

Department of Political Science

West Bengal State University



Syllabus

**For 4-year UG Honours/ Honours with Research Programme in
POLITICAL SCIENCE
And
3-Year Multidisciplinary UG Programme in POLITICAL
SCIENCE**

Semesters 1 & Semester 2

Under Curriculum and Credit Framework for Undergraduate Programmes
(CCFUP)
Based on National Education Policy, 2020 (NEP 2020) Course Structure and
Syllabus for the

2023-2024

Important Note:

1. 'Select Readings' in the syllabus may be complemented by relevant online materials available in academic, legal and authentic websites. If required, relevant books from the UGC-prescribed CBCS list may also be consulted.
2. Major and Minor/Multidisciplinary share same course title but their course content varies. The course load has been reduced for Minor/Multidisciplinary courses. For AECC and VAC see university Guidelines.
3. Question Pattern and Evaluation:

(a) Major and Minor / Core Course: 5 Credit = 4 Cr (End-Semester) + 1 Cr (Internal) = 50 Marks (End-Semester) + 50 Marks (Internal) = 100 marks.

Internal Component (Evaluation): Total Marks = 50

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| 10 marks (Attendance) | } | = 50 Marks |
| 20 marks (Home Assignment/Presentation) | | |
| 20 marks (Written Examination) | | |

End-Semester (Evaluation): Total Marks = 50

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| 1 question x 5 marks (2 options) | } | = 50 Marks |
| 2 questions x 10 marks (4 options) | | |

(b) MDC and SEC Course: 3 Credit = 50 Marks (Evaluation by College)

Suggested Modes: (i) Term Paper – Upto 1000 words for one Term Paper/upto 500 words for each of the two Term Papers (ii) Field Work based on syllabus related and/or current topics (may be done in groups) (iii) Report/ Poster Presentation (may be done in groups) (iv) Written Examination.

(c) AECC and VAC Course: 3 Credit = 50 Marks (Evaluation by University)

AECC: MCQ questions to be set by University

VAC: MCQ questions to be set by Colleges in English.

4. For further details please follow West Bengal State University 'Advisory for Evaluation' and 'Regulations' of UG Programmes under NEP 2020 (2023 -24).
5. Further communication about any change may be made by the UG Board of Studies only on receiving specific instructions from appropriate authorities of the University.

Major Papers for 4 -year Honours/ Honours with Research Programme

| Semester | Major Paper | Title | Credit | Remark |
|----------|-------------|--|--------|-------------------------|
| I | DS-1 | Political Theory: Concepts | 5 | Draft Syllabus attached |
| II | DS-2 | Indian Constitution and Government | 5 | Draft Syllabus attached |
| III | DS-3 | Political Theory: Approaches | 5 | Work in Progress |
| IV | DS-4 | Politics in India: Structures and Processes | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-5 | Comparative Government and Politics | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-6 | International Relations: Theory and Approaches | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-7 | Public Administration: Theory and Concepts | 5 | Work in Progress |
| V | DS-8 | Public Administration and Public Policies in India | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-9 | International Relations: Indian Foreign Policy | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-10 | Western Political Thought – 1 | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-11 | Indian Political Thought – 1 | 5 | Work in Progress |
| VI | DS-12 | Political Sociology | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-13 | Gender and Politics | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-14 | Western Political Thought – 2 | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-15 | Indian Political Thought – 2 | 5 | Work in Progress |
| VII | DS-16 | Research Methodology in Social Science | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-17 | Political Theory: Contemporary Debates | 5 | Work in Progress |
| VIII | DS-18 | International Relations: Global Politics | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-19 | Understanding Governance | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-20 | Human Rights and Politics | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | DS-21 | Environment and Politics | 5 | Work in Progress |

*Students of Honours with Research will have to take courses DS-18 and DS-19 only.

4 Year Degree UG Programme (Honours /Honours with Research)

Course Details – Major Paper

Semester 1

Major/DS 1 (5 Credits)

Political Theory: Concepts

Credit: 5 (4 + 1)

Course Objective

This course is designed to develop a sound understanding of Political Science with the different meanings of politics and how it is interpreted differently by diverse ideological positions. It would further help students to have an understanding of how politics can be theorized. It would introduce them to different concepts of the subject, the interrelationships between the concepts and different theoretical positions related to the concepts. Contemporary debates on key concepts like equality, rights, democracy, citizenship, and justice will allow the students to understand the expanding horizons of discourses in the discipline.

Unit 1

1. Meaning of the Political - What is Political Theory?
2. Sovereignty – Monism and Pluralism
3. Nation and State – Social Contract Theory
4. Power and Authority – Types and Linkages

Unit 2

5. Rights, Law, Liberty, Equality (Inter-relationships)
6. Justice - Theory of Rawls
7. Democracy - Models of Democracy (David Held)
8. Citizenship - Nature and Types

Select Readings:

- Leftwich, A. ed. (2005) What is Politics? Polity Press, USA.
Hay, C. (2009) Political Analysis, Palgrave Macmillan, NY, USA.
Marsh, D. & G. Stoker, (2010) Theory and Methods in Political Science, Basingstoke, UK, Palgrave
Bhargava, R. (2008) 'What is Political Theory', in Bhargava, R and Acharya, A. (eds.) Political Theory: An Introduction. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 2-16.
Bellamy, R. (1993) Introduction: The Demise and Rise of Political Theory', in Bellamy, R. (ed.) Theories and Concepts of Politics. New York: Manchester University Press, pp. 1-14.
Bellamy, R. Theories and Concepts in Politics: An Introduction.
Heywood, A. The Basic Political Concepts.
Ramaswamy, S. Political Theory --- Ideas and Concepts.

- Menon, K. (2008) 'Justice', in Bhargava, Rajeev and Acharya, Ashok. (eds.) Political Theory: An Introduction, pp. 74-86.
- Daniels, N. Reading Rawls.
- Mandle, J. Rawls's Theory of Justice: An Introduction
- Menon, N. (2008) 'Power', in Bhargava, Rajeev and Acharya, Ashok. (eds.) Political Theory: An Introduction, pp. 148-157.
- Held, D. Models of Democracy
- Bellamy, R. Citizenship – A very short Introduction
- Verma, S.P. Modern Political Theory
- দীপক কুমার দাশ (সম্পা.) রাজনীতির তত্ত্বকথা, খন্ড ১ ও ২, একুশে, কলকাতা, ২০০৬।
- প্রদীপ বসু, উত্তর আধুনিক রাজনীতি, সাহিত্যলোক, কলকাতা, ২০১০।
- প্রদীপ বসু, রাজনীতির তত্ত্ব তত্ত্বের রাজনীতি, চর্চাপদ, কলকাতা, ২০১১।
- চৈতালী বসু, রাজনীতিশাস্ত্র ও অভিজ্ঞতাবাদী রাষ্ট্রতত্ত্ব, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষদ, কলকাতা, ২০০৫।

Semester 2

Major /DS 2 (5 Credits)

Indian Constitution and Government

Credit: 5 (4 + 1)

Course Objective

The objective of the course is to familiarize the students with the key elements of the Constitution of India and enable them to critically assess the working of government institutions in the broader framework of constitutionality and factors and forces which attempt to influence them. The course has been designed to let the students have an understanding of the process of evolution of the Constitution and the line of debates in the Constituent Assembly regarding the various provisions of the constitution. On completion of the course the students will have an in-depth knowledge of the functioning of the government, rights and duties of citizens.

Unit 1

1. Evolution of the Indian Constitution: Constitutional Assembly Debates–Preamble
2. Citizenship -- Fundamental Rights and Duties – Directive Principles of State Policy
3. Indian Federalism: Union – State Relations
4. Constitutional Amendment

Unit 2

5. Union Executive: President, Vice-President, Prime Minister, Council of Ministers— election, position, functions (Emergency Powers and relationship of Prime Minister and President).
6. Union Legislature: Rajya Sabha, Lok Sabha: Organisation, Functions – Lawmaking procedure, Parliamentary Procedure, Privileges, Committee system—Speaker.
7. Government in States: Governor, Chief Minister and Council of Ministers: position and functions -- State Legislature: composition and functions.
8. Judiciary: Supreme Court and the High Courts: composition and functions – Judicial activism.

Select Readings:

- Constitution of India: Government of India Latest edition).
 The Constitution of India: Bare Act with Short Notes, (2011).
 Austin, G. The Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of a Nation.
 Austin, G. Working a Democratic Constitution
 Chaube, S.K. The Constituent Assembly--- Springboard of a Revolution (latest edition).
 Pylee, M.V. India's Constitution.
 Kashyap, S.C. ed. Perspectives on the Constitution.
 Bhargava, R. (ed.) 'Introduction: Outline of a Political Theory of the Indian Constitution', in R. Bhargava (ed.) Politics and Ethics of the Indian Constitution. 2008.
 Basu, D. Introduction to the Constitution of India.
 Chaube, S.K. The Making and Working of the Indian Constitution.
 Shankar, B. and V. Rodrigues The Indian Parliament: A Democracy at Work
 Kapur, D. and P. B. Mehta (eds.) Public Institutions in India. New Delhi: Oxford University Press. 2005.
 Kirpal, B. et.al (eds.) Supreme but not Infallible: Essays in Honour of the Supreme Court of India.
 Arora, G. and D. Verney (eds.): Multiple Identities in a Single State: Indian Federalism in a Comparative Perspective.
 Dhavan, R. and Saxena R. (2006). The Republic of India', in K. Roy, C. Saunders and J. Kincaid (eds.) A Global Dialogue on Federalism, Volume 3, Montreal: Queen's University Press.
 Baxi, U. (2010) The Judiciary as a Resource for Indian Democracy', Seminar, Issue 615.
 Choudhry, S. Madhav Khosla, and P.B Mehta (Eds.) The Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution, OUP (2016).
 ভারতীয় সংবিধান (বাংলা সংস্করণ)
 দুর্গাদাস বসু - ভারতের সংবিধান পরিচয়
 সুভাষ কাশ্যপ - আমাদের সংবিধান (অনুবাদঃ পার্থ সরকার)
 অমল কুমার মুখোপাধ্যায় - ভারতীয় সংবিধানের সহজ পাঠ

Minor Papers for 4-year UG (Honours/ Honours with Research Programme)

| Semester | Minor Paper | Title | Credit | Remark |
|----------|-------------|--|--------|-------------------------|
| I | M (A/B) - 1 | Political Theory: Concepts | 5 | Draft Syllabus attached |
| II | M (A/B) - 2 | Indian Constitution and Government | 5 | Draft Syllabus attached |
| III | M (A/B) - 3 | Comparative Government and Politics | 5 | Work in Progress |
| VII | SM – 1 | International Relations: Indian Foreign Policy | 5 | Work in Progress |
| | SM – 2 | Politics in India: Structures and Processes | 5 | Work in Progress |

Minor Papers for 3-year UG Multidisciplinary Programme

| Semester | Minor Paper | Title | Credit | Remark |
|----------|------------------|--|--------|-------------------------|
| I | M (A/B/C) - 1 | Political Theory: Concepts | 5 | Draft Syllabus attached |
| II | M (A/B/C) - 2 | Indian Constitution and Government | 5 | Draft Syllabus attached |
| III | M (A/B/C) - 3 | Comparative Government and Politics | 5 | Work in Progress |
| IV | M (A/B/C) - 4 | International Relations: Indian Foreign Policy | 5 | Work in Progress |
| V | M (A/B/C) - 5 | Politics in India: Structures and Processes | 5 | Work in Progress |
| VI | M (A/B/C) - 6 | Public Administration and Public Policies in India | 5 | Work in Progress |

Course Details – Minor Paper

Semester 1

Minor /MA 1 (5 Credits)

Political Theory: Concepts

Credit: 5 (4 + 1)

Course Objective

This course is designed to develop a sound understanding of Political Science with the various different meanings of politics and political and how it is interpreted differently by different ideological positions. The critical engagements will allow the students to develop their own understanding of politics. It would help them to have an understanding of how politics can be theorized. It would introduce the students to different concepts of the subject, the interrelationships between the concepts, and let them have an idea of the different theoretical positions related such concepts. Contemporary debates on equality, rights, democracy, and justice will allow the students to understand the expanding horizons of discourses in the discipline.

Unit 1

1. Meaning of the Political – What is Political Theory?
2. Sovereignty – Monism and Pluralism
3. Nation and State – Social Contract Theory

Unit 2

4. Rights, Law, Liberty, Equality (Inter-relationships)
5. Justice - Theory of Rawls
6. Democracy - Models of Democracy (David Held)

Select Readings:

- Bhargava, R. (2008) 'What is Political Theory', in Bhargava, R and Acharya, A. (eds.) Political Theory: An Introduction. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 2-16.
- Bellamy, R. (1993) Introduction: The Demise and Rise of Political Theory', in Bellamy, R. (ed.) Theories and Concepts of Politics. New York: Manchester University Press, pp. 1-14.
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- প্রদীপ বসু. উত্তর আধুনিক রাজনীতি, সাহিত্যলোক, কলকাতা, ২০১০।
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Semester 2

Minor /MA 2 (5 Credits)

Indian Constitution and Government

Credit: 5 (4 + 1)

Course Objective

The objective of the course is to familiarize the students with the key elements of the Constitution of India and enable them to critically assess the working of government institutions in the broader framework of constitutionality and factors and forces which attempt to influence them. The course has been designed to let the students have an idea of the various provisions of the Constitution. On completion of the course the students will have an in-depth knowledge of the functioning of the government, rights and duties of citizens.

Unit 1

1. Significance of the Indian Constitution: The Preamble
2. Citizenship -- Fundamental Rights and Duties

3. Directive Principles of State Policy
4. Indian Federalism: Union – State Relations

Unit 2

5. Union Executive: President, Vice-President, Prime Minister, Council of Ministers— election, position, functions (Emergency Powers and relationship of Prime Minister and President).
6. Union Legislature: Rajya Sabha, Lok Sabha: Organisation, Functions, Committee system. Speaker.
7. Government in States: Governor, Chief Minister and Council of Ministers: position and functions -- State Legislature: composition and functions.
8. Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts: composition and functions – Judicial activism.

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Pylee, M.V. India's Constitution.
Kashyap, S.C. ed. Perspectives on the Constitution.
Bhargava, R. (ed.) 'Introduction: Outline of a Political Theory of the Indian Constitution', in R. Bhargava (ed.) Politics and Ethics of the Indian Constitution. 2008.
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B. Arora, B. and D. Verney (eds.): Multiple Identities in a Single State: Indian Federalism in a Comparative Perspective.
Dhavan, R. and Saxena R. (2006). The Republic of India', in K. Roy, C. Saunders and J. Kincaid (eds.) A Global Dialogue on Federalism, Volume 3, Montreal: Queen's University Press.
Baxi, U. (2010) The Judiciary as a Resource for Indian Democracy', Seminar, Issue 615.
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সুভাষ কাশ্যপ- আমাদের সংবিধান (অনুবাদঃ পার্থ সরকার)
অমল কুমার মুখোপাধ্যায় - ভারতীয় সংবিধানের সহজ পাঠ

MDC Papers for 4-year Honours/ Honours with Research Programme

| Semester | MDC Paper | Title | Credit | Remark |
|----------|------------|---------------------|--------|-------------------------|
| I/II/III | MD – 1/2/3 | Gender and Politics | 3 | Draft Syllabus attached |

MDC Papers for 3-year UG Multidisciplinary Programme

| Semester | MDC Paper | Title | Credit | Remark |
|----------|------------|---------------------|--------|-------------------------|
| IV/V/VI | MD – 1/2/3 | Gender and Politics | 3 | Draft Syllabus attached |

Course Details – MDC Paper

**MDC—MD 1/2/3
Gender and Politics
Credit - 3**

Course Objective

This course aims to sensitize the students on gender issues and its emerging perspectives and diverse dimensions. It would help them to have a critical understanding of different gender issues, gender discriminations and their underlying causes. Students from different disciplines would develop a conscious understanding of the cross-cutting issue of gender.

1. Conceptualizing Gender: (a) Distinction between sex and gender, (b) Biologism and Social Constructivism, (c) Patriarchy, (d) Equality and Difference, (e) Understanding masculinity and femininity.
2. Theoretical foundations of Feminism: Waves of Feminism.
3. Women's Movement in post-independent India: A critical overview.
4. Gender and Development
5. Gender and Ecology

Select Readings:

Geetha, V. Stree.

Heywood, A. Political Ideologies, Palgrave Mcmillan.

Menon, N. (2008) 'Gender', in R. Bhargava and A. Acharya (eds), Political Theory: An Introduction, New Delhi: Pearson, pp. 224-233.

Bryson, V. (1992) Feminist Political Theory, London: Palgrave-MacMillan, pp. 175-180; 196-200.

Khullar, M. Writing the Women's Movement : A Reader, Zubaan.

Forbes, G. Women in Modern India, Cambridge University Press.

Agnihotri, I., & Mazumdar, V. (1997). Changing the Terms of Political Discourse: Women's Movement in India, 1970s-1990s. Economic and Political Weekly, 30(29), pp. 1869-1878.

Kumar, R. History of Doing: An Illustrated Account of Movement for Women's Rights and Feminism in India, Kali for Women.

Kalpagam, U. (2000). The Women's Movement in India Today-New Agendas and Old Problems. Feminist Studies, 26(3), pp. 645-660.

Ray, R. Handbook of Gender, OUP,

রাজশ্রী বসু ও বাসবী চক্রবর্তী (সম্পা.), প্রসঙ্গ মানবিবিদ্যা, উর্বি প্রকাশন, কলকাতা, ২০০৮।

ঋতু সেন চৌধুরী (সম্পা.), নারীবাদের নানা পাঠ, আনন্দ, কলকাতা, ২০২১।

বাসবী চক্রবর্তী (সম্পা.), নারী পৃথিবী: বহুস্বর, উর্বা প্রকাশন, কলকাতা, ২০১১।
রাজশ্রী বসু নারীবাদ, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ রাজ্য পুস্তক পর্ষৎ, কলকাতা, ২০১২।

SEC Papers for 4-year Honours/ Honours with Research Programme

| Semester | MDC Paper | Title | Credit | Remark |
|----------|------------|---|--------|-------------------------|
| I/II/III | SE – 1/2/3 | Democratic Awareness through Legal Literacy | 3 | Draft Syllabus attached |

SEC Papers for 3-year UG Multidisciplinary Programme

| Semester | MDC Paper | Title | Credit | Remark |
|----------|-----------|---|--------|-------------------------|
| III/IV | SE – 1/2 | Democratic Awareness through Legal Literacy | 3 | Draft Syllabus attached |
| V/VI | SE – 3/4 | Survey Research in Social Science | 3 | Draft Syllabus attached |

Course Details – SEC Paper

Semester 1/ Semester 2/ Semester 3

SEC/ SE 1/2

Democratic Awareness through Legal Literacy

Credit - 3

Course Objective

This course has the objective of enhancing the skill of students in legal matters by introducing them to the legal system in India, the institutions attached with jurisprudence, and the crucial laws that govern their public and personal lives. It is designed to make the students aware of basic legal matters like, filing an First Information Report (FIR), understand the meaning and process of legal issues like bail, seizure etc.

1. Outline of the Legal system in India - system of courts/tribunals and their jurisdiction in India - criminal and civil courts, writ jurisdiction, specialized courts such as juvenile courts, mahila courts and tribunals.
2. Role of the police and executive in criminal law administration – Laws relating to criminal jurisdiction - provision relating to filing an FIR, arrest, bail search and seizure and some understanding of the questions of evidence and procedure in Cr. P.C. and related laws, important offenses under the Indian Penal Code.
3. Alternate dispute redressal mechanisms – Lok Adalats, Shalishi.
4. Offenses against women, juvenile justice, prevention of atrocities on Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

5. Brief understanding of the laws in India – (a) Laws relating dowry, sexual harassment and violence against women, (b) Laws relating consumer rights, cyber crimes, anti-terrorist laws.

Select Readings:

Pandey, (2008) 'Laws Relating to Criminal Justice: Challenges and Prospects', in K. Sankaran and U. Singh, Towards Legal Literacy, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp.61-77.

SAHRDC, (2006) 'Reporting a Crime: First Information Report', in Oxford Handbook of Human Rights and Criminal Justice in India - The System and Procedure, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp.16-26.

SAHRDC, (2006) 'Bail', in Oxford Handbook of Human Rights and Criminal Justice in India -The System and Procedure, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp.59-71.

SAHRDC, (2006) 'Detention', in Oxford Handbook of Human Rights and Criminal Justice in India- The System and Procedure. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp.72-84.

Mathew, P. (2003) Your Rights if you are Arrested, New Delhi. Indian Social Institute. P. Mathew, (2002) The Law on Atrocities Against Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, New Delhi: Indian Social Institute.

Saxena, K. (2011) 'Dalits', in M. Mohanty et al., Weapon of the Oppressed, Inventory of People's Rights in India. Delhi: Danish Books, Pp.15-38

Saxena, K. (2011) 'Adivasis', in M. Mohanty et al., Weapon of the Oppressed, Inventory of People's Rights in India, Delhi: Danish Books, Pp.39-65

Durrany, S. (2006) The Protection of Women From Domestic Violence Act 2005, New Delhi:

<https://wcd.nic.in/act/2314>

<https://consumeraffairs.nic.in/acts-and-rules/consumer-protection>

<https://rti.gov.in/>

গৌতম মুখোপাধ্যায়, গণতান্ত্রিক চেতনা ও মৌলিক আইন, সেতু, কলকাতা, ২০১৯।

Semester 5/ Semester 6

SEC/ SE 2 (3 Credits)

Survey Research in Social Science

Credit - 3

Course Objective

The course has been designed to enhance the skill level of students regarding survey work in social science. It would help them develop an idea of what is survey, methods of survey, how to do a sampling, how to prepare a questionnaire and conduct a survey. It would enable them to learn the practical applications of the methodology of survey research in social science.

1. Survey method: (a) Definition and Types, (b) Techniques of survey research: interviewing techniques and types, qualities of a good interviewer, questionnaire – framing a questionnaire, problem of no-response, (c) Advantages and disadvantages of survey method.
2. Sampling: (a) What is sampling? Why do we need to sample? Sample design, Sampling error and non-response. (b) Types of sampling: Non random sampling (quota, purposive and snowball sampling); random sampling: simple and stratified.

3. Aggregate Data Analysis: (a) Sources of aggregate data, uses of aggregate data, advantages of aggregate data, fallacy of inference. (b) Key concepts in Experimental Design—steps and planning the research, issues of equivalence and validity, classical experimental design.
4. Quantitative Data Analysis: (a) Introduction to quantitative data analysis, (b) Basic concepts: correlation research, causation and prediction, descriptive and Inferential Statistics.

Select Readings:

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