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Syllabus

**Department of Political Science
University of Kota, Kota (Raj.)**

STRUCTURE OF UG POLITICAL SCIENCE SYLLABUS

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List of Papers for the Degree of B.A in Political Science
Semester-wise Titles of the Papers in Political Science

Year	Sem.	Course Code	Paper Title	Theory/ Practical	Credits
<i>Certificate Course in POLITICAL THEORY</i>					
FIRST YEAR	I	PLS101TH	Political Theory	Th.	6
	II	PLS102TH	Representative Indian Political Thinkers	Th.	6
<i>Diploma in POLITICAL SYSTEM</i>					
SECOND YEAR	III	PLS201TH	Selected Political Systems	Th.	6
	IV	PLS202TH	Indian Political System	Th.	6
<i>Bachelor of POLITICAL SCIENCE</i>					
There are three elective papers in Semester V. Students have to select any one paper following (A), (B) or (C) papers.					
THIRD YEAR	V	PLS301TH (A)	Representative Western Political Thinkers	Th.	6
	V	PLS301TH (B)	Classical Political Ideologies (17 th to 19 th century)	Th.	6
	V	PLS301TH (C)	Modern & Contemporary Political Ideologies (21 st Century)	Th.	6

There are three elective papers in Semester VI. Students have to select any one paper following (A), (B) or (C) papers. The syllabus for VI semester will be shared soon.

THIRD YEAR	VI	PLS302TH(A)	International Relations Since 1945	Th.	6
	VI	PLS302TH(B)	CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	Th.	6
	VI	PLS302TH(C)	INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS THEORIES AND CONCEPTS	Th.	6

CERTIFICATE COURSE IN POLITICAL THEORY

Programme: *Certificate Course in POLITICAL THEORY*

Year: I

Semester: I
Paper-I

Subject: Political Science

Each paper contains 150 marks. For regular and non collegiate theory paper will be of 100 marks. For regular students internal evaluation of marks 50 are divided into 20 marks for assignment, 20 marks for written test and 10 marks for viva/presentation.

For non collegiate students internal evaluation marks 50 are divided into 40 marks for assignment and 10 marks for viva/presentation.

Course Title: Political Theory

Course Code:
PLS101TH

Course Outcomes: The course is designed to train a student in the fundamental issues of political science. Analyse and understand the principal, ideologies and structure that underpin political system. Seeks to provides insides into concepts like democracy, freedom, justice, equality and in divisual rights. Addressing issues such as the role of state, governance and the relationship between citizens and their government. To create just and effective society. Understanding Politics is integral and indispensable for a comprehensive and critical study of Political science. Which is relevant for any in depth study and research.

Credits:6

Core: Compulsory

Max.Marks:100

Min.PassingMarks:40

Total No. of Lectures-Tutorials-Practical (in hours per week):6-0-0

Unit	Topic	No. of Lectures
Unit I	Political science-Meaning, nomenclature and Scope, Traditional and Contemporary perspectives of Political Science, Behaviorism and Post-Behaviouralism, Interdisciplinary approach in Political Science, Relation of Political Science with other Social Sciences.	20
Unit II	State-Theories Development of State as welfare State, Sovereignty; Monistic and Pluralistic theories.	20
Unit III	Concepts-Power, Authority, Legitimacy, Citizenship, Rights, Liberty, Equality and Justice, Political Modernization.	20
Unit IV	Democracy and Dictatorship, Political Parties, Pressure Groups, Theories of representation, Rule of law and Constitutionalism.	15
Unit V	Organs of Government and their functions (with reference to recent trends) - Legislature, Executive and Judiciary,	15

Suggested Reading:

1. A.C.Kapoor –An Introduction to Political Science(Hindi and English)
2. Andrew Heywood-Political Theory
3. Bhargav Rajeev, Acharya Ashok : Political Theory |An Introduction to Political Science, Pearson Education India, 2008, (1st edition)
4. E. Ashirvadam -Political Theory (Hindi and English)
5. H.J.Laski -Grammar of Politics(Hindi and English)
6. Madan Gandhi-Modern Political Theory
7. OP Gauba- An Introduction to Political Theory (Hindi and English)

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Course Learning Outcome:-

Students understand key political concept, analyzing major political theories evaluating their traditional and contemporary relevance and applying theoretical frameworks to real - world political issues. Student might also develop political thinking and communication skills in discussing political ideas and debates.

Bachelor of POLITICALSCIENCE

Programme: *Bachelor of POLITICAL SCIENCE*

Year: I

**Semester: II
Paper-II**

Subject: Political Science

Each paper contains 150 marks. For regular and non collegiate theory paper will be of 100 marks. For regular students' internal evaluation of marks 50 are divided into 20 marks for assignment, 20 marks for written test and 10 marks for viva/presentation.

For non-collegiate students internal evaluation marks 50 are divided into 40marks for assignment and 10 marks for viva/presentation.

**Course
Code:**
PLS102TH

Course Title: Representative Indian Political Thinkers

Course Outcomes: This course is to familiarize the students with the larger political and social thinking and ideas in Ancient, medieval and Modern India. Designed in a way to help students engage with variousideological dispensations that came to shape the normative thinking on India.

Credits:6

Core: Compulsory

Max.Marks:100

Min.PassingMarks:40

Total No. of Lectures-Tutorials-Practical (in hours per week):6-0-0

Unit	Topic	No. of Lectures
Unit I	Manu: His writings, views on state: Dharam, Danda, Saptang theory, origin of state and his contribution. Kautilya: His writings, origin of state, organs of state, king, his qualifications and functions, Mandal theory and contribution, views on corruption. Shukra: His writings, Danda Neeti, state, state's functions, king and his functions, views on administration and justice.	20
Unit II	Raja Ram Mohan Roy: Writings, views on individual, stateand social reforms, education and his contribution. Swami Dayanand Saraswati: Writings, views on Indian nationalism, individual, state, social and religions reforms and his contributions. S. Vivekanand: Writing, views and Indian nationalism, individual, state, social and religious reforms and his contribution.	20
Unit III	Gopal Krishna Gokhale: Writings, his views on individual, state, spiritualisation of politics, his political methods, economic views and contribution. Bal Gangadhar Tilak: Writings views on nationalism, individual, state, methods, Swaraj and his contribution.	20

Unit IV	Mahatma Gandhi: Writings Hind Swaraj, My Experiments with Truth, his views on state, individual, ends and means, non-violence, truth, satyagrah, trusteeship and his contribution. Jawahar Lal Nehru: His writings, his views on individual, state, socialism, modern India, Panchsheel, democratic socialism and his contribution.	15
Unit V	Dr.B.R. Ambedkar: Social justice and his contribution. With special reference to Indian constitution. M.N. Roy: His writings, his views on individual, state, Neo- humanism, Marx, his methods. Jayaprakash Narayan: His writings, his views on individual, state, socialism, total revolution, Party less democracy.	15

Suggested Reading:

1. Ramchandra Guha: The Makers of Modern India
2. V.R. Mehta, Indian Political Thought
3. Raghwar Iyer, the Moral and Political Thought of Mahatma Gandhi
4. Sunil Khilnani, The Idea India
5. Verma V.P. "Modern Indian Political Thought"

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Course Learning Outcome:-

Student involve gaining and understanding of the ideas and contributions of prominent indian political thinkers, analysing their perspective on issues like dharma, state, democracy, nationalism social justice and Governance, recognizing their historical and cultural context and critically assessing the relevance of their ideas/theories in today's political landscape. Student might also enhance their ability to engage informed discussions about Indian political thought and its impact.

Diploma Course in Political Systems

Programme: <i>Diploma Course in Political Systems</i>		Year: II	Semester: III Paper-I
Subject: Political Science			
Course Code: PLS201TH	Course Title: Selected Political Systems		
Course Outcomes: Politics is the mirror of the society. This paper will help the student in furthering his/her understanding of the selected political systems. Comparision is widely used method of scientific knowledge This would help to critical analysis of political systems.			
Credits:6		Core: Compulsory	
Max.Marks:100		Min.PassingMarks: 40	
TotalNo.ofLectures-Tutorials-Practical(inhoursperweek):6-0-0			
Unit	Topic		No. of Lectures
Unit I	Salient features and nature of British Constitution, Conventions, King and Crown, Prime Minister and Cabinet, Parliament, Relationship of House of Commons with House of Lords, Office of the Speaker, Rule of law.		20
Unit II	Salient features of U.S.A.'s Constitution, President: Election Process and functions; Separation of Powers and Checks and Balances, Federalism: The Federal Judiciary and Judicial Review, Congress-Its structure and functions. Importance of Senate in U.S. Political System.		20
Unit III	Salient features of the Swiss Constitution, Federal Legislatureand Federal Government and Direct Democracy.		15
Unit IV	Sailent features of the 1982 Constitution of the People's Republic of China, Legislature, Executive, Judiciary, Democratic-centralism, Organization and Role of Communist Party of China.		20
UnitV	Salient Features of Constitution of the fifth Republic of France, Fundamental Rights, French Executive, The President, Prime Ministers and the Council of Ministers, the French Parliament, The Judiciary, Party system and Beauraracy.		15

Suggested Reading:

1. J.C. Johari-Select World Constitutions (Englishand Hindi)
2. A.C. Kapoor and K.K. Mishra-Selected Constitution (English and Hindi)
3. B. ShivaRao-Seleced constitutions of the World
4. B.C. Rai-The World Constitution: A Comparative Study
5. D.D. Basu-SelectConstitutionsoftheWorld
6. G. Almond -Comparative Politics Today: A World View

7. M.Y. Pylee-Constitutionsoftheworld,2ndVolume
8. R. Hague & M. Harrop-Comparative Government and Politics: AnIntroduction
9. Robert Maddex-Constitution of the World
10. S.N. Dubey-Narains World Constitutions
11. Vidya Bhusan-World Constitutions: A Comparative Study
12. Vishnoo Bhagwan–World Constitutions

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Course Learning Outcome:-

Student might include developing and understanding of different types of political systems (e.g., democracy authoritarianism, socialism), Analysing the structure, functions and dynamics of these systems, comparing their strenghts and weakness, evaluating their historical and contemporary implementation and recognizing the global diversity of political arrangements. Student could also enhance thir skills in identifying and critiquing various political systems, implecation and Governance, citizen participation and societal outcomes.

<i>DIPLOMA POLITICAL SYSTEM</i>		
Programme: <i>DIPLOMA POLITICAL SYSTEM</i>		Year: II Semester: IV Paper- II
Subject: Political Science		
Course Code: PLS202TH	Course Title: Indian Political System	
Course Outcome: Acquaintance to Indian National Movement & Constitution is indispensable for a student to make a sense of Indian Political System. The course is designed to provide an overview of Indian freedom Struggle and key concepts of the Indian constitution to the student, which would evolve him into a conscientious citizen.		
Credits:6		CoreCompulsory
Max.Marks:100		Min.PassingMarks: 40
TotalNo.ofLectures-Tutorials-Practical (inhoursperweek):4-0-0		
Unit	Topic	No. of Lectures
Unit I	Making of the Indian Constitution: Indian National Movement to the making of Indian constitution, major issues, trends and approaches in the constitutional assembly. Nature of the federal system, Union-state relationship.	20
Unit II	Philosophy of the constitution, Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of state policy. Methods of amendment of constitution	15
Unit III	Union Legislative: Parliament, Union Executive: President, Prime Minister and Council of Ministers, Governor, Supreme Court and Judicial Review.	20
Unit IV	Parliamentary System in India, Role of leadership, Coalition Government Ideology and social basis of political parties. Election Commission, Electoral Politics and Electoral Reform	20
Unit V	Major problems in Indian Political System: Secularism, Regionalism, Communalism, casteism, Terrorism and politics of Reservation	15

Suggested:

1. J.C. Johari- Indian Government and Politics (English and Hindi)
 2. Bidyut Chakrabarti and Rajendra Kumar Pandey-Indian Government and Politics (English and Hindi)
 3. Niraja Gopala Jaya and Pratap Bhanu Mehta- The Oxford Companion to politics in India
 4. Rajni Kothari- Politics In India (English and Hindi)
 5. B.K. Sharma-Politics and The State in India
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6. R. Sudarshan, Zoya Hasan and Eswaran Sridharan-India's Living Constitution, Ideas, Practices, Controversies
7. Alexandrawicz-Constitutional Government in India.
8. Granville- The Indian Consitution: Corner stone of a Nation
9. Morris Jones W.H.- The Government and Politics in India
10. Pylee, M.V.- Constitutional Government in India
11. Singhvi, L.M.- Union-State Relations in India.
12. Weiner, Mynor- State Politics in India.
13. Basu D.D.- Indian Constitution.
14. Kashyap Subhash- Indian Constitution.

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Course Learning Outcome:-

Student may in compass understanding the structure of the Indian political system, federal structure and key institution (e.g., legislature, executive, judiciary) Analysing the function of these institution within Indian context, Examining the Role of political parties, electoral processes, citizen participation and evaluating the challenges and opportunities facing India's political system in addressing issues like diversity, Governance and development. Student might also develop skill in critically assessing policy - making processes and their impact on Indian society and politics.

BACHELOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Programme: <i>BACHELOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE</i>		Year: III	Semester: V (A) Paper-I
Subject: Political Science			
Course Code: PLS301TH	Course Title: Representative Western Political Thinkers		
Course Outcomes: This course the ancient, Medieval and modern political thinking in the West. This would help to understand the idea of state, rights, liberty, equality, justice, liberalism, communism, dictatorship and democracy which have evolved over a period of time.			
Credits:6		Core Compulsory	
Max.Marks:100		Min. Passing Marks: 40	
TotalNo.ofLectures-Tutorials-Practical(inhoursperweek):6-0-0			
Unit	Topic		No. of Lectures
Unit I	Plato: His writings, his views on ideal state, individual, justice, education Communism and his contribution. Aristotle: Writings, his views on state, individual, classification of government, revolution and his contribution.		20
Unit II	Thomas Aquinas: Writings, views on state, religion, laws, individual, society and his contribution. Machiavelli: Writings, views on individual, state, as child of his own age, religion and his contribution as modern political thinker.		15
Unit III	Hobbes: Writings, views on state, individual, society, social contract, sovereignty and his contribution. Locke: Writings, views on state, individual, property, society, social contract, constitutional democracy and his contribution. Rousseau: Writings, views on state, individual, society, general will, social contract and his contribution.		20
Unit IV	Bentham: Writings, views on individual, state, government, utilitarianism, theory of pleasure and pains and his contribution. J.S. Mill (JohnStuartMill): Writings, his views on state, individual, Liberty, Liberalism and representation and his contribution.		15
Unit V	Hegel: Writings, methods, his views on state, individual, society, idealism and his contribution. Karl Marx: Writings, methods, his views on state, individual, society, His to materialism, class-struggle, surplus value, state ownership, communism and his contribution.		20

Suggested Reading:

1. Brian R. Nelson-Western Political Thoughts
2. C.L. Wayper-Political Thought
3. George H. Sabine- A History of Political Theory
4. J.S. McClellan- A History of Western Political Thought
5. O.P. Gauba-Western Political Thought
6. Shefali Jha- Western Political Thought
7. Subhatra Mukherjee and Sushila Ramaswamy-A History of Political Thought: Plato to Marx
8. Sukhbeer Singh – A History of Political Thought (Vol. 1 and Vol. 2)
9. W.H. Spellman-A Short History of Western Political Thought
10. W. Dunning- A History of Political Theories
11. Barker-Greek Political Thought
12. J.P. Sood –History of Political Thought I&II
13. M.B. Foster- Master of Political Thought
14. W.T. Jones - Master of Political Thought

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Course Learning Outcome:-

Student could involve gaining a comprehensive understanding of influential political thinkers from the western tradition, analyzing their major theories and ideas related to liberty, justice, equality, right, governance and the role of the state, placing their thoughts in historical and cultural contexts and critically evaluating their enduring relevance of their contributions in contemporary political thought. Student might also enhance their ability to engage in thoughtful discussions about western political ideas and their implications for modern governance and society.

BACHELOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Programme: <i>BACHELOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE</i>		Year: III	Semester: V (B) Paper-I
Subject: Political Science			
Course Code: PLS301TH	Semester-V (B) Course Title: Classical Political Ideologies (17th to 19th century)		
Course Outcomes: The course offers an understanding about the concept of ideology both at theoretical as well as at functional level. It aims to highlight the origin, nature and scope of ideologies along with the ways in which these have shaped and reshaped different political set ups in the past. Also it intends to investigate difference between political ideology, political philosophy and political theory.			
Credits:6		Core Compulsory	
Max.Marks:100		Min.Passing Marks: 40	
TotalNo.of Lectures-Tutorials-Practical (inhoursperweek):6-0-0			
Unit	Topic		No. of Lectures
Unit I	• Introduction to Political Ideology: • Concept and Nature of Ideology • Relevance of Ideology • Difference among Political Ideology, Political philosophy and Political theory.		20
Unit II	Liberalism: •Meaning, Nature and Features of Liberalism • Historical Evolution of Liberalism • Major thinkers: Lock, J. S. Mill, Rausseau		15
Unit III	Conservatism: • Meaning, Nature and Features of Conservatism. • Major Thinkers: Edmund Burke, Michael Oakeshott		20
Unit IV	Socialism: • Introduction and Evolution of Socialism. • Core principles of Socialism • Major Thinkers: Saint Simon, Karl Marx and Engel		15
Unit V	Anarchism: • Meaning Nature and Features of Anarchism • Core Principles of Anarchism:1. Rejection of the state 2. Individual Liberty etc. • Variants of Anarchism: Individualist Anarchism, Green Anarchism etc.		20

Suggested readings:

Andrew Heywood: political ideology in introduction
 John Lock: Two Treaties of Government
 J.S. Mill: On Liberty
 Edmond Burk: Rejections on the Revaluation in France.

1. Richard Ashcraft: Locke's Two Treaties of Government, London.
2. Chaddha: Pramukh Rajnitik Vicharak (Adarsh Prakashan).
3. Michael B. Foster: Masters of Political Thought Vol. I
4. G.H. Sabine: History of Political Theory.
5. J. Bowle: Western Political Thought – An Historical Introduction from the Origins to Rousseau, London: Jonathan Cape, 1947
6. J.P. Sood: History of Political Thought Vol. I & II (Hindi & English).
7. Jones: Master of Political Thought Vol. II.
8. Lancaster: Master of Political Thought Vol. II.
9. P.D. Sharma: Pratinidhi Rajnitik Vicharak (Hindi).
10. Pukhraj Jain: Pramukh Rajnitik Vicharak (Hindi).
11. R.P. Sharma: Western Political Thought.
12. W. Dunning: A History of Political Theories.
13. Dr. M.K. Baharwal: Western Political Thought and Ism., Himanshu Publication, Udaipur.
14. Subrata Mukherjee, Sushila Ramaswamy: A History of Political Thought, Plato to Marx, Prentice Hall, India Learning Pvt. Ltd.
15. रमेश ठाकुर, राजनीतिक विचारधाराए : अराजकतावाद
16. रामेश्वर प्रसाद, समाजवाद: विचार और विकास
17. शिव शंभू तिवारी, राजनीतिक विचारधाराए
18. जे. सी. जौहरी, प्रमुख राजनीतिक विचारधाराओं का परिचय ।
19. ओम प्रकाश गाबा, समकालीन राजनीतिक सिद्धांत
20. डॉ एस सी सिंघल, राजनीतिक सिद्धांत एवं अवधारणाएं ।
21. ओ. पी. गौतम, राजनीतिक विचारधारा: रूढ़िवाद/ परंपरावाद

Learning outcomes:

This paper will familiarize the students with the important ideologies and their various streams. The course will help the students to analyze and evaluate strength, limitations and relevance of discussed ideologies, along with the ways in which these have affected and shaped contemporary national and international political systems.



<i>Bachelor of POLITICAL SCIENCE</i>		
Programme: <i>Bachelor of POLITICAL SCIENCE</i>		Year: III Semester: V (C) Paper-II
Subject: Political Science		
Course Code: PLS302TH	Course: Modern & Contemporary Political Ideology (21st Century)	
Course Outcomes: Classical theories and ideological frameworks, though profound in themselves, did not provide a thematic perception which analyses and understands present day political setups both at national and international Levels. It is interesting to see the transformation of classical ideologies into post-modern and post ideological thought such as multiculturalism, post modernism, feminism, environmentalism, globalization etc. Post second world-war scenario with decolonization and industrial - technological changes was responsible to bring this change in the world of ideologies, to a very great extent. The course also intends to analyse and evaluate strength, limitations and relevance of discussed ideologies, along with the ways in which these have affected and shaped contemporary national and international political systems.		
Credits:6		Core Compulsory
Max.Marks:100		Min. Passing Marks: 40
Total No. of Lectures-Tutorials-Practical (in hours per week):6-0-0		
Unit	Topic	No. of Lectures
Unit I	Nationalism: - - Civic vs ethnic nationalism -Nationalism in 20th century.	15
Unit II	Fascism: - Core features of fascism - Neo fascism in Contemporary politics:	20
Unit III	Feminism: - Liberal, Radical and Socialist concept of feminism. - Feminism in post-modern era.	15
Unit IV	Environmentalism and Green Politics: - Origins of ecological thought. - Sustainability, climate Change politics. - Green parties and global environmental movements.	20
Unit V	Post-Ideological Current: - Multiculturalism: Meaning, nature and relevance. - Post Modernism: End of ideology debate, with special reference to Francis Fukuyama. - Globalization and ideological Transformations.	20

Readings:-

1. Rabindra Nath Tagore, // Nationalism //
 2. Anthony D. Smith // Nationalizing: Theory, Ideology & History//
 3. Roger Griffion, //The Nature of Fascism//
 4. Stanley Payne // A History of Fascism //
 5. Bell Hooks, // Feminist theory: From margin to Center//
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6. Mary Wallstonecraft // A Vindication of the Rights of woman//
7. Andrew Dobron, // Green Political Thought//
8. Naomi Klein, // This changes everything//

Learning outcomes :

This paper will familiarize the students with the important ideologies and their various streams.

The course will help the students to analyze and evaluate strength, limitations and relevance of discussed ideologies, along with the ways in which these have affected and shaped contemporary national and international political systems.

