

**AD813**

**Kantian philosophy: Exploring Morality, Reason and Self- knowledge**

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### Course Overview

The course focusses on the concepts, notions of Morality, Reason and Self-knowledge in Kantian Philosophy. This will explore application of Morality on action, progressing towards duty and reasoning. The course would assist in understanding the essence of Self-knowledge and the concept of freedom and immortality.

### Course Objective

1. Explore Kantian view of morality
2. Analyse practical reasoning
3. Understand Moral laws
4. Explore Self-knowledge and various concepts associated with Self-knowledge

### Course outcome

1. Gain understanding of Kantian perspective of morality
2. Learn methodology of moral reasoning
3. Comprehend Self-knowledge and conscience
4. Inculcate understanding of freedom and immortality

### Syllabus

#### Unit I

*a priori* and *a posteriori*, Practical reason: Reasons, Reasoning and Reasons as such; Good will, Duty: kinds of duties, principles, Concept of freedom, Immortality

#### Unit II

Formulas of Moral Law: Action and morality, Supreme principle of Morality, Command and imperative, Maxims and universal law, formulas of the categorical imperative: Universal Law, Humanity as end in itself, Autonomy

#### Unit III

*Summum Bonum*-Idea of the highest good, Constructivism, Duty of Self-knowledge, Self-knowledge in moral life, Conscience

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