



DSC 3: BSCC 103: Indian Buddhist Philosophy

Course Title & Code	Credits	Credits distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Prerequisite of the course, if any
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical		
DSC 3: BSCC 103: Indian Buddhist Philosophy	4	3	1	0	As per admission criteria	Nil

This paper is aligned with Sustainability Development Goals 2030: #4 Quality Education, #16 Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

Objectives: This course aims at providing students with a comprehensive understanding of the philosophy of Indian Buddhism.

Course Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course, students will have the basic understanding of the philosophy of Indian Buddhism and shall be able to go for further studies in the subject.

Unit-I: Fundamental Teachings of the Buddha: Four Noble Truths; Eight-fold Path; the Three Characteristics of Existence; the Four Perverted Views; Brahma-vihāras; Paṭiccasamuppāda; Nibbāna; Momentariness.

Unit-II: The Early Buddhist Conceptions of Karma and Rebirth.

Unit-III: Schools of Buddhism: the Sarvāstivāda: Vaibhāṣika and Sautrāntika; Madhyamika (Śūnyavāda); Yogācāra (Vijñānavāda)

Unit-IV: Introduction to Tāntric Philosophy (Vajrayāna, Mantrayāna, Tantrayāna)

Suggested Reading

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5. Murti, T.R.V., *The Central Philosophy of Buddhism*, London: 1975.
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7. Chatterjee, A.K., *The Yogācāra Idealism*, Delhi: 1975.
8. Stcherbatsky, Th., *Central Conception of Buddhism*, London: 1923.
9. Mookerjee, S., *Buddhist Philosophy of Universal Flux*, Calcutta: 1935.
10. Singh, Indra Narain, *Philosophy of University Flux in Theravāda Buddhism*, Delhi: 2001.

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