

# SEMESTER -VI

## BA (Hons.) English

### DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE 16- (DSC-16) : Modern European Drama

No. of hours- 60(Theory- 45 hrs.+Tutorials -15 hrs.)

#### 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		
DSC 16: Modern European Drama	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English from List A in CUET	NIL

#### Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- To analyse the way in which nineteenth and twentieth-century theatre in Europe thinks through political and cultural hierarchies of power, enslavement and liberation.
- To open up a sense of the way in which European drama articulates questions of continuing relevance in the contemporary world such as the individual and the state, the position of women, and issues of dominance.

#### Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying this course, students will be able to inculcate a basic sense of the way theatre serves as a means of social and cultural investigation and change.

- Students will learn how drama as a genre alters our sense of both the individual and society.

### **SYLLABUS OF DSC-16:**

#### **UNIT – I (15 hours)**

1. Henrik Ibsen: *Ghosts* (1881)

#### **UNIT – II (15 hours)**

2. Bertolt Brecht: *Mother Courage and Her Children* (1939)

#### **UNIT – III (15 hours)**

3. Eugene Ionesco: *Rhinoceros* (1959)

**Practical component (if any) - NIL**

**Essential/recommended readings-** as listed in the units

#### **Suggestive readings:**

1. Camus, Albert. (i) 'Absurdity and Suicide' (ii) 'The Myth of Sisyphus', *The Myth of Sisyphus*. trans. Justin O'Brien, London: Vintage, 1991. pp 13-17; 79-82
2. Stanislavsky, Constantin. 'Faith and the Sense of Truth', *An Actor Prepares*. United Kingdom: Bloomsbury Academic, 2013. pp 111-139
3. Brecht, Bertolt. 'The Street Scene', 'Theatre for Pleasure or Theatre for Instruction', and 'Dramatic Theatre vs Epic Theatre', *Brecht on Theatre: The Development of an Aesthetic*. ed. and tr. John Willet, London: Methuen, 1992. pp 68–76, 121–128
4. Steiner, George. 'On Modern Tragedy', *The Death of Tragedy*. London: Faber, 1995. pp 303–24

## DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE 17- (DSC-17): Literature and Disability

No. of hours- 60(Theory- 45 hrs.+Tutorials-15 hrs.)

### 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		
DSC 17: Literature and Disability	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English from List A in CUET	NIL

### Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- To challenge and reconstitute our sense of what constitutes 'the normal' as a category of thought and action.
- To build a critically compassionate consciousness on the subjects of individual and social identity-construction under conditions of disability.

### Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying this course, students will be able to inculcate a basic sense of the theory and field of Disability Studies with specific reference to its articulation through literature.

- This course will encourage students to think of a revolutionised debate on the subject of self/ social-alienation and self/social-restoration under the challenge of disability.

## SYLLABUS OF DSC-17:

### UNIT – I (15 hours)

1. Firdaus Kanga: *Trying to Grow* (1991)

### UNIT – II (15 hours)

2. Georgina Kleege: *Sight Unseen* (1999)

### UNIT – III (15 hours)

3. Anne Finger. "Helen and Frida" *The Kenyon Review*, Summer, 1994, New Series, 16.3, 1994. pp 1-7

4. Mukhopadhyay, Tito Rajarshi. 'Poem 1' and 'Poem 4', *The Mind Tree: A Miraculous Child Breaks the Silence of Autism*. Arcade Publishing, 2003.

5. Barclay, Hayleigh. 'Happy Birth-day'. *Disability Horizons*. Posted 14th May, 2018

<https://disabilityhorizons.com/2018/05/disability-short-stories-series-happy-birth-day/>

### Practical component (if any) - NIL

**Essential/recommended readings-** as listed in the units

### Suggestive readings:

1. Linton, Simi. 'Disability Studies/Not Disability Studies', *Disability & Society*, Vol. 13.4, 1998. pp 525-40
2. Davis, Lennard J. 'Constructing Normalcy', *Enforcing Normalcy: Disability, Deafness, and the Body*. London and New York: Verso, 1995. pp 23–49
3. Quayson, Ato. 'A Typology of Disability Representation', *Aesthetic Nervousness: Disability and the Crisis of Representation*. Columbia: Columbia University Press, 2007. pp 32–53

4. Couser, Thomas. 'Signifying Selves: Disability and Life Writing', *The Cambridge Companion on Literature and Disability*. eds Clare Barker and Stuart Murray, New York: Cambridge University Press, 2017. pp 199–211

5. Anand, Shilpaa. 'Historicizing Disability in India: Questions of Subject and Method', *Disability Studies in India: Global Discourses, Local Realities*. ed. Renu Addlakha, New York: Routledge. pp 35–60

6. Das, Veena and Renu Addlakha, 'Disability and Domestic Citizenship: Voice, Gender, and the Making of the Subject', *Public Culture*. Vol. 13:3, 2001. pp 511-531

### DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE 18- (DSC-18) : Women Writings

No. of hours- 60(Theory- 45 hrs.+Tutorials -15 hrs.)

#### 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		
DSC 18: Women Writings	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English	NIL

#### Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- To offer students a foundational understanding of the ways in which critical categories such as ethnicity, caste and class find their articulate in writings by women.
- To open up a sense of the Indian presence in the ongoing debate on the rights and position of women in contemporary society.

#### Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying this course, students will be able to inculcate a basic sense of how writings by women serve as a primary instrument to document and demand social change.
- This course will open up a space for a discussion on how this is a core area that demands attention and change in contemporary India.

### **SYLLABUS OF DSC-18:**

#### **UNIT – I (15 hours)**

1. Alice Walker: *The Color Purple*

#### **UNIT – II (15 hours)**

2. Charlotte Perkins Gilman: ‘The Yellow Wallpaper’
3. Begum Rokheya: ‘Sultana’s Dream’
4. Devi, Rassundari. Excerpts from *Amar Jiban*. trans. by Enakshi Chatterjee, *Women’s Writing in India*. Vol 1, ed. Susie Tharu and K. Lalita, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 1989. pp 192-202

#### **UNIT – III (15 hours)**

5. Emily Dickinson: (i) ‘I cannot live with you’ (ii) ‘I’m wife; I’ve finished that’
6. Sylvia Plath: (i) ‘Lady Lazarus’ (ii) ‘Daddy’
7. Eunice De Souza- (i) ‘Advice to Women’ (ii) ‘Bequest’

#### **Practical component (if any) - NIL**

**Essential/recommended readings-** as listed in the units

#### **Suggestive readings:**

1. Wollstonecraft, Mary. *A Vindication of the Rights of Woman*. New York: Norton, 1988.
2. Woolf, Virginia. *A Room of One’s Own*. New York: Harcourt, 1957.

3. Elaine Showalter: 'Introduction', *A Literature of Their Own: British Women Novelists from Bronte to Lessing*, 1977.
4. Simone de Beauvoir: 'Introduction', *The Second Sex*
5. Chakravarti, Uma. 'Reconceptualising Gender: Phule, Brahmanism and Brahmanical Patriarchy', *Gender and Caste*. edited by Anupama Rao, Kali for Women, New Delhi, 2003. pp 164-179
6. Irigaray, Luce. 'When the Goods Get Together', *This Sex Which is Not One*. in *New French Feminisms*. trans. Catherine Porter & Carolyn Burke, Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1985. pp 23-33

**Note:** Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.

### Category II

**(Discipline Specific Courses for Undergraduate Programme of study with ENGLISH(Major) as one of the Core Disciplines)**

#### DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE 17- (DSC-17) : Literature and Disability

**No. of hours- 60(Theory- 45 hrs.+Tutorials -15 hrs.)**

#### 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)
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DSC 17: Literature and Disability	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English	NIL

#### Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows: