

BACHELOR OF ARTS
POLITICAL SCIENCE/ I SEMESTER
POLITICAL CONCEPT

Subject Code: NS 101

Total Hours: 75

Teaching Hours per week: 5

Credits: 5

Objectives:

1. To introduce students to the essentials of Political Science.
2. To orient students to comprehend the series and fundamental concepts of Political Science.
3. To enhance their skill to relate themselves to the day to day Political happenings.
4. To develop interest in larger understanding of the study of political science

Course Learning Outcomes: After completing the course, the learner will be able to:

- Understand the dimensions of shared living through these political values and concepts.
- Appreciate how these values and concepts enrich the discourses of political life; sharpen their analytical skills in the process.

Teaching Learning Process: The teaching-learning process for this course would involve class lectures, class discussion, class presentation, debates on contemporary issues and relevant cases. Teaching would also involve methods like power point and film screening.

Assessment Methods: Students will be assessed at different stages during the course learning process. After completing every unit, they will be asked to take part in group discussions on any

one important event or issue relevant for that unit. They will also do one presentation and one assignment.

I CHAPTER: INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE (12hrs)

Nature, Scope and Importance of Political Science

Political Science as a Science & Art

Relationship of Political Science with History, Economics, Sociology and Ethics

Approaches to Political Science: Philosophical and Empirical.

II CHAPTER: STATE (18hrs)

Importance of State

Nature and Elements of State

Distinction between State & Society, State & Government and State & Nation

Theories of the origin of State:

Divine Origin Theory

Social Contract Theory (Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau), Historical Theory or Evolutionary Theory

State and Civil Society

III CHAPTER: SOVEREIGNTY (16hrs)

Meaning and characteristics of Sovereignty

Kinds of Sovereignty: Nominal & Real, Legal, Political, Popular, De-Jure & De-Facto

Austin's Theory of Sovereignty

Pluralistic Theory of Sovereignty

IV CHAPTER: RIGHTS (14hrs)

Rights: Meaning and Kinds of Rights (Moral & Legal)

Theories: Natural, Legal, Historical and Social Welfare Human Rights: Universal Declaration of Human Rights

V CHAPTER: LAW JUSTICE LIBERTY AND EQUALITY (15hrs)

Law: Meaning, Sources & Kinds of Law

Justice: Meaning and kinds

Theories of Justice: Aristotle, John Rawls & Amartya Sen

Liberty: Meaning Positive and Negative & Kinds Equality: Meaning and Kinds

Books for Reference

1. J.C. Johari, "Contemporary Political Theory", Sterling, New Delhi, 1987.
2. E. Asirvatham, Political Theory, S. Chand & Co., New Delhi, 1995 (5th Edition).
3. Amal Ray and Mohit Bhattacharya, Political Theory, Ideas and Institutions, The World Press, Calcutta, 1992(12th edition)
4. A.C. Kapoor, Principles of Political Science, S. Chand & Co., New Delhi, 1950 (Revised 2011)
5. J.C. Johari Principles of Modern Political Science Sterling, New Delhi, 1989.
6. V.D. Mahajan, Political Theory, S. Chand & Co., New Delhi, 1988.
7. R.C. Agarwal, Political Theory, S. Chand & Co., New Delhi, 1991.

8. M.P Jain, Political Theory: Liberal and Marxism, Guild Pub, New Delhi, 1979
9. Amal Ray and Mohit Bhattacharya, Political Theory: Ideas and Institutions, World Press, Kolkata, 1985
10. Eddy Asirvatham, Political Theory, the Upper Indian Pub, Lucknow, 1984
11. Sushila Ramaswamy, Political Theory: ideas and Concepts, Macmillan, New Delhi, 2003
12. O.P Gauba, An introduction to Political Theory, Macmillan, New Delhi, 2013
13. M.J Vinod and Meena Deshpande, Contemporary Political Theory, PHI, New Delhi, 2013
14. A.C Kapoor Principles of Political Science, S. Chand & Company, New Delhi, 2011.
15. Rajeev Bhargava and Ashok Acharya, eds., Political Theory: An introduction Pearson, New Delhi 2008
16. Andrew Heywood, Political Theory: An introduction Macmillan, New Delhi, 2005
17. _____, Political Ideologies: An introduction, Macmillan, New Delhi, 2012
18. _____, Political Ideas and Concepts, Macmillan, New Delhi, 1994.

Kannada Books

1. M. Nanjundaswamy, Rajakeeya Siddantamattu Darshanikaru, Shakuntala Prakashana, Tipturu.
2. T.D. Devegowda, Rajakeeya Siddanta, Chethana Books house, Mysore, 2004.
3. K.J. Suresh, Rajakeeya Siddanta, Chethana Book House, Mysore, 2004.

Journals

- Mainstream
- Seminar
- Indian Journal of Political Science

- Economic and Political Weekly
- Kurukshetra