

Indian Institute of Management Indore

Integrated Programme in Management TERM I

TITLE OF THE COURSE: PHILOSOPHY I

CREDITS: 3

COURSE DESCRIPTION

We human beings have evolved in such a way that we look for reasons behind almost every happening and every existence, more so when one interacts with his/her fellow-beings and dialogues in his/her own mind. He/she tries to defend his/her own opinions via arguments, in order to validate their credibility. Sometimes she/he argues in a logically correct way and sometimes in a logically incorrect (illogical) way. Being limited in many ways (spatio-temporally and cognitively), it is, many a times, difficult for him/her to differentiate the correct arguments from the incorrect ones. The course provides very well-formed techniques to come up with logically not only good but also sound arguments.

Apart from being equipped with the techniques to come up with good arguments, an individual is required to develop a thinking process aligned with the *third-person-perspective*. Thinking through third-person-perspective is not only required for an individual to bring about a right course of action fitting into the society, but also to make his/her life meaningful. He/she will be able to think about something which is not given or present. On its absence, it has been found that an individual brings about the courses of action which may be right for the individual concerned, but is not right for the society. Because, he/she thinks from his/her own perspective. The course provides a very good platform to develop a thinking process qualified by third-person-perspective.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- To enhance the ability of participants to come up with and identify logically sound arguments, and to analyze the soundness of given arguments
- To eqip the participants think from a third-person-perspective through the discussion on fundamental issues pertaining to one's own life and the world around
- To get the participants exposed to the ethical problems and to introduce them with the key ethical persepctives and ethical principles.
