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**Dual-Degree M.A. + Ph.D. Programme in Philosophy**

**Syllabus for DEEP**

**Western Philosophy**

Sections	Topics	Primary Text	Additional Resources
<b>Plato</b>	Allegory of the Cave, Education, Knowledge, Theory of Forms, Nature of Justice	Plato, <i>Republic</i> , Books 2 and 7.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Julia Annas, <i>An Introduction to Plato's Republic</i>, Oxford University Press, 1981.</li> <li>• W.T. Stace, <i>A Critical History of Greek Philosophy</i>, Ozymandius Press, 2016.</li> </ul>
<b>Aristotle</b>	Soul and Virtue	Aristotle, <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> , Book 1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jonathan Lear, <i>Aristotle: The Desire to Understand</i>, Cambridge University Press, 1988.</li> <li>• W.T. Stace, <i>A Critical History of Greek Philosophy</i>, Ozymandius Press, 2016.</li> </ul>
<b>Deductive Logic</b>	Nature of Categorical Propositions, Distribution, Square of Opposition, Aristotelian Syllogism, Moods and Fallacies	Irving M. Copi a and Carl Cohen, <i>Introduction to Logic</i> .	

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<b>Inductive Logic</b>	Cause and Effect, The meaning of Cause; Induction by Simple Enumeration; Mill's Method of Experimental Inquiry; Mill's Method of Agreement, Method of Difference, Joint Method of Agreement and Difference, Method of Residues, Method of Concomitant Variations; Criticism of Mills Methods, Vindication of Mill's Methods.	Irving M. Copi a and Carl Cohen, <i>Introduction to Logic</i> .	
<b>Descartes</b>	Method of Doubt; I think, therefore, I am; Nature of the Ego Cogito; Innate ideas; Proof for the Existence of God	Descartes, <i>Meditations</i> , 1, 2, and 3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Margaret Dauler Wilson, <i>Descartes</i>, Routledge, 1978.</li> <li>• F. Thilly, <i>History of Western Philosophy</i>, Henry Holt &amp; Co., 1941.</li> </ul>
<b>Locke</b>	Refutation of Innate Ideas, Ideas and their Classification, Substance, Primary and Secondary qualities, Operations of the Mind, Degrees and of Human Knowledge	Locke, <i>An Essay Concerning Human Understanding</i> , Book 1, Chapter 2; Book 2 Chapters 1, 2, 11, 12, 23, 24. Book 4: Chapter 2 & 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michael Ayers, <i>Locke: Epistemology and Ontology</i>, Routledge, 1991.</li> <li>• F. Thilly, <i>History of Western Philosophy</i>, Henry Holt &amp; Co., 1941.</li> </ul>

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<b>Leibniz</b>	Monads, Coordination of Monads, Perception and Appetition, Rational Order, God, the principle of sufficient reason.	Leibniz, G.W. <i>The Monadology</i> (1714). Section 1-40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anthony Kenny, <i>A New History of Western Philosophy Volume III: The Rise of Modern Philosophy</i>, 2006.</li> </ul>
<b>Hume</b>	Ideas and Impressions, Causation	Hume, <i>An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding</i> , Sections 2, 3, 4, and 5.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Barry Stroud, <i>Hume</i>, Routledge, 1977.</li> <li>• F. Thilly, <i>History of Western Philosophy</i>, Henry Holt &amp; Co., 1941.</li> </ul>

<b>Kant</b>	Distinction between Analytic and Synthetic Judgments, Possibility of Synthetic a priori judgments, Will and Inclination, Distinction between Hypothetical and Categorical Imperative, Formulations of the Categorical Imperative, Concept of Duty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kant, <i>Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics</i>, Preface; Chapters 1, 2, 3.</li> <li>• Kant, <i>Groundwork of the Metaphysic of Morals</i>, Introduction; Books 1 and 2.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allen W. Wood, <i>Kant</i>, Blackwell Publishing, 2005.</li> <li>• S Korner, <i>Kant</i>, Penguin Books, 1955.</li> <li>• Roger J. Sullivan, <i>An Introduction to Kant's Ethics</i>, Cambridge University Press, 1994.</li> <li>• John Deigh, <i>An Introduction to Ethics</i>, Cambridge University Press, 2010.</li> </ul>
<b>Mill</b>	Principle of Utility, Types of Pleasure, Response to Objections	Mill, <i>Utilitarianism</i> , Chapters 1 and 2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John Deigh, <i>An Introduction to Ethics</i>, Cambridge University Press, 2010.</li> </ul>

Indian Philosophy			
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<b>The Bhagavad Gītā and the Upaniṣads</b>	<p>Knowledge, Action, Ātman, Dharma, Avatāra</p> <p>Relation between God/Lord (Īśa) and the World (jagat), Self (Ātman), Knowledge and Ignorance.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bhagavad Gītā, Chapter IV (The Way of Renunciation of Action in Knowledge – Jñāna-karma-samnyāsa-yoga chapter with 42 verses)</li> <li>Īśa Upaniṣad (18 verses) with Śaṅkara's commentary</li> </ul>	<p><i>Śrīmad Bhagavad-Gītā</i>, Swami Swarupananda (tr) (Calcutta: Advaita Ashrama, 1996).</p> <p><i>Īśa Upaniṣad, in Eight Upaniṣads with the Commentary of Śaṅkarācārya, Vol. 1</i>, Swami Gambhirananda (tr) (Calcutta: Advaita Ashrama, 1998), pp. 1-32)</p>
<b>Sutta Nipāta (in Khuddaka Nikāya) Anguttara Nikāya</b>	<p>Food and Purity, externally bad smelling food, and internal corruptions.</p> <p>Free inquiry, experiential knowledge.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Āmagandha Sutta (Sutta Nipāta 2:2 titled 'Raw Stench')</li> <li>Kālāma Sutta (or Kesamutti Sutta) – Anguttara Nikāya 3: 65)</li> </ul>	<p><i>The Sutta Nipāta (Buddha's Teachings: Being the Sutta-Nipāta or Discourse-Collection)</i> Lord Chalmers (tr) (Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass, 1999), pp. 58-62</p> <p><i>Anguttara Nikāya (The Book of Gradual Sayings) Vol. 1</i>, F. L. Woodward (tr), (Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass, 2006), pp. 170-175</p>
<b>Indian Materialism (The Cārvāka system)</b>	Ethics, Epistemology, Metaphysics		<i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i> by Jadunath Sinha, (Kolkata: New Central Book Agency, 2013)
<b>Jainism</b>	Pramāṇa and Naya, Anekāntavāda and Syādvāda, Categories (Jīva and Ajīva)		<i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy</i> by Christopher Bartley,

			2011, New York: Continuum.
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<b>Early Schools of Buddhism</b>	Vaibhāṣika and Sautrāntika schools		<i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy: Perspectives on Reality, Knowledge, and Freedom</i> by Gupta, Bina, 2012, New York: Routledge.
<b>Later Schools of Buddhism</b>	Mahāyāna Philosophy (Mādhyamika philosophy and Yogācāra-Vijñānavāda philosophy)		<p><i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i> by Jadunath Sinha, (Kolkata: New Central Book Agency, 2013)</p> <p><i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy</i> by Christopher Bartley, 2011, New York: Continuum.</p> <p><i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy: Perspectives on Reality, Knowledge, and Freedom</i> by Gupta, Bina, 2012, New York: Routledge.</p>
<b>Sāṅkhya</b>	Theory of Causation, Puruṣa and Prakṛti, Sāṅkhya Epistemology		<p><i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i> by Jadunath Sinha, (Kolkata: New Central Book Agency, 2013)</p> <p><i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy: Perspectives on Reality, Knowledge, and Freedom</i> by Gupta, Bina, 2012, New York: Routledge.</p> <p>Chapter 8 in <i>Indian Philosophy: An Introduction to Hindu and Buddhist Thought</i>, by Richard King. (1999) Edinburg</p>

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<b>Patañjali's Yogasūtra</b>	Aṣṭāṅga Yoga (Yogasūtra 2.29)		<p><i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i> by Jadunath Sinha, (Kolkata: New Central Book Agency, 2013)</p> <p>Chapter 8 in <i>Indian Philosophy: An Introduction to Hindu and Buddhist Thought</i>, by Richard King. (1999) Edinburg University Press, Edinburg.</p>
<b>Vaiśeṣika</b>	Padārthas and Theory of Atomism	<i>Tarkasaṃgraha</i> of Aṇṇambhaṭṭa translated by Swami Virupakshananda, Sri Ramakrishna Math, Madras, 2001.	<p><i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i> by Jadunath Sinha, (Kolkata: New Central Book Agency, 2013)</p> <p><i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy</i> by Christopher Bartley, 2011, New York: Continuum.</p> <p><i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy: Perspectives on Reality, Knowledge, and Freedom</i> by Gupta, Bina, 2012, New York: Routledge.</p>
<b>Nyāya</b>	Pramāṇas; Perception, Inference and Hetvābhāsa	<i>Tarkasaṃgraha</i> of Aṇṇambhaṭṭa translated by Swami Virupakshananda, Sri Ramakrishna Math, Madras, 2001.	<p><i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy</i> by Christopher Bartley, 2011, New York: Continuum.</p> <p><i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i> by Jadunath Sinha, (Kolkata: New Central</p>

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<b>Mīmāṃsā</b>	Injunction, Kinds and Function of Injunction  Intrinsic Validity (Svataḥprāmāṇya) of Knowledge.	<i>Mīmāṃsā-paribhāṣā</i> of Kṛṣṇa Yajvan translated by Swami Madhavananda, Advaita Ashrama, Calcutta, 2000.	<i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy</i> by Christopher Bartley, 2011, New York: Continuum.  <i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy: Perspectives on Reality, Knowledge, and Freedom</i> by Gupta, Bina, 2012, New York: Routledge.  <i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i> by Jadunath Sinha, (Kolkata: New Central Book Agency, 2013)
<b>Vedānta</b>	Superimposition, Jīva and Superimposition and De-superimposition  Metaphysical View of Śankara: (Brahma, Ātman, Jīva, Māyā, Mokṣa)  Rāmānuja: Cit, Acit and Īśvara	<i>Vedānta-sāra</i> of Sadānanda translated by Swami Nikhilananda, Advaita Ashrama, Calcutta, 1990.	<i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy</i> by Christopher Bartley, 2011, New York: Continuum.  <i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy: Perspectives on Reality, Knowledge, and Freedom</i> by Gupta, Bina, 2012, New York: Routledge.  <i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i> by Jadunath Sinha, (Kolkata: New Central Book Agency, 2013)