Abhedananda Mahavidyalaya is affiliated under the University of Burdwan, as a result of which it has no independence in framing its own syllabus. However there is ample scope for the college to actually focus on the key areas, such as Gender, Environment and Sustainability, Human Values and Professional Ethics and so on, from within the prescribed syllabi.

A description of courses which address the Gender, Environment and Sustainability, Human Values and Professional Ethics into the Curriculum has been given below:

Gender:

English (Hons)

- The Generic Elective Paper-3 in Semester III, Contemporary India: Women and Empowerment contains topics like Social Construction of Gender, History of Women's Movements in India, Women and Law, Women and Violence. The complete paper dedicated to understanding Gender and focusing on empowering women is taken up for detailed reading
- The Core Course IX in the Honours paper of Semester V is about **Women's Writings** and contains the study of seminal texts by American, British and Indian authors on Social Reform and Women's Rights

Philosophy (Hons)

- Old Syllabus Honours: Paper III: *Ethics: Indian and Western*, Issue taught: Gender Inequality.
- Old Syllabus Pass Course: Paper IV *religion and Social Philosophy*, Issue taught: Justice and Equality
- The Core Course VI in the Honours Paper of Semester III includes a study of Applied Ethics on Gender Equality.

Political Science (Hons)

- The Core Course IX offered in the Honours paper of Semester IV titled Sociology and Politics includes a discussion on Feminism, understanding its meaning, significance and a study of the different schools of Feminism
- Core Course XI of the Honours Paper in Semester V discusses key issues of Women's Movements in India
- The SEC-2 paper offered as one of the elective papers in Semester IV titled Democratic Awareness Through Legal Literacy contains a study of laws relating to dowry, sexual harassment and violence against women

Environment and Sustainability

AECC-1 – **Environmental Studies** is a compulsory paper under the Choice Based Credit System of 100 marks and 4 credit points to be taken up by all Honours and General Students in Semester I

Human Values and Professional Ethics

Political Science

• The Generic Elective Paper-3 in Semester III has Ambedkar and his concept of Social Justice as a key component

Apart from these specific syllabi oriented focus, the college, in the last five years, has been simultaneously involved in carrying out various programmes to imbue the students with high ideals and values of life along with its regular academic teaching-learning processes. All these various programmes are focussed on covering wide array of issues related to Gender Equality, Environment and Sustainability, Human Values and Professional Ethics. Following are the programmes organised during the assessment period:

Gender Equality:

Seminar /Special Lectures on

- "Indian National Movements and the Role of Women" held on 08.09.2015.
- "Right to Education: Kannyashree Prakalpa Orientation Programme- 2016" held on 15.09.2016.
- "Education and Empowered: Kannyashree Prakalpa Orientation Programme-2017", held on 01.09.2017.
- "Rabindra Chhotogolpe Nari" held on 22.03.2018.

Environment and Sustainability:

Seminar /Special Lectures on

- "Bio-diversity and Conservation", held on 06.12.2016
- "Environmental Pollution", held on 24.01.2017
- "Utilization of Medicinal Weeds", held on 14.09.2017
- "Role of Pisciculture for the Conservation of Aquatic Environment", held on 15.02.2018.

Special Lectures to Promote Human Values:

Title of the Special Lectures

- "Birth Tithi of Sri Sri Maa Saraoda", held on 20.12.2013.
- "Birth Anniversary of Swami Abhedananda", held on 16.09.2014.
- "National Integration", held on 07.12.2015.
- "Birth Anniversary of Sister Nivedita", held on 22.09. 2016.
- "125 Years of Swami Vivekananda's Chicago Speech", held on 03.04.2018.

Other:

UGC Sponsored National Level Seminar on "Relevance of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's Vision & Vission: Present Scenario" was held from 10th to 11th March 2017.