

WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY

(*Barasat, North 24 Parganas*)

SYLLABUS FOR M.A. IN SANSKRIT

With a view to providing quality Sanskrit education to the students of the West Bengal State University, Barasat, a comprehensive syllabus is framed. An attempt has been made to incorporate modern Sanskrit literature with the traditional subjects so as to make students aware of the holistic approach of Sanskrit literature. Our goal is to equip students with the skill of communicating in Sanskrit while they are getting acquainted with the charm and treasure of Sanskrit literature. The two year Sanskrit M.A. course has two parts : the part I for 1st year and Part II for 2nd year. The course is further divided into 4 semesters : I and II semesters for part I & III and IV semesters for part II. Each semester includes 4 papers of 50 marks apiece. The 1st year course includes all compulsory papers while the 2nd year course offers subjects for specialization. Under specialization in the 2nd year (Part II) the option taken in the semester III should be continued in the semester IV too. No changes can be made under any circumstances.

PART -I

SEMESTER - I

	Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Selected hymns with Sāyaṇa's commentary From the Ṛg Veda	20
	Ṛgvedic Hymns with Sāyaṇa's Commentary Sūkta : 1.1-3, Viśvāmitra-nadī-saṁvāda III.33, Puruṣasūkta X.90, Nāsadiya Sūkta X-129	
Unit II	Hymns from other Vedas : Atharvavedic Hymns with Sāyaṇa's Commentary Varuṇa(IV.16), Kāla(XIX.53), Pṛthivi(XII.1) Vājaśaneyī saṁhitā (Uvata) 34 (Śivasarṁkalpopaniṣad)	20
Unit III	Ṛg Veda Bhāṣyabhūmicā by Sāyaṇa	10
	Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
	(Pāṇiniyan Grammar)	
Unit I :	Siddhāntakaumudī - Saṁjñā & Paribhāṣāprakaraṇa	15
Unit II	Ac Sandhi	10
Unit III	Ajanta Purnliṅga	10
Unit IV	Tinanta Prakaraṇa : bhū& edh; kṛtya pratyaya	15

Paper III**50 marks (4cp)**

(Bhāṣāpariccheda by Viśvanātha (Kārikāvalī) with general acquaintance of the Muktāvalī)

Unit I :	Pratyakṣa Khaṇḍa	20
Unit II	Anumāna Khaṇḍa	15
Unit III	Upamāna and the rest	15

Paper IV**50 marks (4cp)**

(Poetics)

Unit I :	Kāvya Prakāśa : Ullāsa I	10
Unit II	Kāvya Prakāśa : Ullāsa II	10
Unit III	Kāvya Prakāśa : Ullāsa IX	10
Unit IV	Kāvya Prakāśa : Ullāsa X	10
Unit V :	Dhvanyāloka : Udyota I	10

SEMESTER - II**Paper I****50 marks (4cp)**

(Brāhmaṇas, Upaniṣads & Nirukta)

Unit I :	Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa X 1.5.6.1-9. Pañcamahāyajña, Taittirīya Brāhmaṇa III 10.11 Vidyāpraśarṇsā Taittirīya Upaniṣad 2.7-9, Kathopaniṣad Adhyāya I, Kenopaniṣad Khaṇḍas I-II	30
Unit II	Nirukta. Adhyāya I, II. 1-4, VII.1-13	20

Paper II**50 marks (4cp)**

(Linguistics & Mahābhāṣya)

Unit I :	Linguistics (IE family of languages & Development of OIA)	25
Unit II	Mahābhāṣya : Paspasā	25

Paper III**50 marks (4cp)**

(Philosophy other than Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika)

Unit I :	Samkhya-kārikā	15
Unit II	Yoga Sūtra : Samādhi Pāda	10
Unit III	Vedantasāra of Sadānanda	15
Unit IV	Arthasaṃgraha	10

Paper IV**50 marks (4cp)**

(Dramaturgy, Modern Sanskrit Literature & History of Sanskrit Literature)

Unit I :	Daśarupaka : Chapter I	15
Unit II	Modern Sanskrit Literature (Cipiṭaka Carvanam)	10
Unit III	History of Sanskrit Poetics	15
Unit IV	History of Sanskrit Philosophical Literature	10

PART -II
SEMESTER - III
Option I

(Specialization - Veda)

Paper I

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Atharvaveda Hymns : I.1 Āyusya VIII. I. 1 - 10 Pārṣṇi sūkta X. 2 Rātri XIX.47	25
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Unit II	Bhāṣyabhūmikā of Taittirīya, Kāṇva and Atharvaveda Samhitā	25
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Paper II

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Aitareya Brāhmaṇa (Sāyaṇa) 1.1- 6 (Dīkṣāñīyeṣṭi)	25
Unit II	Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa Kāṇḍa (Vājapeya)	25

Paper III

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Aitareya Āraṇyaka with Sāyaṇa II.2.1-2 Taittirīya Āraṇyaka with Sāyaṇa 1.2	25
Unit II	Muṇḍakopaniṣad	25

Paper IV

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Āśvalāyana Śrautasūtra, chapter I	25
Unit II	Gobhilaḡrhyasūtra (Upanayana, Vivāha, Antyeṣṭi Prakaraṇa)	25

Option II

(Specialization - Pāṇiniyan Grammar)

Paper I

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	History of Pre-Pāṇiniyan & Post-Pāṇiniyan Schools of grammarians	30
Unit II	Pāṇinidarśanam (Sarvadarśana Saṁgraha)	20

Paper II

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Pāṇinīya Śikṣā	20
Unit II	Aṣṭādhyāyī - Pratyāharaprakaraṇam (with the Kāśikā & Nyāsa)	30

Paper III

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Vaiyākaraṇabhūṣaṇasāra (Dhātvarthanirṇaya)	20
Unit II	Paramalaghumañjuṣā (Sphotanirūpaṇam)	10
Unit III	Paribhāṣenduśekhara (Sāstratvasampādakaprakaraṇam)	20

Paper IV

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Prauḍamanoramā (Kārakaprakaraṇam)	25
Unit II	Siddhāntakaumudī (Taddhitaprakaraṇam) (Taddhite Sādhāraṇa Pratyaya, Saiṣikaprakaraṇam and Matvarthiyaprakaraṇam)	25

Option III

(Specialization - Sāhitya)

Paper I

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Kāvyaṅgādhara : Ullasā IV & V	25
Unit II	Rasagaṅgādhara : (Ist ānana) upto Rasanirūpaṅam	25

Paper II

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Buddhacarita (Canto - III)	25
Unit II	Raghuvamśa (Canto - XIV)	25

Paper III

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Mṛcchakaṭīka	25
Unit II	Mudrārākṣaṣa	25

Paper IV

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Harṣacarita (Ucchvasa - V)	25
Unit II	Daśakumāracarita (Ucchvasa -VIII) (Viśrutacarita)	25

Option IV

(Specialization - Darśana)

Paper I

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Sarvadarśana Saṁgraha (Bauddha)	25
Unit II	Sarvadarśana Saṁgraha (Jaina)	25

Paper II

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Nyāyasūtra with Vātsāyana Bhāṣya - I.I.I - I.I.8.	25
Unit II	Vaiśeṣikasūtra with general acquaintance with Upaskāra	25

Paper III

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Yuktidīpikā	25
Unit II	Yogasūtra (Samādhīpāda with Vyāsabhaṣya and Tatvavaiśārādī)	25

Paper IV

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Mānameyodaya	25
Unit II	Vedāntaparibhaṣā	25

Option V

(Specialization - Sāṁkhya-Yogā)

Paper I

50 marks (4cp)

Unit I :	Pre-Kārikā Sāṁkhya philosophers; Sāṁkhya thoughts in Vedas, Upaniṣads, Mahābhārata, Caraka and Suśruta.	15
Unit II	Pre-Patañjali Yogā, Sāṁkhya -Yogā theories, relationship between Sāṁkhya and Yogā	15
Unit III :	Śvetāśvataropaniṣad	20

	Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Sāmkhyasūtra with Pravacanabhāṣya(Ch.I & II)	20
Unit II	Sāmkhyasūtra with Pravacanabhāṣya(Ch.V)	15
Unit III	Yogasārasaṁgraha	15

	Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Yogasūtra with Tattvavaisāradi (Samādhipāda and Sādhanaṣāda)	25
Unit II	Yogasūtra with Tattvavaisāradi (Bibhūtipada and Kaivalyapāda)	25

	Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Vijñānamṛtabhāṣya (Sūtras 1-5)	20
Unit II	Brahmasūtra with Śāṅkarabhāṣya Ch. 1.1 Sūtras 1-5 Ch. 2.1 Sūtras 1-14 Ch. 2.2 Sūtras 1-17	30

Option VI

(Specialization - Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika)

	Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	History of Nyāya- Vaiśeṣika Literature	15
Unit II	Vaiśeṣika Sūtra (with general acquaintance with Upaskāra)	35

	Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Nyāyamañjarī (Prathama Āhnika)	25
Unit II	Prāśastapādabhaṣya (Dravya section & Nyāyakandali on Uddeśaprakaraṇa only)	25

	Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Nyāyabhāṣāpradīpa	25
Unit II	Vyāptipañcaka : (Prathamalakṣaṇa only)	25

	Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Sarvadarśana Saṁgraha (Baudha)	25
Unit II	Sarvadarśana Saṁgraha (Jaina)	25

Option VII

(Specialization - Vedānta)

	Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Schools of Vedānta	30
Unit II	Comparative study : Vedānta, Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika, Sāmkhya-Yoga	20

	Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Vedānta Paribhāṣā : Pratyakṣakhaṇḍa	25
Unit II :	Māṇḍukyopaniṣad with Śaṅkara's commentary	25

	Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Brahmasūtra : Catuṣsūtrī with Bhāmatī's gloss	20
Unit II :	Tattvapradīpikā : Svaprakāśalakṣaṇa	20
Unit III :	Chāndogyopaniṣad : chapter VI	10

	Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Pañcapādikā on Adhyāsabhāṣya of Śaṅkarāchārya	20
Unit II :	Pañcapādikāvivaraṇa on the text above	20
Unit III :	Practical Vedānta as demonstrated in the lives of Śrī Rāmakṛṣṇa, The Holy Mother Sāradā Devī, Svāmī Vivekānanda and Ramaṇa Maharṣi	10

Option VIII

(Specialization - Ancient Indian Sciences in Sanskrit)

	Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	History of Ancient Indian Sciences in Sanskrit	20
Unit II :	Saṁskṛita Vijñāna Vaibhavam (Vol. I & II) Published by Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupati	30

	Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Caraka Saṁhitā (Selections)	25
Unit II :	Suśruta Saṁhitā (Selections)	25

	Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Vedic Mathematics (Published by Motilal Banarasidas)	30
Unit II :	Chapīyatrikonaḡaṇitam (Pub. by Chowkhamba Sanskrit Sansthan)	20

	Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Saṁskritavaṅmaye Kṛṣivijñānam (Pub. by Delhi Sans. Academy)	25
Unit II :	Vāstumañjarī of Sutradhāranātha (Pub. by Chowkhamba Sanskrit Series office)	25

SEMESTER - IV
Option I
(Specialization - Veda)

		Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Mimāmsānyāyaprakāśa of Āpodeva		25
Unit II	Vedic Metre : Piṅgala's chandahsūtra (Vaidikachandahprakriyā)		25

		Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Ṛkprātiśākhya, Paṭala I - III, X		25
Unit II	Nirukta, III, VII, X		25

		Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	A Critical Survey of the Saṁhitās, Brāhmaṇas, Vedāṅgas and Upaniṣads		25
Unit II	Western and modern Indian interpretations of the Veda		25

		Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Kātyāyana Śulvasūtra (Selections)		20
Unit II	Dissertation/ Project		30

Option II
(Specialization - Pāṇiniyan grammar)

		Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Vākyapadiyam - Brahmakāṇḍam		50

		Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Mahābhāṣyam (1.4.23 - 54) (with general acquaintance with Pradīpa & Uddyota)		50

		Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Laghuśabdenduśekhara (Saṁjñāprakaraṇa)		20
Unit II	Nyāyasiddhantamuktāvalī (Śabdakāṇḍa)		15
Unit III	Vyutpattivāda - (upto ghato ghatah)		15

		Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Pāṇiniyan grammar vis-a-vis modern linguistics		20
Unit II	Dissertation / Project		30

Option III
(Specialization - Sāhitya)

		Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Vakroktijīvita Unmeṣa I, IV, V & VI		25
Unit II :	Kāvyaṁīmāṁsā		25
		Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Śiśupālavadha : Canto I		25
Unit II :	Naiṣadhacaritam : Canto I		25
		Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Uttararāmacaritam : Act I		25
Unit II :	Nāṭyaśāstra of Bharata : Chapters I & II		25
		Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Indian and Western theories of poetics		20
Unit II :	Dissertation / Project		30

Option IV
(Specialization - Darśana)

		Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Nyāyavindu		30
Unit II :	Ṣaḍdarśana-Samuccaya Lokāyatamata with Guṇaratna's Commentary		20
		Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Sāṁkhyasūtra with Sāṁkhyapravacana Bhāṣya		30
Unit II :	Brahmasūtra with Śāṅkara Bhāṣya 2.1.1 - 2.1.3, 2.2.1 - 2.2.10		20
		Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Brahmasūtra with Śāṅkara Bhāṣya. (catuhsūtrī) with Adyāsabhāṣya		25
Unit II :	Indian Philosophical literature.		25
		Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Main Philosophical theories : Indian & Western		20
Unit II :	Dissertation / Project		30

Option V
(Specialization - Sāṁkhya-Yogā)

		Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Sāṁkhyakārikā (Kārikās 1-22) with Tattvakaumudī		20
Unit II :	Sāṁkhyakārikā (Kārikās 23-72)		30

	Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Sāṃkhyasārā (Purvārdha)	20
Unit II :	Sāṃkhyakārikā with Yuktīpikā (Āhnikas I,II,V,VI)	30

	Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Methods of meditation, mental stress of modern life & Yogasūtra with Bhojavṛtti (Samādhīpāda only)	20
Unit II :	Yogavārtika (Samādhīpāda)	15
Unit III :	Yogavārtika (Sādhānāpāda)	15

	Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Bauddhadarśana from Sarvadarśanasamgraha	10
Unit II :	Jainadarśana from Sarvadarśanasamgraha	10
Unit III :	Dissertation/Project	30

Option VI

(Specialization - Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika)

	Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
	Nyāyasūtra 1.1.1-8 (with Bhāṣya and general acquaintance with Vārtika and Tātparyatikā)	50
	Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
	Nyāyakusumāñjali (Kārikā only)	50

	Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Siddhanta-lakṣaṇa (Jāgadīśī on dīdhiti)	30
Unit II :	Vyutpattivāda (upto ghato ghatah)	20

	Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Indian logic and Western logic	15
Unit II :	Dissertation / Project	35

Option VII

(Specialization - Vedānta)

	Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Brahma Sūtra with Śrībhāṣya	20
Unit II :	Sarvadarśanasamgraha (Śāṅkaradarśana)	20
Unit III :	Comparative study of Vivaraṇa & Bhāmatī schools of Advaita Vedānta	10

	Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Siddhāntaleśasamgraha (chapter I)	25
Unit II :	Advaitasiddhi (Mīthātvanirūpaṇam)	25

	Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Brahmasūtras with Śaṅkara's commentary (Ch.II.II.1-17)	20
Unit II	Pañcadaśī	20
Unit III	Māṇḍūkya-kārikā (Vaitathya-prakarāṇa)	10

	Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Brahmasūtra catuḥsūtrī with Govindabhāṣya	15
Unit II	Dissertation / Project	35

Option VIII

(Specialization - Ancient Indian Sciences in Sanskrit)

	Paper I	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Śilpapraśāsa of Rāmachandra Mahāpātra Kaulabhāṭṭāraka (Published by Motilal Banarasidas)	25
Unit II	Mayamatam	25

	Paper II	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Muhūrtacintāmaṇi of Sri Rāmachārya (Published by Motilal Banarasidas)	25
Unit II	Sūryasiddhānta	25

	Paper III	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Aṣṭāṅgahṛdayam of Vāgbhata (Selections)	20
Unit II	Bhaisajyaratnāvalī	20
Unit III :	Ṛkṣāyurveda	10

	Paper IV	50 marks (4cp)
Unit I :	Ancient Indian Sciences vis-a-vis Modern Sciences	20
Unit II	Dissertation / Project	35