

**DEPARTMENT OF DISTANCE EDUCATION
PUNJABI UNIVERSITY, PATIALA
Syllabus**

**M.A. SIKH STUDIES PART I
Session: 2016-2017**

OUTLINES OF TESTS

There are eight papers in Part-I. Each paper carries 75 marks and is of three hours duration. 25 Marks are allotted for Internal Assessment.

Semester I

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| Paper I | Study of Sikh Religion & History I |
| Paper II | Sikh Scripture and Literature-I |
| Paper III | Approaches to the Study of Religion |
| Paper IV | Sikh Ethics |

Semester II

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| Paper V | Study of Sikh Religion & History II |
| Paper VI | Sikh Scripture and Literature-II |
| Paper VII | Schools of Interpretation |
| Paper VIII | World Religious Traditions I (Semitic Tradition) |

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Paper I Study of Sikh Religion & History - I

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE PAPER-SETTER

- 1 **(For Regular and Distance Education Students):** The question paper is to be divided into three Sections A,B & C. For Section A of the question paper the examiner would set four questions covering Section A and Section B of the syllabus. Out of the four questions two questions are to be attempted by the candidates Each question carries 10 marks. (10x2=20)
- 2 In section B of the question paper 7 questions are to be asked from the whole syllabus. Out of 7 questions 5 questions are to be answered by the candidates. Each question carries 5 marks. (5x5=25)

- 3 In section C of the Paper the examiner would ask 15 objective type questions from the whole syllabus. All the questions in section C are compulsory. Each question carries 2 marks. (15x2=30)

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

Candidates will have to answer two questions out of four questions from Section A 5 questions out of 7 are to be answered in section B of the questions paper. The whole of Section C is compulsory. The candidates will answer 15 objective type questions.

SECTION A

1. Sikh Religion: Origin, Development and Distinctive Features.
2. Fundamentals of Sikhism: *Nam Japna, Kirt Kaarna, Vand Chhakna*
3. Concept of Martyrdom.
4. Consolidation of Sikhism: Manji and Dasbandh
5. Guruship: Concept of Continuity (Joti and Jugti)
6. Sikh Institutions: Langar, Sangat, Gurdwara, Manji system

SECTION B

7. Creation of Khalsa.
8. Guru Granth and Guru Panth.
9. Dharam Yudh.
10. Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Devji.
11. Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib.
12. Martyrdom of Four Sahabzadas.

SECTION C

15 short-answer-type questions covering the above Two sections.

RECOMMENDED READINGS

1. Harbans Singh, *The Heritage of the Sikhs*
2. Harbans Singh (Ed.) *Encyclopedia of Sikhism*
3. I.B. Banerjee, *Evolution of Khalsa (2 Volumes)*.
4. Avtar Singh, *Ethics of the Sikhs*.
5. Teja Singh, *Ideals and Institutions of Sikhism*.
6. Piara Singh Padam, *Rahitnamas*.
7. Dalbir Singh Dhillon, *Sikh Religion: Origin and Development*
8. J.S. Ahluwalia, *Sikhism Today*.
9. Teja Singh, *Gurdwara Reform Movement*
10. Kapur Singh, *Sikhism for Modern Man*

11. Kapur Singh, *Prasarprasna*
12. N. Muthumohan, *Basic Postulates of Sikhism*
13. ਪ੍ਰੀਤਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਸਵਾਂ ਗੁਰੂ ਨਾਨਕ ਅਤੇ ਹੋਰ ਲੇਖ
14. ਪ੍ਰੀਤਮ ਸਿੰਘ (ਸੰਪ.) *ਸਿੱਖ ਫਲਸਫੇ ਦੀ ਭੂਮਿਕਾ*
15. ਤ੍ਰਿਲੋਚਨ ਸਿੰਘ, *ਗੁਰੂ ਤੇਗ ਬਹਾਦਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ*
16. ਤਾਰਨ ਸਿੰਘ, *ਸਿੱਖ, ਸਿੱਖੀ ਅਤੇ ਸਿੱਖ ਸਿਧਾਂਤ*
17. ਭਾਈ ਜੋਧ ਸਿੰਘ, *ਗੁਰਮਤਿ ਨਿਰਣੈ*
18. ਨਰੈਣ ਸਿੰਘ, *ਸਿੱਖੀ ਦੀਆਂ ਬੁਨਿਆਦਾਂ*
19. ਜਸਵਿੰਦਰ ਕੌਰ ਢਿਲੋਂ (ਸੰਪਾ), *ਸਿੱਖ ਸੰਸਥਾਵਾਂ*

Paper-II Sikh Scripture and Literature -I

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE PAPER-SETTER

- 1 **(For Regular and Distance Education Students):** The question paper is to be divided into three Sections A,B & C. For Section A of the question paper the examiner would set four questions covering Section A, Section B of the syllabus. Out of the four questions two questions are to be attempted by the candidates Each question carries 10 marks. (10x2=20)
- 2 In section B of the question paper 7 questions are to be asked from the whole syllabus. Out of 7 questions 5 questions are to be answered by the candidates. Each question carries 5 marks. (5x5=25)
- 3 In section C of the Paper the examiner would ask 15 objective type questions from the whole syllabus. All the questions in section C are compulsory. Each question carries 2 marks. (15x2=30)

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

Candidates will have to answer two questions out of four questions from Section A 5 questions out of 7 are to be answered in section B of the questions paper. The whole of Section C is compulsory. The candidates will answer 15 objective type questions.

Section A

1. Compilation, Editing, and Structure of Guru Granth Sahib
2. Contributors
3. Language, Orthography, Ucharan and Grammar
4. Japuji- The Concept of Sachiar
5. Asa Ki Var- Religious and Social Aspects
6. Sidh Gosti- Concept of Gurmukh

Section B

7. Baramaha M-1 (Guru Nanak Dev Ji): Subject matter
8. Bavan Akhari M-5 : Structure
9. Sukhmani : The Concept of Peace
10. Bani of Bhagat Kabir - Moral Perspective.
11. Bhagat Ravidas -Social Perspective.
12. Bhattbani- Guru and Naam

Section C

15 short-answer type questions covering the above two sections

Recommended Readings

- 1) ਤਾਰਨ ਸਿੰਘ, ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਗ੍ਰੰਥ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਦਾ ਸਾਹਿਤਕ ਇਤਿਹਾਸ ; ਗੁਰੂ ਗ੍ਰੰਥ ਰਤਨਾਵਲੀ
- 2) ਮਹਿੰਦਰ ਕੌਰ ਗਿੱਲ, ਗੁਰੂ ਗ੍ਰੰਥ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਦੀ ਸੰਪਾਦਨ ਕਲਾ
- 3) ਸਾਹਿਬ ਸਿੰਘ, ਆਦਿ ਬੀੜ ਬਾਰੇ ; ਜਪੁਜੀ, ਆਸਾ ਕੀ ਵਾਰ, ਸਿਧ ਗੋਸਟਿ ਸਟੀਕ
- 4) ਭਾਈ ਜੋਧ ਸਿੰਘ, ਭਗਤ ਬਾਣੀ ਸਟੀਕ
- 5) ਹਰਕੀਰਤ ਸਿੰਘ, ਗੁਰਬਾਣੀ ਦੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਤੇ ਵਿਆਕਰਣ
6. Kapur Singh, *Guru Arjun and His Sukhmani*
7. Puran Singh, *The Spirit of The Sikh*
8. Gurbhaghat Singh, *Japuji: A Futuristic*
9. ਭਾਈ ਵੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਸੰਥਯਾ ਸੈਂਚੀ (7 ਭਾਗ)

Paper III Approaches to the Study of Religion

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- 1 **(For Regular and Distance Education Students):** The question paper is to be divided into three Sections A,B & C. For Section A of the question paper the examiner would set four questions covering Section A, Section B of the syllabus. Out of the four questions two questions are to be attempted by the candidates Each question carries 10 marks. (10x2=20)
- 2 In section B of the question paper 7 questions are to be asked from the whole syllabus. Out of 7 questions 5 questions are to be answered by the candidates. Each question carries 5 marks. (5x5=25)

- 3 In section C of the Paper the examiner would ask 15 objective type questions from the whole syllabus. All the questions in section C are compulsory. Each question carries 2 marks. (15x2=30)

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

Candidates will have to answer two questions out of four questions from Section A 5 questions out of 7 are to be answered in section B of the questions paper. The whole of Section C is compulsory. The candidates will answer 15 objective type questions.

SECTION A

Introduction and Study of Religion

1. Religion: Nature and Scope.
2. Relationship with Religion: Theology, Philosophy of Religion, Morality, and Sociology
3. Meaning and Task of Religionswissenschaft.
4. Origin, Development and Present Trends of the Study of Religion.

SECTION B

Methodologies in the Study of Religion- (i) and Methodologies in the Study of Religion- (ii)

5. Anthropological Methodology with special reference to E.B. Tylor and J. Frazer.
6. Sociological Methodology with special reference to E. Durkheim and M. Weber.
7. Psychological Methodology with special reference to S. Freud and C.G. Jung
8. Phenomenological Methodology with special reference to W.B. Kristensen and Van Der Leeuw.

SECTION C

15 short-answer-type questions covering the above two sections.

RECOMMENDED READINGS

1. ਵਜ਼ੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਧਰਮ ਦਾ ਦਾਰਸ਼ਨਿਕ ਅਧਿਐਨ
2. ਦਰਸ਼ਨ ਸਿੰਘ, ਧਰਮ ਅਧਿਐਨ ਅਤੇ ਸਿੱਖ ਅਧਿਐਨ
3. ਜੋਧ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਤੇ ਸਹਿਯੋਗੀ, ਧਰਮ ਦਾ ਅਕਾਦਮਿਕ ਪਰਿਪੇਖ
4. A.G. Widgrey, What is Religion?
5. Joachim Wach, Joseph M. Kitagawa (Ed.), *The History of Religions: Essays on the problem of Understanding*
6. Y. Masih, *Introduction to Religious Philosophy*.

7. Mircea Eliade and Joseph M. Kitagawa(Eds.), *The History of Religions: Essays in Methodology*
8. Eric J. Sharpe, *Comparative Religion: A History*
9. Daniel L. Pals, *Eight Theories of Religion*
10. Thomas F. O’Dea, *The Sociology of Religion (Prentice- Hall Foundations of Modern Sociology Series)*
11. Frederick J. Streng, *Understanding Religious Life*
12. Annemarie De Waal Malefijt, *Religion and Culture: An Introduction to Anthropology of Religion*
13. E.B. Tylor, *Primitive Culture (2 Vols.)*
14. G.J. Frazer, *The Golden Bough: A Study in Magic and Religion*
15. E. Durkheim, *The Elementary Forms of Religious Life*
16. M. Weber, *The Sociology of Religion*
17. G. Van Der Leeuw, *Religion in Essence and Manifestation*
18. W.B. Kristensen, (Trs.) John B. Carman, *The Meaning of Religion: Lectures in the Phenomenology of Religion*
19. Sigmund Freud, *Origins of Religion: “Totem and Taboo” and “Moses and Monotheism”*
20. G. Stephens Spinks, *Psychology and Religion: An Introduction to Contemporary Views*
21. Robert H. Thouless, *An Introduction to the Psychology of Religion*

Paper IV Sikh Ethics

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INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

Candidates will have to answer two questions out of four questions form A Section 5 questions out of 7 are to be answered in section B of the questions paper. The whole of Section C is compulsory. The candidates will answer 15 objective type questions.

Section A

Values and Virtues

1. Nature and classification of values: Intrinsic and instrumental
2. Spiritual and Secular values
3. Education and Political values
4. Wisdom, Justice, Courage
5. Nam, Dan, Ishnan
6. Truthfulness, Humility, Contentment (ਸੰਤੋਖ)

Section B

Equality and Welfare

7. Religious Harmony and Tolerance
8. Social Harmony: Caste and Race
9. Gender Equality and issues of women (dowry, violence, foeticides)
10. Social welfare
11. Environmental Awareness
12. Bio-ethics (Commercialization of Organs, Right to die)

Section C

15 short-answer type questions covering the above two sections

Recommended Readings

- 1) Avtar Singh, *Ethics of the Sikhs*
- 2) Santokh Singh, *Philosophical Foundations of the Sikh Value system*
- 3) ਜਗਬੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਗੁਰੂ ਨਾਨਕ ਬਾਣੀ ਵਿਚ ਨੈਤਿਕਤਾ ਦਾ ਸੰਕਲਪ
- 4) ਵਜ਼ੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਨੈਤਿਕ ਨਿਯਮ (2 ਭਾਗ)
- 5) ਵਜ਼ੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਸਿੱਖ ਦਰਸ਼ਨਧਾਰਾ ਭਾਗ- I- II
- 6) ਜਸਵਿੰਦਰ ਕੌਰ ਢਿਲੋਂ, ਗੁਰੂ ਨਾਨਕ ਦੀ ਕੀਮਤ ਮੀਮਾਂਸਾ
- 7) ਜਗਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ, ਜਾਤ ਪਾਤ ਤੇ ਸਿੱਖ

- 8) Surjit Kaur Chahal, *Ecology, Redesigning Genes: Ethical and Sikh Perspective.*
- 9) Nirpinderpal Singh, *Sikh Moral Traditions*