

P.G. 2nd Semester

Paper: PHL801C (Core)
Western Epistemology (1850-1964)
Credits: 4 = 3+1+0 (48 Lectures)

1. Rationalism-empiricism debate Cartesian method of Doubt and modern epistemological foundationalism; Spinoza's threefold division of knowledge; Leibnitz on knowledge, Rationalist notion of innate ideas and Locke's critique of it; Locke's account of knowledge acquisition, Berkeley's idealistic empiricism; Hume's sceptical empiricism; Relations of ideas and matters of fact.
2. Kant's critical idealism: Kant's Copernican revolution; Notion of the transcendental; structure of sensibility and understanding; Division of judgements and possibility of synthetic a Priori judgements; Transcendental idealism.
3. Knowledge as justified true belief
4. The Gettier problem; Responses to it

Reading List:

1. Cahn, Steven M., ed. 2012. *Classics of Western Philosophy*, Eighth Edition. Indianapolis, IN: Hackett Publishing
2. Pojman, Louis P. 2003. *Theory of Knowledge: Classic and Contemporary Readings*, Third Edition. Andover, UK: Cengage Learning.
3. Rescher, Nicholas. 2003. *Epistemology: An Introduction to the Theory of Knowledge*, Series: SUNY Series in Philosophy. Albany, NY: State University of New York
4. Crumley II, Jack S. 2009. *An Introduction to Epistemology*, Second Edition, Series: Broadview Guides to Philosophy. Peterborough, ON: Broadview Press.
5. Copleston, Frederick. 1993. *A History of Philosophy*, 11 Volumes. New York: Image. (relevant portions).
6. Zalta, Edward N. ed. Stanford *Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, URL: <http://plato.stanford.edu/>(relevant articles)

Paper: PHL802C (Core)
Indian Epistemology and Logic
Credits: 4 = 3+1+0 (48 Lectures)

1. The Indian method of Purvapaksa and Siddhānta; Anviksiki and Anumiti
2. Theories of error (Khyativada): Yogacara Buddhist's atmakhyativada; Prabhakara mimamsaka's akhyativada; Naiyayika's anyathakhyativada; Advaitin's anirvacaniya-khyativada; Bhatta mimamsaka's viparitakhyativada; Samkhya's sadasad-Khyativada; Visistadvaitin's Satkhyativada
3. Valid means of knowledge (Pramana): Pratyaksa, anumana, sabda, Upamana, arthapatti, anupalabdhī; The special status of Sabda Pramana; Svataḥ Pramanyavada and Parataḥpramanya vada; Valid (Prama) and invalid (aprama) Cognition.
4. Anumana Pramana: Definition, constituents and types of Anumana in Nyaya and Buddhism.

Reading List:

1. Prasad, Jwala. 1987. *History of Indian Epistemology*, Third Edition. New Delhi: Munshiram Manoharlal.
2. Barlingay, Surendra Sheodas. 1965. *A Modern Introduction to Indian Logic*. New Delhi: National Publishing House.
3. Matilal, Bimal Krishna. 1992. *Perception: An Essay on Classical Indian Theories of Knowledge*, Series: Clarendon Paperbacks. New York: Oxford University Press.
4. Matilal, Bimal Krishna. 1998. *The Character of Logic in India*, eds. Jonardon Ganeri and Heeraman Tiwari, Series: SUNY Series in Indian Thought, Texts and Studies. Albany, NY: State University of New York Press.
5. Datta, D. M. 1997. *The Six Ways of Knowing: A Critical Study of the Advaita Theory of Knowledge*. New Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass.
6. Rao, Srinivasa. 1998. *Perceptual Error: The Indian Theories*, Series: Monographs of the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, No. 15, Book 16. Honolulu, HI: University of Hawaii Press.
7. Dasgupta, Surendranath. 2000. *History of Indian Philosophy*, 5 Volumes Set. New Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass, (relevant portions).
8. Potter, Karl H. 2011. *The Encyclopedia of Indian Philosophies*, Currently in 19 Volumes. New Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass, (relevant portions).

Paper: PHL803C (Core)
Political Philosophy
L+T+P: 3+1+0= 4 Credits

1. Introduction: Greek Political thought (Sophists, Socrates, Plato, Aristotle) Plato's concept of Justice, Aristotle's concept of state and constitution
2. The social contract tradition of political thought: Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau; Marx's class struggle, radical challenge of liberalism.
3. Contemporary liberalism: Rawlsian liberal egalitarian justice theory; Nozick's libertarian critique of liberalism.
4. Contemporary Secularism: Western Secularism; Indian Secularism.

Reading List:

1. Bailey, Andrew, and others. 2012. *The Broadview Anthology of Social and Political Thought: Essential Readings*. New York: Broadway Press.
2. Pettit, Philip, and Robert E. Goodin, eds. 1997. *Contemporary Political Philosophy: An Anthology*. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell.
3. Kymlicka, Will. 2002. *Contemporary Political Philosophy: An Introduction*, Second Edition. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
4. Christman, John. 2002. *Social and Political Philosophy: A Contemporary Introduction*, Series: Contemporary Introductions to Philosophy. London: Routledge.
5. Bhargava, Rajeev, and Ashok Acharya. 2012. *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Education India, (relevant articles).
6. Gaus, Gerald F., and Fred D'Agostino, eds. 2013. *The Routledge Companion to Social and Political Philosophy*, Series: Routledge Philosophy Companions. New York: Routledge, (relevant articles).
7. Goodin, Robert E., Phillip Pettit and Thomas W. Pogge, eds. 2012. *A Companion to Contemporary Political Philosophy*, Series name: Blackwell Companions to Philosophy. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, (relevant articles).
8. Zalta, Edward N. ed. Stanford *Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, URL: <http://plato.stanford.edu/>(relevant articles).

Paper: PHL804C (Core)
Analytic Philosophy
Credits: 4 = 3+1+0 (48 Lectures)

1. The Ideal language phase I: logical atomism of Russell; Theory of descriptions of Russell; Wittgenstein's picture theory of meaning
2. The Ideal language phase II: Vienna circle's logical positivism: verification theory of meaning
3. The ordinary language phase: Later Wittgenstein's notion of language game and the use theory of meaning
4. Strawson's concept of Person, Ryle's: Self Knowledge- (Ch.-6, The Concept of Mind)

Reading List:

1. Martinich, A. P., and David Sosa, eds. 2011. *Analytic Philosophy: An Anthology*, Second Edition. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell.
2. Glock, Hans-Johann, ed. 1997. *The Rise of Analytic Philosophy*. Oxford: Blackwell.
3. Glock, Hans-Johann. 2008. *What is Analytic Philosophy?* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
4. Schwartz, Stephen P. 2012. *A Brief History of Analytic Philosophy: From Russell to Rawls*. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell.
5. Stroll, Avrum. 2000. *Twentieth-Century Analytic Philosophy*. New York: Columbia University Press.
6. Mandik, Pete. 2014. *This is Philosophy of Mind: An Introduction*. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell.
7. Zalta, Edward N. ed. Stanford *Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, URL: [http:// plato.stanford.edu /](http://plato.stanford.edu/) (relevant articles).

Paper: PHL805C (Core)
Philosophy of Art
Credits: 4 = 3+1+0 (48 Lectures)

1. Platonic and Aristotelian theories of art
2. Aesthetic Philosophies of Kant, Hegel
3. Schopenhauer, Nietzsche
4. Heidegger and Sartre

Reading List:

1. Cahn, Steve, Aaron Meskin, eds. 2008. *Aesthetics: A Comprehensive Anthology*. Malden, MA: Blackwell.
2. Cazeaux, Clive ed. *The Continental Aesthetics Reader*. Abingdon: Routledge.
3. Lamargue, Peter, and Stein Haugom Olsen. 2003. *Aesthetics and the Philosophy of Art: The Analytics Tradition – An Anthology*. Malden, MA: Blackwell.
4. Wood, Robert E. 1999. *Placing Aesthetics: Reflections on Philosophic Tradition*. Athens, OH: Ohio University Press.
5. Beardsley, Monroe C. 1975. *Aesthetics from Classical Greece to the Present: A Short History*. Tuscaloosa, AL: University of Alabama Press.
6. Lewis, Peter. 2004. *Wittgenstein, Aesthetics, and Philosophy*. Aldershot, UK: Ashgate Publishing.
7. Copleston, Frederick. 1993. *A History of Philosophy*, 11 Volumes. New York: Image. (relevant portions).
8. Zalta, Edward N. ed. Stanford *Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, URL: [http://plato.stanford.edu/\(relevant articles\)](http://plato.stanford.edu/(relevant%20articles)).