

RAJA RAMMOHUN ROY MAHAVIDYALAYA

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

ADD-ON COURSE

Title: *Philosophical Analysis: Analyticity of Proposition and Possibility*

Course Description:

This add-on course delves into the intricate realm of philosophical analysis, focusing on the analytical and synthetical nature of propositions and possibilities. Students will explore fundamental concepts in logic, language, and epistemology to deepen their understanding of the nature of truth, knowledge, and reality. This add-on course offers a unique opportunity to engage with complex philosophical concepts and enhance your analytical skills through a rigorous exploration of propositions and possibilities in philosophical discourse.

Course Format:

Duration: 12 hours (12 lectures)

Delivery: Class Room lectures, readings, and discussions

Assessment: Written Assignments, MCQ based quizzes, 30 marks

Course Modules:

1. Introduction to Philosophical Analysis (1 hour)
2. Distinction between Analytical and Synthetical Propositions (1 hour)
3. Determination of Analyticity of Proposition: Understanding Complexity (2 hours)
 - a) What precautions are required if we are to identify certain proposition as analytical?
 - b) Can a proposition be analytical at one time and not at another?
4. Possibility and Necessity: (3 hours)
 - a) Different types of possibilities and their relation
 - b) Conceivability, imaginability and logical possibility
 - c) Determination of possibility in Propositions
5. Distinction between a Priori and a Posteriori Propositions: (1 hour)
6. Possibility of Synthetic a Priori Proposition (2 hours)
 - a) What makes a proposition a priori and hence necessary?
 - b) How is Synthetic a priori proposition possible?
7. Arithmetical Proposition and Analyticity (1 hour)
8. Applications of Philosophical Analysis in Contemporary Issues (1 hour)

Resources: Recommended readings, supplementary materials, and online resources

An Introduction to Philosophical analysis, John Hospers

Darshanik Blishlesaner Ruprekha, Samaree Kanta Samanta

Darshanik Jiggasa, Rama Prosad Das

Course Objectives:

1. Examine the distinction between analytical and synthetical propositions.
2. Analyze the nature of possibility and necessity in philosophical discourse.
3. Explore key theories in logic and metaphysics related to propositions and possibilities.
4. Develop critical thinking skills through philosophical reasoning and argumentation.
5. Apply philosophical concepts to real-world scenarios for practical understanding.

Target Audience:

This course is designed for students with an interest in philosophy, logic, language, or epistemology. It is suitable for individuals seeking to deepen their understanding of analytical and synthetical propositions and explore the complexities of possibility in philosophical thought.

Instructor:

Faculties of the department