

## **Course Title: Ethics**

### **Course Code**

#### **Course Description:**

The course aims to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of ethics by exploring its theoretical foundations, practical applications, and ethical considerations in various domains such as governance, public administration, business, technology, media, and the environment. The course aims to develop ethical reasoning, decision-making skills and promote values-based approaches to address ethical challenges in personal, professional, and societal contexts.

#### **Course Objective:**

- To demonstrate an understanding of ethical theories, principles, and concepts related to personal and professional ethics.
- To explain ethical dilemmas and evaluate the implications of ethical decisions in various contexts.
- To apply ethical reasoning skills to analyze and resolve ethical issues in real-world situations.
- To critically assess the ethical dimensions of governance, public administration, corporate practices, technology, media, and environmental sustainability.
- To evaluate the ethical implications of policies, decisions, and actions on individuals, organizations, and society as a whole.
- To integrate ethical principles and values into personal and professional conduct, fostering a sense of responsibility, integrity, and ethical leadership.

#### **Learning Outcome:**

**LO1:** Demonstrate an understanding of ethical theories, principles, and concepts related to personal and professional ethics.

**LO2:** Explain ethical dilemmas and evaluate the implications of ethical decisions in various contexts.

**LO3:** Apply ethical reasoning skills to analyze and resolve ethical issues in real-world situations.

**LO4:** Critically assess the ethical dimensions of governance, public administration, corporate practices, technology, media, and environmental sustainability.

**LO5:** Evaluate the ethical implications of policies, decisions, and actions on individuals, organizations, and society as a whole.

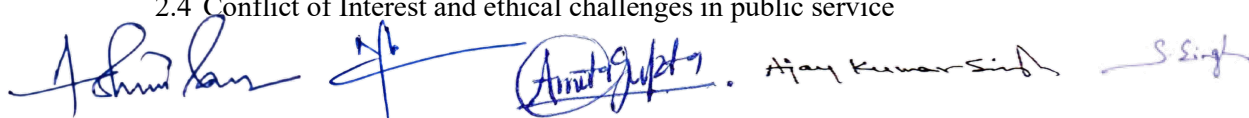
**LO6:** Integrate ethical principles and values into personal and professional conduct, fostering a sense of responsibility, integrity, and ethical leadership.

#### **1. Introduction to Ethics and Human Values**

- 1.1 Definition and Scope of Ethics
- 1.2 Importance of ethical values in Personal and professional life
- 1.3 Moral Reasoning and ethical decision-making
- 1.4 Ethical theories: Deontology, Teleology, Virtue ethics

#### **2. Ethical Governance and Public Administration**

- 2.1 Ethical Dimension of Governance and public service
- 2.2 Transparency, accountability, and Integrity in public administration
- 2.3 Role of Ethics in policy formulation and Implementation
- 2.4 Conflict of Interest and ethical challenges in public service

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### **3. Ethics in Corporate Governance and Business**

- 3.1 Corporate social responsibility and ethical business practices
- 3.2 Ethical Issues in Marketing, advertising, and consumer protection
- 3.3 Corporate Governance and Ethics in financial management
- 3.4 Ethical Leadership and organizational culture

### **4. Ethics in Technology and Media**

- 4.1 Ethical Considerations in Technology and Innovation
- 4.2 Privacy, data protection, and cybersecurity ethics
- 4.3 Ethical Challenges in social media and online platforms
- 4.4 Responsible Use of artificial intelligence and emerging technologies

### **5. Environmental Ethics and Sustainable Development**

- 5.1 Ethical Principles in environmental conservation and Sustainability
- 5.2 Rights of future generations and intergenerational equity
- 5.3 Ethical Implications of climate change and biodiversity loss
- 5.4 Corporate Responsibility towards environmental protection



### Suggested Reading

- Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude by G. Subba Rao (2021)
- Lexicon for Ethics, Integrity & Aptitude by Niraj Kumar (2020)
- Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude: Theory and Practice by Santhosh Ajmera, Meenakshi Upadhyay, and Rajeev Ranjan (2018)
- नैतिकता और आचरण by पी. एन. रायचौधरी (Naitikta aur Aacharan) (2021)
- नैतिकता और ईमानदारी: सिविल सेवा परीक्षा के लिए by संतोष आजमेरा (Naitikta aur Emandari: Civil Seva Pariksha ke Liye) (2018)

