

**HUMANITIES &
SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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COURSE DURATION : Jan-Feb 2017 **CORE / ELECTIVE :** Core **UG / PG:** Both

PRE-REQUISITES : Nil

INTENDED AUDIENCE : Humanities, law, management students

INDUSTRIES APPLICABLE TO : Universities and colleges, research organizations

COURSE OUTLINE : This course introduces some basic concepts of the discipline Ethics, which will be of relevance to students of all disciplines, particularly to social sciences, humanities, law, business management and philosophy. Along with the historical evolution of the discipline, this course examines some important theoretical frameworks and analyses certain ethical challenges facing our society and humanity in general in the contemporary world.

ABOUT INSTRUCTOR : I work in the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Madras as Professor of Philosophy and teach courses in Western philosophy, ethics and professional ethics. My research interests include ethics, phenomenology and hermeneutics.

COURSE PLAN

Week 1:Introduction to ethics; ethics through ages; different ethical approaches; important ethical issues

Week 2:The subject matter of ethics; intentions and desires, objectives, consequences

Week 3:different ethical theoretical frameworks

Week 4:Ethics in practice; ethics in the contemporary world