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**BURDWAN UNIVERSITY
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COURSE STRUCTURE**

SEMESTER-I

	Course Type	Paper code	Name of the Course	Credit	Lect	Tuto	Pract./ Viva	Full Marks	Distribution of marks		
									Theory	Prac	Internal Assessment
S E M I	Major / DS Course (Core)	POLS 1011	Western Political Thought	4	3	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Minor Course	POLS 1021	Political Theory	4	3	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Multidisciplinary / Interdisciplinary Course	POLS 1031	Introducing Political Science	3	2	1	0	50	40	00	10
	Ability Enhancement Course (L1-1 MIL)	 1041	Arabic/ Bengali/ Hindi/ Sanskrit/ Santali / Urdu / or equivalent course from SWAYAM or any other UGC recognized platform	2	2	0	0	50	40	00	10
	Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)	POLS 1051	Human Rights Education	3	2	1	0	50	40	00	10
	Common Value Added (CVA)	CVA 1061	Environmental Science / Education	4	3	1	0	100	80	00	20
	Total			20				400			

SEMESTER-I Under CCFUP

Paper	Paper Code	Title of the Paper	Credit
Major / Core Course	POLS 1011	Western Political Thought	4
Minor Course	POLS 1021	Political Theory	4
MDS/IDS	POLS 1031	Introducing Political Science	3
SEC	POLS 1051	Human Rights Education	3

Major / DS Course (Pols-1011) Western Political Thought Credit-4

Course Objective:

To introduce students to the major thinkers and ideas in Western political thought, from ancient Greece to the modern era, and to develop their ability to critically analyze political theories in historical and philosophical contexts.

Course Outcomes:

1. Students will be able to explain and compare key political concepts and theories developed by major Western political thinkers, such as Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, Marx, and Mill.
2. Students will develop critical thinking and analytical skills by applying political theories to contemporary political issues and debates.

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Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter- 1	Ancient Greek Political Thought: Basic Features; Plato: Justice; Aristotle: State;	10
Chapter-2	Medieval Political Thought: Main features	8
Chapter-3	Machiavelli and the Renaissance: Concept of Power and Secularization of Politics	9
Chapter-4	Hobbes: Sovereignty; Locke: Founder of Liberalism; Rousseau: General Will	10
Chapter-5	Hegel: State	6
Chapter-6	Marx and Engels: Dialectical and Historical Materialism	10
Chapter-7	J.S. Mill: Concept of Liberty	7

Suggested Readings

- 1) G. H. Sabine, *A History of Political Theory* (USA: Wadsworth Publishing Co Inc,)
- 2) A.K. Mukhopadhyay, *Western Political Thought : From Plato to Marx* (Kolkata: K.P. Bagchi)
- 3) S. Mukherjee and S. Ramaswamy, *A History of Political Thought*, (New Delhi: PHI)
- 4) Brian R. Nelson, *Western Political Thought: From Socrates to the Age of Ideology*, (Delhi: Pearson)
- 5) Shefali Jha, *Western Political Thought* (Delhi: Pearson)
- 6) শোভনলাল দত্ত গুপ্ত, পাশ্চাত্য রাষ্ট্রভাবনা, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ কলকাতা
- 7) নির্মল কান্তি মজুমদার, অ্যারিস্টটলের পলিটিক্স, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ কলকাতা

MINOR COURSE (POLS-1021)

POLITICAL THEORY

Credit-4

Course Objective: To familiarize students with fundamental political concepts, ideologies, and debates in political theory, enabling them to critically analyze and engage with contemporary political issues.

Course Outcomes: 1. Students will be able to define and explain key political concepts such as liberty, equality, justice, democracy, and power, along with their theoretical foundations.

2. Students will develop analytical skills to critically assess different political ideologies and their implications for governance, society, and public policy.

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Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter- 1	Meaning of Political Theory; Different Approaches: (a) Traditional, (b) Behavioural and Post-Behavioural (c) Marxist	16
Chapter-2	Concept of Sovereignty: (a) Monistic (b) Pluralist;	10
Chapter-3	Rights, Liberty and Equality: Meaning and their Inter-relationships;	10
Chapter-4	Liberalism and Neo-Liberalism: Basic Features;	09
Chapter-5	Theories of State: (a) Idealist (b) Liberal (c) Marxist (d) Gandhian.	15

Suggested Readings

1. R. Bhargava and A. Acharya eds. *Political Theory*, Delhi: Longman, 2008
2. O. P. Gauba. *Introduction to Political Theory*, New Delhi: Macmillan, 2011
3. J. C. Johari. *Contemporary Political Theory*, New Delhi: Advent Books
4. S. Ramaswamy. *Political Theory: Ideas and Concept*, New Delhi: Macmillan
5. A. Heywood, *Key concepts in Politics*, Palgrave Study Guide, 2000
6. A. Heywood, *Political Ideologies: An Introduction*, Palgrave Macmillan, 2007
7. S.P. Verma. *Modern Political Theory*, New Delhi: Vikas
8. শোভনলাল দত্ত গুপ্ত, পাশ্চাত্য রাষ্ট্রভাবনা, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ কলকাতা
9. চৈতালি বসু, রাজনীতি শাস্ত্র ও অভিজ্ঞতাবাদী রাষ্ট্র তত্ত্ব, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ কলকাতা
10. কৃত্যপ্রিয় ঘোষ, রাষ্ট্র তত্ত্ব, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ কলকাতা
11. শোভনলাল দত্ত গুপ্ত, রাষ্ট্রভাবনার তত্ত্বানুসন্ধান, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ কলকাতা
12. রাজশ্রী বসু, নারীবাদ, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ কলকাতা
13. সি ই এম জোড, আধুনিক রাষ্ট্রীয় মতবাদের ভূমিকা, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ কলকাতা

MULTIDISCIPLINARY COURSE / INTERDISCIPLINARY COURSE
(MDS/IDS) – (POLS 1031)
Introducing Political Science
Credit-3

Course Objective:

To provide students with a foundational understanding of political institutions, processes, and theories, enabling them to analyze political systems and contemporary global issues critically.

Course Outcomes:

1. Students will be able to explain the basic concepts, structures, and functions of government, political institutions, and public policies in different political systems.
2. Students will develop critical thinking skills to analyze political events, ideologies, and governance practices from both national and global perspectives.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter- 1	Political Science: Definition, Nature & Scope;	6
Chapter-2	Different approaches to the study of Political Science: i) Traditional Approach; ii) Behavioural Approach;	10
Chapter-3	Origin of the State: i) Divine Origin theory, ii) Theory of Force, iii) Social Contract Theory, iv) Evolutionary Theory	10
Chapter-4	Sovereignty: Monistic & Pluralist	5
Chapter-5	Rights, Liberty & Equality: Meaning and Inter-relationship;	5
Chapter-6	Theories of the State: i) Idealist; ii) Liberal iii) Marxist, iv) Gandhian.	9

Suggested readings

1. R. Bhargava and A. Acharya eds. *Political Theory*, Delhi: Longman, 2008
2. O. P. Gauba. *Introduction to Political Theory*, New Delhi: Macmillan, 2011
3. J. C. Johari. *Contemporary Political Theory*, New Delhi: Advent Books
4. S. Ramaswamy. *Political Theory: Ideas and Concept*, New Delhi: Macmillan
5. A. Heywood, *Key concepts in Politics*, Palgrave Study Guide, 2000
6. A. Heywood, *Political Ideologies: An Introduction*, Palgrave Macmillan, 2007
7. S.P. Verma. *Modern Political Theory* (New Delhi: Vikash)
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12. রাজশ্রী বসু, নারীবাদ পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ কলকাতা
13. সি ই এম জোড, আধুনিক রাষ্ট্রীয় মতবাদের ভূমিকা পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ কলকাতা

SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE (SEC) – (POLS 1051)

HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION

Credit-3

Course objective

To develop an understanding of the principles, history, and significance of human rights, enabling students to critically analyze human rights issues and promote a culture of dignity, equality, and justice.

Course Outcomes:

1. Students will be able to explain the fundamental concepts, historical evolution, and legal frameworks of human rights at national and international levels.
2. Students will develop the ability to critically analyze contemporary human rights challenges and advocate for the protection and promotion of human rights in various social and political contexts.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter- 1	Meaning of Human Rights; Evolution of the concept of Human Rights	10
Chapter-2	Indian Constitution and the protection of Human Rights	15
Chapter-3	National Human Rights Commission: Composition and Functions	5
Chapter-4	Human Rights Movements in India: Basic Features	6
Chapter-5	Human Rights, Terrorism and Counter-terrorism: Interrelationships	9

Suggested readings

- 1) Baxi, Upendra, *The Future of Human Rights* (New Delhi: Oxford)
- 2) Priyam, Menon and Banerjee, *Human Rights, Gender and the Environment* (New Delhi: Pearson)
- 3) Donnelly, Jack, *Universal Human Rights in Theory and Practice* (Cornell University Press)
- 4) Clapham, Andrew, *Human Rights: A very short introduction* (Oxford)
- 5) Narayan, S, *Human Rights Dynamics in India*, (Kalpaz Publications)

COURSE STRUCTURE

SEMESTER-II

	Course Type	Paper code	Name of the Course	Credit	Lect	Tuto	Pract. / Viva	Full Marks	Distribution of marks		
									Theory	Prac	Internal Assessment
S E M II	Major / DS Course (Core)	POLS 2011	Political Theory	4	3	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Minor Course	POLS 2021	Indian Government and Politics	4	3	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Multidisciplinary / Interdisciplinary Course	POLS 2031	Introducing Indian Constitution	3	2	1	0	50	40	00	10
	Ability Enhancement Course (L2-1 Eng) Code ENGL 2041	ENGL 2041	Functional English or equivalent course from SWAYAM or any other UGC recognized platform	2	2	0	0	50	40	00	10
	Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)	POLS 2051	Legislative Support	3	2	1	0	50	40	00	10
	Common Value Added (CVA)	CVA 2061	Understanding India /Digital and Technological Solutions Health & Wellness, Yoga Education Sports & Fitness	4	3	1/0	0/1	100	80/60	0/20	20
	Total			20				400			

SEMESTER-II under CCFUP

Paper	Paper Code	Title of the Paper	Credit
Major / Core Course	POLS 2011	Political Theory	4
Minor Course	POLS 2021	Indian Government and Politics	4
MDS/IDS	POLS 2031	Introducing Indian Constitution	3
SEC	POLS 2051	Legislative Support	3

MAJOR/DS COURSE (Core) (POLS-2011)

Political Theory

Credit-4

Course Objective: To familiarize students with fundamental political concepts, ideologies, and debates in political theory, enabling them to critically analyze and engage with contemporary political issues.

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2. Students will develop analytical skills to critically assess different political ideologies and their implications for governance, society and public policy.

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Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter- 1	Meaning of Politics and Political Theory; Meaning and Significance of Political Theory;	08
Chapter-2	Different Approaches: (a) Traditional (b) Behavioural and Post-Behavioural (c) Marxist	10
Chapter-3	Concept of Sovereignty: a) Monistic b) Pluralist (c) Popular	08
Chapter-4	Rights, Liberty and Equality: Meaning and their Inter-relationship	08
Chapter-5	Theory of Justice: Rawls	04
Chapter-6	Ideology – Meaning and Variants: 1.Liberalism and Neo-Liberalism 2.Socialism, 3.Fascism, 4. Feminism	11
Chapter-7	Theories of the State: (a) Idealist (b) Liberal (c) Marxist (d) Gandhian	11

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2. O. P. Gauba. *Introduction to Political Theory*, New Delhi: Macmillan, 2011
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MINOR COURSE (POLS-2021)
Indian Government and Politics
Credit-4

Course Objective:

To provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the structure, functioning, and dynamics of the Indian government and political system, with a focus on the Constitution, institutions, and contemporary political issues.

Course Outcomes:

1. Students will be able to explain the key features of the Indian Constitution, including fundamental rights, directive principles, and the structure of government at the central and state levels.
2. Students will develop analytical skills to assess the functioning of Indian democracy, political parties, electoral processes, and emerging challenges in Indian politics.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter- 1	a. The Constituent Assembly: its Composition and Role b. Preamble and its Significance	08
Chapter-2	(a) Fundamental Rights and Duties (b) Directive Principles of State Policy	08
Chapter-3	Nature of Indian Federalism: Centre-States relations –Legislative, Administrative and Financial	08
Chapter-4	Union Legislature: Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha – Composition and Functions; the Speaker; State Legislature: Composition; Composition & Functions of Vidhansabha	10
Chapter-5	Union & State Executive: President and Prime Minister: Powers and functions; Governor and Chief Minister: Powers and function	10
Chapter-6	Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts – Composition and Functions	06
Chapter-7	Party System in India: Features and Trends; Coalition Governments	05
Chapter-8	Electoral Process: Election Commission – Composition and Functions; Electoral Reforms	05

Suggested Readings:

1. Basu, D. D, *Introduction to the Constitution of India* (Nagpur: Lexis Nexis)
2. Kashyap, S. C., *Our Constitution* (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
3. Kashyap, S.C., *Our Political System* (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
4. Hiregowder, G. C. et al., *The Indian Constitution: An Introduction*, (New Delhi: Orient BlackSwan)
5. Johari, J. C., *Indian Government and Politics*, Vol. 1 and 2 (New Delhi: Vikash Publication)
6. Khosla, Madhab, *The Indian Constitution* (New Delhi: Oxford)

MULTIDISCIPLINARY COURSE/ INTERDISCIPLINARY COURSE
(POLS2031)

Introducing Indian Constitution Credit-3

Course Objective:

To provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the structure, functioning, and dynamics of the Indian government and political system, with a focus on the Constitution, institutions, and contemporary political issues.

Course Outcomes:

1. Students will be able to explain the key features of the Indian Constitution, including fundamental rights, directive principles, and the structure of government at the central and state levels.
2. Students will develop analytical skills to assess the functioning of Indian democracy, political parties, electoral processes, and emerging challenges in Indian politics.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter- 1	Salient Features of the Indian Constitution; Preamble	06
Chapter-2	(a) Fundamental Rights and Duties (b) Directive Principles of State Policy	08
Chapter-3	Nature of Indian Federalism;	04
Chapter-4	Union Legislature: Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha –Composition and Functions; the Speaker;	08
Chapter-5	Union & State Executive: President and Prime Minister: Powers and functions Governor and Chief Minister: Powers and functions	08
Chapter-6	Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts – Composition and Functions	06
Chapter-7	Party System in India: Features and Trends; Coalition Government	05

Suggested Readings:

1. Basu, D. D, *Introduction to the Constitution of India* (Nagpur: Lexis Nexis)
2. Kashyap, S. C., *Our Constitution* (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
3. Kashyap, S.C., *Our Political System* (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
4. Hiregowder, G. C. et al., *The Indian Constitution: An Introduction*, (New Delhi: Orient BlackSwan)
5. Johari, J. C., *Indian Government and Politics*, Vol. 1 and 2 (New Delhi: Vikash Publication)
6. Khosla, Madhab, *The Indian Constitution* (New Delhi: Oxford)

SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE (SEC) – (POLS 2051)

Legislative Support

Credit-3

Course Objective:

To equip students with a fundamental understanding of legislative processes, parliamentary procedures, and the role of legislative support in policymaking and governance.

Course Outcomes:

1. Students will be able to explain the structure, functions, and procedures of legislatures, including law-making, budgeting, and oversight mechanisms.
2. Students will develop skills to analyze legislative documents, draft policy briefs, and provide research-based support for informed decision-making in legislative processes.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter- 1	Powers and functions of people's representatives at different tiers of governance: Members of Parliament and State Legislative Assemblies	12
Chapter-2	Law-making procedure in Parliament; Role of Committees in Parliament	08
Chapter-3	Procedure of Budget making	06
Chapter-4	Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and External Affairs: Main functions	10
Chapter-5	NITI Ayog: Composition & Functions	09

Suggested reading

1. Madhavan, M.R. & N.Wahi Financing of Election Campaigns PRS, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi, 2008. Available at:
http://www.prsindia.org/uploads/media/conference/Campaign_finance_brief.pdf
2. Kalra, H. Public Engagement with the Legislative Process PRS, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi, 2011. Available at:
<http://www.prsindia.org/administrator/uploads/media/Conference%202011/Public%20Engagement%20with%20the%20Legislative%20Process.pdf>
- 3 Government of India (Lok Sabha Secretariat) Parliamentary Procedures (Abstract Series), 2009. Available at: <http://164.100.47.132/LssNew/abstract/index.aspx>
- 4 Government of India, (Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs) Legislation, Parliamentary Procedure, 2009.
Available at: http://mpa.nic.in/Manual/Manual_English/Chapter/chapter-09.htm
- 5 Government of India, (Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs) Subordinate Legislation, Parliamentary Procedure, 2009. Available at:
http://mpa.nic.in/Manual/Manual_English/Chapter/chapter-11.htm
- 6 Mathur K. Chandrakanta, Legislative Support, Shivalik Prakashan, New Delhi
- 7 Radha Kumari *et. al.* A Primer on Legislative Support, Adroit Publishers, 2018

COURSE STRUCTURE

SEMESTER-III

	Course Type	Paper code	Name of the Course	Credit	Lect	Tuto	Pract. / Viva	Full Marks	Distribution of marks		
									Theory	Prac	Internal Assessment
S E M III	Major / DS Course (Core)	POLS 3011	Comparative Government and Politics	5	4	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Major / DS Course (Core)	POLS 3012	Indian Government and Politics	5	4	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Minor Course (Vocational Education and Training)	MSR 3021/ HRM 3021/ RSA 3021	Medical Sales Representative / Human Resource Management/ Retail Sales Associates	4	3	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Multi-disciplinary / Inter-disciplinary Course	POLS 3031	Contemporary Issues in India	3	2	1	0	50	40	00	10
	Ability Enhancement Course (L1-2 MIL)	 3041	Arabic/ Bengali/ Hindi/ Sanskrit/ Santali / Urdu / or equivalent course from SWAYAM or any other UGC recognized platform	2	2	0	0	50	40	00	10
	Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)	POLS 3051	Electoral Practices and Procedures	3	2	1	0	50	40	00	10
	Total			22				375			

SEMESTER-III under CCFUP
Major DS (POLS 3011)
Comparative Government and Politics
Credit-5

Paper	Paper Code	Title of the Paper	Credit
Major / Core Course	POLS 3011	Comparative Government and Politics	5
Major / Core Course	POLS 3012	Indian Government and Politics	5
MDS/IDS	POLS 3031	Contemporary Issues in India	3
SEC	POLS 3051	Electoral Practices and Procedures	3

Course Objective: Focuses on certain concepts and theoretical frameworks and organizational principles along with constitutional structures.

Course Outcomes: The students are expected to

- a) **Understand** the different organizational patterns of the modern government
- b) Analytically **distinguish and classify** the different types of governments on the basis of certain concepts and organizational principles
- c) **Comprehend** the foundational premises of comparative methods

Syllabus

Chapter	Topic	LH
Chapter 1	Transition from Comparative Government to Comparative Politics: Scope and Objectives of Comparative Politics	12
Chapter 2	Nature of Constitution-Basic Categorization: Unitary Federal: (UK & USA)	11
Chapter 3	Parliamentary and Presidential Systems: UK and USA and PRC	12
Chapter 4	Legislatures in UK and USA: Composition and Functions	10
Chapter 5	Judiciary in UK & USA	10
Chapter 6	Party System in UK, USA, PRC, Nigeria & Mexico	10
Chapter 7	Development Discourse: Significance of Global South	10

Suggested Reading

1. G. Almond et al, Comparative Politics Today : A World View. (Delhi, Pearson)
2. Gabriel Abraham Almond, G. Bingham Powell, Comparative politics: system, process, and policy, (Little, Brown and Co)
3. Rod Hague, Martin Harrop and Shaun Breslin, Comparative Government and Politics – An Introduction (Macmillan, London)
4. S.N. Ray, Modern Comparative Politics – Approaches, Methods and Issues. (New Delhi, PHI)
5. J.C. Johari, Major Modern Political Systems (New Delhi, Sterling).
6. J.C. Johari, New Comparative Government (Revised & Enlarged edition), (New Delhi: Lotus Press)
7. Marleen Brans, Iris Geva-May & Michael Howlett (Editors) Routledge Hand Book of Comparative Policy Analysis, London: Routledge
8. Vidya Bhushan, Comparative Politics, (New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers)
9. H. Shukla, An Introduction to Comparative Government & Politics, New Delhi Mahaveer Publication
10. Edward A Freeman, Comparative Politics, (New Delhi, CreateSpace Independent Publication Platform)
11. Rakhahari Chatterjee, Comparative Politics: History, Methods and Approaches (Sarat BookHouse, Kolkata).
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13. Anup Chakraborty, Tulonamulok Shashon Byabostha, West Bengal Book Board, Kolkata

Major DS (POLS 3012)
Indian Government and Politics
Credit-5

Course Objective: Familiarize the students about the basic principles of Indian constitution, structure and functions of the governments and develop their general awareness about the fundamental rights and duties and certain political processes.

Course Outcomes: The learners after the completion of the course are expected

- a) **To understand** the basic ideals and features of the Indian Constitution and the contours of rights and duties of the citizens
- b) **To develop** the concepts about the major organizational structures and functions of Indian constitutional system
- c) **To evaluate** role of the governments in light of basic philosophical norms of the Constitution of India and to **comprehend** the contemporary trends of electoral politics and party system in India

Syllabus

Chapter	Topic	LH
Chapter 1	a) The Constituent Assembly: Its Composition and role b) The Preamble and Its Significance	10
Chapter 2	a) Fundamental Rights and Duties b) Directive Principles of State Policy	13
Chapter 3	Nature of Indian Federalism: Centre-States Relations- Legislative, Administrative and Financial	10
Chapter 4	Union Legislature: Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha- Organization, Functions and Law-making procedures; Speaker, Procedure of Constitutional Amendment	12
Chapter 5	Union Executive: President and Prime Minister: Power and Functions State Executive: Governor and Chief Minister: Power and Functions	14
Chapter 6	Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts- Composition and Functions	06
Chapter 7	Party System in India: Features and Trends; Coalition Governments	06
Chapter 8	Electoral Process: Election Commission- Composition and Functions; Electoral Reforms	04

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2. Kashyap, S. C., *Our Constitution* (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
3. Kashyap, S.C., *Our Political System* (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
4. Hiregowder, G. C. et al., *The Indian Constitution: An Introduction*, (New Delhi: Orient Black Swan)
5. Johari, J. C., *Indian Government and Politics*, Vol. 1 and 2 (New Delhi: Vikash Publication)
6. Khosla, Madhab, *The Indian Constitution* (New Delhi: Oxford)
7. B.L.Fadia & Kuldeep Fadia, *Indian Government and Politics*, Sahitya Bhawan, New Delhi;
8. Bidyut Chakraborty, *Indian Government & Politics*, Sage Text, New Delhi
9. M. P. Singh & Rekha Saxena, *Indian Politics* (Third Edition), PHI, New Delhi
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11. Shiuli Sarkar, *Bharatiya Proshasan (in Bengali)*, West Bengal Book Board, Kolkata
12. Shibaji Pratim Basu, *Bharatiya Rajnitir Promukh Dikguli (in Bengali)*, West Bengal Book Board, Kolkata
13. Norman D Pamar (Translated by Himangshu Ghosh), *Bharatiya Rajnoitik Byabostha*, (in Bengali), West Bengal Book Board, Kolkata

Multidisciplinary / Interdisciplinary Course (POLS 3031)
Contemporary Issues in India
Credit-3

Course Objective: Focuses on the real politics in India in the light of the inter-action between the social forces and Indian politics and their inter-actions.

Course Outcomes: At the end of the course, students are expected to

- a) **Understand** the functioning of Indian politics
- b) **Develop** an idea about the inter-action between social forces and Indian politics in the light of constitutional norms
- c) **Analyse** role of social forces in Indian politics and **identify** the defining issues of the politics in India

Syllabus

Chapter	Topic	L H
Chapter 1	Caste in Indian Politics	10
Chapter 2	Religion and Politics in India	09
Chapter 3	Civil Society and Politics in India	08
Chapter 4	Gender & Politics in India	10
Chapter 5	Environmental Politics in India	08

Suggested Reading

- 1) Chatterjee, Partha (ed.) State and Politics in India. New Delhi: OUP, 1994.
- 2) Balakrishnan, P. Economic Growth and its Distribution in India. Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan, 2005.
- 3). Vinaik, Achin and Rajeev Bhargava. Understanding Contemporary India, Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan, 2010.
- 4) Bilgrami, A. Democratic Culture, New Delhi: Routledge, 2011.
- 5) Kothari, Rajni. Caste in Indian Politics. New Delhi: Orient Longman, 1970
- 6) Beteille, A. Democracy and Its Institutions. New Delhi: OUP, 2012.
- 7) Frankel, Francine R. India's Political Economy. New Delhi: OUP, 2005.
- 8) Frankel, Francine R., ed. Transforming India: Social and Political Dynamics of Democracy. Oxford: OUP, 2000.
- 9) King, Robert D. Nehru and the Language Politics of India. New Delhi: OUP, 1997.
- 10) Hasan, Zoya. Parties and Party Politics in India. New Delhi: OUP, 2004. Dhawan,
- 11) Rajeev, ed. Law and Society in Modern India. New Delhi: OUP, 1997
- 12) Kochanek, Stanley. The Congress Party of India: the Dynamics of One Party Democracy Princeton: PUP, 1968
- 13) Austin, Granville. Working a Democratic Constitution: the Indian Experience. New Delhi: OUP, 1999.
- 14) Kohli, Atul. The State and Poverty in India: the Politics of Reform. Cambridge: CUP, 1987.
- 15) Shibaji Pratim Basu, *Bharatiya Rajnitir Promukh Dikguli* (in Bengali), West Bengal Book Board, Kolkata

Skill Enhancement Course (SEC) (POLS 3051)
Electoral Practices and Procedures
Credit-3

Course Objectives: To concentrate on the methodology prevalent in Indian general elections and to get acquainted with the electoral procedures and practices.

Course Outcomes: The students are expected to a) **Comprehend** the electoral practices of India;

b) **Develop** an in-depth understanding of the roles of the offices and officials involved in conducting general elections;

c) **Enhance** their **analytical ability** about the various factors and forces working in the electoral processes in India

Syllabus

Chapter	Topic	LH
Chapter 1	Electoral Process in India- Method of conducting General (Parliamentary) elections and elections to state assemblies	09
Chapter 2	Election Commission in India-Composition, Structure, Functions	09
Chapter 3	Role of Chief Election Commissioner	06
Chapter 4	Role of State Election Commission	05
Chapter 5	Electoral Reforms in India	06
Chapter 6	Recent Challenges to Electoral Politics: Money Power, Muscle Power, Misinformation & Execution of Model Code of Conduct	10

Suggested Reading

1. Rakhahari Chatterjee, Politics India-The State Society Interface
2. Kashyap, S. C., Our Constitution (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
3. Kashyap, S.C., Our Political System (New Delhi: National Book Trust)
4. Johari, J. C., Indian Government and Politics, Vol. 1 and 2 (New Delhi: Vikash Publication)
5. Khosla, Madhab, The Indian Constitution (New Delhi: Oxford)
6. Satish Kumar, Electoral Politics in Federal India, JTS Publication New Delhi
7. M. G. Devasahayam (Editor) Electoral Democracy?: An Inquiry into the Fairness and Integrity of Elections in India, Dhar Academy, New Delhi;
8. Suhas Palshikar, Sanjay Kumar, Sanjay Lodha (Eds.), Electoral Politics in India: The Resurgence of the Bharatiya Janata Party, Routledge, London

COURSE STRUCTURE

SEMESTER-IV

	Course Type	Paper code	Name of the Course	Credit	Lect	Tuto	Pract. / Viva	Full Marks	Distribution of marks		
									Theory	Prac	Internal Assessment
S E M IV	Major / DS Course (Core)	POLS 4011	Introducing Political Sociology	5	4	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Major / DS Course (Core)	POLS 4012	Introducing Public Administration	5	4	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Major / DS Course (Core)	POLS 4013	Introducing International Relations	5	4	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Minor Course	POLS 4021	Administering India	4	3	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Minor Course (Other than Political Science)	 4021		4	3	1	0	75	60	00	15
	Ability Enhancement Course (Eng) (L2-2)	 4041	Language and Creativity or equivalent course from SWAYAM or any other UGC recognized platform	2	2	0	0	50	40	00	10
	Total			25				425			

SEMESTER-IV under CCFUP

Paper	Paper Code	Title of the Paper	Credit
Major / Core Course	POLS 4011	Introducing Political Sociology	5
Major / Core Course	POLS 4012	Introducing Public Administration	5
Major / Core Course	POLS 4013	Introducing International Relations	5
Minor	POLS 4021	Administering India	4

Major DS (POLS 4011) Introducing Political Sociology Credit-5

Course objective: The primary objective of this course is to introduce inter-disciplinary approach to the study of Political Science. The influence of societal forces upon the politics and vice-versa and their inter-action comprise its central argument.

Course outcome : This course will enable the students to

- a) **Understand** the meaning and genesis of inter-disciplinary approach in Political Science by way of introducing the nature and scope of Political Sociology and Sociology
- b) **Reflect upon** the contemporary problems of the society through the theoretical tools;
- c) **Critically assess** the role of different social forces in shaping the political contours of a society'
- d) **Enhance** the cognitive levels through imparting the contemporary theories in this field.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topic	LH
Chapter 1	Political Sociology and Sociology of Politics: Nature and Scope	09
Chapter 2	a) Political Culture: Meaning, Components, Orientations and Types; b) Political Socialization: Meaning, Roles and Agencies	10
Chapter 3	Political Participation: Meaning and Components	08
Chapter 4	Concepts of Power and Authority; Types of Authority	08
Chapter 5	Feminism: Meaning, Significance and Different Schools	10
Chapter 6	Environmentalism & Green Politics: Meaning and Significance	10
Chapter 7	Religion and Politics: Concept of Secularism	10
Chapter 8	State and Civil Society: Media, Society and Politics	10

Suggested reading

- 1) A.K. Mukhopadhyaya – Political Sociology, K.P. Bagchi, Kolkata
- 2) Satyabrata Chakraborty (Ed)- Political Sociology, Macmillan India Limited, New Delhi
- 3) Anthony Giddens- Sociology, Polity Press, Cambridge
- 4) Dipankar Gupta – Political Sociology in India: Contemporary Trends, Orient Longman, New Delhi
- 5) Sudipta Kaviraj and Sunil Khilnani (Ed)- Civil Society: History and Possibilities- Cambridge University Press,
- 6) Neera Chandhoke – State and Civil Society: Explorations in Political Theory- Sage Publication, New Delhi.
- 7) Narayan Jayaram: On Civil Society: Issues and Perspectives, Sage Publications, New Delhi
- 8) Rajarsi Basu : Naribad, Paschimanga Rajya Pustak Parsad, Kolkata
- 9) Ram Chandra Guha: Environmentalism, Penguin Books
- 10) Andrew Heywood: Political Ideologies, Red Books
- 11) Vandana Shiva – Ecofeminism, Bloomsbury Academic
- 12) Satyabrata Chakraborty- Rastra, Samaj o Rajniti, Ekushe, Kolkata
- 13) Rajeev Bhagarva - What is Political Theory and Why Do we Need It, Oxford University Press.
- 14) Rajeev Bhagarva – Secularism and Its Critics- Oxford University Press

Major DS (POLS 4012)
Introducing Public Administration
Credit-5

Course objectives: Public administration is both a discipline and an institution offering public services. Objectives are to focus on basic premises and theoretical underpinning of the Public Administration that might help the students better administrators.

Course outcomes: This course is expected to help the learners to

- a) **Understand** the basic concepts and the genesis of Public Administration as a discipline;
- b) **Identify** the problems and hindrances before the Public administration;
- c) **Comprehend** the recent development in the Public Administration theories;
- d) **Enhance the analytical ability** to confront the challenges in the light of theoretical frameworks

Syllabus

Chapter	Topic	LH
Chapter 1	Public Administration: Stages of growth of Public Administration as a Discipline; Identity distress of Public Administration	11
Chapter 2	Classical Theories: Scientific Management (F.W. Taylor), Organizational Management (Fayol, Gullick, Urwick), Ideal Type Bureaucracy (Weber)	14
Chapter 3	Neo-classical theories: Human Relations (Elton Myo), Decision Making Theory (Herbert Simon) Motivation theory (Hertzberg and Maslow)	14
Chapter 4	Contemporary theories: Ecological Approach (Fred Riggs), Innovation Entrepreneurship (Peter Drucker)	12
Chapter 5	Components of Administration: Hierarchy, Span of Control, Unity of Command, Staff, Centralization-Decentralization, Devolution and Delegation	12
Chapter 6	Major Approaches to Public Administration: New Public Administration, New Public Management, New Public Service, Feminist Perspective	12

Suggested reading

- 1) F.A. Nigro and L.G. Nigro - Modern Public Administration
- 2) Bidyut Chakrabarty and Prakash Anand- Public Administration: From Government to Governance, Orient Black Swan, Ranikhet
- 3) Bidyut Chakrabarty and Mohit Bhattacharya- Public Administration: A Reader, Oxford University Press, New Delhi
- 4) Stella Z. Theodoulou and Ravi K. Roy- Public Administration: A Very Short Introduction, Oxford University Press
- 5) Rumki Basu- Public Administration: Concepts and Theories, Sterling Publications
- 6) Mohit Bhattacharya- New Horizons of Public Administration, Jawahar Publications
- 7) Brian R Fry & Jos C. N. Raadschelders- Mastering Public Administration: From Max Weber to Dwight Waldo, CQ Press
- 8) Fredrickson, H.G - New Public Administration, University of Alabama Press
- 9) J.M. Pfiffner- Public Administration, John Wiley & Sons Inc
- 10) Rajasri Basu- Jana Prashasan- Paschim Banga Rajya Pustak Parshad
- 11) Mohit Bhattacharya & Biswanath Ghosh- Jana Prashasan O Parikalpana, The World Press
- 12) Rumki Basu- Public Administration in the 21st Century: A Global South Perspective, Taylor and Francis

Major DS (POLS 4013)
Introducing International Relations
Credit-5

Course objectives: The primary objective of this course is to introduce the basic concepts, approaches and issues of international relations. Global contemporary issues comprise another important objective of this course.

Course outcomes: At the end of the course the students are expected to

- a) **Develop** a fair understanding of the basic concepts of International relations;
- b) **Analyse** the contemporary global issues and challenges in the light of different approaches;
- c) **Identify** the factors and the determinants of the behaviour of the states in world politics
- d) **Broaden** the critical insights of the learners to assess the global issues.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topic	LH
Chapter 1	Nature and Scope of International Relations: Idealist, Realist and Neo-realist Approaches in International Relations	13
Chapter 2	State and Non-state Actors in International Relations	08
Chapter 3	National Interest and National Power: Concepts and Elements	07
Chapter 4	Origin and End of Cold War	07
Chapter 5	Post-cold War Global Issues: a) Globalization b) Human Rights and c) Terrorism	12
Chapter 6	Disarmament: NPT, CTBT and NSG	11
Chapter 7	Foreign Policy: Basic Elements	06
Chapter 8	Diplomacy: Concepts, Determinants and Objectives	11

Suggested reading

- 1) Coulombis and Wolfe- Introduction to International Relations, Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi
- 2) Aneek Chattopadhyaya- Thanda Juddher Par Antarjatic Samparka, Paschim Banga Rajya Pustak Parshad
- 3) Gautam Kumar Basu- Samasamayik Antarjatic Samparka, Paschim Banga Rajya Pustak Parshad
- 4) Gautam Kumar Basu- Antarjatic Samparka: Tattwa O Bibartan, Paschim Banga Rajya Pustak Parshad
- 5) Peter Calvocoressi- World Politics Since 1945, Longman
- 6) K.J. Halsti- International Politics: A Framework For Analysis, Prentice Hall International
- 7) Joseph Frankel - International Relations in a Changing World, Oxford University Press, Oxford
- 8) John Baylis, Steve Smith and Patricia Owens- The Globalization of World Politics, Oxford University Press, London
- 9) Kenneth Waltz, The Theory of International Politics (Melno Park, 1979)
- 10) Robert Gilpin, War and Change in World Politics (New York, 1980)
- 11) James N. Rosenau and E.O. Czempiel, eds, Global Changes and Theoretical Challenges (Mass., 1989)

Minor Course
Administering India (POLS 4021)
Credit-4

Course Objective: The focus of this paper is on the role and functioning of the permanent executive in Indian administration so as to enable the learners to assess its efficiency and performance. Knowledge about composition and functions of the important functionaries in Indian administration will help the students understand the decision-making process of Indian political system.

Course Outcome: At the end of the course, it is expected that the students will be able to

- a) **Understand** the basic constitutional principles of India, composition and functioning of officials and agencies'
- b) **Analyse and compare** the role of the different tiers of permanent executive in the light of constitutional principles'
- c) **Reflect upon** the reforms attempts in Indian administration and the impact of different agencies on its probity and transparency;

Syllabus

Chapter	Topic	LH
Chapter 1	Basic Constitutional Principles: Federalism, Parliamentary Supremacy and Judicial Independence	12
Chapter 2	UPSC: Composition and Functions; Recruitment and Training of IAS and IPS	10
Chapter 3	Union Administration: Cabinet Secretariat and Central Secretariat	10
Chapter 4	State Administration: Chief Secretary and Divisional Commissioner	10
Chapter 5	District Administration: Role of DM, SP and SDO	08
Chapter 6	Administrative Reforms in India: RTI, Lok Pal and Lok Ayukta	10

Suggested reading

- 1) Siuli Sarkar- Bharatiyo Prashasan, Paschim Banga Rajya Pustak Parshad
- 2) Bidyut Chakrabarty and Prakash Chand (Ed)- Indian Administration, Sage
- 3) Rumki Basu - Indian Administration Structure, Performance and Reform, Adroit Publication
- 4) Radha Krishan Sapru- Indian Administration, Sage Publication
- 5) Mohit Bhattacharya- Indian Administration, The World Press
- 6) Choudhury, Khosla and Mehta (Ed)- The Oxford Handbook Of The Indian Constitution, Oxford University Press
- 7) Bidyut Chakrabarty and Rajendra Pandey- Indian Government and Politics, Sage Publication

COURSE STRUCTURE SEMESTER-V & VI

Semester wise and Course wise Distribution of Credit & Marks under CCFUP as per NEP 2020

SEME STER	Course Type	Code	Name of the Course	Credit	L-T-P	Marks	Marks distribution Th-Pr-IA
V	Major /Core Course	POLS 5011	Indian Political Thought	5	4-1-0	75	60--00--15
	Major /Core Course	POLS 5012	Local Governance in India	5	4-1-0	75	60--00--15
	Major /Core Course	POLS 5013	International Organizations since 1945	5	4-1-0	75	60--00--15
	Minor Course (Vocational Educational and Training)	MSR 5021/ HRM 5021/ RSA 5021	Medical Sales Representative / Human Resource Management/ Retail Sales Associates	4	3-1-0	75	60-00-15
	Internship	INT 5081		2	0-0-2	50	00-50-00 (Project/Field Diary: 30 + Viva- voce: 20)
	Total			21		350	

SEME STER	Course Type	Code	Name of the Course	Credit	L-T-P	Marks	Marks distribution Th-Pr-IA
VI	Major /Core Course	POLS 6011	Indian Foreign Policy	4	3-1-0	75	60--00--15
	Major /Core Course	POLS 6012	Contemporary Issues in India	4	3-1-0	75	60--00--15
	Major /Core Course	POLS 6013	Public Policy in India	4	3-1-0	75	60--00--15
	Major /Core Course	POLS 6014	Understanding Globalization	4	3-1-0	75	60--00--15
	Minor Course (Vocational Educational and Training)	MSR 6021/ HRM 6021/ RSA 6021	Medical Sales Representative / Human Resource Management/ Retail Sales Associates	4	3-1-0	75	60-00-15
	Total			20		375	

SEMESTER-V under CCFUP

Paper	Paper Code	Title of the Paper	Credit
Major / Core Course	POLS 5011	Indian Political Thought	5
Major / Core Course	POLS 5012	Local Governance in India	5
Major / Core Course	POLS 5013	International Organizations since 1945	5

Major DS (POLS 5011) Indian Political Thought Credit-5

Course Objective: The objective of this course is to familiarize students with the key concepts, themes, and thinkers in Indian political thought, exploring its historical evolution and contemporary relevance.

Course Outcomes: a) Students are expected to analyze the contributions of major Indian political thinkers and their impact on political institutions and governance in India.

b) Students will develop a critical understanding of indigenous political traditions and their role in shaping modern Indian political ideologies and movements.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Ancient Indian political thought: Features; Kautilya's theory of Saptanga and the concept of 'Dandaniti'	10
Chapter 2	State and Monarchy in Medieval India: Barani and Fazal	08
Chapter 3	Rammohan Roy: Perception of British colonial Rule and role as Modernizer	10
Chapter 4	Pandita Ramabai: Rights of Women	08
Chapter 5	Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay and Swami Vivekananda: Nationalism	10
Chapter 6	Mohan Das Karamchand Gandhi: Satyagraha; Trusteeship	10
Chapter 7	Rabindranath Tagore: State, Society and Nation	11
Chapter 8	B.R. Ambedkar: Social Justice	08

Suggested reading

- 1) Thomas Panther and Kenneth L. Deutsch. (Eds.) Political Thought in Modern India
- 2) Partha Chatterjee- Nationalist Thought and the Colonial World: A Derivative Discourse
- 3) D.H. Bishop (Ed) – Thinkers of the Indian Renaissance
- 4) Shruti Kapila – Violent Fraternity: Indian Political Thought in the Global Age
- 5) B. B. Majumder, History of Indian Political Ideas: From Rammohun to Dayananda
- 6) S. Ghosh- Modern Indian Political Thought
- 7) V. P. Verma- Modern Indian Political Thought
- 8) V. R. Mehta- Foundation of Indian Political Thought

Major DS (POLS 5012)
Local Governance in India
Credit-5

Course Objective:

The objective of the this course is to equip students with a comprehensive understanding of the structure, functioning, and significance of local governance in India, with a focus on decentralization, grassroots democracy, and participatory governance along with different constitutional amendments.

Course Outcomes:

1. Students are expected to explain the evolution and constitutional framework of local governance in India, including the 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendments.
2. They are also expected to enrich their analytical skills to assess the role of Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies in democratic decentralization and rural-urban development.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Transition from Local government to Local Governance	10
Chapter 2	73 rd Amendment Act and Its Implications for rural local government in India	10
Chapter 3	74 th Amendment Act and Its Implications for urban local government in India	10
Chapter 4	Rural administration in West Bengal: Panchayati Raj Institutions: Role of BDO	12
Chapter 5	Urban administration in West Bengal: Municipalities and Municipal Corporations	12
Chapter 6	District Administration: role of DM, SP & SDO	12
Chapter 7	State Administration in West Bengal: Chief Secretary, Divisional Commissioner	09

Suggested reading

- 1.SN Jha and PC Mathur, Decentralisation and Local Politics in India, Sage, New Delhi(2011)
- 2.Ptradeep Sachdeva, Local Government in India
- 3.PC Mathur, Decentralization And Local Politics, Sage Publications
- 4.LC Jain,Decentralization In Government, Orient Blackswann.
- 5.Bidyut Chakraborty, Localising Governance in India
- 6.Bidyut Chakraborty, Decentralisation And Local Governance
- 7.Mohit Bhattacharyya, Indian Administration, World Press
- 8.R.N. Prasad, Urban Local-Self Government in India

Major DS (POLS 5013)
International Organizations Since 1945
Credit-5

Course Objective:

The objective of this course is to provide students with an understanding of the evolution, structure, and functioning of major international organizations since 1945, examining their role in global governance, peace, security, and development.

Course Outcomes:

Students will be able to analyze the significance of key international organizations and regional organizations, such as the United Nations, APEC, OPEC, NATO, ARF, SAARC, ASEAN, BRICS, BIMSTEC, QUAD, in shaping global and regional politics and economic relations.

Students are expected to develop a critical perspective on the effectiveness and challenges of international and regional organizations in addressing global issues like conflict resolution, human rights, and sustainable development.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	United Nations: Its emergence ; General Assembly and Security council; Secretariat; Secretary General; International Court of Justice: Composition and Functions	22
Chapter 2	Regional Economic Organizations- APEC & OPEC	16
Chapter 3	Regional Security Organizations: NATO & ARF	15
Chapter 4	Regional Organizations: SAARC and ASEAN, BRICS, BIMSTEC and QUAD- Goals and Functions	22

Suggested reading

1. Coulombis and Wolfe, Introduction to International Relations (Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi).
2. Peter Calvocoressi, World Politics Since 1945 (Longman, London).
3. Cynthia Weber, International relations theory: a critical introduction. Routledge, 2013.
4. K. J. Holsti, International Politics : A Framework for Analysis (Prentice Hall International)
5. Joseph Frankel, International Relations in a Changing World. (Oxford, OUP)
6. J. Bandyopadhyay, The Making of India's Foreign Policy (Allied, New Delhi)
7. Appadorai and Rajan, India's Foreign Policy and Relations (South Asian Pub., New Delhi)
8. John Baylis and Steve Smith, The Globalization Of World Politics, OUP, 2005.
9. Ken, Booth and Toni Erskine, eds. International relations theory today. John Wiley & Sons, 2016.

SEMESTER-VI under CCFUP

Paper	Paper Code	Title of the Paper	Credit
Major / Core Course	POLS 6011	Indian Foreign Policy	4
Major / Core Course	POLS 6012	Contemporary Issues in India	4
Major / Core Course	POLS 6013	Public Policy in India	4
Major / Core Course	POLS 6014	Understanding Globalization	4

Major DS (POLS 6011)

Indian Foreign Policy

Credit-4

Course Objective:

The objectives of this paper are to familiarize students with the principles, evolution, and contemporary dynamics of India's foreign policy in regard to the relations to her neighbours, examining its key determinants, challenges, and global engagements.

Course Outcomes:

1. Students will be able to analyze the historical evolution and key principles of India's foreign policy, including non-alignment, strategic autonomy, and regional cooperation, look east policy.
2. Students will develop a critical understanding of India's diplomatic relations with major global powers and its role in international and regional organizations.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Key Determinants of India's Foreign Policy	10
Chapter 2	India's foreign policy towards her neighbours; Recent engagement with Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal and Bhutan	15
Chapter 3	India and Major Powers- USA, China, Russia	20
Chapter 4	Recent Trends in India's foreign policy; India's Act east Policy	15

Suggested reading

1. Dubey, M, India's Foreign Policy (New Delhi: Orient Black Swan)
2. Dutt, Sagarika, India in a Globalized World, (Manchester: Manchester University Press)
3. Malone, David M. and others, Oxford Handbook of India's Foreign Policy, (Oxford University Press)
4. C Raja Mohan, Modi's World-Expanding India's Sphere Of Influence,(Harper Collins)
5. Menon, Shivsankar, Choices: Inside the Making of Indian Foreign Policy, Penguin Random House India
6. Kanti P. Bajpai, Harsh V. Pant, India's foreign Policy: A Reader, Oxford University Press
7. Bhattacharya, Kallol, Nehru's First Recruits: The Diplomats Who Built Independent India's Foreign Policy, Harper Collins India
8. Ganguly, Sumit India's Foreign Policy, Oxford University press

Major DS (POLS 6012)
Contemporary Issues in India
Credit-4

Course Objective:

This objective is to enable the students to critically examine and understand key contemporary issues in India, including political, social, economic, and environmental challenges, and their impact on governance and society.

Course Outcomes:

Students are expected to analyze major contemporary issues in India, such as poverty, inequality, climate change, and human rights, from multiple perspectives.

Students will develop the ability to engage in informed discussions and propose policy solutions to address pressing national challenges.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Caste in Indian politics	08
Chapter 2	Women empowerment in India: Contending Issues	08
Chapter 3	Politics of religion in India	10
Chapter 4	Political Economy of Poverty and Inequality	12
Chapter 5	Rights of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) in India	06
Chapter 6	Social Backwardness and Protective Discrimination	08
Chapter 7	Disaster risk Reduction and Development Planning	08

Suggested reading

- 1) Atul Kohli and Prerna Singh, eds. Routledge handbook of Indian politics.
 - 2) Atul Kohli, Success of India's Democracy
 - 3) Ganguly, Sumit, and Eswaran Sridharan, eds. The Oxford Handbook of Indian Politics.
 - 4) Kaushik Basu and Sanjay Subrahmanyam, Unraveling the Nation : Sectarian Conflict and India's Secular Identity
 - 5) Neera Chandhoke and Praveen Priyadarshi (ed.), Contemporary India : Dynamics of the
 - 6) Party System, Secularism, Federalism, and Decentralization
 - 7) Paul Brass, The Politics of India since Independence
 - 8) Rajiv Bhargava (ed.), Secularism and its Critics
 - 9) Urmila Phadnis and Rajat Ganguly, Ethnicity and National Building in South Asia
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Major DS (POLS 6013)

Public Policy in India

Credit-4

Course Objective:

The objective of this is to provide students with a foundational understanding of the policy-making process in India, examining the role of institutions, stakeholders, and key policy domains.

Course Outcomes: Students will be able to analyze the stages of public policy formulation, implementation, and evaluation in the Indian context.

Students will develop a critical understanding of major public policies in areas such as education, health, environment, and economic development.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Public Policy: Meaning, elements and actors of public policy making and implementation in India	10
Chapter 2	Public Policy in India since independence: An Overview	10
Chapter 3	Constraints of Public Policy: Economic, Political and Socio-cultural	10
Chapter 4	Public Health Policy in India with special reference to NRHM	10
Chapter 5	Public Education Policy in India with special reference to Sarba Sikshya	10
Chapter 6	Environmental Policy in India with special reference to 'The Environment (Protection) Act', 1986	10

Suggested reading

- 1) Thomas R. Dye: Understanding Public Policy, Longman Higher Education, 1986
- 2) Paul Carney : Understanding Public Policy: Theories and Issues, , Red Globe Press, 2011
- 3) Bidyut Chakraborty : Public Policy:, Sage, 2016
- 4) Kenneth Winston and Mary Bane : Gender And Public Policy: Cases And Comments:, West View, 1993
- 5) Smyrl and Geniyes : Elites, Ideas, and the Evolution of Public Policy : Political Evolution and Institutional Change:, Palgrave Macmillan, 2008
- 6) David Audretsch (Author), Erik Lehmann , Aileen Richardson, Silvio Vismara: Globalization and Public Policy: Springer nature, 2015
- 7) Patricia Kennett : Governance Globalization and Public Policy, Edward Edgar Publishing Ltd, 2009
- 8) M Considine : Making Public Policy: Institutions, Actors, Strategies:, Polity Press, 2014

Major DS (POLS 6014)
Understanding Globalization
Credit-4

Course Objective:

The objective of this course is to help students understand the concept, dimensions, and impact of globalization, exploring its economic, political, cultural, and technological implications in the contemporary world.

Course Outcomes:

Students will be able to analyze the historical evolution and key debates surrounding globalization, including its benefits and challenges.

Students will develop a critical understanding of how globalization influences national sovereignty, governance, and social structures across different regions.

Syllabus

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Globalization: meaning and debates	12
Chapter 2	Globalization and its impact on national sovereignty	12
Chapter 3	Globalization and localization: Dimensions of cultural change	10
Chapter 4	Terrorism in globalizing world	13
Chapter 5	Impact of globalization on Indian economy	13

Suggested reading

1. Chakrabarty, B and Bhattacharya (eds.), M., The Governance Discourse (New Delhi: Oxford)
2. Smith, B.C., Good Governance and Development (Palgrave)
3. Evans, J. P., Environmental Governance (Routledge)
4. Rosenau, J. and Czempiel, E., (eds.) Governance without Government: Order and Change in World Politics (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press)
5. Mander, H. and Asif, M., Good Governance (Bangalore: Books for Change)
6. Steger, Manfred: Globalization: A Very Short Introduction

Semester wise and Course wise Distribution of Credit & Marks under CCFUP as per NEP, 2020

SEMESTER	Course Type	Code	Name of the Course	Credit	L – T - P	Marks	Marks Dist. Th. – Pr. - IA
VII	Major/Core Course	POLS 7011	Research Methodology	6		75	... – ... – 15
	Major/Core Course	POLS 7012	Statecraft and Politics in Ancient India	6		75	... – ... – 15
	Major/Core Course	POLS 7013	Advanced Political Theory	6		75	... – ... – 15
	Major/Core Course	POLS 7014	Comparative Politics	6		75	... – ... – 15
	Minor Course	POLS 7021	Public Policy in India	4		75	... – ... – 15
	Total			28		375	
VIII Hons. With Research Project/ Dissertation	Major/Core Course	POLS 8011	IR & Politics in South Asia	6		75	... – ... – 15
	Minor Course	POLS 8021	Politics of Human Rights	4		75	... – ... – 15
	Research Project/ Dissertation	POLS 8091		12	0- 0- 12	225	Seminar Presentation, Preparation & Submission of Research Project/Dissertation- 135 + Viva-90
	Total			22		375	

OR

VIII Hons.	Major/Core Course	POLS 8011	IR & Politics in South Asia	6		75	... – ... – 15
	Major/Core Course	POLS 8012	Indian Politics: Structures and Processes	4		75	... – ... – 15
	Major/Core Course	POLS 8013	State Formation and Political Regime	4		75	... – ... – 15
	Major/Core Course	POLS 8014	Public Administration and Public Policy	4		75	... – ... – 15
	Minor Course	POLS 8021	Politics of Human Rights	4		75	... – ... – 15
	Total			22		375	
	Grand total (Sem. I -VIII)			178		3075	

SEMESTER-VII under CCFUP

Course Type	Code	Name of the Course	Credit	Marks
Major/Core Course	POLS 7011	Research Methodology	6	75
Major/Core Course	POLS 7012	Statecraft and Politics in Ancient India	6	75
Major/Core Course	POLS 7013	Advanced Political Theory	6	75
Major/Core Course	POLS 7014	Comparative Politics	6	75
Minor Course	POLS 7021	Public Policy in India	4	75

Major DS (POLS 7011)

Research Methodology

Credit-6

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the fundamental principles, concepts, and techniques of research in Political Science. It aims to develop students' ability to formulate research questions, understand various research designs, and apply qualitative and quantitative methods for analyzing political phenomena. The course also seeks to cultivate critical thinking and ethical awareness in conducting political research.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the key concepts of social science research, including research design, hypothesis formulation, data collection methods, and ethical considerations in Political Science research.

Students will be able to apply appropriate qualitative and quantitative research methods to analyze political issues and develop a basic research proposal or project.

POLS 7011: Research Methodology

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Meaning and significance of research--information, knowledge and policy; verstehen	10
Chapter 2	Research Design and Report Writing	09
Chapter 3	Survey of literature and hypothesis formulation; research question.	09
Chapter 4	Ethnographic research and its significance	09
Chapter 5	Quantitative research--- collection and analysis of data; Statistical Tools, sampling and types of interview	10
Chapter 6	Qualitative research methods---elite interview; participant observation and content analysis; questionnaire and schedule.	10
Chapter 7	Public opinion and survey	09
Chapter 8	Ethical issues in Social Science Research	09

Suggested readings

1. Research Methods in Politics: CR Kothari & Gourav Garg, New Age international, 2019
2. Methods In Social Research: William Good and Philip Hatt, Surjeet Publications, 2019
3. Research Methods: Ram Ahuja, Rawat Publication, 2018
4. Revisiting Qualitative Methods in Social Science Research: Bonita Aleaz and Parth Pratim Basu, Orient Black Swan, 2019
5. Methods in Political Enquiry: Rakhahari Chatterjee, World Press, 1979
6. Explanation and Understanding in the Human Sciences: Gurpreet Mahajan, OUP, 1993
7. Social Research Methods: W Lawrence Neuman, Pearson, 2015
8. Qualitative Research Methods for the Social Sciences: Howard Lune and Bruce I Berg, Pearson, 2018

Major DS (POLS 7012)
Statecraft and Politics in Ancient India
Credit-6

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the nature and evolution of political thought and institutions in ancient India. It seeks to familiarize students with classical texts and traditions of statecraft, governance, diplomacy, and administration, and to examine how ancient Indian thinkers conceptualized the state, power, law, and political authority.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the major ideas and institutions of statecraft in ancient India, particularly as reflected in classical texts such as the Rig-Veda, Atharveda, Buddhist traditions, *Arthashastra*, *Manusmriti*, *Sukraniti* and the *Mahabharata*.

Students will be able to analyze the concepts of kingship, governance, diplomacy, and administrative organization in ancient Indian political traditions and assess their relevance for understanding the evolution of political thought in India.

POLS 7012: Statecraft and Politics in Ancient India

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Rig-Veda and Atharvaveda: power and authority of the ruler; the supremacy of law and traditions.	11
Chapter 2	The Buddhist Traditions: Relation between Politics and Ethics in the Buddhist tradition	09
Chapter 3	The Buddhist Tradition: Theories of the Origin of the temporal ruler-powers and obligations of the authority	10
Chapter 4	The Arthashastra of Kautilya: Dandaniti; Saptanga Theory, Mandala Theory; Foreign policy and diplomacy	12
Chapter 5	The Sukraniti: powers and functions of the temporal ruler; morality and politics; principles of governance	12
Chapter 6	The Mahabharata (Shantiparva): The conceptions of Rajdharma; authority of the temporal ruler and obligations	12
Chapter 7	The Mahabharata: Principle of government, Foreign Policy Principles	09

Suggested readings

1. A History of Indian Political Ideas: U. N. Ghoshal, Oxford University Press, 1959.
2. Aspects of Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India: Ram Sharan Sharma, Motilal Banarsidass, 1991
3. State and Government in Ancient India: Anant Sadashiv Altekar, Motilal Banarsidass., 1958
4. The History and Culture of the Indian People: R. C. Majumdar, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, 1951
5. Compassion in the 4 Dharmic Traditions: Ved P. Nanda, Prabhat Prakashan, 2025
6. The Complete Mahabharata: Vol. 8 : Majulika Dubey and S.B Pillay, Rupa, 2016

Major DS (POLS 7013)
Advanced Political Theory
Credit-6

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to introduce students to major contemporary debates and advanced theoretical perspectives in political theory. It aims to develop a critical understanding of influential ideological and analytical frameworks such as Marxism, totalitarianism, populism, structuralism, communitarianism, and multiculturalism, and to enable students to apply these perspectives in analyzing modern political processes, institutions, and identities.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and critically explain the key concepts, assumptions, and arguments of major advanced political theories including Marxism, Totalitarianism, Populism, Structuralism, Communitarianism, and Multiculturalism.

Students will be able to critically evaluate contemporary political issues and debates by applying these advanced theoretical frameworks, and develop analytical skills necessary for independent research and academic writing in political theory.

POLS 7013: Advanced Political Theory

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Classical Marxist Theories of the State	10
Chapter 2	Totalitarianism: Arendt; Populism: Chantal Mouffe	09
Chapter 3	Theory of Justice: Rawls, Nozick and Sen	09
Chapter 4	Communitarianism: basic tenets; civic republicanism	09
Chapter 5	Multiculturalism: basic tenets; multiculturalism in the non-western world	10
Chapter 6	Civil Society and Hegemony: Gramsci	09
Chapter 7	Structuralism: Althusser	09
Chapter 8	Post-colonialism: state, democracy and culture	10

Suggested reading:

1. Twentieth Century Political Theory: A Reader: Stephen Eric Bronner (Ed), Routledge, 1997
2. Considerations on Western Marxism: Perry Anderson, New Left Books, 1976
3. Political Ideologies: An Introduction: Andrew Heywood: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017
4. Contemporary Political Philosophy: An Introduction: Will Kymlicka, Oxford University Press 2002
5. An Introduction to Modern Political Theory: Norman P. Barry, Macmillan 1995.
6. The Oxford Handbook of Political Theory: John S. Dryzek, Bonnie Honig, and Anne Phillips (Ed), OUP, 2006
7. Contemporary Political Theory: Andrew Shorten, Red Globe Pr, 2015

Major DS (POLS 7014)
Comparative Politics: Principles and Approaches
Credit-6

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to familiarize students with the fundamental principles, concepts, and approaches used in the study of comparative politics. It aims to develop an understanding of different theoretical frameworks and methodological tools employed to analyze political systems, institutions, and processes across countries. The course seeks to enhance students' ability to critically compare political structures and political dynamics in diverse socio-economic and cultural contexts.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the major concepts and approaches in comparative politics, including the institutional, behavioral, structural–functional, political economy, and new institutionalist perspectives.

Students will be able to apply comparative methods to analyze political institutions, political processes, and governance structures across different countries and regions.

POLS 7014: Comparative Politics: Principles and Approaches

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Comparative politics: old and new---an overview	08
Chapter 2	Comparative methods	08
Chapter 3	Comparative Approaches: a) Structural Functionalism, b) Political Development (Lucian Pye, Huntington), c) Modernization (David Apter), d) Institutionalism and Neo- institutionalism; political systems	17
Chapter 4	Political parties and pressure groups	08
Chapter 5	Democratization	08
Chapter 6	Political culture (Almond) & Political socialization	10
Chapter 7	Governance	08
Chapter 8	Environment	08

Suggested reading

1. "What Do We Know about Democratization after Twenty Years?", Barbara Geddes Annual Review of Political Science 2: 115–144, 1999.
2. The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics: Charles Boix & Susan Stokes (eds.), Oxford University Press, 2009.
3. "The Comparative and Historical Study of Revolutions.": Jack A. Goldstone Annual Review of Sociology, vol. 8, 1982, pp. 187–207.
4. "Structural and Institutional Aspects of Corruption.": Joseph La Palombara, Social Research, vol. 61, no. 2, 1994, pp. 325–50.
5. Comparative Politics: Explaining Democratic Systems: Judith Bara & Mark Pennington (eds.), SAGE: 2009
6. Issues and Methods in Comparative Politics: Todd Landman, Routledge, 2016
7. Principles of Comparative Politics: William Roberts Clark, Matt Golder, & Sona Nadenichek Golder SAGE, 2013
8. *Comparative Government and Politics: An Introduction*: Rod Hague, Martin Harrop and John McCormick, Palgrave Macmillan 2019.

Minor (POLS 7021)
Public Policy in India
Credit-4

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the nature, scope, and processes of public policy in India. It aims to familiarize students with the institutional framework, actors, and stages involved in policy formulation, implementation, and evaluation. The course also seeks to develop an understanding of how public policies address socio-economic challenges and governance issues in India.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the concepts, processes, and institutional mechanisms involved in public policy making in India, including agenda setting, policy formulation, implementation, and evaluation.

Students will be able to critically analyze major public policies and governance initiatives in India and assess their impact on social and economic development.

POLS 7021: Public Policy in India

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Elements of Policy Making systems; Actors of public policy making	10
Chapter 2	Historical and structural contexts of public policy	08
Chapter 3	Constraints of Public Policy- economic, political , socio-cultural	10
Chapter 4	Birth of policy sciences; globalization and public policy	10
Chapter 5	Public Policy in Practice: The Indian Experiences a) Public health, b) Education, c) Environment	12

Suggested reading

1. Understanding Public Policy: Thomas R. Dye, Longman Higher Education, 1986
2. Understanding Public Policy: Theories and Issues, Paul Carney, Red Globe Press, 2011
3. Public Policy: Bidyut Chakraborty, Sage, 2016
4. Gender And Public Policy: Cases And Comments: Kenneth Winston and Mary Bane, West View, 1993
5. Elites, Ideas, and the Evolution of Public Policy : Political Evolution and Institutional Change: Smyrl and Geniyes, Palgrave Macmillan, 2008
6. Globalization and Public Policy: by David Audretsch , Erik Lehmann , Aileen Richardson, Silvio Vismara: Springer nature, 2015
7. Governance Globalization and Public Policy: Patricia Kennett, Edward Edgar Publishing Ltd, 2009
8. Making Public Policy: Institutions, Actors, Strategies: M Considine, Polity Press, 2014

SEMESTER VIII- Hons. With Research Project/ Dissertation

Course Type	Code	Name of the Course	Credit	Marks
Major/Core Course	POLS 8011	IR & Politics in South Asia	6	75
Minor Course	POLS 8021	Politics of Human Rights	4	75
Research Project/ Dissertation	POLS 8091		12	225

Major DS (POLS 8011)

Credit-6

IR & Politics in South Asia

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the political systems, institutions, and processes of the South Asian region. It seeks to develop an understanding of the historical, social, and economic factors shaping politics in South Asian countries and to encourage a comparative analysis of governance, democracy, and political challenges in the region.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the major political developments, institutions, and governance structures in South Asian countries such as India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal, and Bhutan.

Students will be able to critically analyze regional political issues in South Asia, including democracy, ethnic conflict, development challenges, and regional cooperation within organizations such as South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation.

POLS 8011: IR & Politics in South Asia

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	The concept of South Asia as a region	08
Chapter 2	Problems of state-formation and nation-building in South Asia: An Overview	10
Chapter 3	Problems of ethnicity, religion and language in South Asia: India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh	12
Chapter 4	Democratization in South Asia	8
Chapter 5	The Role of military in South Asian politics: Pakistan and Bangladesh	10
Chapter 6	Federalism: India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka	08
Chapter 7	Regional challenges in South Asia: Pakistan, Bangladesh and Nepal	10
Chapter 8	Human Security: Maldives, Bhutan and Afghanistan	09

Suggested reading

- 1) Modern South Asia: History, Culture, Political Economy; Sugata Bose, Ayesha Jalal, Routledge, 2022
- 2) Political Dimensions of South Asian Cooperation: V. Kanesalingami (ed), Macmillan India, 1991
- 3) Routledge Handbook of South Asian Politics: Brass, Paul (Ed), Routledge, 2010
- 4) Legitimacy and Conflict in South Asia: Subrata Kr. Mitra and Dietmar Rothermund eds. Manohar, 1997
- 5) The States of South Asia: The Problems of National Integration: A. J. Wilson and D. Dalton eds. Vikas, 1982
- 6) Ethnicity of Nationalism in South Asia: Rajat Ganguly and Urmila Phadnis, Sage, 2001
- 7) The South Asia Papers- A Critical Anthology: Cohen, P, Herper Collins, 2016

Minor (POLS 8021)
Politics of Human Rights
Credit-4

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the political dimensions of human rights, including their philosophical foundations, institutional mechanisms, and contemporary debates. The course aims to examine how human rights are shaped, promoted, and contested within national and international political processes and institutions.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the theoretical foundations and evolution of human rights, including key international frameworks such as the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the role of institutions like the United Nations in promoting and protecting human rights.

Students will be able to critically analyze the political challenges and debates surrounding human rights, including issues of state sovereignty, minority rights, gender justice, and human rights advocacy at national and global levels.

POLS 8021: Politics of Human Rights

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Definition and Scope of the Study---contending issues	08
Chapter 2	A brief history of human rights	08
Chapter 3	Paradigmatic shift from the UDHR to TMFHR	12
Chapter 4	Theoretical Perspectives: a) Universalism vs. cultural relativism; b) individualism vs collectivism	14
Chapter 5	The State vs. Human Rights - Indian perspective	08

Suggested readings

1. The Future of Human Rights: Upendra Baxi , Oxford University Press, 2002.
2. Democracy, Difference and Social Justice: Gurpreet Mahajan Oxford University Press, 1999.
3. Universal Human Rights in Theory and Practice: Jack Donnelly, Cornell University Press, 2013.
4. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights: Origins, Drafting, and Intent; **Johannes Morsink**, University of Pennsylvania Press, 1999.
5. The History of Human Rights: From Ancient Times to the Globalization Era: **Micheline R. Ishay**, Berkeley: University of California Press, 2008.

POLS 8091: Research Project/ Dissertation

SEMESTER VIII- Hons.

Course Type	Code	Name of the Course	Credit	Marks
Major/Core Course	POLS 8011	IR & Politics in South Asia	6	75
Major/Core Course	POLS 8012	Indian Politics: Structures and Processes	4	75
Major/Core Course	POLS 8013	State Formation and Political Regime	4	75
Major/Core Course	POLS 8014	Public Administration and Public Policy	4	75
Minor Course	POLS 8021	Politics of Human Rights	4	75

Major DS (POLS 8011)

Credit-6

IR & Politics in South Asia

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the political systems, institutions, and processes of the South Asian region. It seeks to develop an understanding of the historical, social, and economic factors shaping politics in South Asian countries and to encourage a comparative analysis of governance, democracy, and political challenges in the region.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the major political developments, institutions, and governance structures in South Asian countries such as India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal, and Bhutan.

Students will be able to critically analyze regional political issues in South Asia, including democracy, ethnic conflict, development challenges, and regional cooperation within organizations such as South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation.

POLS 8011: IR & Politics in South Asia

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	The concept of South Asia as a region	08
Chapter 2	Problems of state-formation and nation-building in South Asia: An Overview	10
Chapter 3	Problems of ethnicity, religion and language in South Asia: India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh	12
Chapter 4	Democratization in South Asia	8
Chapter 5	The Role of military in South Asian politics: Pakistan and Bangladesh	10
Chapter 6	Federalism: India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka	08
Chapter 7	Regional challenges in South Asia: Pakistan, Bangladesh and Nepal	10
Chapter 8	Human Security: Maldives, Bhutan and Afghanistan	09

Suggested reading

- 1) Modern South Asia: History, Culture, Political Economy; Sugata Bose, Ayesha Jalal, Routledge, 2022
- 2) Political Dimensions of South Asian Cooperation: V. Kanesalingami (ed), Macmillan India, 1991
- 3) Routledge Handbook of South Asian Politics: Brass, Paul (Ed), Routledge, 2010
- 4) Legitimacy and Conflict in South Asia: Subrata Kr. Mitra and Dietmar Rothermund eds. Manohar, 1997
- 5) The States of South Asia: The Problems of National Integration: A. J. Wilson and D. Dalton eds. Vikas, 1982
- 6) Ethnicity of Nationalism in South Asia: Rajat Ganguly and Urmila Phadnis, Sage, 2001
- 7) The South Asia Papers- A Critical Anthology: Cohen, P, Herper Collins, 2016

Major DS (POLS 8012)
Indian Politics: Structures and Processes
Credit-6

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to familiarize students with the institutional framework and political processes of India. The course aims to develop an understanding of the constitutional structures, political institutions, and the dynamics of political processes such as elections, party politics, and governance in India.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the constitutional and institutional structures of Indian politics, including the functioning of the Parliament of India, the executive, judiciary, and federal system.

Students will be able to analyze major political processes in India such as electoral politics, party systems, interest groups, and policy-making, and assess their role in shaping democratic governance.

POLS 8012: Indian Politics: Structures and Processes

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	The Making of the Constitution	08
Chapter 2	Debates over Parliamentary sovereignty and the rise of the executive	09
Chapter 3	Supreme Court: Judicial Activism vis-à-vis Parliamentary supremacy	08
Chapter 4	Federalism in India: Globalization and neo-liberal reforms	10
Chapter 5	Political parties: types; ideology and role	08
Chapter 6	Politics of pressure groups: An overview	10
Chapter 7	Election Commission in India: Structure, Functions, Role; Electoral Reforms	10
Chapter 8	National Human Rights Commission and state Human Rights Commission: Structure, functions and role	12

Suggested reading

1. Routledge handbook of Indian politics: Atul Kohli and Prerna Singh, eds, Routledge, 2013
2. Success of India's Democracy: Atul Kohli, Oxford university Press, 2010
3. The Oxford Handbook of Indian Politics: Ganguly, Sumit, and Eswaran Sridharan, eds, 2024
4. Unraveling the Nation : Sectarian Conflict and India's Secular Identity: Kaushik Basu and Sanjay Subrahmanyam, Penguin, 1996
5. Contemporary India : Dynamics of the Party System, Secularism, Federalism, and Decentralization: Neera Chandhoke and Praveen Priyadarshi (ed.), Pearson, 2009
6. The Politics of India since Independence: Paul Brass, Cambridge University Press, 2003
7. Secularism and its Critics: Rajiv Bhargava (ed.), Oxford university Press, 1999
8. Ethnicity and National Building in South Asia: Urmila Phadnis and Rajat Ganguly, Manul Publications, 1990

Major DS (POLS 8013)
State Formation and Political Regime
Credit-6

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the historical processes and theoretical perspectives on the formation of the state and the evolution of different political regimes. The course aims to develop an understanding of how states emerge, consolidate power, and interact with society, as well as how different regime types shape political authority, governance, and legitimacy.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the major theories and historical processes of state formation and the development of political regimes, including democratic, authoritarian, and hybrid regimes.

Students will be able to analyze the relationship between state structures, institutions, and political regimes and evaluate how different regime types influence governance, political participation, and state–society relations.

POLS 8013: State Formation and Political Regime

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Absolutist state: its features functions and decline; Anderson and Gellner	10
Chapter 2	Rise of the nation-state in the West- contending approaches: Hobsbawm; Smith	10
Chapter 3	Max Weber's theory of the nation-state	08
Chapter 4	State formation: Giddens, Tilly and Mann	10
Chapter 5	Post-colonial States: various forms	08
Chapter 6	Post-Soviet states: an overview	08
Chapter 7	Globalization and the nation-state: various approaches	12
Chapter 8	Fukuyama and state formation	09

Suggested reading

1. Political thought: Michael Rosen and Jonathan wolf, Oxford University Press, 1999
2. Twentieth Century Political Theory: A Reader: Stephen Eric Bronner (Ed), Routledge, 1997
3. Considerations on Western Marxism: Perry Anderson, New Left Books, 1976
4. Political Ideologies: An Introduction: Andrew Heywood: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017
5. Contemporary Political Philosophy: An Introduction: Will Kymlicka, Oxford University Press 2002
6. An Introduction to Modern Political Theory: Norman P. Barry, Macmillan 1995.
7. The Oxford Handbook of Political Theory: John S. Dryzek, Bonnie Honig, and Anne Phillips (Ed), OUP, 2006
8. Contemporary Political Theory: Andrew Shorten, Red Globe Pr, 2015

Major DS (POLS 8014)
Public Administration and Public Policy
Credit-6

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the fundamental concepts, theories, and practices of public administration and public policy. It aims to develop an understanding of the structure and functioning of administrative institutions, the role of bureaucracy in governance, and the processes involved in policy formulation, implementation, and evaluation.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the key concepts, theories, and institutional structures of public administration and the role of administrative agencies in governance.

Students will be able to analyze the processes of public policy making, including agenda setting, policy formulation, implementation, and evaluation, particularly in the context of India.

POLS 8014: Public Administration and Public Policy

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	State of theory building	07
Chapter 2	Recent trends in Public Administration: New Public Management, Feminist perspective	10
Chapter 3	Conceptualizing governance; types: E-governance, green governance, corporate governance	10
Chapter 4	Comparative and development administration: Concept, nature, scope and significance	10
Chapter 5	Public policy: Meaning, constituent elements, actors and resources	08
Chapter 6	Evolution of the policy sciences: From positivist to post-positivist developments; importance of public policy in recent times	12
Chapter 7	a) Major theoretical approaches to public policy analysis: rational choice, contextual orientation, incrementalism b) Policy cycle: Policy formulation, policy implementation and impact assessment: actors and processes	10
Chapter 8	Role of civil society, media and interest groups in policy process	08

Suggested reading

1. Understanding Public Policy: Thomas R. Dye, Longman Higher Education, 1986
2. Understanding Public Policy: Theories and Issues, Paul Carney, Red Globe Press, 2011
3. Public Policy: Bidyut Chakraborty, Sage, 2016
4. Gender And Public Policy: Cases And Comments: Kenneth Winston and Mary Bane, West View, 1993
5. Elites, Ideas, and the Evolution of Public Policy : Political Evolution and Institutional Change: Smyrl and Geniyes, Palgrave Macmillan, 2008
6. Globalization and Public Policy: by David Audretsch , Erik Lehmann , Aileen Richardson, Silvio Vismara: Springer nature, 2015
7. Governance Globalization and Public Policy: Patricia Kennett, Edward Edgar Publishing Ltd, 2009
8. Making Public Policy: Institutions, Actors, Strategies: M Considine, Polity Press, 2014

Minor (POLS 8021)
Politics of Human Rights
Credit-4

Course Objective

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the political dimensions of human rights, including their philosophical foundations, institutional mechanisms, and contemporary debates. The course aims to examine how human rights are shaped, promoted, and contested within national and international political processes and institutions.

Course Outcomes

Students will be able to understand and explain the theoretical foundations and evolution of human rights, including key international frameworks such as the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the role of institutions like the United Nations in promoting and protecting human rights.

Students will be able to critically analyze the political challenges and debates surrounding human rights, including issues of state sovereignty, minority rights, gender justice, and human rights advocacy at national and global levels.

POLS 8021: Politics of Human Rights

Chapter	Topics	LH
Chapter 1	Definition and Scope of the Study---contending issues	08
Chapter 2	A brief history of human rights	08
Chapter 3	Paradigmatic shift from the UDHR to TMFHR	12
Chapter 4	Theoretical Perspectives: a) Universalism vs. cultural relativism; b) individualism vs collectivism	14
Chapter 5	The State vs. Human Rights - Indian perspective	08

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