

## **Course Outline M.A. (Previous)**

### **Greek Philosophy (Paper-I)**

This course consists of two main parts, i.e., Pre-Socratic and Post-Socratic period. In the first, philosophers, from Thales to sophists are discussed; while the Post Socratic period concentrates mainly on Plato and Aristotle.

### **Medieval Philosophy (Paper-II)**

The main focus of this course is on issues such as, Reason Vs Revelation; Free Will and Determinism; Nature of God; Man and the external world; Immortality of Soul, etc.

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### **Introduction to Psychology (Paper-II)**

This course concentrates upon theories of learning and perception. Some of the leading schools such as Behaviorism, Psychoanalysis, Gestalt theory psychology of religion etc., are discussed.

### **Early Modern European Philosophy (Paper-III)**

This course runs from Francis Bacon to David Hume, and covers the Empiricists' and Rationalists' approach to epistemology of Morals and Politics.

### **Later Modern European Philosophy (Paper-IV)**

Some of the leading modern thinkers, such as Kant, Fichte, Hegel, Comte and Karl Marx are examined at great length.

### **Introduction to Logic (Paper-V)**

This course concentrates on Aristotelian logic, symbolic logic, and computer logic as well.

## **Course Outline M.A. (Final)**

### **Muslim Philosophy (Paper-VI)**

This course includes early theologico-philosophical movements, such as, Mutazilism, Asharism, Suffism, etc. Some of the leading thinkers, such as, Ibn Khaldun, Shah Waliullah, Sheikh Ahmad Sirhindi, Sir Syed Ahmad Khan, Iqbal etc., are also discussed at great length.

### **Vitalistic Metaphysics (Paper-VII)**

Some of the Vitalistic thinkers, such as, Bergson, Nietzsche, Iqbal, and Existentialism, form the core of this course. Attempt is also made to assess the value of Vitalistic approach as opposed to conventional approaches to philosophy.

### **Twentieth Century Philosophy (Paper-VIII)**

Focus lies on some of the leading philosophical movements, such as Idealism, Realism, Atomism and Philosophy of Language.

### **Advanced Ethics (Paper-IX)**

In this course, emphasis is laid on Normative and linguistic approaches to Ethics. In normative approach, we examine the philosophy of G.E.Moore, A.J.Ayer, Stevenson and Hare. Equal emphasis is laid on contemporary moral issues as well.

### **Analytical Philosophy (Paper-X)**

Here, emphasis is laid on conceptual analysis, as that is a pre-condition to clear thinking. Relationship between word and object; class-words and classification; ambiguity and vagueness also receive equal attention.

### **Viva Voce Examination.**

#### **Note:**

A regular student having obtained 55% marks in M.A. (Previous) examination may write a THESIS of not more than 16 thousand word in lieu of one paper, (Paper-XIII) or (Paper-X), with consultation of the teachers concerned. The thesis will carry 100 marks and will be evaluated both by the teachers concerned and one external examiner in equal proportions.