

# **SYLLABUS FOR THE BATCH FROM YEAR 2025 TO 2026**

**FOR**

## **Certificate Course in Introduction to Sikh Religion (CISR)**

**(Credit Based Evaluation and Grading System)**

**SEMESTER-I  
EXAMINATIONS: 2025-2026**

**The Certificate Programme Offered:**

- **Certificate Course in Introduction to Sikh Religion (CISR) (6 Months duration)**



**Name of the Department: Guru Nanak Studies**

**In collaboration with**

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**Eligibility:**

- +2 in any stream with at least 45% marks in aggregate (40% for SC/ST candidates).
- Any student pursuing Bachelor Degree, Master Degree, M.Phil., Ph.D. from GNDU campus, affiliated or constituted colleges.

**SEMESTER-I**

Paper Code	Subject	Marks			Credits
		Internal Assessment	End Term	Total	
ODISR111T	Foundation & Development of Sikh Religion	30	70	100	4
ODISR112T	Introduction to Guru Granth Sahib	30	70	100	4
ODISR113T	Morality for Blissful Life	30	70	100	4
ODISR114T	Sikh Sources	30	70	100	4
<b>Total Marks &amp; Credits</b>		<b>120</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>16</b>

**Subject Name: Foundation & Development of Sikh Religion**

**Subject Code: ODISR111T**

**Semester-I**

**Time: 03 Hours**

**Max. Marks:**

**100 Marks**

**Internal Assessment: 30 Marks**

**End Term: 70 Marks**

**Credits: 04**

**Instructions for the Paper-Setter/examiner:**

1. Question paper shall consist of **Four sections**.
2. Paper setter shall set **Eight questions** in all by selecting **Two questions** of equal marks from each section. However, a question may have sub-parts (not exceeding four sub- parts) and appropriate allocation of marks should be done for each sub-part.
3. Candidates shall attempt **Five questions** in all, by at least selecting **One question** from each section and the **5<sup>th</sup> question** may be attempted from any of the **Four sections**.
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**Section-A**

**Guru Nanak & Foundation of Sikh Religion**

- Religious, Social and Political Conditions
- Guru Nanak Life and Teachings
- Travels of Guru Nanak & Interfaith Dialogue

**Section-B**

**Consolidation of Sikh Religion**

- Guru Angad Dev
- Guru Amar Das
- Guru Ram Das

**Section-C**

**Growth of Sikh Religion:**

- Guru Arjan Dev
- Guru Hargobind Sahib (*Miri Piri*)
- Guru Har Rai & Guru Harkrishan

**Section-D**

**Creation of Khalsa**

- Guru Tegh Bahadur Martyrdom
- Guru Gobind Singh
- Creation of *Khalsa*

**References:**

1. <http://www.swayam.gov.in>
2. <http://edx.org>(formerly<http://mooc.org>)
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**Subject Name: Introduction to Guru Granth Sahib**  
**Subject Code: ODISR112T**  
**Semester-I**

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**Section-A**

**Guru Granth Sahib**

- Compilation
- Editing
- Contributors

**Section-B**

**Major Compositions-I**

- *Japu ji*
- *Sidh Gosht*
- *Asa ki Var*

**Section-C**

**Major Compositions-II**

- *Barahmah Majh*
- *Anand Sahib*
- *Sukhmani Sahib*

**Section-D**

**Major Compositions-III**

- *Salok Sheikh Farid*
- *Salok Bhagat Kabir*
- *Salok Guru Tegh Bahadur*

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**Subject Name: Morality for Blissful Life**  
**Subject Code: ODISR113T**  
**Semester-I**

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**Internal Assessment: 30 Marks**

**End Term: 70 Marks**

**Credits: 04**

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**Section-A**

**Virtues for Human Being**

- *Naam Japo, Kirat Karo, Vand Chhako*
- *Sat* (Truth) and *Santokh* (Contentment)
- *Nimarta* (Humility) and *Khima* (Forgiveness)

**Section-B**

**Noble Duties**

- *Sarbat da Bhala* (well-being for everyone)
- *Seva* (Selfless Service)
- *Sachiar* (truthful living)

**Section-C**

**Social Virtues**

- Equality, Respect of Women
- Honesty, Justice, Tolerance
- Love, Courage, *Chardikala*

**Section-D**

**Virtues for Spiritual Progress**

- *Panj Khand*
- *Jiwan Mukat*
- *Sda Anand*

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**Subject Name: Sikh Sources**  
**Subject Code: ODISR114T**  
**Semester-I**

**Time: 03 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 100 Marks**

**Internal Assessment: 30 Marks**

**End Term: 70 Marks**

**Credits: 04**

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**Section-A**

**Sikh Sources-I**

- *Bhai Gurdas: Varan*
- *Bhai Nand Lal Rachna: Gazalan*
- *Janam Sakhi Literature*

**Section-B**

**Sikh Sources-II**

- *Hukamname*
- *Gurbilas*
- *Sri Gur Sohba*

**Section-C**

**Sikh Sources-III**

- *Rahitnama Literature*
- *Bansvalinama*
- *Sau Sakhi*

**Section-D**

**Sikh Sources-IV**

- *Mahima Parkash*
- *Sri Gur Partap Suraj Granth*
- *Panth Parkarh*

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