethics, feminist's challenge against gendered bias)
4. Professional Ethics in Indian and Western perspective. (corporate culture, social responsibility and profit, bribery and corruption)

Suggested Readings:

1. Multiculturalism—Will Kymlica

2. Applied Ethics and Human Rights—Shashi Motilal(Ed.)
3. Applied Ethics and Social Problems—Tony Fitzpatrick
4. International Business Ethics—Charles Mitchell
5. Corporate Philosophy in India—P.N. Srinivasa.
6. Gendered Interpretation of Selfhood Construction—Bidisha Mukherjee
7. *The New Era in World Politics*, A UNO & NATO Report of 1994 18th April along with the explanation of the book *Dead Lagoon* by Michael Dibdin, edited by Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture.

MPHIMET 403	Nyaya/ Vedanta	40+10
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Nyaya

Text: Vatsayana Bhasya's Pramana Khanda

Vedanta

Brahman Sutra (selected portion)

Atman: its nature, relation between atman and Brahman, Relation of Brahman with Jiva and Jagata, Moksa.

Sribhasya of Ramanuja (selected portion)

Topics: Brahman: Its nature, argument against Maya, Atman—Its Nature, relation of Brahman with Jiva, Jagat, Moksa

MPHIMET 404	Logic/Applied/Nyaya/Vedanta	40+10
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Logic

Introduction to Logical Theory—P. F. Strawson

Applied ethics

Some modern Issues: Information Ethics, Deep Ecology, Ecologically Prudent Group formation, Virgin Forest, Eco feminism, Media Ethics.

Suggested Readings:

1. Information Ethics—Luciano Floridi
2. Companion to Applied Ethics—Peter Singer
3. Ethical Perspective on Environmental Issues in Indi—George A. James
4. Eco-feminism—Greta Gaard(Ed.)
5. Journalism Ethics and Law—Janine Little
6. Media and Ethics—S. K. Agarwal.

Nyaya

Samsaya, Pryojana, Dristanta, Sidhanta

Text: Vatsayana Bhasya

Vedanta

Purnapranjna Darsan—Madhva Charyay (Selected Chapters)

MPHIMEP 405	Project/Dissertation	40+10
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Topics: to be decided by the Faculties of the Dept from among the topics of Major Electives

MPHIACT 406	Spiritual & Value Education	40+10
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Indian: Vedic Vidhi Nishedh, Sadharana Dharma, Karmavada,

Bouddha Astangik Marga, Pancasila, Jaina Ahimsa

Indian environmental Ethics, Indian Feminism

Western: What is Ethics? Concept of Good in moral sense, Moral theory of Mill and Bentham, Kant on morality

Environmental Ethics of Peter Singer, Western concept of Feminism.

Suggested Readings:

1. Outlines of Indian Philosophy—M. Hiriyana
2. Development of Moral Philosophy in India—Shurama Dasgupta & Munsiram Monaharlal
3. Buddhist Ethics: A Very Short Introduction—Damien Keown
4. Practical Ethics—Peter Singer
5. Ethics in the Real World—Peter Singer
6. Modern Moral Philosophy—W. D. Hudson
7. Introductory Ethics—Fred Feldman

MODEL COURSE STRUCTURE (SEMESTER WISE)

SEMESTER	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT	MARKS	NO OF CLASS/HR/WEEK
SEMESTER - I	MPHICCT101	Western Logic	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT102	Indian Logic	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT103	Epistemology (Western)	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT104	Epistemology (Indian)	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT105	Indian Ethics	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT106	Social and Political Philosophy	4	40+10	4
SEMESTER-II	MPHICCT201	Metaphysics (Western)	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT202	Metaphysics (Indian)	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT203	Contemporary Western Philosophy	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT204	Contemporary Indian Philosophy	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT205	Ethics	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT206	Analytic Philosophy	4	40+10	4
SEMESTER-III	MPHICCT301	Philosophy of Language (Western)	4	40+10	4
	MPHICCT302	Philosophy of Language (Indian)	4	40+10	4
	MPHIMET303	Logic/Applied Ethics	4	40+10	4
	MPHIMET304	Nyaya/Vedanta	4	40+10	4
	MPHIOET305	Modern Indian Thoughts	4	40+10	4
	MPHIORP306	Teaching Students & Organizing Seminars	4	50	4
SEMESTER-IV	MPHICCT401	Comparative Religion	4	40+10	4
	MPHIMET402	Logic/Applied Ethics	4	40+10	4
	MPHIMET403	Nyaya/Vedanta	4	40+10	4
	MPHIMET404	Logic/Applied Ethics/ Nyaya/Vedanta	4	40+10	4
	MPHIMEP405	PROJECT/DISSERTATION	4	40+10	4
	MPHIACT406	Value based Education	4	40+10	4