INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

Unit-I Introduction to Philosophy
  Meaning, Nature and Scope
  Logic, Metaphysics and Ethics – basics
  Science, Philosophy and Religion

Unit-II An Introduction to Indian Philosophy
  Religion and Philosophy - Vedic and non-Vedic
  Social concern of a Philosopher – Swami Vivekananda
  Gandhian Ethics

Unit-III Problems in Western Philosophy
  Freedom and determinism,
  God - Critical Evaluation of the Cosmological and Teleological proofs for the existence of God

Unit-IV Applied Philosophy – its nature and content
  Ethical Issues – euthanasia, capital punishment
  Judgement and Inference
  Human Rights

Unit-V Social Philosophy – Aim, Scope and Method
  Scope and subject matter
  Political obligation and obedience to the State of the individual

Books for Study (relevant chapters):

1. G.T.W. Patrick, Introduction to Philosophy (Chapter 1)
2. B.K. Lal, Contemporary Indian Philosophy (chapter 2)
3. Margaret Chatterjee, Philosophical Enquiries (chapter 3)
4. Raghwendra Pratap Singh, Applied Philosophy (chapter 4)
5. Peter Singer, Practical Ethics (chapter 4.1)
7. J.S. Mackenzie, Outlines of Social Philosophy (chapter 5)
Books for Reference: (Relevant Chapters only)

1. Anand Amaladass, An Introduction to Philosophy (for chapters 1 & 2)
2. Augustine Perumalil, An Invitation to Philosophy (for chapter 1)
3. Datta & Chatterjee, An Introduction to Indian Philosophy

NON-MAJOR ELECTIVE – 2
PROFESSIONAL ETHICS

UNIT-I
Definition, Nature, Function and Scope of Professional Ethics-Distinction between profession and business.

UNIT-II
Medical and Engineering Ethics

(a) Medical Ethics- some basic issues – code of conduct for Doctors – Rights of Patients.
(b) Engineering Ethics- Scope and Aim of Engineering Ethics-Professional rights- the engineer’s responsibility for safety.

UNIT-III
Academic Ethics - Ethics of teachers and students - Problem of the teaching profession.

UNIT-IV
Media Ethics – treatment of women related issues by the press - advertisement in television and the ethical problems in child related issues.
UNIT-V

Legal Ethics – Definition - Ethical Standards for Lawyers - Problems facing the legal Profession.

Books for Reference (Relevant Chapters Only)

5. Dr. Subashini Ramaswamy Gandhi and others (ed.). Ethics for the New Millenium, Chidambaram ; Rasi Prienters, 2005.