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DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE - (DSE-8) – Philosophy of Law

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/Practice		
DSE 8 Philosophy of Law	4	3	1	Nil	12th Passed	None

Learning Objectives

The course in Philosophy of Law, seeks to:

- Familiarize students with the nature and purpose of law by examining questions such as “What is (the nature of) law?”, “How, if at all, is law connected with morality?” and “What is justice?”, and to instruct students about possible answers and arguments provided in legal philosophy and theory.
- Introduce students to philosophical schools such as Legal Positivism and Natural Law.
- Help students critically examine the institution of legal punishment that pertains to the coercive impact of law.

Learning Outcomes

- The ideal outcome of this course is to make students understand the concept of law, its place in our lives, its formal structure, rules and modalities.
- Students should be able to discuss and argue on crucial legal questions that impact the life of common citizens with sensitivity, acumen, precision and insight.

UNIT 1

(12 Hours, 4 Weeks)

Law: Concept, Meaning and Definition

1. Theories of Law: Aquinas and Austin
2. The Concept of *Nyaya*: Agreement and Disputes - Kautilya

Essential/Recommended Reading:

- Topics 1 from Altman, Andrew; *Arguing About Law: An Introduction to Legal Philosophy*, Australia: Wadsworth, 2001, pp 32-58
- Topic 5 from Shamasrastry, R. (Tr.), Kautilya's Arthashastra, Book III – Concerning Law Chapter I. Determination of Forms of Agreement; Determination of Legal Disputes, https://csboa.in/eBooks/Arthashastra_of_Chanakya_English.pdf; pp 213-218

UNIT 2 Legal Obligation: Reason and Scope

(12 Hours, 4 Weeks)

1. Why Should We Obey the Law
2. The Ambit of Legal Obligation
3. The Rule of Law

Essential/Recommended Readings

- Topic 1 from Mackie, J. L.; The Obligation to Obey the Law, Virginia Law Review, Vol. 67, No. 1, The Symposium in Honor of A. D. Woozley and Obedience (Feb 1981), pp. 143-158
- Topic 2 from Fuller, Lon; The Case of the Speluncean Explorers, Harvard Law Review, Vol. 62, No. 4, February 1949, pp 616-645
- Topic 3 from Marmor, Andrei; The Ideal of the Rule of Law, A Companion to Philosophy of Law and Legal Theory (Second Edition), Dennis Patterson (Ed.), Blackwell Publishing Ltd., pp 666-674

UNIT 3 Legal Issues in India

(9 hours, 3 weeks)

1. Basic Structure of the Constitution
2. Judicial Review

Essential/Recommended Readings

- Topic 1 from Abridged Judgement of KesavanandBharati Vs. State of Kerala; AIR 1973 SC 1461
- Topic 2 from Baxi, Upendra; Who Bothers about the Supreme Court? The Problem of Impact of Judicial Decisions, Journal of the Indian Law Institute, Vol. 24, No. 4 (October-December 1982), pp. 848-862

UNIT 4 Fundamentals of Law

(12 Hours, 4 Weeks)

1. Codification
2. *Mens Rea/Actus Reus*
3. Crime and Punishment

Essential/Recommended Readings

- Topic 1 from Alfange, Dean; Jeremy Bentham and Codification of Law, Cornell Law Review, Vol. 55, Issue 1, November 1969, pp 58-75
- Topic 2 from Tebbit, Mark; *Philosophy of Law: An Introduction*, (3rd Edition), Routledge 2017, pp 193-212
- Topic 3 from Tebbit, Mark; *Philosophy of Law: An Introduction*, (3rd Edition), Routledge 2017, pp 242-253

Additional Resources:

- Marmor, Andrei, *Philosophy of Law*, New Jersey: Princeton University Press, 2011
- Rangarajan, L. N. (Tr. & ed.), *Kautilya: The Arthashastra*, Penguin Books India (P) Ltd., New Delhi, 1992
- Golding, Martin Philip, and Edmundson, William A., *The Blackwell Guide to Philosophy of Law and Legal Theory*, Oxford: Blackwell, 2005
- Marmor, Andrei (ed), *The Routledge Companion to Philosophy of Law*, New York: Routledge, (1st ed.), 2012
- Choudhary, S., Khosla, M. and Mehta, P.B., *The Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution* (1st ed.), Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016
- Jain, M.P., *Indian Constitutional Law*, Lexis Nexis, (8th ed.), 2018
- Rai, Uday Raj, *Fundamental Rights and their Enforcement* India: Prentice Hall, 2011