

1.	Title of the course	Philosophical Discourse of Modernity
2.	Course number	HS609L
3.	Structure of credits	3-0-0-3
4.	Offered to	PG
5.	New course/modification to	Modification To HS6025/8
6.	To be offered by	Department of Humanities and Social Sciences
7.	To take effect from	July 2022
8.	Prerequisite	Nil
9.	<b>Course Objective(s):</b> The course is designed to enable students to understand the theories of individualism and rationality as formulated in modernity, and to take stock of the ill consequences of these two modern ideals. Further, it aims to introduce the subsequent attempts to respond to the maladies of modernity and formulate a revised project of modernity to the students.	
10.	<b>Course Content:</b> The cognitive individual in Descartes's Cogito, ergo sum; Hume's attack on rationality; Kant's attempt at revising Cartesian project of individualism; Husserl's thesis of crisis in European Sciences, MacIntyre's diagnosis of nihilism underlying the project of modernity; Taylor's attempt to revise the project of modernity	
11.	<b>Textbook(s):</b> 1. Habermas J, <i>The Philosophical Discourse of Modernity Twelve Lectures</i> , MIT Press (1990). 2. Taylor C, <i>Sources of the Self The Making of the Modern Identity</i> , Harvard University (1992).	
12.	<b>Reference(s):</b> 1. Descartes R, <i>Discourse on the Method</i> , Hackett Publishing Co. Inc (1998). 2. MacIntyre A, <i>After Virtue: A Study in Moral Theory</i> , University of Notre Dame Press (2007). 3. Husserl E, <i>The Crisis of European Sciences and Transcendental Phenomenology: An Introduction to Phenomenological Philosophy</i> , Northwestern University Press (1970).	