

# Bachelor of Arts Political Science (Honors)

## Syllabus - Second Semester

### INDIAN STATE AND POLITICS AFTER INDEPENDENCE

**Course Code: POL2201**

**Credit Units: 04**

#### **Course Objective**

To provide the student with a comprehensive background of the political scenario as it developed after independence in 1947. To understand processes that shaped independent India such as the Constitution of India, the Executive and the Legislature, electoral politics and political parties, federalism and the federal structure, communalism and communal politics, linguistic movements etc.

#### **Course Content**

##### **Module-I: The Indian Constitution**

Making of India's Constitution: Perspectives from the Constituent Assembly, Indian Constitution: Features, Socio-economic basis and philosophy and the Preamble, Major Amendments: Trends and rationale

##### **Module-II: Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles**

Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State Policy

##### **Module-III: Organs of the Government**

The Union Executive: the President, Prime Minister, Cabinet, Governor, Parliamentary form of government: The Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha, Supreme Court: Judicial Review and Judicial Activism

##### **Module-IV: Federalism in India**

Nature of Indian Federalism, Centre-State relations, Issues of state autonomy, Panchayati Raj and Urban Local Bodies

##### **Module-V: Political Parties and Electoral Processes**

Political Parties and Pressure Groups, Election Commission, Electoral Reforms

##### **Module-VI: Major Issues in Indian Politics**

Caste, religion, language, region, Problems of illiteracy, regional imbalance, environmental degradation, and poverty alleviation, Development strategy and liberalization

##### **Module-VII: Laws for internal security**

Preventive detention laws and constitutional exceptions, Extra-ordinary laws: anti-terror laws, laws against organized crime

#### **Examination Scheme**

<b>Components</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>A/TP</b>	<b>CT</b>	<b>EE</b>
<b>Weightage (%)</b>	5	10	5	10	70

(**A** : Attendance ; **P** : Presentation ; **A/TP** : Assignment/Term Paper ; **CT** : Class Test ; **EE** : External Examination)

## **Text and References**

### **Text:**

Jayal, Neerja Gopal and Pratap Bhanu Mehta. 2011. *The Oxford Companion to Politics in India* (Student Edition). New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Basu, D D. 2013. *Introduction to the Constitution of India*. New Delhi: Lexis Nexis.

Kohli, A. 2001. *The Success of India's Democracy*. New Delhi: Cambridge University Press.

Brass, P. 1994. *Politics in India Since Independence*. New Delhi: Cambridge University Press.

### **References:**

Kothari, R. 1970. *Politics in India*. New Delhi: Orient Blackswan.

Kohli, A. 1988. *India's Democracy*. New Delhi: Orient Longman.

Bhambri, C P. 1998. *The Indian State: Fifty Years*. New Delhi: Shipra.

Kashyap, S C. 1992. *Our Parliament*. New Delhi: National Book Trust.

Kothari, R. 1967. *Party System and Election Studies*. Bombay: Asia Publishing House.

Chanda, A. 1965. *Federalism in India: A Study of Union-State Relations*. London: George Allen and Unwin.

Austin, G. 1979. 'The Constituent Assembly: Microcosm in Action', in *The Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of a Nation*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Chaube, S.K. 1973. *Constituent Assembly of India*. Delhi: People's Publishing House.

Austin, G. 2000. 'The Social Revolution and the First Amendment', in *Working a Democratic Constitution*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

# GLOBAL THEMES IN DEVELOPMENT AND POLITICS

**Course Code:**POL2203

**Credit Units: 04**

## **Course Objective**

The course would provide the students with an insight into key global issues in order for them to understand future developments and events. Necessary teaching aids such as group discussions and viewing of key documentary films would be made use of to explain the specifics of each of the topics mentioned below.

## **Course Content**

### **Module-I: Decolonization**

Methods and stages of decolonization, History of decolonization, Post-colonial organizations

### **Module-II: Democracy**

Brief history of democracy, Variants of democracy, Forms of modern democracy

### **Module-III: Development**

History of international development, Theories and concepts of international development, International development in practice

### **Module-IV: Disarmament**

History and definition of disarmament, Nuclear disarmament, India and disarmament

### **Module-V: Food Security**

Need for food security, Challenges to achieving global food security, Risks to food security

### **Module-VI: Fair Trade**

Theories of fair trade, The WTO and fair trade, Basics of the fair trade system

### **Module-VII: Governance**

Need for global governance, Concepts and themes in global governance, Regional views

### **Module-VIII: Human Rights**

Philosophy of human rights, International protection, Violation of human rights, Substantive rights

### **Module-IX: Peace and Security**

Ethnic conflict and international security, International cooperation, Rule of Law

### **Module-X: Population**

World human population, Predicted growth and decline, Control of global population

### **Module-XI: Refugees**

Reasons for global refugee crisis, Historical and contemporary crises

### **Module-XII: Terrorism**

Definitions and theories of terrorism, Types of terrorism, Global terrorism crisis

## Examination Scheme

Components	A	P	A/TP	CT	EE
Weightage (%)	5	10	5	10	70

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## Texts and References

### *Texts:*

Crick, Bernard. 2002. *Democracy: A Very Short Introduction*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.  
Przeworski, Adam, M. Alvarez, Jose Antonio Cheibub and Fernando Limongi. 2000. *Democracy and Development: Political Institutions and Well-Being in the World, 1950-1990*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.  
Sen, Amartya K. 2001. *Development as Freedom*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

### *References:*

Escobar, Arturo. 1994. *Encountering Development: The Making and Unmaking of the Third World*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.  
Polanyi, Karl. 2010. *The Great Transformation: the political and economic origins of our time*. London: Wiley-Blackwell.  
Stiglitz, Joseph E. 2003. *Globalization and its Discontents*. New Delhi: Penguin Books.

## CURRENT THEMES IN INDIAN POLITICS

Course Code: POL2204

Credit Units: 03

### Course Objective

The course would attempt to appreciate the various political processes active in contemporary India and understand their implications for the social and political future of the country. It would prepare the students to critically evaluate contemporary and modern Indian politics and encourage evaluative thinking. Class lectures would be aided by regular group discussions, class debates and interactive question and answer sessions.

### Course Content

#### Module-I: The Nature and Functioning of Democracy

The Parliamentary System: An Evaluation; Democracy: Social and Economic Dimensions; The Changing Nature of the Party System; The Nature of Coalition Politics; Transformative Nature of Electoral Processes in India

#### Module-II: Key themes in Indian Politics

Why Is Secularism Important for India; Contemporary Debates on Nationalism; Hindu Nationalism and its Impact on the Polity

#### Module-III: Current Political Scenarios

Dimensions of Indian Federalism; Democratic Decentralization and Panchayati Raj; The Changing Nature of Public Administration; Judicial Reforms in Modern India; The Changing Face of the Civil Society; India in the Global Strategic Environment

### Examination Scheme

Components	A	P	A/TP	CT	EE
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### Texts and References

#### Texts :

Chandhoke, Neera and Praveen Priyadarshi. 1999. *Contemporary India: Economy, Society, Politics*. New Delhi : Pearson Learning.

Rothermund, Deitmar. 2013. *Contemporary India: Political, Economic and Social Development*. New Delhi : Pearson Learning.

Hasan, Zoya, S N Jha, and Rasheeduddin Khan. 1989. *The State, Political Process, and Identity: Reflections on Modern India*. New Delhi : Sage Publications.

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- Kothari, R. 1970. *Politics in India*. New Delhi: Orient Blackswan.
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# TERM PAPER

Course Code:POL2231

Credit Units: 02

## Objective

The objective of this course is to judge the understanding as well as application of the knowledge gained by the students. The aim of the term paper is to provide the students with an opportunity to further enhance their knowledge of politics by undertaking hands-on research on a topic of their choice. The topics selected by the students must be commensurate with the ongoing courses pertaining to the semester in question.

A term paper is primarily a record of intelligent reading in several sources on a particular subject. The students will choose the topic at the beginning of the session in consultation with the faculty assigned.

## Guidelines:

1. The term paper will be related to contemporary politics and related philosophical injunctions and the topic(s) will be given by the department.
2. The presentation of the term paper is scheduled to be held before the commencement of Semester examinations.
3. The paper will carry 100 marks that will be marked on the basis of understanding and organization of content based on the literature review. The Bibliography shall form an important part of the paper.
4. Examples of a few broad areas for Term Paper (List is indicative, not exhaustive)

- Issues of caste in Indian politics
- State and democracy
- Internal security scenario
- Theories of secularism
- Justice and related themes
- Multicultural societies
- Feminist critique of Indian politics
- Media and politics
- Cultural imperialism

## Evaluation Scheme

Organisation and relevance of content	Literature Review	Bibliography	Presentation	Total
30	30	20	20	100

# ELECTIONS AND ELECTORAL POLITICS

Course Code: POL2206

Credit Units: 01

## Course Objective

The objective of the course would be to inculcate a basic understanding of the intricacies of the process that culminates in the dance of democracy at the end of the term of the incumbent government. The course would seek to provide the students with a clear picture of the specific themes that govern the conduct of elections and the manner in which various political parties respond to the call for polls.

## Course Content

### Module-I : Brief History of Elections in India

Elections in India since 1947 ; Electoral reforms ; Election Commission : challenges and issues

### Module-II : Study of Indian Elections : an overview

Case studies ; Comparative approaches ; Electoral process ; voter registration ; absentee voting

### Module-III : Political debates in the study of elections

Scientific dilemmas ; Political issues

## Examination Scheme

Components	A	P	A/TP	CT	EE
Weightage (%)	5	10	5	10	70

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## Texts and References

### Texts :

Ahuja, M L. 1998. *Elections and Electoral Processes in India- 1952-1998*. New Delhi : Mittal Publications.

Kumar, Arun. 2000. *Elections in India*. New Delhi : Neha Publications.

### References :

Roy, Meenu. 2000. *Electoral politics in India: election process and outcomes, voting behaviour and current trends*. New Delhi : Deep & Deep Publications.



## REVIEW OF CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE-I

Course Code: POL2230

Credit Units: 02

### Course Objective

The objective of this concentration elective is to inculcate reading habit along with value addition to the existing understanding of the subject. The book would be a kind of knowledge enhancer that would envision the student about some current thoughts related to the discipline. The book reading and its critical analysis would help broaden the intellectual horizon of the student. A contemporary and relevant book will be selected by the concerned department.

### Guidelines

The student is expected to thoroughly go through the discipline related prescribed book with the objective of critically reviewing each aspect and character of the book. The student is supposed to have a detailed insight into the following:

- Content
- Writing style
- Information/learning
- Content handling
- Characters(if any)
- Thematic Clarity

The report is to be submitted in about 3000 words on A4 size sheets, Font 12pt., Times New Roman, 1.5 spacing. Headings in Font Size16

### Examination Scheme

Components	A	P	A/TP	CT	EE
Weightage (%)	5	10	5	10	70

(A : Attendance ; P : Presentation ; A/TP : Assignment/Term Paper ; CT : Class Test ; EE : End-Term Examination)

# PROJECT (WITH PRESENTATION AND EVALUATION)

Course Code: POL2232

Credit Units: 03

## Course Objective

The major objective of this course would remain development of the ability to undertake independent research on any topic of political or socio-economic of relevance and produce an intellectual treatise which enhances future knowledge and provides a basis for further investigative work. The course would emphasise on the methodology of research.

## Methodology of Project

The project would be designed to encourage original research and at the same time provide the students with an opportunity to work on political issues that affect the everyday life of the students and those who live around them. For example, students could observe and assess the impact of impending elections on people in their constituency from the socio political point of view. Their observations could be reecorded in the form of project report followed by a presentation.

## Guidelines for Project Report

1. **Length of the report** : The project report should not exceed 5000 words in length (excluding Bibliography and Annexures).
2. **Contents of the report** :
  - a. Cover page
  - b. Acknowledgements
  - c. Table of Contents
  - d. Introduction
  - e. Review of readings
  - f. Findings and analysis
  - g. Conclusions
  - h. Bibliography or References
  - i. Annexures
3. **Steps for completion of project** :
  - a. Finalization of topic in consultation with faculty
  - b. Introductory presentation with research objectives and questions specified
  - c. Field work
  - d. Preparation of project report
  - e. Submission of project report
  - f. Final Presentation and viva

## Possible research topics

1. Select coverage of any political issue of importance and trace its development through news reports published in any reputed newspaper (English/Hindi).
2. Prepare a research report on the impact of elections in your constituency.
3. Prepare a report on the representation of terrorism in Hindi films. The report should contain a list of films viewed with full details.
4. Select any philosophical issue of your choice and attempt to bring out your own conclusions based on your reading of the various texts on that issue.

## Examination Scheme

Project Report	Power Point Presentation & Viva
75 marks	25 marks

# Syllabus – Third Semester

## SUMMER PROJECT EVALUATION

Course Code: POL2335

Credit Units: 03

### Objective

The aim of the project is to provide the students with an opportunity to further their intellectual and personal development in the chosen field by undertaking a significant practical unit of activity. The project can be defined as a scholarly inquiry into a problem or issues, involving a systematic approach to gathering and analysis of information / data, leading to production of a structured report.

### Chapter Scheme and distribution of marks:

**Chapter 1:** Introduction – 10 marks

**Chapter 2:** Brief Review of Literature – 25 marks

**Chapter 3:** Research Findings and Analysis – 25marks

**Chapter 4:** Conclusions– 10marks

**Chapter 5:** Bibliography – 05marks

### Components of a Project Report

The outcome of Project Work is the Project Report. A project report should have the following components:

**1) Cover Page:** This should contain the title of the project proposal, to whom it is submitted, for which degree, the name of the author, name of the supervisor, year of submission of the project work, name of the University.

**2) Acknowledgement:** Various organizations and individuals who might have provided assistance /co-operation during the process of carrying out the study.

**3) Table of Content:** Page-wise listing of the main contents in the report, i.e., different Chapters and its main Sections along with their page numbers.

**4) Body of the Report:** The body of the report should have these four logical divisions

**a) Introduction:** This will cover the background, rationale/ need / justification, objectives, methodology (the area of the study, sample, type of study, tools for data collection, and method of analysis), Limitations of the Study, and Chapter Planning.

**b) Brief Review of Literature:** (relating to the topic of the Project).

**c) Research Findings and Analysis:** (using the tools and techniques mentioned in the methodology).

**d) Conclusions:** In this section, the concluding observations based on the main findings and suggestions are to be provided.

**5) Bibliography or References:** This section will include the list of books and articles which have been used in the project work, and in writing a project report.

**6) Annexures:** Questionnaires (if any), relevant reports, etc.

(The main text of the Project should normally be in the range of 5000 words. However, there may be annexure in addition to the main text)

### The Steps of a Project Report

**STEP I :** Selection of the topic for the project by taking following points into consideration:

- Suitability of the topic
- Relevance of the topic
- Time available for completion
- Feasibility of data collection within the given time limit
- Challenges involved in data collection (time & cost involved in the data collection, possibility of getting responses, etc.)

**STEP II:** Finalisation of the Topic and preparation of Project Proposal in consultation with the Supervisor

**STEP III:** Collection of information and data relating to the topic and analysis of the same

**STEP IV:** Writing the report dividing it into suitable chapters, viz.,

**Chapter 1:** Introduction,

**Chapter 2:** Brief Review of Literature

**Chapter 3:** Research Findings and Analysis

**Chapter 4:** Conclusions

**Chapter 5:** Bibliography

**STEP V:** The following documents are to be attached with the Final Project Report.

- Approval letter from the supervisor (Annexure-IA)
- Student's declaration (Annexure-IB)
- Certificate from the Competent Authority of the Organisation / Institution, if the student undertakes the Project Work in any Organisation / Institution.

**Guidelines for evaluation:**

- Each of the students has to undertake a Project individually under the supervision of a teacher and to submit the same following the guidelines stated below.
- Language of Project Report and Viva-Voce Examination may be English. The Project Report must be typed and hard bound.
- Failure to submit the Project Report or failure to appear at the Viva-voce Examination will be treated as "Absent" in the Examination. He /she has to submit the Project Report and appear at the Viva-Voce Examination in the subsequent years (within the time period as per University Rules).
- No marks will be allotted on the Project Report unless a candidate appears at the Viva-Voce Examination. Similarly, no marks will be allotted on Viva-Voce Examination unless a candidate submits his/her Project Report.
- Evaluation of the Project Work to be done jointly by one internal expert and one external expert with equal weightage, i.e., average marks of the internal and external experts will be allotted to the candidate. The evaluation scheme shall be as follows:

<b>Project Report</b>	<b>Power Point Presentation &amp; Viva</b>
75 marks	25 marks

**Student's Declaration**

I .....hereby declare that the Project Work with the title (in block letters).....  
submitted by me for the partial fulfilment of the degree of B.A. Honours in Political Science is my original work and has not been submitted earlier to any other University /Institution for the fulfilment of the requirement for any course of study.  
I also declare that no chapter of this manuscript in whole or in part has been incorporated in this report from any earlier work done by others or by me. However, extracts of any literature which has been used for this report has been duly acknowledged providing details of such literature in the references.

Signature of Supervisor:

Signature of Student  
Name

Registration No.

Place:

Date:

# POLITICS AND MEDIA

Course Code: POL2304

Credit Units: 03

## Course Objective

To provide students with an overarching perspective on the various processes at play in the manner in which the media – print and visual – transform into vehicles of politics. The course will, through exploration of several case studies pertaining to various types of media, encourage the students to critically analyse media messages, both print and visual.

## Course Content

### Module-I : Theories of the mass media

Agenda Setting Theory ; Cultivation Theory ; Dependency Theory ; Hypodermic Needle Theory ; Knowledge Gap ; Media Richness Theory ; Medium Theory ; Spiral of Silence ; Two Step Flow Theory ; Uses and Gratifications Approach ; Priming ; Framing

### Module-II : Print media and politics

Brief history of newspapers in India ; Growth of print media in India ; print media and Indian political parties ; democratic processes and print media

### Module-III : Television news media and politics

Brief history of television media in India ; Growth of Television news media in india ; democratic politics and television media : perspectives and trends

## Examination Scheme

Components	A	P	A/TP	CT	EE
Weightage (%)	5	10	5	10	70

(A : Attendance ; P : Presentation ; A/TP : Assignment/Term Paper ; CT : Class Test ; EE : External Examination)

## Texts and References

### Texts :

McQuail, Dennis. 2010. *McQuail's Mass Communication Theory*. New Delhi : Sage Publications.

Jeffrey, Robin. 2000. *India's Newspaper Revolution : Capitalism, Politics and the Indian Language Press, 1977-99*. New Delhi : Oxford University Press.

Mehta, Nalin. 2008. *Television in India: Satellites, Politics and Cultural Change*. New Delhi : Routledge.

### References :

Sahay, Uday. 2006. *Handbook of the Media in Contemporary India*. New Delhi : Oxford University Press.

Batabyal, Somnath, Angad Chowdhry, Meenu Gaur, Matti Pohjonen. 2011. *Indian Mass Media and Politics of Change*. New Delhi : Routledge.

## REVIEW OF CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE-II

Course Code: POL2330

Credit Units: 02

### Course Objective

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### Guidelines

The student is expected to thoroughly go through the discipline related prescribed book with the objective of critically reviewing each aspect and character of the book. The student is supposed to have a detailed insight into the following:

- Content
- Writing style
- Information/learning
- Content handling
- Characters(if any)
- Thematic Clarity

The report is to be submitted in about 3000 words on A4 size sheets, Font 12pt., Times New Roman, 1.5 spacing. Headings in Font Size16

### Examination Scheme

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Weightage (%)	5	10	5	10	70

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## TERM PAPER

Course Code: POL2331

Credit Units: 02

### Objective

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### Guidelines:

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4. Examples of a few broad areas for Term Paper (List is indicative, not exhaustive)

- Issues of caste in Indian politics
- State and democracy
- Internal security scenario
- Theories of secularism
- Justice and related themes
- Multicultural societies
- Feminist critique of Indian politics
- Media and politics
- Cultural imperialism
- Plato's Republic

### Evaluation Scheme

Organisation and relevance of content	Literature Review	Bibliography	Presentation	Total
30	30	20	20	100



# PROJECT (WITH PRESENTATION AND EVALUATION)

Course Code: POL2332

Credit Units: 03

## Course Objective

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## Methodology of Project

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## Guidelines for Project Report

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**Steps for completion of project :**

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## Possible research topics

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## Examination Scheme

<b>Project Report</b>	<b>Power Point Presentation &amp; Viva</b>
75 marks	25 marks

# Syllabus – Fourth Semester

## PROJECT (WITH PRESENTATION AND EVALUATION)

Course Code: POL2432

Credit Units: 03

### Course Objective

The major objective of this course would remain development of the ability to undertake independent research on any topic of political or socio-economic of relevance and produce an intellectual treatise which enhances future knowledge and provides a basis for further investigative work. The course would emphasise on the methodology of research.

### Methodology of Project

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### Guidelines for Project Report

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**Steps for completion of project :**

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#### Examination Scheme

<b>Project Report</b>	<b>Power Point Presentation &amp; Viva</b>
75 marks	25 marks

### TERM PAPER

**Course Code:POL2431**

**Credit Units: 02**

#### Objective

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- Multicultural societies
- Feminist critique of Indian politics
- Media and politics
- Cultural imperialism

#### Evaluation Scheme

<b>Organisation and relevance of content</b>	<b>Literature Review</b>	<b>Bibliography</b>	<b>Presentation</b>	<b>Total</b>
30	30	20	20	100

## REVIEW OF CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE-III

Course Code: POL2430

Credit Units: 02

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# WORKSHOP ON CONTEMPORARY POLITICS

Course Code: POL2433

Credit Units: 01

## Course Objective

The course would facilitate students to engage with political issues of their choice and discuss the same with fellow students so that perspectives emerge and the development of varied points of view are encouraged. Students would also be encouraged to prepare and make presentations in class and share thoughts on politics and political issues.

## Format of Workshop

1. The workshop would be a culmination of class discussions on various emerging issues in Indian and global politics.
2. Students would prepare and make presentations on any one topic of their choice.
3. The presentation would be followed by question and answer session in which other students and invited faculty members would participate.
4. The workshop would be held on a convenient date and day so that several members of the faculty could take part in it.

## Guidelines for workshop

**Step 1 : Selection of topic for workshop presentation :** The students would select a topic of relevance in consultation with the faculty.

**Step 2 : Selection of a date/day/venue for workshop :** The workshop would be organized and managed entirely by the students. The faculty would play the role of advisors. From selection of suitable date and venue to inviting AUH faculty and officials for the workshop, students would be in charge of the smooth conduct of the workshop.

**Step 3 : Preparation for workshop presentation :** Once the topic is selected, students would start gathering relevant material for the presentation during the workshop. Since the presentation would be followed by questions and answers, the students have to be prepared for a tough session. Faculty will facilitate the collection of material and preparation of the presentation.

**Step 4 : Submission of presentation :** Students would submit their presentations in hard copy format for evaluation purposes.

## Examination Scheme

Power Point Presentation and Q&A	Participation and organization
75 marks	25 marks

# Syllabus – Fifth Semester

## INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Course Code:POL2502

Credit Units: 05

### Course Objective

The course would go beyond the traditional understanding of international politics and provide the students with a detailed overview of the various systems and processes that have and continue to shape the contemporary world. It would also take into consideration the perspective of the developing nations in defining political interaction between nations.

### Course Content

#### Module-I : Theories

Theories of international relations ; India's perspective ; race and international relations ; class and international relations ; gender and international relations

#### Module-II : Concepts

Imperialism ; Sovereignty ; Security ; Geopolitics ; Sustainable Development ; Cosmopolitanism

#### Module-III : Global issues

Global history ; globalization ; global finance ; global economic development ; global culture ; global migration ; global cities ; global justice

#### Module-IV : Law, institutions and movements

International Law ; Theories of International Organization ; United Nations ; Human Rights ; Humanitarianism ; Gandhi and World Politics

### Examination Scheme

Components	A	P	A/TP	CT	EE
Weightage (%)	5	10	5	10	70

(A : Attendance ; P : Presentation ; A/TP : Assignment/Term Paper ; CT : Class Test ; EE : External Examination)

### Texts and References

#### Texts :

Chimni, B S and Siddharth Malavarappu. 2010. *International Relations : Perspectives from the Global South*. New Delhi : Pearson Education.

Khanna, V N. 2004. *International Relations*. New Delhi : Vikas Publications.

Johari, J C. 1986. *International Relations and Politics*. New Delhi : Vantage Press.

#### References :

Chandra, P. *International Relations*. New Delhi : Vikas Publishing House.

Pruthi, R K. 2006. *International Relations*. New Delhi : Neha Publications.

Hunter, Nick. 2012. *International Relations*. Hienemann Library.

Codevilla, Angelo M. 2010. *Student's Guide to International Relations*. Intercollegiate Studies Institute.

# INDIA'S FOREIGN POLICY

**Course Code: POL2503**

**Credit Units: 05**

## **Course Objective**

To provide an in-depth overview of the development of India's foreign policy particularly with reference to the contemporary scenario characterised by global terrorism and violence. To evaluate and discuss the methods of engaging with South Asia and the world that India has adopted over the years.

## **Course Content**

### **Module-I : Features and perspectives**

Foreign policy and national interest ; principles and objectives

### **Module-II : Non-alignment**

The genesis of non-alignment ; India and non-alignment ; non-aligned movement and its impact on international relations ; contemporary relevance of non-aligned movement

### **Module-III : India-Pakistan Relations**

The early years (1947-62) ; major developments leading to the 1971 conflict ; India-Pakistan relations in 1980s ; Kashmir conflict and Indo-Pak relations ; global terrorism and its impact on India-Pakistan relations ; contemporary trends in India-Pakistan relations

### **Module-IV : India's relations with other states in South Asia**

India's policy towards Bangladesh ; India and Nepal ; India's foreign policy towards Sri Lanka : history, the Tamil question and contemporary trends

### **Module-V : India-China Relations**

Evolution of India's China Policy ; India-China relations through the years ; major events and conflicts ; economic relations between India and China ; contemporary perspectives on India-China Relations

### **Module-VI : India's policy towards the rest of the world**

Southeast Asia in Indian Foreign Policy ; India-Iranian Relations ; India's policy towards Israel ; India's relations with Korea ; India-Japan Relations ; India's relations with Russia ; India and the United States

### **Module-VII : Issues in India's foreign policy**

Evolution of India's Nuclear Policy ; India's foreign economic policies ; domestic and international influences on India's energy policy

## **Examination Scheme**

<b>Components</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>A/TP</b>	<b>CT</b>	<b>EE</b>
<b>Weightage (%)</b>	5	10	5	10	70

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## **Texts and References**

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Ganguly, Sumit. 2011. *India's Foreign Policy*. New Delhi : Oxford University Press.

Dubey, Muchkund. 2012. *India's Foreign Policy : Coping with the changing world*. New Delhi : Pearspon Education.

Khanna, V N. 2010. *Foreign Policy of India*. New Delhi : Vikas Publishing House.

### ***References :***

Dutt, V P. 1999. *India's Foreign Policy in a Changing World*. New Delhi : Vikas Publishing House.

Shukla, Vatsala. 2005. *India's Foreign Policy in the New Millennium*. New Delhi : Atlantic.

Balakrishnan, T K. 2010. *India's Foreign Policy : problems and paradoxes*. New Delhi : Mohini Publishers and Distributors.

Mattoo, Amitabh and Happymon Jacob. 2010. *Shaping India's Foreign Policy*. New Delhi : Har Anand Publications.

## TERM PAPER

Course Code: POL2531

Credit Units: 02

### Objective

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### Guidelines:

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3. The paper will carry 100 marks that will be marked on the basis of understanding and organization of content based on the literature review. The Bibliography shall form an important part of the paper.
4. Examples of a few broad areas for Term Paper (List is indicative, not exhaustive)
  - Issues of caste in Indian politics
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  - Theories of secularism
  - Justice and related themes
  - Multicultural societies
  - Feminist critique of Indian politics
  - Media and politics
  - Cultural imperialism

### Evaluation Scheme

Organisation and relevance of content	Literature Review	Bibliography	Presentation	Total
30	30	20	20	100

## REVIEW OF CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE-IV

**Course Code: POL2530**

**Credit Units: 02**

### Course Objective

The objective of this concentration elective is to inculcate reading habit alongwith value addition to the existing understanding of the subject. The book would be a kind of knowledge enhancer that would envision the student about some current thoughts related to the discipline. The book reading and its critical analysis would help broaden the intellectual horizon of the student. A contemporary and relevant book will be selected by the concerned department.

### Guidelines

The student is expected to thoroughly go through the discipline related prescribed book with the objective of critically reviewing each aspect and character of the book. The student is supposed to have a detailed insight into the following:

- Content
- Writing style
- Information/learning
- Content handling
- Characters(if any)
- Thematic Clarity

The report is to be submitted in about 3000 words on A4 size sheets, Font 12pt., Times New Roman, 1.5 spacing. Headings in Font Size16

### Examination Scheme

Components	A	P	A/TP	CT	EE
Weightage (%)	5	10	5	10	70

(A : Attendance ; P : Presentation ; A/TP : Assignment/Term Paper ; CT : Class Test ; EE : End-Term Examination)

## **PROJECT (WITH PRESENTATION AND EVALUATION)**

**Course Code: POL2532**

**Credit Units: 03**

### **Course Objective**

The major objective of this course would remain development of the ability to undertake independent research on any topic of political or socio-economic of relevance and produce an intellectual treatise which enhances future knowledge and provides a basis for further investigative work. The course would emphasise on the methodology of research.

### **Methodology of Project**

The project would be designed to encourage original research and at the same time provide the students with an opportunity to work on political issues that affect the everyday life of the students and those who live around them. For example, students could observe and assess the impact of impending elections on people in their constituency from the socio political point of view. Their observations could be reecorded in the form of project report followed by a presentation.

### **Guidelines for Project Report**

**Length of the report :** The project report should not exceed 5000 words in length (excluding Bibliography and Annexures).

**Contents of the report :**

- Cover page
- Acknowledgements
- Table of Contents
- Introduction
- Review of readings
- Findings and analysis
- Conclusions
- Bibliography or References
- Annexures

**Steps for completion of project :**

- Finalization of topic in consultation with faculty
- Introductory presentation with research objectives and questions specified
- Field work
- Preparation of project report
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### **Possible research topics**

- Select coverage of any political issue of importance and trace its development through news reports published in any reputed newspaper (English/Hindi).
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- Prepare a report on the representation of terrorism in Hindi films. The report should contain a list of films viewed with full details.
- Select any philosophical issue of your choice and attempt to bring out your own conclusions based on your reading of the various texts on that issue.

### **Examination Scheme**

<b>Project Report</b>	<b>Power Point Presentation &amp; Viva</b>
75 marks	25 marks

# Syllabus – Sixth Semester

## DISSERTATION

Course Code: POL2637

Credit Units: 09

### Course Objective

The aim of the dissertation is to provide you with an opportunity to further your intellectual and personal development in your chosen field by undertaking a significant practical unit of activity, having an educational value at a level commensurate with the award of your degree. The dissertation can be defined as a scholarly inquiry into a problem or issues, involving a systematic approach to gathering and analysis of information / data, leading to production of a structured report.

### Chapter Scheme and distribution of marks:

**Chapter 1:** Introduction – 10 marks

**Chapter 2:** Conceptual or Theoretical Framework – 25 marks

**Chapter 3:** Presentation, Analysis & Findings -- 25 marks

**Chapter 4:** Conclusions -- 10 marks

**Chapter 5:** Bibliography-- 5marks

### The Components of a Dissertation

A Dissertation should have the following components:

- 1) **Cover Page:** This should contain the title of the dissertation, to whom it is submitted, for which degree, the name of the author, name of the supervisor, year of submission of the work and name of the University.
- 2) **Acknowledgement:** Various organizations and individuals who might have provided assistance /co-operation during the process of carrying out the study.
- 3) **Table of Content:** Page-wise listing of the main contents in the report, i.e., different Chapters and its main Sections along with their page numbers.
- 4) **Body of the Report:** The body of the report should have these four logical divisions
  - a) **Introduction:** This will cover the background, rationale/ need / justification, brief review of literature, objectives, methodology (the area of the study, sample, type of study, tools for data collection, and method of analysis), Limitations of the Study, and Chapter Planning.
  - b) **Conceptual Framework:** (relating to the topic of the Dissertation).
  - c) **Presentation of Data, Analysis and Findings:** (using the tools and techniques mentioned in the methodology).
  - d) **Conclusion and Recommendations:** In this section, the concluding observations based on the main findings and suggestions are to be provided.
- 5) **Bibliography or References:** This section will include the list of books and articles which have been used in the work, and in writing the report.
- 6) **Annexures:** Questionnaires (if any), relevant reports, etc.  
(The main text of the Dissertation should normally be in the range of 5000 words. However, there may be annexure in addition to the main text)

### Steps of the Dissertation Work

**Step I:** Selection of the topic should be made keeping the following points into consideration:

- Suitability of the topic.
- Relevance of the topic
- Time available at the disposal.
- Feasibility of data collection within the given time limit.
- Challenges involved in the data collection (time & cost involved in the data collection, possibility of getting responses, etc.)

**Step II:** Finalisation of the Topic and preparation of Dissertation Proposal in consultation with the Supervisor.

**Step III:** Collection of information and data relating to the topic and analysis of the same.

**Step IV:** Writing the dissertation dividing it into suitable chapters, viz.,

**Chapter 1:** Introduction,

**Chapter 2:** Conceptual and Theoretical Framework

**Chapter 3:** Analysis & Findings

**Chapter 4:** Conclusions

**Step V:** The following documents are to be attached with the Dissertation:

1) Approval letter from the supervisor (Annexure-IA)

2) Student's declaration (Annexure-IB)

3) Certificate from the Competent Authority of the Organisation / Institution, if the student undertakes the Dissertation Work in any Organisation / Institution.

Annexures,

References / Bibliography

**Guidelines for evaluation:**

- Each of the students has to undertake a topic individually under the supervision of a teacher and to submit the same following the guidelines stated below.
- Language of Dissertation and Viva-Voce Examination has to be English. The Dissertation must be typed and hard bound.
- Failure to submit the Dissertation or failure to appear at the Viva-voce Examination will be treated as "Absent" in the Examination. He /she has to submit the Dissertation and appear at the Viva-Voce Examination in the subsequent years (within the time period as per University Rules).
- No marks will be allotted on the Dissertation unless a candidate appears at the Viva-Voce Examination. Similarly, no marks will be allotted on Viva-Voce Examination unless a candidate submits his/her Dissertation.
- Evaluation of the Dissertation to be done jointly by one internal expert and one external expert with equal weightage, i.e., average marks of the internal and external experts will be allotted to the candidate.
- A candidate has to qualify in the Dissertation separately, obtaining a minimum marks of 40 (Dissertation and Viva-Voce taken together) in paper 3.5.
- Marking Scheme for Dissertation and Viva-Voce Examination:

<b>Dissertation</b>	<b>Power Point Presentation &amp; Viva</b>
75 marks	25 marks

**Cover Page / Title page**

**Project Report on  
Title of the Project**

**XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX**

**(Submitted for the partial fulfilment for the award of Degree of B.A. Honours in  
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**Submitted by**

**Name of the Candidate :.....  
Registration No. ....  
Name of the College .....  
College Roll No. ....**

**Supervised by  
Name of the Supervisor:  
Designation**

**Month & Year of Submission**

*University Logo and Name*



**(Annexure-IB)**

**Student's Declaration**

I .....hereby declare that the Project Work with the title (in block letters).....  
submitted by me for the partial fulfilment of the degree of B.A. Honours in Political Science is my original work and has not been submitted earlier to any other University /Institution for the fulfilment of the requirement for any course of study.

I also declare that no chapter of this manuscript in whole or in part has been incorporated in this report from any earlier work done by others or by me. However, extracts of any literature which has been used for this report has been duly acknowledged providing details of such literature in the references.

Signature of Supervisor:

Signature of Student  
Name

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