Department of Philosophy (BA)

About the department:

The Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy at Jai Hind College welcomes students from diverse academic backgrounds, fostering an inclusive learning environment. In the final year, students have the opportunity to specialize in areas of interest. Our program encourages deep philosophical inquiry and critical thinking, preparing students to engage with fundamental questions about existence, ethics, and society. Our graduates pursue advanced studies at prestigious global institutions, underscoring our commitment to academic excellence and career preparation. They secure placements in various sectors such as education, social services, research, and philosophical consultancies, equipped with the analytical and critical skills to navigate complex philosophical inquiries and contemporary societal challenges.

About the HOD:

Ms. Simmin Bawa, Head of the Philosophy Department at Jai Hind College, has 16 years of experience and specializes in diverse areas of philosophy, including Classical Indian Philosophy and Biomedical Ethics. She has published numerous research papers on topics such as meditation, reincarnation, corporate social responsibility, and gender issues, and has presented at various national and international conferences. Currently pursuing a PhD, she holds an MA in Philosophy, NET certification, and other qualifications, including a PG Diploma in Event Management and certification as a Past Life Regression Therapist.

Message from the HOD:

Philosophy, meaning 'love for wisdom', explores unanswered questions in ethics, metaphysics, epistemology, and the philosophy of religion. The curriculum includes diverse activities like debates, field visits, and innovative teaching methods such as clay modeling and meditation. Studying philosophy enhances critical thinking, logical analysis, and reasoning, preparing students for today's complex world.

Faculty Details:



Ms. Simmin Bawa

Designation: Head of Department and Assistant Professor (permanent teacher from 2008) **Qualification**: MA Philosophy, NET (Philosophy) and currently pursuing PhD. Other certifications include PG Diploma in Event Management and Certified Past Life Regression Therapist

Specialization: Classical Indian Philosophy, Social Philosophy, Applied Ethics, Biomedical Ethics, Gender and Sexual Ethics, Environmental Philosophy, Greek Philosophy, Business Ethics and Corporate Social Responsibility, Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of Rebirth and Past Life, Comparative Religion

Experience: 16 years

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Research Publications: Ms. Simmin Bawa's extensive research spans topics in psychology, meditation, gender studies, and ethics. Her papers include studies on the impact of meditation on emotional well-being, ancient Indian views on Corporate Social Responsibility, and gender issues explored through various lenses such as the Kamasutra and modern ethical debates. Notable publications include her analyses of surrogacy, prostitution, and feminist perspectives in contemporary contexts, appearing in high-impact journals. Bawa has also presented at numerous national and international conferences, discussing themes like the ethics of artificial intelligence, the social construction of sexuality, and philosophical perspectives on various issues. Her research contributions highlight a broad interest in both traditional and modern ethical and philosophical concerns.

Program Offered

BA in Philosophy Degree

Societies/Cells Under Department

Field Visits and Workshops: Students participated in various field visits, such as the Aura-Chakra Camp, The Yoga Institute, and the Global Vipassana Pagoda, along with workshops on topics like self-hypnosis, art therapy, and mandala making.

Guest Lectures and Talks: Numerous guest lectures were organized, covering a wide range of topics including gender studies, journalistic ethics, science versus religion, and philosophical themes like spirituality, mysticism, and ethics.

Webinars and Online Workshops: During the pandemic, the department adapted by conducting webinars and online workshops on diverse subjects such as yoga, spiritual healing, and wellness, ensuring continued student engagement and learning.

Interdisciplinary and Collaborative Events: Collaborative events with other departments and cells, such as workshops on research methodology, gender collaboration, and social media ethics, provided interdisciplinary learning opportunities.

Special Events and Celebrations: The department celebrated significant days and conducted special events, like the Naari Mukti Diwas and interdisciplinary lecture series, promoting holistic education and awareness on various social and philosophical issues.

Students Achievements

Students from the department have achieved remarkable success across various domains. One has authored a book on personal philosophy and owns a publishing house, another is a parent coach and founder of a parenting organization. A lead counselor at a study abroad consultancy and a CEO of a trust focused on youth leadership are also among the achievers. Others have launched startups enhancing life skills and mental well-being, with additional notable accomplishments in art, skincare, and NGO work focused on health, education, and social welfare.