

**KARACHI UNIVERSITY BUSINESS SCHOOL  
UNIVERSITY OF KARACHI**

**BS (BBA) – II**

**Course Title : HISTORY OF IDEAS**

**Course Number : BA(BS) – 322**

**Credit Hours : 03**

**Objective**

The fundamental objective of this course is to provide exposition about the Enlightenment Thought. The Age of Enlightenment in Europe is considered to be a cultural movement of intellectuals beginning in late 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century emphasizing reason and individualism rather than tradition. Pre-enlightenment period and the rise of enlightenment to its critique will be discussed in the course.

**Course Contents**

1. Introduction
2. What is Enlightenment? – A critical perspective.
3. Difference between Classical Period and Dark Ages
4. Why religious domain is not considered to be enlightenment?
5. Religious Institutionalization
6. Discursive Practices
7. Protestantization of Christianity
8. Scottish Enlightenment
9. Humanism
10. Romanticism
11. Cartesian Meditations
12. Deception (Meditations)
13. Modernism
  - 13.1. Anthropocentricity
    - 13.1.1. Individualism
    - 13.1.2. Collectivism
  - 13.2. Freedom
    - 13.2.1. Individualistic
    - 13.2.2. Collectivistic
  - 13.3. Rationality
    - 13.3.1. Static
    - 13.3.2. Dialectic
14. Freedom (Humanism)
15. Liberty and Commerce

16. Knowledge and Freedom
17. Post Colonialism
18. Philosophy of History (Georg Hegel)
19. Philosophy of History (Karl Marx)
20. Philosophy of History (Immanuel Kant)
21. Philosophy of History (Socrates)
22. Philosophy of History (Plato)
23. Philosophy of History (Aristotle)
24. Philosophy of History (Augustine)
25. Philosophy of History (Machiavelli)
26. Philosophy of History (Hobbes)

### **Recommended Books:**

1. J. M. Beach, (2010). What is Enlightenment? A History & Sociology of Knowledge, Southwest Press, CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform
2. René Descartes, (1996). Meditations on First Philosophy: Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.
3. Samuel Fleischacker, (2013). What is Enlightenment? 1<sup>st</sup> Edition, Routledge Publisher.
4. Immanuel Kant.(2015). What is Enlightenment?, The Perfect Library Publishers.
5. Immanuel Kant, (2013). A Critique of Pure Reason, CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform.
6. G. W. F. Hegel and A. V. Miller, (1976). Phenomenology of Spirit, New Edition, Oxford University Press.
7. G. W. F. Hegel, (2004). The Philosophy of History, Reissue Edition, Dover Publications.
8. R. G. Collingwood, Jan van der Dussen, (1994). The Idea of History, Revised Edition, Oxford University Press.
9. Michel Foucault, (1984). What is Enlightenment? & Madness, The Absence of Work, Pantheon Publisher.
10. John Gray, (2007). Enlightenment's Wake: Politics and Culture at the Close of the Modern Age, 1<sup>st</sup> Edition, Routledge Publishers.
11. Anthony Pagden, (2013). The Enlightenment, 1<sup>st</sup> Edition, Random HousePublisher.
12. Aristophanes, (2000). Clouds,Hackett Publishing Company, Inc.
13. Plato, (2008). The Republic, Oxford University Press.
14. Aristotle, (2013). The Politics,2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, Clarendon Press, Oxford
15. Machiavelli, (2008). The Prince,1<sup>st</sup> Edition, Oxford University Press.
16. Hobbes, (2008). Leviathan, Reissue Edition, Oxford University Press.