



GNSU BA.LL.B. Semester-I: Complete Syllabus

BA. LL.B.

Semester – I

(Syllabus)



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The first semester consists of 6 papers totaling **24 credits**:



Paper	Subject Code	Subject Title	Nature of Course	Credits
Paper I	BLB-111	Legal Language, Legal Writing & General English-I	Compulsory	4
Paper II	BLB-112	Political Science-I	Major	4
Paper III	BLB-113	Sociology-I (Introduction to Sociology)	Minor	4
Paper IV	BLB-114	Economics-I * (OR)	Minor	4
Paper VI	BLB-116	Philosophy (Logic)-I *	Minor	4
Paper V	BLB-115	Law of Contract-I (General Contract)	Core	4

Note: As per university ordinances, a batch is allotted *either* Economics or Philosophy as their second minor subject, which then continues up to the 3rd semester.

BLB-111: Legal Language, Legal Writing & General English-I

UNIT-I (Legal Terms):

Abate, Accused, Ancestral, Caveat, Restitution of Conjugal right, Dissent, Double Jeopardy, Franchise, Homicide, Ibid, In camera, Injunction, Judgement creditor, Judgement debtor, Judicature, Judicious, Juridical, Law suit, Legatee, Libel, Marshalling, Non feasance, Patrimony, Perjury, Per se, Prescription, Res judicata, Respondent, Right in personam, Right in rem, Set off, Slander, Supra, Writ.

UNIT-II (Pair Words):

Accent/Ascent/Assent, Accede/Exceed, Accept/Except, Access/Excess, Accused/Guilty, Adapt/Adept, Adopt/Embrace, Adjourn/Prorogue, Agreement/Contract, Allusion/Illusion, Alter/Altar, Ambiguous/Ambulate, Appeal/Repeal, Assume/Presume, Assure/Insure, Attainder/Attendant, Avenge/Revenge, Award/Reward, Bail/Bale, Berth/Birth, Bill/Act/Law, Bonafide/Bonafides, Casual/Causal, Career/Carrier, Ceiling/Sealing, Cession/session, Confirm/Conform, Copyright/Trademark, Council/Counsel, Crime/Offence, Deceased/Diseased, Deference/Difference, Dependent/Dependents, Deprecate/Depreciate, Die/Dye, Discover/Invent, Eligible/Illegible, Emigrant/Immigrant, Fair/Fare, Heart/Hart, Judicial/Judicious/Quasi-judicial, Justiciable/Justifiable, Legislator/Legislature, Liar/Lawyer, Meat/Meet, Mediate/Immediate, Negligent/Negligible, Official/officious, Ordinance/Ordinance, Preamble/Preface, Prescribe/Proscribe, Precedent/President, Principal/Principle, Refuge/Refuse, Revision/Review/Revue, Right/Rite, Root/Route, Sight/Site/Cite, Statue/Statute, Suit/Suite, Treaty/Treatise, Vacation/Vocation, Void/Voidable, Weather/Whether.



UNIT-III (Legal Maxims):

Actori incumbit onus probandi, Actio personalis moritur cum persona, Actus non facit reum nisi mens sit rea, Affirmanti non neganti incumbit probatio, Alibi, Ambiguitas verborum latens, Ambiguitas verborum patens nulla verificatione excluditur, Audi alteram partem, Causa proxima, non remota spectator, Consuetudo loci observanda est, Delegata potestas non potest delegari, Ex dolo malo actio non oritur, Ex praecedentibus et consequentibus optima fit interpretatio, Ex turpi causa non oritur actio, fraus est celare fraudem, Ignorantia facti excusat, ignorantia juris non excusat, ira furor brevis est, Necessitas non habet legem, Nemo debet esse iudex in propria causa, nullus commodum capere potest ex sua injuria propria, Quod non habet principium non habet finem, salus populi est suprema lex, Salus populi suprema lex, Ubi jus ibi remedium, Volenti non fit injuria.

UNIT-IV (Latin Phrases):

Ab initio, Ab antiquo, Ab jure, Ab ante, Act in pais, Actus reus, Ad idem, Ad infinitum, Ad interim, Ad valorem, Ad hoc, Ad alium diem, Ad audiendum, Adcertum diem, Ad litem, Ad nauseam, Aequitas Sequitur legem, Alibi, alteri noceat, Amicus curiae, Animus Possidendi, Assentio mentium, Audi alteram partem, Bona fide, Bona vacantia, Cause Causans, Caveat emptor, Caveat venditor, Civilis possessio, Consensu, Corpus, Corpus possessionis, Damnum sine injuria, De jure, De facto, De novo, Dominium, Ex gratia, Ex parte, Ex post facto, Ex officio, Ejusdem generis, Factum valet, Fait accompli (accompli), Id est (i.e.), in camera, In limine, In loco patetis, In omnibus, Inter alia, Interim, Intra vires (intravires), In rem, Ipso facto, Jus, Jus naturale, jus ad rem, Lis pendens, Lex, Lex causa, lex fori, Lex loci, Locus standi, Mala fide, Mens rea, Mesne profit, modus operandi, Nexus, Obiter dicta, Par delictum, Pari passu, Pendente lite, Per curiam, Per se, Prima



facie, Pro bono publico, Pro rata, Pro tanto, Pro tempore, Post mortem, Quantum, Quid pro quo, Ratio decidendi, Res gestae, Res integra, Res nullius, Res Judicata, Rule nisi, Sub judice, Suo motu, Trasfer inter vivos, Sine qua non, Talis qualis, Terra firma, Ultra vires, Vice Versa.



UNIT-V (Basic Legal Writing Forms):

Notice, Agreement, Simple petitions.

UNIT-VI (Legal Essay Topics):

Indian Constitution, Rule of Law, Delegated Legislation (Doctrine of Colourable Legislation), Ombudsman, Ombudsman in India, Legislative powers of the President of India, President's Rule, Legal Education, Independence of judiciary, Right of Private Defence, Theories of Punishment, Codification, Legal Aid Clinics, Dowry Death, Contempt of Court, Public Interest Litigation, Constitutionalism, Terrorism, Laws on Homosexuality, Online Privacy, Gender Justice in Hindu Succession, Dharma and the Indian Supreme Court, Indian Judicial System: From here to where.

UNIT-VII (Grammar Fundamentals):

Determiners, Verb Form, Modals, The Passive voice, Narration, Tense, Preposition.

UNIT-VIII (Composition):

Business and Official Letters Writing, Application, Précis Writings.

Books Recommended:

P.C. Wren & H. Martin, Brown, Gordon W., S.C. Tripathi, Dr. S.C. Tripathi,

BLB-112: Political Science-I (Major)

Course Objectives: To impart fundamental structural background on Political Theory, state mechanisms, ideologies, and legal overlaps.



- **UNIT-I (Nature and Scope):** Politics as a social process; Politics as an art of government; Politics as a concept of power; Politics and its relation with law.
- **UNIT-II (Approaches):** Traditional Approach, Modern Approach, Behaviouralism, Marxian Approach.
- **UNIT-III (The State):** Concept of State and Government; State and its foundational elements.
- **UNIT-IV (State Origin Theories):** Divine theory of origin of state, Force theory, Social contract theory, Patriarchal theory, Matriarchal theory, Historical theory.
- **UNIT-V (Modern Political Thought):** Liberalism, Socialism, Marxism.
- **UNIT-VI (Indian Political Thought):** Classical Hindu Conceptions of State, Gandhian View on State.

Paper III
Sociology-I (Minor) Introduction to Sociology
Paper Code: BLB-113



Course Objectives: To treat sociology as a foundational structural partner to law; discussing tools of social balance and basic socio-cultural control systems.

- **UNIT-I (Introduction):** Sociology: Definition, Growth, and Scope; Relationship with other social sciences and with Law; Important theoretical approaches (functionalism, conflict theory, and interactionist theory); Contributions of eminent sociologists (Comte, Durkheim, Spencer, Weber, and Karl Marx).
- **UNIT-II (Basic Concepts):** Social Groups: Definition, characteristics, and types; Society and Community; Association and Institution; Culture: Definition and characteristics; Cultural Relativism, Racism, Ethnicity, and Ethnocentrism; Socialization: Meaning, types, and agencies; Status and Role.
- **UNIT-III (Social Change in India):** Meaning, definition, and characteristics; Internal Social processes of change (Sanskritisation, Universalization, and Parochialization); External Sources (Modernization and Westernization); Change initiated through state agencies (education and developmental processes).
- **UNIT-IV (Social Control):** Meaning, definition, characteristics, and types; Custom as an agency of social control; Law as an agency of social control; Media as an agency of social control; Public Opinion as an agency of social control.

Harlambos & Holborn M, Bottomore, T.B, Horton. P.b. and C.L. Hunt, Davis, K.

BLB-114: Economics-I (Minor - Option A)



Course Objectives: Focuses on microeconomic functions, market models, financial architecture, and their specific statutory controls under economic legislations.

- **UNIT-I (Introduction to Economics):** Definition, Methodology, Scope of Economics; Basic Concepts and Precepts: Economic Problems, Economic Agents, Economic Organizations, Marginalism, Time Value of Money, Opportunity Cost; Forms of Economic Analysis: Micro vs. Macro, Partial vs. General, Static vs. Dynamic, Positive vs. Normative, Short run vs. Long run; Relation between Economics and Law: Economic Offences and Economic Legislations.
- **UNIT-II (Micro Fundamentals):** Theory of Demand and Supply, Price Determination of a Commodity, Shift of Demand and Supply, Concept of Elasticity; Concepts of Production: Total Product, Average Product, Marginal Product, Returns to Factor, Returns to Scale; Costs and Revenue Concepts.
- **UNIT-III (Market Structures & Factor Pricing):** Classification of Markets: Pure and Perfect Competitions, Monopolistic and Imperfect Competition, Monopoly, Duopoly and Oligopoly, Cartels; Dumping: Meaning, Types, Importance, and Impact of Dumping; Wage determination, Rent, Interest, and Profits.
- **UNIT-IV (Money and Banking):** Concept of Money: Functions of Money, Impact of Money, Inflation and Deflation; Supply of and Demand for Money; Central

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Banking: Functions, Credit Control through Monetary Policy; Commercial Banking: Functions, Organization, and Operations (Credit Creation); Non-Banking Financial Institutions: Meaning and Role; Money Markets and Capital Markets: Meaning and Instruments.



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BLB-116: Philosophy (Logic)-I (Minor - Option B)

Course Objectives: Trains legal students in structural argument validation, identifying analytical reasoning flaws, and mapping systematic logic proofs.



- **Unit-I (Basic Logical Concepts):** What is Logic?; Argument and Inference; Sentence and proposition; Truth, Validity, and Sound argument; Argument and Explanation; Deduction and Induction.
- **Unit-II (Traditional Logic):** Classification of Proposition (A, E, I, O); Square of Opposition; Translating Categorical Proposition into Standard Form; Immediate Inference: Conversion and Obversion; Mediate Inference: Categorical Syllogism: Mood, Figure; Test of the validity and invalidity of categorical syllogisms by Venn Diagram.
- **Unit-III (Symbolic & Modern Logic):** Compound Statement: Conjunction, Negation, Disjunction, and Conditional; Argument Form and Truth Table; Truth table method of determining the validity and invalidity of arguments and argument forms.
- **Unit-IV (Syllogistic Evaluation):** Syllogistic Rules and fallacies.

Cohen and Nagel. (1968), Copi. I.M. (2012), Hurley Patrick Sen, Madhu Chanda (2008),

Philosophy (Logic)-I Minor

BLB-115: Law of Contract-I (General Contract) (Core Law Paper)

Course Objectives: Deep structural breakdown of Sections 1-75 of the Indian Contract Act, 1872, detailing statutory limits, formation errors, and civil damage measurements.



- **UNIT-I (Formation and Vitiating Elements):**
Meaning, Nature & Scope of Contract; E-contract; Agreement and Contract—Definitions and Essential Elements; Proposal and Acceptance—communication and Revocation, Postal, Telephonic and Telex Communication (Sections 2-9); Proposal and Invitations for proposal; General offer, Cross-offer, Standing offer; Capacity to contract—meaning, incapacity arising out of unsound mind; Minor's Agreement—Nature and Scope, Definition of Minor, Necessaries supplied to a Minor; Consent and Free consent—need of free consent, Voidability of Agreement without free consent; Factors vitiating free consent: Coercion (Section 15), Undue influence (Section 16), Misrepresentation (Section 18), Fraud (Section 17); Mistake—Definition, Mistake of fact and Mistake of law, Effect of Mistake (Sections 20-22).
- **UNIT-II (Consideration & Void Legality):**
Consideration—nudum pactum, its need, meaning, essential elements; privity of contract with exceptions; Adequacy of consideration; Past, Executed, and Executory Consideration; Exception to consideration (Sections 2(d) and 25); Unlawful Agreements (Sections 23-24); Void Agreements: Agreement in Restraint of Marriage (Section 26), Agreement in Restraint of Trade (Section 27), Agreement in Restraint of legal

proceedings (Section 28), Uncertain Agreements (Section 29), Wagering Agreements (Section 30).

- **UNIT-III (Contingency & Performance):** Contingent contracts (Sections 31-36); Performance of Contract (Sections 37-50); Reciprocal Promises (Sections 51-54); Time as the essence of a contract (Section 55); Impossibility of Performance and the Doctrine of Frustration (Section 56); Appropriation of payments (Sections 59-61); Contracts which need not be performed (Sections 62-67).
- **UNIT-IV (Remedies & Quasi Obligations):** Quasi-Contracts or Certain Relations Resembling those created by Contract (Sections 68-72); Breach of Contract, Anticipatory Breach and Consequences of Breach (Section 69); Remoteness of Damage and Measures of Damages, Kinds of Damages, Penalty and Liquidated Damages (Sections 73-75); Remedies: Damages & Quantum Meruit.



Official Examination Note:

As detailed in Chapter VII of GNSU's Ordinance rules, each paper is evaluated out of **100 marks** split as:

1. **Sessional Internals (40 Marks):** Calculated via the highest score between two centralized class tests (20 marks) + Project/Assignment writing and Oral Presentation (10 marks) + Class performativity and attendance regularity (10 marks).
2. **End-Semester Written Exam (60 Marks):** A formal 3-hour theoretical examination covering long, analytical problem questions and case applications across all specified units.