

AKAL UNIVERSITY

TALWANDI SABO

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Syllabus

For

Master of Arts (Hons.) in English

(2024-2026)

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH STUDIES

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

8. M.A. (Hons.) English Course Structure

8.1. Choice Based Credit System: M.A. (Hons.) English is based upon the Choice based Credit System chosen by Akal University.

8.2. Type of Courses: According to the Choice based Credit System (CBCS) the curriculum includes following types of courses.

- **Core Course – CC:** Core Courses are the mandatory courses for students of MA (Hons) to get an in-depth knowledge of the given subject.
- **Discipline Specific Elective Course – DSE:** These courses give the student an option to specialize in specific areas under the subject. A Student of M.A. (Hons) will study a total of 6 Subject Based Elective Courses (DSE) as per the curriculum.
- **Skill Enhancement Course – SEC:** These courses are offered to the students in order to enhance their skills in different domains of the field. These courses help the students to get research skills, a necessity in the academia.
- **Dissertation**

8.3. Number of courses to be taken for the completion of the degree and credits per course

Course Type	Credits per Courses	Min No. of Courses to be taken	
CC	5	10	10*5 = 50
DSE	5	6	05*6 = 30
Dissertation	10	1	10*1 = 10
Total	20	17	90

Students will get the degree of M.A. (Hons.) English only after completing 90 Credits from 17 courses.

8.4. Pattern of Courses per Semester

Semester	Core Course (CC) 5 credits each	Discipline Specific Elective Course (DSE)	Total Credits
Sem-I	CC-1 CC-2 CC-3	DSE 1 - 5 credits DSE 2 - 5 credits	25
Sem-II	CC-4 CC-5 CC-6	DSE 3 - 5 credits	20
Sem-III	CC-7 CC-8	DSE 4 - 5 credits DSE 5 - 5 credits OR SEC 1 – 3 credits + LAB 1 – 2 credits	20
Sem-IV	CC-9 CC-10	DSE 6 - 5 credits	15
	Diss – 10 credits		10
Total	50 + 10	30	90

Note:

- Any change in the content and structure of Core Courses (CC) may affect the primary objectives and achievements of this M.A. (Hons.) English Course.
- University may add new courses in categories like AECC, SEC, DSE, GE etc., depending on the availability of required resources and experts.
- The Department, Board of Studies, University can change or modify the content and structure of any course.

8.5. List of Courses in M.A. (Hons.) English

Core Courses (CC)

- ENG06C103 British Poetry
- ENG06C105 British Drama
- ENG06C106 Introduction to Language and Linguistics
- ENG06C205 Introduction to Cultural Studies
- ENG06C207 Critical Approaches to Literature
- ENG06C209 British Fiction and Prose
- ENG06C305 Modern Indian Writings in English
- ENG06C306 Modern Literary Theory
- ENG06C402 Indian Writings in Translation
- ENG06C403 Comparative Literature: Theoretical Foundations

Discipline Specific Elective Courses (DSE)

- ENG06EX01 Survey of British Literature
- ENG06EX02 African and Caribbean Literatures
- ENG06EX03 Australian and Canadian Literatures
- ENG06EX04 European Classics
- ENG06EX05 Indian Cultural Studies
- ENG06EX06 Visual Cultural Studies
- ENG06EX07 Introduction to Digital Humanities
- ENG06EX08 Applied Comparative Literature
- ENG06EX09 ELT Materials & Syllabus Design
- ENG06EX10 Assessment, Language Testing & Evaluation
- ENG06EX11 Current Trends in ELT
- ENG06EX12 Second Language Acquisition
- ENG06EX13 Morphology, Syntax and Semantics
- ENG06EX14 Principles of Phonetics & Phonology
- ENG06EX15 Literature and Cinema I
- ENG06EX16 Literature and Cinema II
- ENG06EX17 Postcolonial Literature I
- ENG06EX18 Postcolonial Writings
- ENG06EX19 Cultural Studies I
- ENG06EX20 Cultural Studies II
- ENG06EX21 History of British Literature I: Old English Period to Pre-Romantics
- ENG06EX22 History of British Literature II: Romantic Age to Postmodern Seminar-I
- ENG06EX23 Seminar-II
- ENG06EX24 Introduction to Psycholinguistics
- ENG06EX25 Fundamentals of Literary Criticism
- ENG06EX26 American Literature: An Overview

Discipline Specific Elective Lab Courses (DSE LAB)

- ENG06LX01 Advanced Phonetics Lab
- ENG06LX02 ELT Assessment and Evaluation Lab

Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC)

- ENG06KX01 Research in Language Sciences
- ENG06KX02 Workshop on Academic Communication
- ENG06KX03 Research in Literature

9. Teaching Learning Process

The process of teaching and learning includes the following methods

- **Lectures:** The courses of the entire program are shared with the students in an interesting and detailed manner through the classroom lecture method. This helps the student to get a comprehensive knowledge of the related subject along with addressing their doubts.
- **Tutorial:** Tutorials provide opportunities for closer interaction between students and teachers, which takes into account the individual needs of each student.
- **Mentoring:** Mentoring is an important part of the teaching and learning process in this programme as the teacher strives to understand each student's progress and his or her individual problems and addresses them.
- **Assignments and Projects:** Assignments and projects are also given to the students in the process of teaching and learning in this program.
- **Practical:** Some courses have a practical section under which students will do practical in the lab or classroom as demanded in the syllabus.
- **Monday Test:** Assessment includes Monday Tests for the continuity of students' learning process, which will help in identifying the strengths and weaknesses of the learning-teaching process and making necessary improvements during the semester. It is through this process that the difficult and easy parts of the concepts being taught, as well as the bright and weak students are continuously identified.
- **Remedial Classes:** This ensures that weaker students are not left behind in the learning process.

10. Assessment Method & Instructions for Paper Setter:

From the point of view of evaluator, the assessment of the course is divided into three parts.

- **Internal Assessment (20 Marks):** Internal Assessment is made by the subject tutor based on the performance and participation of student in Monday test, attendance and daily learning behavior in the classroom. It could also include quizzes and assignments for some or all courses as per requirement of the student's learning level.
- **MCQs or Multiple-Choice Questions:** Each student has to attend an MCQ test, which will be taken at the end of the semester. The student has to answer 20 questions in total. 1 mark will be awarded for each correct answer and 0.25 marks will be deducted for each wrong answer. No marks will be awarded/deducted for questions not attempted.
- **Theory Examination:** Student has to write a theory paper with a total duration of three hours. It will have 60 marks. The question paper will be divided into 5 parts. In the first part of the question paper, 6 questions with short answers will be asked from all the parts of the syllabus with the same representation. All the questions are compulsory in this section, each question carries 2 marks ($2 \times 6 = 12$). The remaining 4 sections will have 2 questions from each section of the syllabus, out of which one has to be answered. Each question carries 12 marks ($12 \times 4 = 48$).

11. Semester Wise Scheme of Teaching & Examination

SEMESTER: I SCHEME OF TEACHING & EXAMINATION

NATURE OF COURSE	COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME/TITLE	SCHEDULE OF TEACHING (CR. HRS. PER WEEK)				MARKS		
			LECTURE	TUTORIAL	PRACTICAL	TOTAL CREDITS	INTERNAL	MULTIPLE CHOICE EXAMINATION	END SEMESTER EXAMINATION
CORE 1	ENG06C103	BRITISH POETRY	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
CORE 2	ENG06C105	BRITISH DRAMA	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
CORE 3	ENG06C106	INTRODUCTION TO LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
DSE 1*	ENG06EXXX	FROM LIST/ FUNDAMENTALS OF LITERARY CRITICISM	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
DSE 2*	ENG06EXXX	FROM LIST	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
		TOTAL	20	5	-	25	100	100	300

“Core” indicates Core course; A core course is that knowledge which is deemed to be essential for students registered for a particular Program.

“DSE” indicates Discipline Specific Elective Course.

ALL courses may include Term Paper in part or in full as a component of Internal Assessment.

*From List.

SEMESTER: II SCHEME OF TEACHING & EXAMINATION

NATURE OF COURSE	COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME/TITLE	SCHEDULE OF TEACHING (CR. HRS. PER WEEK)				MARKS		
			LECTURE	TUTORIAL	PRACTICAL	TOTAL CREDITS	INTERNAL	MULTIPLE CHOICE EXAMINATION	END SEMESTER EXAMINATION
CORE 4	ENG06C205	INTRODUCTION TO CULTURAL STUDIES	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
CORE 5	ENG06C207	CRITICAL APPROACHES TO LITERATURE	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
CORE 6	ENG06C209	BRITISH FICTION AND PROSE	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
DSE 3*	ENG06EXXX	FROM LIST/	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
		TOTAL	16	4	-	20	80	80	240

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SEMESTER: III SCHEME OF TEACHING & EXAMINATION

NATURE OF COURSE	COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME/TITLE	SCHEDULE OF TEACHING (CR. HRS. PER WEEK)				MARKS		
			LECTURE	TUTORIAL	PRACTICAL	TOTAL CREDITS	INTERNAL	MULTIPLE CHOICE EXAMINATION	END SEMESTER EXAMINATION
CORE 7	ENG06C305	MODERN INDIAN WRITINGS IN ENGLISH	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
CORE 8	ENG06C306	MODERN LITERARY THEORY	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
DSE 5*	ENG06EXXX	FROM LIST/	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
DSE 6* or SEC 1 and LAB 1	ENG06EXXX	FROM LIST/	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
	ENG06KXXX	FROM LIST	3	-	-	3			
	ENG06LXXX	FROM LIST	-	-	2	2			
		TOTAL	15	3	3	20	80	80	240

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“DSE LAB” indicates Lab Components of a Discipline Specific Elective Course. “SEC” indicates Skill Enhancement Course.

ALL courses may include Term Paper in part or in full as a component of Internal Assessment.

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**Or any other equivalent course offered.

SEMESTER: IV SCHEME OF TEACHING & EXAMINATION

NATURE OF COURSE	COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME/TITLE	SCHEDULE OF TEACHING (CR. HRS. PER WEEK)				MARKS		
			LECTURE	TUTORIAL	PRACTICAL	TOTAL CREDITS	INTERNAL	MULTIPLE CHOICE EXAMINATION	END SEMESTER EXAMINATION
CORE 9	ENG06C402	INDIAN WRITINGS IN TRANSLATION	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
CORE 10	ENG06C403	COMPARATIVE LITERATURE: THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
DSE 7	ENG06EXXX	FROM LIST	4	1	-	5	20	20	60
DISS	ENG06D401	DISSERTATION	-	-	10	10	-	50 (VIVA-VOCE)	150 (PROJECT)
		TOTAL	12	3	10	25	60	110	330

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“DSE LAB” indicates Lab Components of a Discipline Specific Elective Course.

“SEC” indicates Skill Enhancement Course.

“DISS” indicates a Dissertation Project

ALL courses may include Term Paper in part or in full as a component of Internal Assessment.

*From List.