



Indraprastha College for Women University of Delhi

Work Plan for ODD SEMESTER – 2026

Course Name:	B. A. (H) Philosophy
Paper Title:	Applied Ethics
Unique Paper Code:	2102102303
Semester:	III
Faculty:	Mr. Tumchopemo E. Tsanglao (2L)
Year:	2nd Year

Work Plan			
Unit No.	Learning Objective	Lecture No.	Topics to be Covered
1	To introduce applied ethics as an interdisciplinary field, clarify its basic concepts, and equip students to identify and frame moral dilemmas systematically.	1-5	Applied Ethics: scope and method; its relation to normative ethical theory; basic concepts.
		6-9	Dilemmas and problems: the structure of moral dilemmas; reasoning under competing obligations.
3	To assess whether nature holds instrumental or intrinsic value, and to evaluate the grounds for extending moral respect to animals and ecosystems.	10-15	Nature as Means or End: instrumental versus intrinsic value; anthropocentrism and its critics.
		16-22	Respect for Animals and Ecology: animal liberation; moral standing of ecosystems.
4	To apply ethical reasoning to professional practice and public policy, focusing on medical decision-making and the limits of privacy in media.	23-27	Medical Ethics: surrogacy, euthanasia, and the doctor–patient relationship.
		28-33	Media Ethics: privacy, the public interest and a prurient public.

Unit	Contents/Syllabus
I	An Introduction to Applied Ethics: Introduction; Basic Concepts; Dilemmas and Problems
III	Environmental Ethics: Nature as Means or End; Respect for Animals and Ecology
IV	Professional Ethics and Public Policy: Medical Ethics — Surrogacy, Euthanasia and the Doctor–Patient Relationship; Privacy in Media Ethics
S. No.	Name of Authors/Books/Publishers
1.	Singer, Peter. Applied Ethics. Oxford University Press, 1986.
2.	Benn, S. I. “An Approach to the Problems of Punishment.” Philosophy 33, no. 127 (1958): 325–341. Ewing, Alfred C. The Morality of Punishment: With Some Suggestions for a General Theory of Ethics. Routledge, 1929. Flew, Antony. “The Justification of Punishment.” Philosophy 29, no. 111 (1954): 291–307.
3.	Singer, Peter. Animal Liberation: The Definitive Classic of the Animal Movement. Ecco Book/Harper Perennial, 2009. Chaturvedi, Vibha and Pragati Sahni. Understanding Ethics. Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass, 2019.
4.	Campbell, Alastair V. “Clinical Ethics.” In Bioethics: The Basics, 79–114. New York: Routledge, 2013. Tong, R. “Surrogate Motherhood.” In A Companion to Applied Ethics, edited by R. G. Frey and C. Heath Wellman. Blackwell, 2005. Archard, David. “Privacy, the Public Interest and a Prurient Public.” In Media Ethics, edited by Matthew Kieran, 82–94. Routledge, 1998.

	Paper Components		
Credits	Lecture (L)	Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)
4	3 Mr.Tumcho (2L) + Mr. Vikas (1L)	1	0
Assessment Scheme			
S.No.	Component	Marking Scheme	Total Marks
1	Internal Assessment - Assignment - Class Test - Attendance	30	30
		12	
		12	
		6	
2.	Continuous Assessment (Tutorial) - Activity 1 - Activity 2 - Attendance	40	40
		20	
		15	
		5	
3.	Practical - Continuous Assessment - End Term Written/Practical Exam - Viva		NA
4.	End Semester Examination		90