

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES

M.A. (Programme)

Scheme of Examination and Syllabi (2020-22)

	SCHEME OF EXAMINATIONS FOR M.A. English								
	SEMESTER 1								
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Paper /Cour se Code	Nomenclature of Paper/Course	Nature of the papers	Course Type	Theory	Internal	Practical	Total	Credits (L+T+P) = Total	
	Life, Literature and Culture I Medieval Literature	Compulsory	Core -1	75	25	-	100	5	
	Life, Literature and Culture II Early Modern World	Compulsory	Core-2					5	
	Poetry I		Elective					5	
	Politics, Literature and Philosophy		Elective					5	

Course Wise Content Details for M.A. English Programme

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Semester I Core: Life, Literature and Culture I Medieval Literature

Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. To explain how Medieval modes of thought give way to the rise of early modernity.
- 2. To understand the early developments of modes of representation.

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. An understanding of what constitutes Medievalism will have been established.
- 2. The foundations of representation and genre will also have been established.

Contents

Unit I Marie de France, *Lais* (_Guigemar' and _Equitan')

Thomas Malory, Morte de Artur'

Book I: "From the Marriage of King Uther unto King Arthur that Reigned After Him and Did Many Battles & Book VII: "Sir Lancelot and Queen Guinevere.

Nigel de Longchamps, A Mirror of Fools

Geoffrey Chaucer, The Wife of Bath's Prologue and Tale,' The Nun's Priest's Tale'.

Unit II -Wakefield Master||, The Second Shepherd's Play

Unit III William Langland, Piers Plowman

Unit IV Letter, Treatises and autobiographies Letters of Abelard and Heloise

Andreas Capellanus, *De Amore The Book of Margery Kempe*

Suggested Readings Derek Brewer, CS Lewis, Unberto Eco

Core: Life, Literature and Culture II Early Modern World Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. This course will familiarise students with the Early Modern World, earlier called the Renaissance, through poetry, fiction and philosophy.
- 2. The individual gained centrality in this age but the optimism in human potential was tempered by scepticism and anxiety due the challenge posed to religious beliefs.

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. Familiarise students with literary texts and intellectual debates of 16th and 17th century Europe:
- 2. Discuss religious faith vs scepticism, rise of science, burgeoning imperialism.

Contents

Unit I Thomas More: Utopia

Erasmus: Adagia (Selections)

Unit II Edmund Spenser: April Eclogue Shepheardes Calender

Letter to Raleigh

The Faerie Queene Books 3 and 6

Unit III Michel de Montaigne: *Apology for Raymond Sebond* (Selections)

William Shakespeare: Sonnets 18, 29, 73, 94, 110, 129, 130, 138

Metaphysical Poetry: Selections from John Donne, Andrew Marvell

Unit IV Charles I: Eikon Basilike

John Milton: Paradise Lost Books 1-4, 9-10

Suggested Readings Çhristopher Hill, Helen Vendler, Jean Starobinski, Stephen Greenblatt, Louis Adrian Montrose, Edward Saccone

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Semester I

Elective: Poetry I

Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. To uncover the radical potential of poetry.
- 2. To lay the foundations of genre based study embedded in historical context.

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. A foundational level of fluency with the basics of poetry will have been achieved.
- 2. A basic understanding of strategies of poetic organisation will have been laid down.

Contents

Unit I Lyric Poetry

Sappho, Fragment 31

Robert Burns, John Anderson My Jo, ARed Red Rose'

T. E. Hulme, Embankment

Bob Dylan, Visions of Johanna, Like a Rolling Stone

Ann Carson, Apostle Town

Selections from Ghalib

Unit II Meditative Poetry

Henry Vaughan, The Retreat

Friedrich Holderlin, The Course of Life

Rabindranath Tagore, Aguner Paroshmoni (The Philospher's Stone of Fire)

Seamus Heaney, Digging

Unit III Ballad

The Ballad of Chevy Chase

-- The Wife of Usher's Well

Coleridge, The Rime of the Ancient Mariner

The Ballad of John Henry (Blues Ballad)

UNIT IV Elegy

John Donne, The Autumnal (Elegy IX)

Ben Jonson, Elegy on His Son

Alfred Tennyson, Break, Break, Break

W.B. Auden, In Memory of W. B. Yeats

Suggested Readings

Rene Wellek, Genre Theory, The Lyric and Erlebnis

Susan Stewart, from Poetry and the Fate of Senses (Introduction and Chapter I)

Aamir Mufti, Towards A Lyric History of India

Loius Martz, The Poetry of Meditation

Jahan Ramzani, Poetry of Mourning, The Modern Elegy from Hardy to Heaney

W.E. B. Du Bois, The Sorrow Songs (Chapter VII, The Souls of Black Folks)

Elective: Politics, Literature and Philosophy

Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. To amalgamate the three strands politics, literature and philosophy.
- 2. To understand the principles of interdisciplinary study with regard to the three disciplines mentioned in the title.

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. The students will have achieved a basic understanding of the common principles underlined these three disciplines
- 2. A basic understanding of the intermingling of the philosophies of literature and politics will have been established.

Contents

Unit I Selections from Plato, Machiavelli, and Hobbes

Unit II Selections from Dante's Divine Comedy, Commentaries

on the Gita by M.K. Gandhi and B.R. Ambedkar

Unit III Shakespeare's Richard III

Unit IV Selections from Martin Luther King and Malcolm X

Hansda Sowvendra Shekhar's The Adivasi Will Not Dance

Suggested Readings Quintin Skinner, Srinivas Iyangar, Derek Traversi, and G N Devy

	SCHEME OF EXAMINATIONS FOR M.A. English								
	SEMESTER 2								
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Paper/C ourse Code	Nomenclature of Paper/Course	Nature of the papers	Course Type	Theory	Internal	Practical	Total	Credits (L+T+P) = Total	
	Life, literature and culture III , 16th and 17th Century Drama	Compulsory	Core -1	75	25	-	100	5	
	Criticism and Theory 1	Compulsory	Core-2					5	
	Introduction to the study of language		Elective					5	
	Fiction		Elective					5	

Core: Life, Literature and Culture III 16th and 17th Century Drama

Marks 75

Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. This course will familiarise students with drama of the 16th and 17th centuries with a focus on the plays of Shakespeare.
- 2. Both comedy and tragedy will be taught along with a Jacobean play by Jonson.

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. The students will learn about the differences between the Renaissance and Jacobean drama as well as the generic differences between the tragedy and the comedy.
- 2. The main features of Shakespearean drama will also be taught: liberty from the unities, philosophical complexity, realistic characterisation
- 3. The student will be exposed to the main contemporary critical approaches to Shakespeare: feminist, new historicist, presentist etc.

Contents

Unit I A Midsummer Night's Dream

Unit II Hamlet

Unit III King Lear

Montaigne (selections)

Unit IV Ben Jonson: Volpone

Suggested Readings Stephen Greenblatt, Janet Adelman, Coppelia Kahn

Core: Criticism and Theory I

Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. To develop students' understanding about the principles of Indian as well as Western European philosophy and aesthetic theory..
- 2. To trace the evolution of these principals from the Classical to the Romantic and Modern periods.

Course Learning Outcomes

To build on students' understanding about the principals of Indian and Western European philosophy and aesthetic theory.

Contents

Unit I

Bhartrhari -On Syntax and Meaning|| from Vakyapadiya

Anandavardhana "Dhwani: Structure of Poetic Meaning from *Dhvanyaloka* Kuntaka —Language of Poetry and Metaphor from *Vakrokti-Jivita*

Unit II

Plato *The Republic* Book X Aristotle *The Poetics*

Unit III

William Wordsworth —Prfeace to Lyrical Ballads (1802). S T Coleridge *Biographia Literaria*, Chapters IV, XIII, and XIV.P B Shelley —A Defence of Poetry |

Matthew Arnold - A Study of Poetry ||

Unit IV

I A Richards —Metaphor" and "The Command of Metaphor" Boris Eichenbaum —The Formal Method

Suggested Readings:

Chaudhery, Satya Dev. *Glimpses of Indian Poetics*. New Delhi; Sahitya Academy, 2002. Devy, G. N. Ed. *Indian Literary Criticism: Theory and Interpretation*. Hyderabad: Orient Longman, 2002.

Wimsatt, William K. And Cleanth Brooks. *Literary Criticism: A Short History*. New Delhi: Oxford and IBH, 195

Elective: Introduction to the Study of Language

Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. To familiarise the students to the approaches to the study of language and
- 2. To impart to the students a linguistic perspective to the study of English.

Course Learning Outcomes

1. After the successful completion of the course, a student should be able to understand and, to an extent, analyse both the social and formal aspects of language in general and English in particular.

Contents

Unit I Approaches to the study of language

(a) The properties of language, its origin and evolution

Chapters 1 & 2 of Fromkin et al and Chapters 1, 2, & 3 of Pinker

(b) Major thinkers: Pre-Saussurean; Saussure and structuralism; and Chomsky and the biolinguistic approach

Chapter 2 of Walton; Chapters 4, 5, & 8 of Sanders; and Chapter 1 of Smith (c)Language varieties and linguistic diversity

Chapter 5 of Fromkin et al

Unit II Language Ideology and Policy

- (a) Language, ideology and power Kilroy; Bourdieu Economy of linguistic exchanges ||; and Chapters 1 & 2 of Eckert and McConnell-Ginet
- (b) Language policy and planning: Wright and Austin
- (c) English in the new order: Phillipson; Pandit; and Raghavan

Unit III Elements of English I Sounds and words

- (a) Segmental aspects: articulation and classification of English speech sounds Chapter 6 of Fromkin et al and Ladefoged
- (b) Syllable and suprasegmental features: stress, intonation, and rhythm

Chapter 6 of Fromkin et al and Ladefoged

(c) Word: Morpheme, structure of words, and word formation

Chapter 3 of Fromkin et al

Unit IV Elements of English II Structure and meaning

(a) Syntactic categories, constituents and structure of sentence

Chapter 4 of Fromkin et al

(b) Theories of meaning, meaning relationships, compositionality of meaning

Chapter 1 of Chierchia and McConnell-Ginet and Chapter 5 of Fromkin et al

(c) Pragmatics and Discourse Analysis

Chapter 4 of Hall et al; Chapter 9 of Akmajian et al; and Chapter 3 of Meyer

Suggested Readings: Adrian, Richard A Demers, Robert M Harnish, Granville Austin, Peter Ladefoged, PenelopeEckert.

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Semester II

Elective: Fiction

Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. To understand how fiction records and alters social and cultural realities
- 2. To understand the strategies of narrative, theme and image that fiction uses to take forward this task

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. To train the student in methods of textual analysis
- 2. To sensitise students to the capacity of fiction to bring about social and cultural change

Contents

Unit I: Jane Austen, Persuasion

Unit II: Charles Dickens Bleak House

Unit III: Milan Kundera's *The Unbearable Lightness of Being*

Unit IV: Rohinton Mistry's A Fine Balance

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Paper /Cour se Code	Nomenclature of Paper/Course	Nature of the	Course		Credits				
		papers	Туре	Theory	Internal	Practical	Total	(L+T+ P) = Total	
	Life, Literature and Culture IV The Long Eighteenth Century	Compulsory	Core -1	75	25	-	100	5	
	Life, Literature and Culture V The Long Nineteenth Century	Compulsory	Core- 2					5	
	Research Methodology		Elective					5	
	Gender Studies		Elective					5	
	Discursive Prose		Open Elective					4	

Core: Life, Literature and Culture IV The Long Eighteenth Century Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course objectives

- 1. This course engages with the history of ideas and their figuration in multiple genres. It encompasses the didacticism of Johnson's England, the Continental philosophy of Rousseau and closes with canonical and non canonical texts from British Romanticism.
- 2. To understand the formation of intellectual debate during this period

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. This course will train students to examine and interpret the long eighteenth century and its multiple revolutions through a transnational and cross-cultural perspective.
- 2. Students will be trained to understand the continuities between the eighteenth century and high modernity.

Contents

Unit I Alexander Pope: Eloisa to Abelard (1717)

Samuel Johnson: The History of Rasselas, Prince of Abissinia (1759)

Unit II Jean Jacques Rousseau: Julie, or, The New Heloise (1761)

Unit III Hannah More: —Slavery: A Poem (1788) Anna

Seward: "To the Poppy"(1789)

Charlotte Smith: "Sonnet: On Being Cautioned Against Walking on an Headland,

"To A Nightingale (1791)

Anna Laetitia Barbauld: "The Rights of Women" (1792) - Washing Day" (1797)

Mary Robinson: "London's Summer Morning" (1800)

Unit IV William Wordsworth: The Prelude (1805)

Suggested Readings Eric Hobsbawm, Basil Willy, Ian Jack, Jurgen Habermas and Martha Nussbaum

Core: Life, Literature and Culture V The Long Nineteenth Century
Marks 75
Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. The course will educate students about some key factors --nation/ colony, community, class, gender and race—which went into the making of the 20th century, the −modern world as we know it.
- 2. Through a choice of representative texts, the course will map the cultural cross-currents of this momentous era in world history, recording its important developments through the prisms of nation/colony, community, class, gender and race.

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. The students should be able to analyze the period which witnessed England's emergence as a full-fledged industrial capitalist nation, the first in the world to become so.
- 2. This will enable the students to familiarize with England's its self-consolidation as an imperial power with the setting up of a significant number of colonies in Asia and in Africa.

Contents

Unit I George Elliot: *Middlemarch*

Unit II Bankim Chatterji: Anandmath

Unit III Walt Whitman: -Song of Myself||

John Keats: —The Eve of St. Agnes

Unit IV Henrik Ibsen: A Doll's House

Suggested Readings Geoffrey Hartmann, Gillian Beer and Marilyn Butler

Elective: Research Methodology

Marks 75 Duration 03 Hours

Course Objectives

- 1. To familiarize students with the basic concepts of research on the post-graduate level before heading towards higher dimensions of research.
- 2. To enable students to understand various paradigms of research, its tools, ethics and challenges related to English studies and related fields and develop creative and academic skills in them.

Course Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, the students should be able to:

- 1. apply proper research methods pertinent to English studies and related fields
- 2. formulate their own research questions and write research papers.

Evaluation

- Presentations for internal assessment
- Term Paper for final evaluation

Contents

Unit I What is literary research? (This unit incorporates following essays from Research Methods in English Studies: Gabriele Griffin)

- O Textual Analysis as a Research Method (Catherine Belsey)
- O Discourse Analysis (Gabriele Griffin),
- O Creative Writing as a Research Method (Jon Cook)

Unit II Introduction to research methodology (Research, Hypothesis. Analysis of data and interpretation)

- o Research question
- o Review of literature
- O Data collection- Primary and Secondary Sources

Unit III Components and Requirements

- o Research Proposal/ Synopsis
- o Research Paper
- o Thesis/Dissertation
 - Research tools
- o MLA Style Sheet (Latest Edition)
- o Ethics in Research and Plagiarism

Unit IV

Workshop and Presentation 1

Workshop and Presentation 2

*The students will be divided into smaller groups for presentations

Suggested Readings

Research Methods in English Studies: Gabriele Griffin

Research Methodology: Methods and Techniques: C. R. Kothari

Research Methods in English: M.P. Sinha

Academic Writing 1: Paragraph: Alice Savage and Mausod Shafiei

Academic Writing: A Handbook for International Students: Stephen Bailey

MLA handbook for Writers of Research Papers: Latest edition

The Chicago Manual of Style: Latest edition

Quentin Skinner's "Motives, Intentions and Interpretation" (From —Visions of Politics,

Volume 1 By Quentin Skinner)

Peter Winch's "Can we understand ourselves?" (From Philosophical Investigations 20: 3 July,

1997)

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Semester III

Elective: Gender Studies

Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. This course will familiarise students with theorising about gender, be it feminism, queer studies or masculinity studies.
- 2. This course will introduce students to literary texts that prioritise issues of gender, both in India and the West.

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. The student's knowledge of gender theory, its evolution from feminism to queer theory, and masculinity studies will be strengthened.
- 3. The student will be taught to interpret a text and read social change through the lens of gender.

Contents

Unit I Woolf: Orlando

Judith Butler: Gender Trouble (Selections)

Unit II Azar Nafisi: *Reading Lolita in Tehran*

Bama: Karukku

Unit III one

Poetry

Silvia Plath Kamla Das Amrita Pritam Sujata Bhatt

Unit IV Alan Hollinghurst: *Line of Beauty*

Suggested Readings Julia Kristeva, Ruth Vanita, Chandra Talpade Mohanty

Open Elective: Discursive Prose

Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. To familiarise the students with the various ways in which prose writings have evolved down the ages
- 2. To enable the students to analyse prose writings/non fiction writings and identify the formal aspects that differentiates each genre

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. An understanding of what constitutes prose writings will have been established.
- 2. The foundations of representation and genre will also have been established.

Contents

Unit I Diary of Samuel Pepys

Charles Lamb: —Old Chinal, —Dream Children II, —The Praise of Chimney Sweeper II

Unit II John Stuart Mills: *On Liberty*

Emily Eden: Selections from Up the Country: Letters from India

Ghalib's letters (Selections)

Unit III Martin Luther King: —Ihave a dreaml,

Jawahar Lal Nehru: —Tryst with destiny || Nelson Mandela: —Nobel acceptance speech ||

Franz Fanon: -On National Culture

Unit IV Amartya Sen: Selections from The Argumentative Indian

Andre Beteille: Selections from Chronicles of our Times

Suggested Readings Raphl Russel, Daud Rahbar, Edward Said

SCHEME OF EXAMINATIONS FOR M.A. English								
SEMESTER 4								
				Scheme				
Paper/C ourse Code	Nomenclature of Paper/Course	Nature of the papers	Course Type	Theory	Internal	Practical	Total	Credits (L+T+P) = Total
	Life, literature and culture VI the long twentieth century	Compulsory	Core -1	75	25	-	100	5
	Post independence Indian literature	Compulsory	Core-2					5
	Dissertation		Elective					5
	Visual studies		Open elective					4

Core: Life, Literature and Culture VI The Long Twentieth Century Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. To familiarise the students with the literary trends/movements that evolved in the course of the 20^{th} Century
- 2. To enable the students to analyse texts and identify the generic distinctions across prominent milieus and regions

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. An understanding of what constitutes twentieth century will have been established.
- 2. The foundations of representation and genre will also have been established.

Contents

Unit I T.S.Eliot: *Murder in the Cathedral (1935)*

Tennessee Williams: A Streetcar named Desire

Unit II L.Frank Baum: *The Wonderful Wizard of OZ (1900)*

J R R Tolkien: The Hobbit (1937)

Unit III Naguib Mahfouz: Palace Walk (1956)

Italo Calvino: If on a Winter's Night a Traveller (1979/1981)

Unit IV

W H Auden : Musee de Beaux Arts, Lullaby, September 1, 1939

Dylan Thomas : Do not go gentle into that good night, Fern Hills, Love in the asylum

Seamus Heaney : Punishment, Tradition, Ocean's Love to Ireland

Agha Shahid Ali : Postcard from Kashmir, A Butcher, I see Kashmir from Delhi at

Midnight

Suggested Readings Leon Edel, WV Spanos, CS Lewis, Bruce King, Christopher Finn

Core: Post-independence Indian Literature

Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

COURSE OBJECTIVES

To introduce students to literary texts from a range of regional, cultural, social, and political locations within India since Independence and to inculcate in students an in-depth understanding of some of the major issues shaping this literary production.

Unit I:

Ahmed Ali _Our Lane' [1936] Trans from Urdu by the author. The Journal of South Asian Literature, Vol 33/34 issue 1-2 (1998-99): 218-239[SHORT STORY] Qurratulain Hyder My Temples, too, 1948 [NOVEL] Aijaz Ahmad _In the Mirror of Urdu: Recompositions of Nation and Community, 1947-65', Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla, 1993. [ESSAY]

Unit II:

Srilal Shukla Raag Darbari (1967), tr. Gillian Wright, New Delhi: Penguin. [NOVEL] Partha Chattarjee _Politics of the Governed', pp. 53-78 in The Politics of the Governed: Reflections on Popular Politics in Most of the World', Columbia University Press: New York, 2004. [ESSAY]

Unit III:

Salman Rushdie The Moor's Last Sigh (1995) [NOVEL] Salman Rushdie _Imaginary Homelands', pp 1-9 in Imaginary Homelands: Essays and Criticism 1981-1991, Granta: London, 1991. [ESSAY]

Unit IV:

Arun Kolatkar (i) _Woman'; (ii) Irani Restaurant Bombay'; (iii) _A note on the reproductive cycle of rubbish'; (iv) _The Potato Peelers' _SARPA SATRA' (2004) in Arun Kolatka

Namdeo Dhasal (i) _Mandakini Patil: A Young Prostitute: The Collage I Intend', tr. Dilip Chitre, in Poetry Festival India, ed. Shrikant Verma (New Delhi: ICCR, 1985), pp. 122-25;

(ii) _Autobiography', tr. Santosh Bhoomkar, Ibid.

Arvind Krishna Mehrotra _What is an Indian Poem?' in The Bloodaxe Book of Contempora

Suggested Readings: Kumkum Sangari, Thomas Blom Hansen, Laetitia Zecchini, Dilip Chitre, Jahan Ramzani, Sharan Kumar Limbale, Toral Gajarawala

Elective: Dissertation

Marks 75 Duration: 1 semester

Course Objectives

- 1. To familiarise the students with the literary trends/movements that evolved in the course of the 20^{th} Century
- 2. To enable the students to analyse texts and identify the generic distinctions acrossprominent milieus and regions

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. An understanding of what constitutes twentieth century will have been stablished.
- 2. The foundations of representation and genre will also have been stablished.

MASTER of ARTS (ENGLISH) Open Elective: Visual Studies

Marks 75 Duration 03 hours

Course Objectives

- 1. To train students to understand the social and cultural history within which works ofart develop and change.
- 2. To train students to interpret visuality and to read visual politics.

Course Learning Outcomes

- 1. A training in new ways of reading non-verbal social and cultural history
- 2. A training in interdisciplinary mode of thought

Contents

Unit I Renaissance, Baroque:

Leonardo da Vinci, Titian, Caravaggio

Alberti: On Painting

Unit II 18th and 19th Century: Reynolds, Kauffman, Turner Reynolds, *Discourses* (Selections)

Unit III Impressionism and Post-Impressionism: Manet, Monet, Degas, Cezanne, Mary Cassatt, Van GoghRoger Fry

Unit IV India in the 19th and 20th Century: Raja Ravi Verma, Abanindranath Tagore, Amrita Sher-gil, MF Hussain, Atul Dodia E B Havell, Christopher Pinney

Suggested Readings Kenneth Burke, Pelican History of Art, Partha Mitter, Tapati GuhaThakurta