

LEARNING OUTCOME BASED CURRICULUM OF B.A SEMESTER 1ST

Syllabus of Sem. 1st



Programme: - Undergraduate Programme in Political Science (FYUGP)

Semester- 1st

Course type:- Major-theory Course

Course title:- An Introduction to Political Theory.

Course code:-UPOMJT101

Course Objective

The aim of the course is to expose the students a thorough understanding of the inter-relationship between policy decision and its effects on society. The content of this paper laid emphasis on the knowledge of key concepts of conceptual analysis in Political Theory and the skill required to engage in debate surrounding the application of the concept.

Teaching Learning Outcomes

After completing the course students will be able to,

- Understand the nature and relevance of Political Theory
- Understand different concepts like Liberty, Equality, Justice and Rights
- Reflect upon some of the important debates on Political Theory
- Participate as a civically engaged member of society
- Discuss the major theories and ideologies and concepts of political science and its subfields
- Deliver thoughtful and well-articulated presentation in research findings

Scope of the course in terms of:-

- a. Enhancing the knowledge quotient of the students about the programme of which the course is a part
- b. Employment generation.

Syllabus

Total marks: - 150, Total credits: - 4+2, Total teaching hours: - 60+ 30hrs.

Unit 1- Political Theory and Political Science Teaching hours-12

- 1.1 Meaning, Nature and Scope of Political Science
- 1.2 Difference between Political Science, Politics and Political Theory
- 1.3 Difference between Traditional and Modern approaches

Unit 2- State and Sovereignty Teaching hours-12

- 2.1 Nation and State: Conceptualisation
- 2.2 Theories of the Origin of state: Social Contract and Evolutionary Theory
- 2.3 Sovereignty: Austin theory and Pluralist theory

Unit 3- Nature and Functions of State Teaching hours-12

- 3.1 Liberal and Neo-Liberal Notions of State
- 3.2 Marxist and Neo-Marxist Notions of State
- 3.3 Liberal and Marxist functions of the state

Unit 4- Concepts in Political theory Teaching hours-12

- 4.1 Rights: Liberal and Marxist Perspective
- 4.2 Justice: Social, Political, and Legal
- 4.3 Liberty and Equality: Concepts

Unit 5- Major Ideologies Teaching hours-12

- 5.1 Liberalism: Classical and Neo-Liberalism
- 5.2 Socialism: Meaning and main tenets of Socialism

5.3 Feminism: Meaning and Issues

SUGGESTED READINGS

- Andrew Heywood (2013) *Politics*, London: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Andrew Heywood (2004). *Political Theory: An Introduction*, London: Palgrave.
- Rajeev Bhargava and Ashok Acharya (2008) (ed.). *Political Theory*, New Delhi: Pearson.
- O. P. Guaba, “An Introduction to Political Theory”
- V. D. Mahajan, “Political Theory: Principles of Political Science”.

Evaluation Pattern shall be as under:

A) Theory(100 Marks)

Theory Paper will be of 100 marks, 20% of which will be reserved for mid semester assessment, and 80% of which will be reserved for external end semester examination.

Mid Term Assessment (20 marks): The mid-term assessment test will comprise of a written test of 15 marks. 05 marks will be kept for attendance.

The written examination will be held for 40% of the syllabus and will carry 15 marks. It will have eight questions of 03 marks each, and the student will be asked to attempt any five out of the given eight.

External End Semester Examination (80 marks):

The External end semester examination will consist of three sections:

Section A will consist of 5 Questions (of 3 marks each) and the student will be asked to attempt all five.

Section B will consist of 5 Questions (of 7 marks each) and the student will be asked to attempt all five.

Section C will consist of 5 Questions (of 15 marks each) and the student will be asked to attempt any two.

B) Practical (Marks 50)

Internal Examination(25 marks): The student will be asked to give an oral presentation on any political topic assigned to them. The presentation will be evaluated based primarily upon the student’s exhibition of critical and deep thought

about the given topic and also on the way she expresses her thought in the presentation.

External Examination (25 marks): The student will be required to give a viva. The syllabus for viva voce will be same as the syllabus for the major course (theory).

LEARNING OUTCOME BASED CURRICULUM OF B.A SEMESTER 1ST

Syllabus of Sem. 1st(MINOR)



Programme: - Undergraduate Programme in Political Science (FYUGP)

Semester- 1st

Course type:- Minor-theory Course

Course title:- Fundamental of Political Theory.

Course code:- UPOMNT101

Course Objective

The aim of the course is to expose the students a thorough understanding of the inter-relationship between policy decision and its effects on society. The content of this paper laid emphasis on the knowledge of key concepts of conceptual analysis in Political Theory and the skill required to engage in debate surrounding the application of the concept.

Teaching Learning Outcomes

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- Understand different concepts like Liberty, Equality, Justice and Rights
- Reflect upon some of the important debates on Political Theory
- Participate as a civically engaged member of society
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Scope of the course in terms of:-

- c. Enhancing the knowledge quotient of the students about the programme of which the course is a part
- d. Employment generation.

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Programme: - Undergraduate programme in political science

Semester-1st

Course type:- Multidisciplinary Course

Course title:-Indian Polity

Course code:- UPOMDT101

Total marks: - 75(External=60+Internal+15)

Total credits: - 03,

Total teaching hours: - 45 hrs.

Objectives of the Course:- The course is specially designed to supplement and enhance the understanding of students about the philosophical, theoretical and functional aspects of Indian Polity.

Learning outcomes of the course:-The objectives of this course are to give students an understanding of:

- Fundamentals of Indian Political System.
- Philosophical basis of Indian Constitution.
- Working of Indian Constitution as a living document
- Theoretical Basis and Practices of Directive Principles of State Policy and Fundamental Rights as available in the Constitution
- Institutional Structure and functions of Indian Polity

Course Content:

Unit 1- Introduction to the Indian Constitution

1.1 Preamble and basic features of the Indian Constitution

- 1.2 Fundamental Rights and Fundamental Duties
- 1.3 Directive Principles of State Policy.

Unit 2-Union Legislature

- 2.1 President: Powers and Functions
- 2.2 Prime minister and Council of ministers: Powers and Functions
- 2.3 Parliament :Composition of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha

Unit 3- State Legislature

- 3.1 Governor:Powers and Functions
- 3.2 Chief Minister: Powers and Functions
- 3.3 Composition of state Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council.

Unit 4-Indian Judicial System

- 4.1 Supreme court: Composition and Powers.
- 4.2 High Court: Composition and Powers
- 4.3 Judicial Review and Judicial Activism in India

Books and references;

1. Niraja Gopal Jayal and PratapBhanu Mehta. (2011) The Oxford Companion to Politics in India, Oxford University Press, India.
2. BidyutChakrabarty and Rajendra Kumar Pandey. (2008) Indian Government and Politics, Sage Publication, India.
3. Himanshu Roy and Mahendra Prasad Singh. (2012) Indian Political System, 4th Edition, PEARSON India.
4. Pravin Kumar Jha. (2012) Indian Politics in Comparative Perspective, Pearson Education India.
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9. Granville Austin. (1999) The Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of A Nation, Oxford University Press.
10. AtulKohli and Prerna Singh, (ed.). (2013) Routledge handbook of Indian politics, Routledge.
11. B.L Fadia. (2010) “Indian Government and Politics” Agra: Shohitya Bhawas Publications.

12. Basu, Durga Das. (1985), Introduction to the Constitution of India (Prentice-Hall, New Delhi..

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION/ASSESSMENT:

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Mid Term Assessment

(15 marks): The mid term assessment test will comprise of a written test of 15 marks. 05 marks will be kept for attendance.

The written examination will be held for 50% of the syllabus and will carry 10 marks. It will have eight questions of 02 marks each, and the student will be asked to attempt any five out of the given eight.

External End Semester Examination (60 marks):

The External end semester examination will consist of three sections:

Section A will consist of 4 Questions (of 3 marks each) and the student will be asked to attempt all four.

Section B will consist of 4 Questions (of 6 marks each) and the student will be asked to attempt all four.

Section C will consist of 4 Questions (of 12 marks each) and the student will be asked to attempt any two.