



Indraprastha College for Women

University of Delhi

Work Plan for ODD SEMESTER – 2025

Course Name:	B.A. (P)
Paper Title:	Philosophy of Mind
Unique Paper Code:	
Semester:	VII
Faculty(s):	Dr. Supriya Saha / Dr. Dipika Bhatia
Year:	2025

Work Plan			
Unit No.	Learning Objective	Lecture No.	Topics to be Covered
	Introduction to Philosophy of Mind	1	Introduction to concepts & Issues concerning Philosophy of Mind
		2	
I	Origin of mind body problem and its criticism	3	Mind-body Dualism
		4	-do-
		5	-do-
		6	-do-
		7	-do-
		8	Mind body interaction
		9	-do-
		10	-do-
		11	-do-
		12	-do-
III	Theoretical Perspectives about nature of mind and its relation to the world	13	Epiphenomenalism
		14	-do-
		15	-do-
		16	-do-
		17	-do-
		18	Problem of Qualia
		19	-do-
		20	-do_
		21	-do-
		22	Class Test

IV	Emergence of consciousness – various ways to understand consciousness	23	Complex systems
		24	-do-
		25	-do-
		26	-do-
		27	-do-
		28	Emergence
		29	-do-
		30	-do-
		31	-do-

Unit	Contents/Syllabus
I	Mind-Body relation: 1. Dualism 2. Mind body interaction
II	
III	Epiphenomenal Qualia & the explanatory gap: 1. Epiphenomenalism 2. The problem of Qualia
IV	Emergence: A framework to understand consciousness 1. Complex systems 2. Emergence
S. No.	Name of Authors/Books/Publishers
1.	Descartes, R. Meditation on First Philosophy (II & VI). In D.J. Chalmers (Ed.). <i>Philosophy of Mind : Classical and contemporary readings</i> (pp. 10-21). OUP 2002 Ryle, G. Descartes' Myth. In D.J. Chalmers (Ed.). <i>Philosophy of Mind: Classical and contemporary readings</i> (pp. 32-38). OUP 2002
2.	
3.	Jackson, F. Epiphenomenal Qualia. In D.J. Chalmers (Ed.). <i>Philosophy of Mind : Classical and contemporary readings</i> (pp. 273-280). OUP 2002 Levine, J. Materialism and Qualia: The Explanatory gap In D.J. Chalmers (Ed.). <i>Philosophy of Mind : Classical and contemporary readings</i> (pp. 354-361). OUP 2002.
4.	Humphreys, P. (2016). Emergence. In P. Humphreys (Ed.), <i>The Oxford Handbook of Philosophy of Science</i> (pp. 825-839) OUP (Sec I, 9 & 12).

Paper Components			
Credits	Lecture (L)	Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)
4	2	1	
Assessment Scheme			
S.No.	Component	Marking Scheme	Total Marks
1	Internal Assessment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment/Quiz/Project/Presentation • Class Test • Attendance 		18
		12	
		6	
2.	Continuous Assessment (Tutorial) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activity 1 • Activity 2 • Attendance 		40
		20	
		15	
		5	
3.	Practical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous Assessment • End Term Written/Practical Exam • Viva 		NA
4.	End Semester Examination		90