

## **Advanced Level Curriculum**

**Metaphysics:** The branch of philosophy concerned with the study of the nature of being and beings, existence, time and space, and causality

- $1^{st}$  Semester: Existence of things, space-time, and causality = Formation and structure of the universe
- $2^{nd}$  Semester: Nature of being and beings = Creation, generation of life
- $3^{rd}$  Semester: Existence of life = Consciousness
- 4<sup>th</sup> Semester: The meaning of life and everything = Enlightenment

1<sup>st</sup> Semester: Formation and structure of the universe 宇宙構成論, 器世間

## 1. The big Bang Theory

Text Book: A History of Time – Steven Hawkins, PhD

### 2. Reductionism is Big Bang in reverse

**Reductionism** (唯物論): The analysis of something into simpler parts or organized systems, especially with a view to explaining or understanding it

#### 3. Results of Reductionism

3.1 Deduction based on a finite mindset (Atheism) 有限心理推論 (無神論)

**Biology** {Anatomy  $\rightarrow$  physiology  $\rightarrow$  cell biology} chemistry {biochemistry  $\rightarrow$  organic chemistry  $\rightarrow$  chemistry  $\rightarrow$  conservation of matters}  $\rightarrow$  physics {Newtonian world  $\rightarrow$  thermodynamics conservation of energy  $\rightarrow$  quantum world  $\rightarrow$  string theory}

- 3.2 Deduction based on a infinite mindset (Dharma-naya) 無限心理推論 (因緣法) Parallel/multiple universe, enfolded dimensions
- 3.3 How to expand the mindset from finite to infinite

# 2nd Semester: The generation of life 生命生成論, 眷屬世間 (Kalatra-bhava world)

Spiritualism (唯心論): a system of belief that emphasizes the spiritual nature of existence, the philosophical doctrine that all reality is spiritual, not material

Text Book: Many Lives, many masters - Brian Weiss, MD



- 1. Deduction based on a finite mindset (Theism) (First origin) 有限心理推論 (有神論) (有第一因法)
- 2. Deduction based on a infinite mindset (Infinite Theism, Pantheism)(Dharma-naya) 無限心理推論 (有無限神論)(因緣法)

# 3rd Semester: The Nature of consciousness 自然生態根本論,智正覺世間 Wisdom World (唯識論 Cittamatra)

Text Book: Power versus Force – David Hawkins, MD, PhD

- 1. Understanding the mechanism of consciousness 明心 (明白"心"運作)
- 2. Understanding the arising of consciousness is Enlightenment 見性 (我們本來的性質)
- 3. The definition of life/consciousness

Individual consciousness and collective consciousness (有個別性和普通性)

4. The basic methods towards enlightenment 開悟之道

# 4th Semester: Life of the enlightened

- Cessation of birth and death 了脫生死的狀況
- While living 活生時
- While dying 死亡時
- Reincarnation through grant vow 行願
  - "We cannot hold a torch to light another's path without brightening our own." Ben Sweetland