



Indraprastha College for Women University of Delhi

Work Plan for ODD SEMESTER – 2026

Course Name:	B.A.(H)
Paper Title:	Analytic Philosophy
Unique Paper Code:	2102103501
Semester:	V
Faculty:	Dr. Supriya Saha
Year:	2026-27

Work Plan			
Unit No.	Learning Objective	Lecture No.	Topics to be Covered
	Analytic Philosophy is a dominant philosophical tradition in the western tradition since early 20th century. It introduces students with a school of thought that led to revolutionary reconceptualization of the subject matter, method and aim of philosophy in terms of linguistic analysis, logic and mathematics. Students will get a chance to study some major thinkers like Frege, Russell, Wittgenstein and Ayer	1-3	Introduction to Analytic Philosophy
1	Students will learn about Logicism and why Frege is considered to be the father of Analytic Philosophy. Fundamental distinction between sense and reference will be taught.	4-12	Frege on Meaning – Philosophy of Language/Sense and Reference and Truth.
2	Students will be taught about a different perspective of Knowledge. They will learn about new terminologies and concepts pertaining to epistemology. Students will know about two ways of knowledge acquisition – Direct and Indirect, Immediate and mediate in terms of acquaintance & description.	13-24	Russell on Knowledge – Epistemology. Russell-Two types of knowledge. Russell-knowledge by acquaintance & knowledge by description
3	Students will be introduced to the Atomistic and Positivist views about reality, and what are the basic units of reality through the philosophies of Logical atomism & Logical Positivism.	25-36	Language & reality Propositions & truth Status of facts

4	Students will be introduced to Wittgenstein's approach in Analytic Philosophy with reference to the Early Wittgenstein position.	37 - 50	Wittgenstein views on language & reality Facts Picture Theory.
			Revision

Unit	Contents/Syllabus
I	Frege on Meaning: Frege- Philosophy of Language, Sense and Reference, Truth.
II	Russell on Knowledge: Bertrand Russell- Epistemology Two types of Knowledge Knowledge by Acquaintance, Knowledge by Description
III	Logical Atomism and Logical Positivism: Language and Reality Propositions and Truth The status of Fact.
IV	Wittgenstein on Meaning: Ludwig Wittgenstein: Language and Reality Facts Picture Theory
S. No.	Name of Authors/Books/Publishers
1.	Frege, G. "The Thought: A Logical Inquiry", Mind, Vol.65, No.259 (Jul.1956), OUP, pp 289-311 Dummett, M. Frege: Philosophy of Language. Harvard University Press, 1981.
2.	Russell, B. The Problems of Philosophy, London: OUP, 1959, (Chapter 5)
3.	Russell, B. The Philosophy of Logical Atomism. London: Routledge, 2010 (Lecture 1 & 2) Passmore, John Arthur (1967). Logical Positivism. In P. Edwards (ed.), The Encyclopedia of Philosophy. Macmillan. pp. 52-57
4.	Wittgenstein, L. Tractatus Logico Philosophicus, London: Kegan Paul, 1922, (Propositions: 1,2,3)

	Paper Components		
Credits	Lecture (L)	Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)
	3	1	
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		
4.	End Semester Examination		90