

PHIL 102 : Introduction to Asian Philosophy: Asian Traditions

Introductory course in selected schools of Asian thought. Universal issues/problems examined from Asian perspective. Focus will be on Indian, Chinese, and Japanese traditions.

Credits 3

Lecture Hours 3

Designation

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Course Outcomes

- Compare, contrast, and evaluate Indian, Chinese, Japanese, and European thought in terms of their respective views of (a) human nature, (b) the nature of goodness, (c) the good life.
- Identify and discuss contributions of schools of Asian philosophy and the influence of each on the other through a historical perspective.
- Discuss terms and concepts like “satori”, “anatta”, “jen” and evaluate their relevance (significance) for the West.
- Analyze Indian, Chinese, and Japanese thought in terms of (a) methodology, metaphysics, and ethics in order to better understand Asian concerns.