

Academic Session-July- December

Department of Political Science

Academic Calendar for 1st Semester

Paper Topic	Name of Teachers	Total Lectures	MONTH	Tests	Univ Exams
Understanding Political Theory CC1, Module 1					
1. Conceptualizing Politics: Meaning of Politics	DB	5	JULY	3+1	
2. Key Concepts I: State, Nation, Sovereignty- evolution; Power and Authority- types and linkages,	DB	15	AUG	4+1	
3. Key Concepts II: Law, Liberty Equality- interrelationships	DB	10	SEP	3+1	
Module II					
1. Key Concepts III Rights, Justice, Freedom	MD	15	JULY	3+1	
2. Key Concepts IV Democracy, Authoritarianism	MD	10	AUG	4+1	
3. Key Concepts V Citizenship	MD	5	SEP	2+1	
Understanding Political Theory: Approaches and Debate CC II, Module I					
1. Approaches- 1 Normative, Legal- Institutional, Empirical- Behavioural, Systems Analysis, Structural- Functionalism	SC	8	JULY	3+1	
2. Approaches- 2 Liberalism, Social Welfarism, Neo- Liberalism	MD	6	OCT	1	
3. Post- Colonial, Feminist.	SC	10	OCT	4+1	

Module II	TEACHER	NO.OF CLASSES	MONTH	MENTORING/ TU	UNIV. EXAM
4. Marxian Approach- Dialectical Materialism and Historical Materialism.	SM	6	JULY	3+1	
5. Key Ideas: State, Class and Class Struggle, Surplus Value, Alienation.	SM	15	AUG	4+1	
6. Party- Democratic Centralism, Lenin- Rosa Luxemburg Debate, Revolution- Lenin and Mao. Hegemony and Civil Society; Gramsci.	SM	15	SEP	4+1	

Academic Session- January- June

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Academic Calendar for 2nd Semester

Constitutional Government in India CC-3 Module 1	Name of Teachers	Total Lectures	Month	Mentoring/ TU	Univ. Exams
1 .Evolution of the Indian Constitution. Role of the Constituent Assembly--- debates (overview). The Preamble.	SC	4	JAN	2+1	
2. Citizenship. Fundamental Rights and Duties. Directive Principles.	SC	10	JAN- FEB	3+1	
3.Nature of Indian Federalism: Union-State Relation	SC	8	MARCH	4+1	
4. Union Executive: President, Vice-President: election, position, functions (focus on Emergency Powers), Prime Minister, Council of Ministers, relationship of Prime Minister and President.	SC	10	APRIL	3+1	
MODULE II					
5.Union Legislature: Rajya Sabha, Lok Sabha: Organisation, Functions – Law-making procedure, Parliamentary procedure, Privileges, Committee system. Speaker.	MD	10	JAN	3+1	
6.Government in states: Governor, Chief Minister and Council of Ministers: position and functions – State Legislature: composition and functions	MD	10	FEB	3+1	
7.Judiciary: Supreme Court and the High Courts: composition and functions – Judicial activism.	MD	8	MAR	2+1	
8.Constitutional amendment. Major recommendations of National Commission to Review the Working of the Constitution.	MD	10	APR	3+1	

Politics in India: Structures and Processes CC-4 Module 1	Name of Teachers	Total Lectures	Month	Mentoring/ TU	Univ. Exams
1. Party system: features and trends – major national political parties in India: ideologies and programmes. Coalition politics in India: nature and trends. Political parties in West Bengal: Overview.	DB	10	Jan-Feb	2+1	
2. Electoral process: Election Commission: composition, functions, role. Electoral reforms.	DB	4	March	1	
3. Role of business groups, working class, peasants in Indian politics.	DB	8	March-April	2+1	
MODULE II					
4. Role of (a) religion (b) language (c) caste (d) tribe.	SM	12	Jan-Feb	2+1	
5. Regionalism in Indian politics.	SM	4	Feb	1	
6. New Social Movements since the 1970s: (a) Environmental movements (b) Women's movements (c) Human rights movements.	SM	8	March	2+1	

Academic Session-JULY- DECEMBER (ODD SEMESTER)**Academic Session- JANUARY – JULY (EVEN SEMESTER)****Department of Political Science****Academic Calendar for 3rd Semester**

Paper/ Topic	Name of Teacher	No. of Lectures	Month	Mentoring/TU	University Exam
Indian Political Thought CC V Module 1					
1. Ancient Indian Political Ideas: Overview.	SC	4	July	2+1	
2. Kautilya: Saptanga Theory, Dandaniti, Diplomacy.	SC	8	July-Aug	4+1	
3. Medieval Pol Thought in India; Overview (with ref. to Barani and Abul Fazal), Legitimacy of Kingship.	SC	8	Aug-Sept	1+1	
4. Principle of Syncretism	SC	6	Sept	1+1	
Module II					
5. Modern Indian Thought: Rammohun Roy as pioneer of Indian Liberalism- his views on Rule of Law, Freedom of Thought and Social Justice	SM	8	July	2+1	
6. Bankim Chandra, Vivekananda and Tagore on Nationalism.	SM	8	July-Aug	2+1	
7. M. K. Gandhi: Views on State, Swaraj, Satyagraha.	SM	8	Aug-Sept	3+1	

Comparative Government and Politics CC- VI Module I	Name of Teacher	Number of Lecture	Month	Mentoring/ TU	University Exam
1. Evolution of Comparative Politics, scope, purposes, and methods of comparison. Distinction between Comparative Government and Comparative Politics.	SC		Sept	3+1	
2. Major approaches to the study of comparative politics- Institutional appr, Systems Appr, Structural Functional Appr- Limitations, New Institutionalism, Political Economy- origin and key features.	MD	10	July	4+1	
3. Development and Democratization: S.P Huntington.	SM	6	November	1+1	
4. Classification of Political Systems, Nature of Liberal and Socialist Political Systems: distinguishing features; Conventions, Rule of Law (UK), Separation of Powers, Checks and Balances, Judicial Review(USA), Democratic Centralism(PRC), Referendum, Initiative(Switzerland)	SC	5	November	3+1	
5. Political Parties; typologies, features and roles (UK, USA, PRC and Bangladesh) Interest Groups; Roles (UK and USA)	SM	5	November	2+1	

MODULE II	Name of Teacher	Number of Lecture	Month	Mentoring/TU	University Exam
6. Unitary System: UK and Bangladesh. Federal system : USA and Russia	MD	4	July	1+1	
7. Legislature in UK, USA and PRC; composition and functions of legislative chambers; Committee system in UK and USA.	MD	6	Aug	1+1	
8. Executive in UK, USA, France and Russia: a comprehensive study of (i)Russian, French and American Presidency; (ii)British and French Cabinet System	MD	10	Aug-Sep	2+1	
9. Judiciary in UK, USA and PRC (with special focus on Procuratorate): a comparative study	MD	4	Sep-Oct	2+1	
10. Rights of the Citizens of UK, USA and PRC: a comparative study	MD	4	Nov	1+1	

Perspectives on International Relations CC VII MODULE I	Name of Teacher	No. of Lecture	Month	Mentoring/ TU	University Exam
1. Understanding International Relations: Outline of its evolution as academic discipline	DB	4	July	1+1	
2. Major Theories: a. Classical Realism and Neo Realism, b. Dependency, c. World System Theory	DB	8	Aug	2+1	
3. Emergent Issues; a) Development b) Environment c) Terrorism d) Migration	DB	10	Sep	3+1	
MODULE II					
4. Making of Foreign Policy	DB	1	Sep	1	
5. India's Foreign Policy: Major Phases: 1947-1962: 1962-1991; 1991- till date	DB	6	Sep-Oct	3+1	
6. Sino-Indian Relations; Indo-US Relations.	DB	4	Nov	2+1	

SEC Understanding the Legal System Module I	Teacher	No. of Lectures	Month	Mentoring	University Exam
1) Outline of the legal system in India	SM	2	July		
2) System of Courts/tribunals and their jurisdiction in India-Criminal and civil courts, writ jurisdiction.	DB	4	Aug		
3) Specialized Courts such as juvenile courts, Mahila courts and tribunals	DB	3	Sep		
MODULE II					
4) Role of the police and executive in criminal law administration.	MD	3	Sep		
5) Alternate dispute mechanisms such as Lok Adalats, non-formal mechanisms.	SC	3	Oct		

Academic Calendar for 4TH Semester

Semester- IV CC VIII Indian Political Thought Module - I	Teacher	Number of Classes	Month	Mentoring/TU	University Exam
1. M. N. Roy: Radical Humanism	SM	4	January	1+1	
2. Narendra Deva, Ram Manohar Lohia, Jayaprakash Narayan, Socialist Ideas.	SM	8	Feb-March	3+1	
3. Syed Ahmed Khan and Iqbal: Views on colonialism and nationalism	SM	6	April	1+1	
MODULE II					
4. Nehru: views on socialism and democracy. Subhas Chandra Bose: views on socialism and fascism	SC	8	January	2+1	
5. Contested notions of “nations”: Savarkar and Jinnah	SC	6	Feb-March	2+1	
6. Jyotiba Phule and Ambedkar on caste and untouchability. Pandita Rammabai’s views on Social Justice	SC	6	March	2+1	

Global Politics since 1945 CC IX MODULE I	Teacher	Number of Classes	Month	Mentoring/TU	University Exam
1. Cold War and its evolution: outline. Emergence of third world: NAM; Pan-Africanism. Post-Cold World: overview. Globalisation: conceptions and perspectives.	DB	10	Jan-Feb	4+1	
2. Europe in transition: European Union, Brexit (overview)	DB	4	February	1+1	
3. Major Institutions of global governance: World Bank, IMF, WTO- overview. Major regional organisations: ASEAN, OPEC, SAFTA, SAARC, and BRICS. West Asia and the Palestine Question	DB	12	March-April	4+1	
MODULE II					
4. India and her neighbours I: Pakistan; Bangladesh	DB	4	March-April	1+1	
5. India and her neighbours II : Nepal; Bhutan; Sri Lanka	DB	4	April	1+1	
6. UNO: background; Major Organs—General Assembly, Security Council and Secretariat (with focus on Secretary General); Role of UNO in peacekeeping, human rights, and development (Millennium Development Goals and Sustainable Development Goals)	SC	10	April	4+1	

WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT and THEORY I CC X MODULE I	Teacher	No. of Classes	Month	Mentoring/TU	University Exam
1. Greek Political Thought: main features- Plato- Justice, Communism Aristotle: state, classifications of constitutions.	MD	8	Jan	2+1	
2. Roman Political Thought: theories of Law and Citizenship- contribution of Roman Thought	MD	6	Feb	2+1	
3. Medieval Political Thought in Europe- major features.	MD	2	Feb	1	
4. Contribution of Machiavelli. Significance of Renaissance. Political thought of Reformation.	MD	8	March	2+1	
MODULE II					
5. Bodin: Idea of Sovereignty.	MD	2	March	1+1	
6. Hobbes: founder of science of materialist politics	MD	2	March-April	2+1	
7. Locke: founder of Liberalism, views on natural rights, property and consent.	MD	6	May	3+1	
8. Rousseau: views on freedom and democracy.	SM	4	May	1+1	

SEC- LEGISLATIVE PRACTICES and PROCEDURES MODULE I	TEACHERS	NO.OF CLASSESS	MONTH	MENTORING	UNIVERSITY EXAM
1.Members of Parliament: Powers and Privileges- Constituency Work	MD	3	JAN		
2. State Legislative Assemblies: Powers and Functions	SC	2	FEB		
3. Functionaries of rural and urban local self- government from Zilla Parishad, Municipal Corporation to Panchayat/ Ward	SC	6	MARCH		
MODULE II					
4. How a bill becomes a law, role of standing committees in reviewing a bill, legislative consultants, the framing of rules and regulations.	SM	5	FEB		
5. Types of committees	SM	4	APRIL		
6. Role of committees in reviewing government finances, policy, programmes and legislation.	DB	5	MAY		
7.Powers and functions of people's representative at different tiers of governance	MD	4	MAY		