

## **Final Examination - 2024**

**Four Year Undergraduate Programme - Philosophy (Major)**

**Paper: SECPL01 – Study Skills (Semester – I)**

**Duration: 3 Hrs**

**Max. Marks: 60**

**Questions are of value as indicated in the margin  
Answer any FOUR of the following questions:**

1. How does listening skill play a major role in the process of learning? Explain briefly different types of listening. 5 + 10
  2. Describe briefly the SQ3R method of reading a book and highlight the barriers of reading skill. 10 + 5
  3. Explain briefly different types of writing and bring out the important components of assignment writing. 7.5 + 7.5
  4. Write an essay on different types of thinking skill with appropriate examples. 15
  5. What is memory skill? Describe briefly the importance and barriers of memory skill. 3 + 6 + 6
  6. Write a short note on Any Three of the followings: 3 X 5 = 15
    - i. Interest of Learning
    - ii. Importance of Concentration
    - iii. Understanding Ability
    - iv. Necessity of Practice in Learning
    - v. Self Confidence
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**B.A. (Honours) Examination -2024**

**Semester-I**

**Philosophy (NEP)**

**Course- MJPL02**

**History of Western Philosophy (Part-I)**

**Time- Three Hours**

**Full Marks-80**

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Answer *any four* questions from the following.

1. Explain and examine the distinction between *Episteme* and *Doxa* from the viewpoint of Plato. 20
2. Discuss critically Aristotle's theory of causation. 20
3. What is substance according to Descartes? Explain and examine Cartesian notion of Supreme substance. 20
4. Discuss after Descartes the criterion of truth. Do you think that his criterion of truth is adequate? Give reasons. 20
5. State and examine Spinoza's dictum that *all determination is negation*. 20
6. What is monad according to Leibnitz? Why Leibnitz says that God is the monad of all monads? Examine. 12+8=20



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Semester – I (NEP)

Philosophy

MJPL01: Outlines of Indian Philosophy – I

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 80

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer any four questions.

1. Explain in brief the philosophical postulates of the Vedic era. 20
2. How does Debiprasad Chattopadhyaya denounce the view about the Cārvākas as hedonists? Explain. 20
3. Explain the Buddhist theory of dependent origination. Discuss how this theory is related to the second noble truth. 10+10
4. What is the meaning of Śūnya in Śūnyavāda? Explain how Śūnyavādins differ from other Buddhist schools. 10+10
5. Discuss the notions of bondage and liberation of the soul in Jainism. 20
6. What are the two thematic classifications of Caṅkam philosophy? Elucidate the literary corpus of Ettuthokai and Pathupāṭtu. 2+18



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DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND COMPARATIVE RELIGION  
B.A. SEMESTER-I EXAMINATION 2024 (NEP)  
COURSE-MINOR MNPR01  
Paper Title-THEMES IN RELIGION

Full Marks:-80

Time:-3 hours

Answer *any four* questions from the following

- 1) Discuss the religious beliefs of the people of Indus Valley civilization along with the archeological evidence from which such beliefs can be derived. (20)
- 2) How are Miracles and Magic different from each other? Discuss the role of Miracles in any two religions of non-Indian origin. (10+10=20)
- 3) Briefly describe the features of a Prophetic religion. Describe the Concept of World in a Prophetic religion. (12+8=20)
- 4) Discuss the role of Intermediaries between humans and God or the Divine in religions with special reference to the Tribal Religions. (20)
- 5) Discuss the theories related to the origin of religion with special reference to Totemism. What is the purpose of a Totem? (15+5=20)
- 6) Write short notes on *any four* of the following: (5+5+5+5=20)
  - a) Henotheism
  - b) Agnosticism
  - c) Gnosticism
  - d) Incarnation Theory
  - e) Deism
  - f) Atheism