

As Per NEP 2020

University of Mumbai



Syllabus for Basket of OE Vertical 3

Faculty of Humanities

Board of Studies in Philosophy

Second Year Programme

Semester

IV

Title of Paper

Introduction to Mahatma
Gandhi's Philosophy

Credits

2

From the Academic Year

2025-26

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Sr. No.	Heading	Particulars
1	Description of the course : Including but Not limited to :	This course explores the philosophical ideas of Mahatma Gandhi , one of the most influential figures in modern history. It focuses on Gandhi's contributions to social and political reform.
2	Vertical :	Open Elective
3	Type :	Theory / Practical
4	Credit:	2 credits / 4 credits (1 credit = 15 Hours for Theory or 30 Hours of Practical work in a semester)
5	Hours Allotted :	30 Hours
6	Marks Allotted:	50 Marks
7	Course Objectives: (List some of the course objectives) 1. To introduce students to the Philosophical foundations of Mahatma Gandhi's thoughts. 2. To develop in students the capacity for systematic interpretation of social and political philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi.	
8	Course Outcomes: (List some of the course outcomes) • Understand the Philosophical Foundations of Gandhi's Thoughts • Develop the ability to apply Gandhi's ethical principles and social philosophies to modern-day challenges	
9	Modules: - Per credit One module can be created	
	Module 1: The Philosophical Foundations of Mahatma Gandhi's Thoughts	

- a. Influence of Religious traditions; Indian and Western Philosophical Influences
- b. Truth and Non – Violence (Satyagraha)
- c. Doctrine of means and ends

Module 2: Social and Political Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi

- a. Sarvodaya, Swaraj (self – rule) and its philosophical implications
- b. Economic and Social thought: Swadeshi, Trusteeship, Decentralization of Economy
- c. Views on women's role in society, perspectives on caste

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Reference Books:

1. Gandhi, M. K. (1958). Hind Swaraj or Indian Home Rule. Ahmedabad: Navajivan Publishing House.
2. Gandhi, M. K. (1958). Sarvodaya. Ahmedabad: Navajivan Publishing House.
3. Gandhi, M. K. (2008). My experiments with truth. Ahmedabad: Navajivan Publishing House.

Secondary Sources

1. Bharathi, K. S. (2000). Mahatma Gandhi - Man of millennium. New Delhi: S. Chand and Company.
2. Desai, A. R. (1948). Social background of Indian nationalism. Bombay: Popular Prakashan.
3. Dhawan, G. (1990). The political philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi. New Delhi: Gandhi Peace Foundation.
4. Hardiman, D. (2003). Gandhi: In his times and ours. New Delhi: Permanent Black.
5. Iyer, R. (1991). The moral and political thoughts of Mahatma Gandhi: Civilization, politics and religion. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
6. Jack, H. A. (Ed.). (1994). The Gandhi reader: A sourcebook of his life and writings. New York: Grove Press.
7. Nimbalkar, N. (2017). Gandhi's quest for religion and communal harmony. Mumbai: Navvishnu Publication.
8. Parekh, B. (1995). Gandhi's political philosophy: A critical examination. New Delhi: Ajanta Publications.
9. Parel, A. J. (Ed.). (2005). Hind Swaraj and other writings. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
10. Raghuramaraju, A. (Ed.). (2010). Debating Gandhi: A reader. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
11. Weber, T. (2006). Gandhi, Gandhism, and Gandhians. New Delhi: Lotus Collections.

11	Internal Continuous Assessment: 40%	External, Semester End Examination 60% Individual Passing in Internal and External Examination											
12	Continuous Evaluation through: Quizzes, Class Tests, presentation, project, role play, creative writing, assignment etc.(at least 3)		<table><tr><th>Sr. No.</th><th>Particular</th><th>Marks</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Classroom Presentations/ Assignments/Quiz/ Internal Test on any topic from the syllabus</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Essay Submission/ Book review/ Project Field Visit Report / Educational Activity Report</td><td>10</td></tr></table>	Sr. No.	Particular	Marks	1	Classroom Presentations/ Assignments/Quiz/ Internal Test on any topic from the syllabus	10	2	Essay Submission/ Book review/ Project Field Visit Report / Educational Activity Report	10	
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13	Format of Question Paper: for the final examination External / Semester End Examination Marks: 30 Time: 1 Hour. Three questions of 15 marks each. Students have to attempt any 2 questions. Equitable distribution to each module. Question three, short notes, any three out of four. (5 marks each).												

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