

Course Type	Course Code	Name of Course	L	T	P	Credit
OE	HSO316	Professional Ethics	3	0	0	9

Course Objective

The objective of the course is to introduce undergraduate students to the concepts, theory and practice of ethics in profession. It will allow students to explore the relationship between ethics and profession and apply classical moral theory and decision making to professional issues encountered in professional careers.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

- have a broad understanding of the basic human values.
- understand the ethical theories and principles that are the foundations for human understanding.
- know the importance of ethics in one's profession
- familiarize oneself with professional codes of ethics.

Unit No.	Topics to be Covered	Lecture Hours	Learning Outcome
1	Basic Human Values Ethics and Morality Nature and Scope of Ethics Relationship of Ethics with Philosophy	6	This unit will make students understand the basic human values, the importance of ethics and morality in life and their relationship with Philosophy.
2	The Values of Liberal Society Civic Virtue – Integrity, Honesty, Commitment, Respect for others	5	This part will make students understand the civic virtues in a liberal society.
3	Classification of Ethics Normative Ethics Meta-Ethics Applied Ethics	4	This unit will explain the different branches of ethics to students
4	Major Ethical Theories and Principles History of Ethical Thought Nature and Sources of Indian Ethics and Values Ethics of Utilitarianism Ethics of Duty (Deontology) Virtue Ethics and the Ethics of Rights	9	This will make students aware of the ethical theories and principles that are the foundations for understanding complex ethical issues.
5	Ethics and Profession Conflict of Interest Understand the role of ethics in one's profession	4	Help in understanding the Conflict of Interests issues an organization.
6	Professional Obligations Obligation to own profession Obligation to Clients and the third parties	4	This will help student to know one's own obligation to his/her profession.
7	Specific Ethical Issues related to Profession Ethical issues pertaining to Entrepreneurial, Medical, Educational, Environmental, Computer, etc. would be discussed.	5	To know all about the specific Ethical issues pertaining to one's profession.
8	Solving Moral Problems on a Workplace Practical Procedures of Solving Moral Problems on a Workplace Professional Ethical Codes	5	Help in understanding and solving the moral problems in workplace. And also to know and respect the Professional Ethical Codes.

Text Books:

1. Callahan Joan C.: Ethical issues in professional life, Oxford University Press, 1988.

Reference Books:

- Bayles, M.D.: Professional Ethics, California: Wardsworth Publishing Company, 1981.
 Chadwick Ruth F. (ed.): Ethics and the professions, Avebury, 1994.
 Oakley Justin, Cocking Dean: Virtue ethics and professional roles. Cambridge University Press, 2001
 Rowan John & Zinaich Samuel: Ethics for the Professions, Wadsworth Publishing Company, 2003