

Value Addition Course (VAC)

Sanskrit - Yoga: Philosophy and Practice

Course Title and Code	Credits	Credit Distribution of the Course			Eligibility Criteria	Prerequisite of the Course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/Practice		
Yoga: Philosophy and Practice	02	1	0	1	Pass in Class 12th	NIL

Course Objectives

- To learn the fundamentals of Yoga for harmonising the body, mind and emotions.
- To demonstrate the value and the practice of holistic living.
- To value the heritage of Yoga for self and society.

Learning Outcomes

- Understanding ways to harmonise the body and mind through Yoga.
- Disciplining the mind through practicing Yoga.
- Understanding of consciousness through practical training.

Syllabus of *Yoga: Philosophy and Practice*

Unit I: *Yoga: Asana, Prāṇāyāma and Dhyana*

- History of Yoga
- Significance of Asana
- Effect of Prāṇāyāma
- Importance of *Dhyana*

Unit II: *Patanjali's Yogasūtra and Chakra*

- Patanjali's Yogasūtra: a summary
- First sutra
- Second sutra
- *Chakras* (psychic centres)

Unit III: Understanding *Asana* and *Pranayama*

- Asana: the basics
- *Surya Namaskara*
- *Nadishodhana Pranayama*

Practical/ Practice Component

(15 sessions of 2 hours each= 30 hours)

- Surya Namaskar
- Selected Asana
- *Pranayama*
- Relaxation exercises for the eyes (7 steps) neck (4 steps)
- Concentration on *Bhramadhy*
- Project Work (effect of everyday concentration on breath for 15 minutes: reflections to be compiled in the form of a Project report.
- Any other Practical/Practice as decided from time to time

Essential Readings

- *Āsanas, Prāṇāyāma and Mudra Bandh*, Swami Satyananda Saraswati, Yoga Publications Trust, Munger, Bihar, India, 2004.
- *Patanjali Yogasutras*, Commentary by Swami Vivekanand, Rajyoga

Suggested Readings

- *Patanjal Yog Pradeep*- Swami Omanand Saraswati, Gita Press, Gorakhpur, 2013.
- *Science of Pranayama*-Swami Sivananda, Edition by David De Angellis, 2019, All Rights Reserved.
- *Udayveer Shastri Granthavali*, 4, Patanjali- Yoga Darshanam, Udayavir Shastri, Govindram Hasanand, Delhi 6.

Assessment Methods*

Internal Assessment: 25%

End Semester Theory Exam: 25%

Practical: 50%

*Subject to directions from
the Examination Branch/University of Delhi from time to time