

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

LIST OF ADD-ON COURSES

1	BASIC COURSE ON MENTAL HEALTH AND STRESS MANAGEMENT
2	BASIC COURSE ON RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

IQAC recommendation

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Thanking you.

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Dept. Of Philosophy

1. Resolution of the departmental meeting held on

2. Proposal and course Structure.

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- 10. For those entering professional fields, basic research skills are increasingly valuable. Many careers demand the ability to analyze data, make evidence-based decisions, and contribute meaningfully to the development of knowledge in their respective fields

Basic Course on Research Methodology in Philosophy Program Schedule (15/09/2018-02/02/2019)

Basic Course on Research Methodology				
DAY	TOPICS	DURATION	Date & Time	Teacher
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Date 08-5-19

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Minutes of the Meeting

In this departmental Hesting dated 20th August 2019 the teachers of the department of Philosophy wanimously decided that both 1st and 3rd Son, students would be offered a

To

The Principal

Vivekananda College, Thakurpukur,

Kolkata 63

Respected sir,

This is to inform you that from this academic year we are including an Add-on course on "Mental Health and Stress Management for honours students of 1st Sem and 3rd Sem. of our department. Approximately 82 students of our department will be participating in this course. This course is scheduled to take place on Saturdays, from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm, your cooperation is highly appreciated.

Thanking you.

Basic Course on Mental Health and Stress Management

Now a days we live in a stressful life. We need peace and happiness which is not at all easy to earn. This basic course on Mental Health and Stress Management is really important because it helps people to feel better mentally and emotionally. They teach us how to handle stress and problems, making us stronger and more able to deal with difficulties. By learning about mental health, we can get rid of misunderstandings and shame about these issues. This knowledge helps us become healthier in our body and mind.

IMPORTANCE:

In today's fast-paced world, understanding mental health and managing stress is more important than ever. Here's why taking a basic course on these topics can make a real difference:

- 1. Enhancing Mental Well-being: This course helps you learn ways to take care of your mind, just like you would your body. It teaches you how to stay balanced, happy, and resilient, even when life gets tough.
- 2. Spotting Trouble Early: By learning about mental health, you can identify signs of stress, anxiety, or depression in yourself and others. This means you can get help sooner and prevent bigger problems down the line.
- 3. Boosting Productivity and Focus: Stress can really mess with your ability to concentrate and get things done. This course offers techniques to manage stress effectively, so you can stay focused and productive at work, school, and home.
- 4. Breaking Down Stigma: Talking openly about mental health helps reduce the shame and misunderstanding around it. This course encourages empathy and support, making it easier for everyone to seek and offer help.
- 5. Developing Coping Skills: Life throws all sorts of challenges our way. This course teaches practical skills like mindfulness, relaxation, and problem-solving to help you handle whatever comes your way.
- 6. Saving on Healthcare Costs: Mental health issues can lead to expensive healthcare needs. By learning how to manage your mental health, you might avoid some of these costs through early intervention and self-care.
- 7. Improving Relationships: Stress doesn't just affect you; it impacts those around you. Managing stress better can lead to healthier, more positive interactions with family, friends, and colleagues.
- 8. Supporting Overall Health: Your mental health is closely linked to your physical health. By managing stress and taking care of your mental well-being, you can improve your overall health and lead a more vibrant life.

SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR UNDER GRADUATE STUDENTS:

- In this competitive environment students find difficulties to choose career pathways other than academics which will relate to their subject knowledge. However now a days different types of courses related with Mental Health help them to find a new type of career on this topic.
- In our course, we teach students how to use meditation to handle stress. Meditation is linked to Yoga Philosophy, an ancient concept from India. Students of Degree Course of Philosophy Honours studying Yoga Philosophy. But in our course, it's not just theory. They actually practice meditation, applying what they learn
- in a hands-on way. So, alongside their serious studies, they get real-life experience with meditation to manage stress effectively.
- Not only honours students but students pursuing general degree will also get a chance to learn to manage stress and improve the mental health by joining in this course.
- Once students earn a diploma, they can use their expertise to work independently as freelancers. They can also assist others in dealing with stress. For example, they could offer services to help people manage stress better.

TENTITIVE TIMING

- Once in a week.
- After usual class time (3pm to 5:00pm).

PLANNING AND TENTATIVE DURATION OF THE COURSE

- Duration of the course- 15 days
- ❖ Students will be provided with theory and practical classes every week.
- ❖ After completing **15 days** of training students will be evaluated by a Project work and Paper Presentation.
- Theory materials and PPT recommendation will be provided by the respective faculty members.
- ❖ After successfully completing the entire course and submitting the project result and certificates will be given to students.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Evaluation as Paper and presentation will be at the end of the course period.

Basic Course on Mental Health and Stress Management					
DAY	TOPICS	DURATION	Date & Time	Teacher	
DAY 1	Introduction: What's in it for Learners? How Philosophy related with Mental Health and Stress Management. Focusing on Philosophy of Mind and Yoga Philosophy, Buddhist Philosophy	1+1= 2Hours	24/08/2019 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	PB TR	
DAY 2	Introduction to stress and tension: Definitions, causes, and effects on mental and physical health	1+1=2 Hours	31/08/2019 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TM PB	
DAY 3	i)Self-assessment tools for measuring stress level: use questionnaires for evaluation (ii)Identifying common triggers of stress (work, relationships, finances, etc. iii) Interaction with students regarding their problems or issues creates stress on their mind.	1+30 minutes+30 minutes=2 Hours.	02/09/2019 1.00pm- 2.30pm 2.30pm- 3.00pm	TM TR	
DAY 4	Benefits of Physical activities and exercises for stress relief: Theories and Practical Session on (i) Basic prāṇāyam, (ii) Meditation, (iii) Music and Art therapy. How these help to manage stress.	1Hour Theory 1Hour Practical	07/09/2019 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TM PB	
DAY 5	Introduction to concentration: (i) Definition, importance, and benefits in daily life. (ii)Factors affecting concentration	1+1=2 Hours	14/09/2019 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TM TR	
DAY 6	Understanding mental health: definition, importance, and misconceptions (Taboos related with Mental Health issues)	1+1=2 Hours	2/11/2019 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TM TR	
DAY 7	Techniques to calm the mind. (i)Breathing Exercise (ii)Music Therapy (iii)Building concentration through mental exercises, art therapy and games (Memory game, solving puzzle), Journaling (Express yourself by writing your mental dispositions)	1+1=2Hours	16/11/2019 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	PB TM	
DAY 8	Overview of common mental health disorders (anxiety, depression, PTSD, etc.) Signs, symptoms, and risk factors associated with different disorders	1+1=2Hours	04/01/2020 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TM TR	
DAY 9	Introduction to Mindfulness Exploring the concept of mindfulness, its origins, and its relevance in modern life. Ideas on some mindfulness practices	1+1=2Hours	11/01/2020 1.00pm- 2.00pm 	PB TM	

DAY 10	"Recognize your Soul Power." (Lecture with Power Point Presentation)	2Hours	18/01/2020 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	PB TM
DAY 11	Motivation	1+1=2Hours	08/02/2020 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	PB
DAY 12	Special interactive session for helping students to manage stress - Unlocking Minds: Journeying through Question &Answer for searching solutions	1+1=2Hours	15/02/2020 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TM TR
DAY 13	Continuation of Day 12 Program	2Hours	22/02/2020 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TR TM
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MAY 2020. DAY 14	PPT presentation by different groups of students.	2Hours	09/05/2020	PB TR AM
DAY 15	PPT Presentation: continuation of Day 14 program 30 minutes Cultural Program in google meet. The online certificate was sent to the students' email.	2Hours	17/05/2020 5.00pm- 7.00pm.	PB TR TM AM

Due to COVID-19 pandemic, some schedules were changed in the course and evaluation pattern.

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Thanking you.

Yours Faithfully,

Professor Tania Roy

HOD

Dept. Of Philosophy

Enclosure:

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VIVEKANANDA COLLEGE, THAKURPUKUR DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

Resolution of the online departmental meeting held on 29,03,2022

A) Tenchers present in the meeting:

1.Prof. Tania Roy

2. Prof. Pragya Bhattacharjee 29.3.2022

3. Dr. Minakshi Goswami Bhattacharya

4. Prof. Tushi Mistry

B) Minutes of the meeting

In the online Departmental Meeting dated 29/03/2022 teachers of department of Philosophy Anonymously decided that the students of 2nd, 4nd and 6nd Sem. would be offered a 30 hours Add-on Course on Research Methodology in Philosophy It was also decided in the meeting that Prof. Pragya Bhattacharjee of Dept of Philosophy would be the Course Coordinator Of the Add-on course for the academic Year 2021-2022.

The classes will start from 02/04/2022

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Department of Philosophy

Basic Course on Research Methodology in Philosophy

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DAY 15	Session 29 (1 hour): Final Research Presentations (Small Project work) Session 30 (1 hour): Course Conclusion.	1+1=2 Hours	18/06/2022 (online) 4.00pm-5.00pm 5.00pm-6.00pm	TR TM PB MB AM

ADD-ON COURSE: 2022-2023

IQAC recommendation

IQAC, Vivekananda College, Thakurpukur, met on 18th June 2022, to envisage, formulate and design Add-On Courses, beyond prescribed Curriculum. The IQAC has also decided to organise a program on staff training:

- A. It was decided that all the departments of Humanities, Science and Commerce would design and formulate 30 hour Add-On Courses for 2022-23, Academic calendar, as per UGC
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- F. IQAC would send its recommendations to the Principal/TIC for perusal and implementation.
- G. The IQAC would also organise a Staff Training programme 'Effective Working Style 'Conducted by IPE Of Professional Excellence On 25th June 2022.

IQAC Vivekananda College

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VIVERANANDA COLLEGE, THAKURPUKUR DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

Resolution of the Online Departmental meeting held on 31,10,2022

- A) Teachers present in the online meeting.

2. Prof. Pragya Bhartacharjee 31 10 22

3. Dr. Minakshi Goswami Bhattacharya Philipanin 3/10-24

4 Prof. Tushi Mistry A 3 11 10 L2

5 Prof. Amil Mondal, A. M. 21-10-2022

ii) Minutes of the meeting

In the online departmental meeting dated 31/10/2022 the teachers of the dept. of Philosophy unanimously decided that the Sem LIII&V honors students would be offered a 30 -hours Add-on Course on "Mental Health and Stress Management". It was decided in the meeting that Prof. Pragya Bhattacharjee & Dr. Minakshi Goswami Bhattacharyya of Dept. Of Philosophy would be the course Coordinator for the Add-on Course of "Mental Health & Stress Management" for Academic Session 2022-23

To

The Principal

Vivekananda College

Thakurpukur, Kolkata

Respected Sir

This is to inform you that from this academic year we are introducing an Add-On course on

"Mental Health and Stress Management" for honors students of Sem I, III & V of our department.

Approximately 72 students our department will be participating in this course. This course is scheduled to take place on Saturdays or in online mode from 1.00pm to

Your cooperation is highly appreciated.

Thanking you.

Yours Faithfully,

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Prof. Tania Roy

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- 2. Proposal and course Structure

Basic Course on Mental Health and Stress Management

Now a days we live in a stressful life. We need peace and happiness which is not at all easy to earn. This basic course on Mental Health and Stress Management is really important because it helps people to feel better mentally and emotionally. They teach us how to handle stress and problems, making us stronger and more able to deal with difficulties. By learning about mental health, we can get rid of misunderstandings and shame about these issues. This knowledge helps us become healthier in our body and mind.

IMPORTANCE:

This basic course on mental health and stress management hold significant importance in today's fast and challenging world due to several reasons:

- **1. Increase Mental Well-being:** The course provides individuals with essential skills and knowledge to maintain and increase their mental well-being.
- **2. Prevention and Early Intervention:** Education on mental health helps in identifying early signs of stress, anxiety, depression, and other mental health concerns. This knowledge empowers individuals to seek help or support early, preventing the growth of mental health issues.
- **3. Improved Productivity and Performance:** Effective stress management techniques lead to increased productivity, better concentration, and improved performance in various areas of life, including work, academics, and personal relationships.
- **4. Reduced Stigma:** Education about mental health care for a better understanding and empathy toward individuals facing mental health challenges. It helps in breaking societal stigmas and misconceptions surrounding mental illnesses, creating a more supportive environment.
- **5. Improved Coping Skills:** Learning stress management techniques provide individuals with practical tools to cope with life's challenges. These skills include mindfulness, relaxation techniques, time management, and problem-solving strategies.
- **6. Healthcare Cost Reduction:** Mental health issues contribute significantly to healthcare costs. By promoting mental health education and stress management, individuals may adopt preventive measures, potentially reducing healthcare expenses in the long run.
- **7.** Positive Impact on Interpersonal Relationships: Managing stress and understanding mental health not only beneficial for individuals but also positively influence their

relationships. Effective stress management can lead to better communication and healthier interactions within families, workplaces, and communities.

8. Overall Health Improvement: Mental health significantly impacts physical health. Managing stress and maintaining good mental health can positively influence overall health outcomes and contribute to a healthier lifestyle.

SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR UNDER GRADUATE STUDENTS:

- In this competitive environment students find difficulties to choose career pathways other than academics which will relate to their subject knowledge. However now a days different types of courses related with Mental Health help them to find a new type of career on this topic.
- In our course, we teach students how to use meditation to handle stress. Meditation is linked to Yoga Philosophy, an ancient concept from India. Students of Degree Course of Philosophy Honours studying Yoga Philosophy. But in our course, it's not just theory. They actually practice meditation, applying what they learn in a handson way. So, alongside their serious studies, they get real-life experience with meditation to manage stress effectively.
- Not only honours students but students pursuing general degree will also get a chance to learn to manage stress and improve the mental health by joining in this course.
- Once students earn a diploma, they can use their expertise to work independently as freelancers. They can also assist others in dealing with stress. For example, they could offer services to help people manage stress better.

TENTITIVE TIMING

- Once in a week.
- After usual class time (3pm to 5:00pm)/ Online mode

PLANNING AND TENTATIVE DURATION OF THE COURSE

- Duration of the course- 15 days
- Students will be provided with theory and practical classes every week.
- ❖ After completing **15 days** of training students will be evaluated by a Project work and Paper Presentation.
- ❖ Theory materials and PPT recommendation will be provided by the respective faculty members.

❖ After successfully completing the entire course and submitting the project result and certificates will be given to students.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Evaluation as Paper and presentation will be at the end of the course period.

В	Basic Course on Mental Health and Stress Management					
DAY	TOPICS	DURATION	Date & Time	Teacher		
DAY 1	Introduction: What's in it for Learners? How Philosophy related with Mental Health and Stress Management. Focusing on Philosophy of Mind and Yoga Philosophy, Buddhist Philosophy	1+1= 2Hours	05/11/2022 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	PB MB		
DAY 2	Introduction to stress and tension: Definitions, causes, and effects on mental and physical health	1+1=2 Hours	12/11/2022 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TM TR		
DAY 3	i)Self-assessment tools for measuring stress level: use questionnaires for evaluation (ii)Identifying common triggers of stress (work, relationships, finances, etc. iii) Interaction with students regarding their problems or issues creates stress on their mind.	1+30 minutes+30 minutes=2 Hours.	19/11/2022 1.00pm- 2.30pm 2.30pm- 3.00pm	PB MB		
DAY 4	Benefits of Physical activities and exercises for stress relief: Theories and Practical Session on (i) Basic prāṇāyam, (ii) Meditation, (iii) Music and Art therapy. How these help to manage stress.	1Hour Theory 1Hour Practical	26/11/2022 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	MB PB		
DAY 5	Introduction to concentration: (i) Definition, importance, and benefits in daily life. (ii)Factors affecting concentration	1+1=2 Hours	03/12/2022 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TM TR		
DAY 6	Understanding mental health: definition, importance, and misconceptions(Taboos related with mental Health issues)	1+1=2 Hours	10/12/2022 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TM TR		

DAY 7	Techniques to calm the mind. (i)Breathing Exercise (ii)Music Therapy (iii)Building concentration through mental exercises, art therapy and games (Memory game, solving puzzle), Journaling(Express yourself by writing your mental dispositions)	1+1=2Hours	17/12/2022 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	PB MB
DAY 8	Overview of common mental health disorders (anxiety, depression, PTSD, etc.) Signs, symptoms, and risk factors associated with different disorders	1+1=2Hours	24/12/2022 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	TM TR
DAY 9	Introduction to Mindfulness Exploring the concept of mindfulness, its origins, and its relevance in modern life. Ideas on some mindfulness practices	1+1=2Hours	27/12/2022 4.00pm- 5.00pm 6.00pm- 7.00pm (Online)	MB AM
DAY 10	"Recognize your Soul Power." (Lecture with Power Point Presentation)	2Hours	30/12/2022 5.00pm- 7.00pm (Online)	РВ
DAY 11	Motivation	1+1=2Hours	07/01/2023 1.00pm- 2.00pm 2.00pm- 3.00pm	MB TM
DAY 12	Special interactive session for helping students to manage stress -Unlocking Minds: Journeying through Question &Answer for searching solutions	1+1=2Hours	14/01/2023 (online) 4.00pm- 6.00pm	MB PB TM TR AM
DAY 13	Continuation of Day 12 Program	2Hours	25/02/2023 1.00pm to 3.00pm	MB TR PB TM
	Classes were not taken due to CU			
DAY 14	Paper Presentation by students	2Hours	1/04/2023	MB