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Acharya (M. A.) in Advaita Vedanta

Curriculum / Syllabus (Four Semester Pattern) under Choice Based Credit System

(To be effective from the academic session 2022-23)

ABSTRACT

Name of Programme	Acharya (M. A.) Advaita Vedanta	
Name of the Department	Advaita Vedanta, Traditional Oriental Learning (TOL)	
Examination Type	Semester	
Programme Duration	02 years (04 Semesters)	
Total Credits	102 credits	
Total Marks	1100	
Credit Distribution - 1 Lecture of 1 hour per week \times (14-16 weeks) = 1 credit		
Each course has 50 Marks		
[Per Course Continuous/ Internal Assessment = 10 Marks and Semester-end Examination = 40 Marks]		
1st semester	5 Core Courses (CC): $5 \times 5 = 25$ Credits	$25 \times 16 =$ (maximum) 400 hours
2nd semester	5 Core Courses (CC): $5 \times 5 = 25$ Credits	$25 \times 16 =$ (maximum) 400 hours
3rd semester	3 Core Courses (CC): $5 \times 3 = 15$ Credits + 2 Optional Courses (OC): $4 \times 2 = 8$ Credits + 1 Interdisciplinary Elective Course (IDC): $3 \times 1 = 3$ Credits (Total 26 credits)	$26 \times 16 =$ (maximum) 416 hours
4th semester	3 Core Courses (CC): $5 \times 3 = 15$ Credits + 2 Optional Courses (OC): $4 \times 2 = 8$ Credits + 1 Interdisciplinary Elective Course (IDC): $3 \times 1 = 3$ Credits (Total 26 credits)	$26 \times 16 =$ (maximum) 416 hours

Level		Course No.	Course Type	Course Code	Course Title	Learning Hour distribution per week	Credit Points	Marks
Year	Semester							
1 st	1 st	CC-1	CC	ACAV101	Māṇḍūkya-kārikā of Gauḍapāda (Prakaraṇa-1 & 2)	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-2	CC	ACAV102	Brahmasūtra-Adhyāsabhāṣya with Bhāmatī	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-3	CC	ACAV103	Bṛhadāraṇyakopaniṣad with Śaṃkarabhāṣya (Chapter-III)	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-4	CC	ACAV104	Yatīndramatadīpikā of Śrīnivāsācārya	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-5	CC	ACAV105	History of Advaita Vedanta Studies (From Śaṃkara to Dharmarājadhvarīndra)	4: 1: 0	5	50
							25	250

Recommended Books for references:

Māṇḍūkya-kārikā, Durgācaraṇa Sāṃkhyavedāntafīrtha, Lotus Library.

Māṇḍūkya Upaniṣad with Gauḍapāda's kārikā, Swami Chinmayananda, Central Chinmay Mission Trust, Mumbai.

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Bhāmatī and Vivaraṇa Schools of Advaita Vedānta, P.S. Roodurmun, Ed. Kanshi Ram, MLBD.

Bṛhadāraṇyakopaniṣad, Durgacharan Samkhyavedantatirtha, Dev Sahitya Kuti Pvt. Ltd., Kolkata

Bṛhadāraṇyakopaniṣad, Ramakrishna Math, Chennai

The Bṛhadāraṇyaka Upaniṣad, Swami Madhavananda, Advaita Ashrama, Mayavati, Almora

Yatindramatadīpikā, Ed. Shivaprasad Dvivedi, Chowkhamba.

Yatindramatadipika, Ed. Swami Adidevananda, Sri Ramakrishna Math, Mylapore, Madras.

Advaita Vedānta: An Introduction, Arvind Sharma, MLBD.

History of Early Vedānta Philosophy, Ed. Sengaku Mayeda, MLBD.

The Method of Early Advaita Vedānta, Ed. Michael Comans, MLBD.

Vedāntadarśaner Itihāsa, Swami Prajñānānanda.

The fundamentals of Advaita Vedānta, K. Narain, Indological Research Centre.

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Year	Semester							
1 st	2 nd	CC-6	CC	ACAV201	Brahmasūtra (Chapter-I) with Śāṅkarabhāṣya [up to Ānandamayādhikaraṇa]	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-7	CC	ACAV202	Vedāntaparibhāṣā of Dharmarājadvarīndra [Pramāṇapariccheda]	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-8	CC	ACAV203	Yogadarśana of Patañjali (Samādhipāda)	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-9	CC	ACAV204	Bengal's Contribution to Vedānta Studies [Panchanan Trakaratna, Gopinath Kaviraj, Anirvan, Aurovinda, Sri Onkarnathdev, Yogendranath Tarkasamkhyavedantatirtha]	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-10	CC	ACAV205	Bhāratīya Saṃskṛti (Ṣoḍaśa-saṃskāra, Varnāśramavyavasthā, Puruṣārthacatuṣṭaya, Pañcamahāyajña)	4: 1: 0	5	50
							25	250

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Śaktibhāṣyam of Pañcānana Tarkaratna, Parimal Publication, Delhi.

Śrī Śrī Caṇḍī, Navabharat Publishers, Kolkata.

Brahmasūtra (Oṃkārabhāṣya), Sri Guru Prakashan, Mahamilan Math, Kolkata.

Brahmānusandhāna, Sri Guru Prakashana.

Prapanna Pathika (Jñānapatha), Sri Guru Prakashana.

Gītā (Praṇavapremapīyūṣabhāṣya), Sri Guru Prakashana.

Bhāratīya Darśana - śāstrera – Samanvaya, Yogendranath Tarkasamkhya-vedantatirtha, CU Publication.

Upaniṣad Prasamga, Vol. I-VI, Burdwan University Publication, Burdwan.

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Sri Aurobindo His Life and Yoga, Promode Kumar Sen, HarperCollins Publishers, India

Divya-jīvana, Sri Aurobindo Ashram Publication, Pondicherry

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Bhāratīya Saṃskṛti, Shashiprabha Kumar, Parimal Publication, New Delhi

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Bhāratīya Saṃskṛti, Swami Vivekananda, Udbodhan, Baghazar, Kolkata

Bhāratīya Saṃskṛti, Ramji Upadhyay, Chowkhamba Surabharati Prakashan, Varanasi

Soḍaśasaṃskāravimarśaḥ, Shankar Kr Mishra, Chowkhamba Surabharati Prakashan, Varanasi

Chāoāra Caturmukha, Loknath Chakrabarti, Abhijan Publisher, Kolkata

Level		Course No.	Course Type	Course Code	Course Title	Learning Hour distribution per week	Credit Points	Marks
Year	Semester							
2 nd	3 rd	CC-11	CC	ACAV301	Brahmasūtra (Chapter-II) with Śāṅkarabhāṣya [Śāṅkhyamatakhaṇḍana & Bauddhamatakhaṇḍana]	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-12	CC	ACAV302	Vedāntaparibhāṣā of Dharmarājadvarīndra [Viṣaya & Prayojana pariccheda]	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-13	CC	ACAV303	Advaitasiddhi of Madhusūdana Sarasvatī (Up to Mithyātvanirūpaṇa) [selected portions]	4: 1: 0	5	50
		OC-1	OC	ACAV304VV	Viśiṣṭādvaita-vedānta (Tattvatraya of Lokachari Swami)	3: 1: 0	4	50
				ACAV304DV	Dvaita-vedānta (Kāṭhakopaniṣadbhāṣya of Ānandatīrtha) [selected portions]			
				ACAV304BV	Bhaskara-vedānta (Gītābhāṣya of Bhaskaracharya) [selected portions]			
		OC-2	OC	ACAV305DAV	Dvaitādvaita-vedānta (Brahmasūtra Catuṣsūtrī with Vedānta-Pārijāta-saurabha)	3: 1: 0	4	50
				ACAV305BLV	Baladeva-vedānta (Ṣaṣṣandarbhā of Srijiṅ Goswami [Tattvasandarbhā])			
				ACAV305VLV	Vallbha-vedānta (Brahmasūtra Catuṣsūtrī bhāṣya of Vallabhacharya)			

		IDC-1	IDC	ACAV306	Kenopaniṣad/ Kathopaniṣad	2: 1: 0	3	50
							26	300

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Nyāyamṛtādvaitasiddhī, with Chaukhambha Vidya Bhawan, Varanasi

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Tattvatraya, Forgotten Books

Kathopaniṣadbhāṣya, Works of Madhvacharya, Anandatirtha Pratishthana

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Sixty Upaniṣads (Vol. I & II), Paul Deussen, MLBD.

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Upaniṣad, Gita Press, Gorakhpur

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Year	Semester							
2 nd	4 th	CC-14	CC	ACAV401	Pratyaktattvaprādīpikā of Citsukha (Selected portions)	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-15	CC	ACAV402	Research Methodology	4: 1: 0	5	50
		CC-16	CC	ACAV403	Dissertation	4: 1: 0	5	50
		OC-3	OC	ACAV404PV	Praṇavavāda (Praṇavapremapīyūṣabhāṣya on Gitā 4 th Chapter) [Jñānayoga]	3: 1: 0	4	50
				ACAV404SV	Śaktiviśiṣṭādvaitavāda (Śaktibhāṣya of Śrī Śrī Caṇḍī) [Selected portions]			
				ACAV404AVR	Advaitavāda in Rāmāyaṇa Yogavāsiṣṭha Rāmāyaṇa (Nirvāṇa Prakaraṇa) [Selected portions]			
		OC-4	OC	ACAV405KS	Kāśmīriya Śaivādvaitavāda (Pratyabhijñāhṛdaya)	3: 1: 0	4	50
				ACAV405SV	Śabdādvaitavāda (Vākyapadīya) [Brahmakāṇḍa]			
				ACAV405SMV	Sāmañjasyavāda (Brahmasūtra Catuḥsūtrī with Vijñānāmṛtabhāṣya of Vijñānabhikṣu)			
				IDC-2	IDC	ACAV406	Ātmabodha/ Vivekacūḍāmaṇi	2: 1: 0

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Research Methodology

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