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Syllabus for the Program - M.A. Subject: Political Science

Course Code		Course Title	Cred Its	T/P	Evaluation	
A	B	C	D	E	F	G
	Core	History of Western Political Thought - I (Plato to Burke)	5	T	25	75
	Core	Comparative Politics - I	5	T	25	75
	Core	Indian Government and Politics - I	5	T	25	75
	First Elective Select any one	Public Administration	5	T	25	75
		Dynamics of Indian Politics	5	T	25	75
	Second Elective Select any one	Theories of Social Change, Social Movement and Revolution	5	P	50	50
		Feminism and Gender Justice	5	P	50	50
SEMESTER - II (YEAR I)						
	Core	History of Western Political Thought - II (Bentham to Present Day)	5	T	25	75
	Core	Comparative Politics - II	5	T	25	75
	Core	Indian Government and Politics - II	5	T	25	75
	Third Elective Select any one	Indian Administration	5	T/P	50	50
		Democracy and Human Rights in India	5	T/P	50	50
	Fourth Elective Select any one	Public Policy	5	T/P	50	50
		Contemporary Political Issues in India	5	T/P	50	50

SEMESTER - III (YEAR - I)

Course Code		Course Title	Credits	T/P	Evaluation	
A	B	C	D	E	F	G
	Core	Political Thinkers of Ancient India	5	T	25	75
	Core	Contemporary Political Ideologies	5	T	25	75
	Core	International Politics - I	5	T	25	75
	Fifth Elective select any one	International Organisation	5	T	25	75
		India's Foreign Policy	5	T	25	75
	Sixth Elective select any one	Democracy and Development Process in India	5	P	50	50
		Research Methods in Social Sciences Political Sociology	5	P	5	50

SEMESTER IV (YEAR II)

	Core	Political Thinkers of Modern India	5	T	25	75
	Core	International Politics - II	5	T	25	75
	Seventh Elective select any one	State Politics of India (With special Reference to UP)	5	T/P	25/5	75/5
		Local Self Government	5	T/P	25/50	75/50
		Political Sociology Research Methods in Social Sciences	5	T/P	25/50	75/50
	Research Project/ Dissertation	DISSERTATION	10	P	50	50

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Syllabus for M.A. (Political Science)

Program - M.A. Subject - Political Science
1st Semester (Year 1)

Core Subject - Paper 1

Course Title - History of Western Political Thought - I
(Plato to Burke)

UNIT - I

General Characteristics of Pre-Socratic Greek Political thought, The Sophists, and their Political Ideas, Plato, Aristotle.

UNIT - II

St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, Marsiglio of Padua

UNIT - III

Machiavelli, Jean Bodin

UNIT - IV

Thomas Hobbes, John Locke,
Jean Jacques Rousseau

UNIT - V

Montesquieu, Admond Barr

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Program - M.A Subject (Political Science)
1st Semester (year 1)

Core Subject Paper - II

Comparative Politics - I

UNIT - I

Evolution of Comparative Politics as a Discipline, Nature and Scope, Present and Future trends.

UNIT - II

Approaches to the Study of Comparative Politics - Traditional & Modern, Behavior & Post Behavior approaches, Political Systems Approach, Structural - Functional - Almonds Model.

UNIT - III

Constitutionalism and Democratic Theory, Liberal, Classical and Contemporary, Federalism.

UNIT - IV

Party Systems - Classification & Role in Modern Societies, Pressure Groups.

UNIT - V

Civil Society and the State Political Leadership, Theories of Ruling Elites.

(These Concepts will be Studied in the light of the Constitution of U.K, U.S.A, Russia, Switzerland, France and India.)

M.A Political Science (Semester Ist)

Core Subject Paper III

Indian Government And Politics - I

UNIT - I

Background, Nature and Structure of Indian Polity, Nature of Colonialism and Nationalism - in India, Constituent Assembly, Approaches to the making of the Constitution.

UNIT - II

Sources of Indian Constitution, Salient features, Parliamentary Government.

UNIT - III

Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy.

UNIT - IV

Constitutional Amendments and Constitutional - Review.

UNIT - V

Union State Relations, Recent Development.

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M.A Political Science (Semester I)

First Elective Paper IV

Public Administration.

UNIT - Ist

Meaning, Nature, Scope and Evolution of Public Administration as a discipline, Its role in Development of Societies, Public Administration and Private Administration.

UNIT - II

Major Theories - and Approaches to the Study of Public Administration

- (a) The classical theory of Management (Henry Fayol, Luther Gullick)
- (b) The Bureaucratic Theory (Max Weber)
- (c) The Scientific Management Theory (Taylor And his Associates)
- (d) The Human Relation Theory
- (e) Systems Approach
- (f) Behavioral Approach.

UNIT - III

Principles of Organization: Emerging Trends

UNIT IV

Administrative Behavior: Decision making, theories of Leadership, Communication

UNIT - V

New Public Administration, New Public Management, Good Governance & Development, Civil Society, Citizen's charter, Right to Information.

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M.A Political Science

Semester I

First Elective paper IV

Dynamics of ~~Politics~~ Indian Politics

UNIT - I

Dynamics of Politics → Religion, Caste, Language.

UNIT - II

Politics of Defection, Minorities, Political - Agitation, Regionalism.

UNIT - III

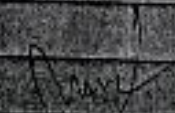
Secularism, National Integration, Problem of Terrorism

UNIT - IV

Politics of Amendments, Politics of President Rule, Problem of Environmental Pollution.

UNIT - V

Nationalism & Hyper Nationalism, Media.



M.A Semester I (Political Science)

Paper IVth

Second Elective → Practical/Project Presentation

Theories of Social Change, Social Movements
& Revolution.

UNIT-I Social Change - Meaning & Theories

UNIT-II Revolution - Causes, Impact, Theories - Recent trends.

UNIT-III Theories of Social Movement - Emerging Issues

UNIT-IV New Social Movement, Meaning Theories
Role of Feminist, Environmental and
Human Rights Movements.

UNIT V Emerging Issues →

- (a) New Liberation Movement
- (b) The new anti Corruption Movement in India
- (c) The NGO Phenomenon
- (d) Impact of Information Technology on
Social Mobilization.

M.A Political Science (Semester-I)

Paper -

Second Elective - Practical / Project Presentation

Feminism And Gender Justice

UNIT-I

Feminist Approach to Political Theory
Key Issues like Gender, Patriarchy and Theories
of Women's Subordination Public vs. Private.

UNIT-II Different Approaches to Feminism - Liberal, Socialist
Radical, Cultural Post Modernist, Eco-Feminism
Post Colonial, Post Marxist.

UNIT-III

Gender Justice - Theories of Justice, Equity &
Equality Empowerment, Law's as an Instrument of
Gender Justice and Social Change, Judiciary
and Gender Justice.

UNIT-IV

Gender Based Violence
Violation of Women's Rights

UNIT-V

United Nations and Gender Justice
Women's Rights as Human Rights.



M.A Semester II (Political Science)
Core Subject paper I

History of Western Political Thought - II
(Bentham to Present Day)

UNIT - I

Modern Political Thought, Nature and
Main features, Background.

UNIT - II

Jeremy Bentham, J.S. Mill, John Austin

UNIT - III

Immanuel
Emmanuel Kant, G.W.F. Hegel, T.H. Green,
Bernard Bosanquet.

UNIT - IV

Herbert Spencer, Karl Marx, Lenin, Stalin
Mao - Tse Tung

UNIT - V

H. J. Laski, G.D.H. Cole, Bertrand Russell,
H.D. Lasswell.

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M.A. Political Science (Semester II)

Core Subject Paper - II

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Comparative Politics - II

UNIT - I Executive: Structure, Functions and Role

UNIT - II Legislature: Structure, Functions and Role

UNIT - III Judiciary: Structure, Functions, Independence, Judicial Review

UNIT - IV Bureaucracy, Theories of Representation, Political Conflict.

UNIT - V Public opinion, Political Development, Political Modernization.

UNIT - VI Notes: The above concepts are to be studied with special reference to the political systems of India, U.K, U.S.A, Switzerland and France.

M.A - Semester II (Political Science)

Core Subject Paper IIIrd

Indian Government and Politics - II

UNIT - I

Nature of Indian Federalism; Changing Patterns of Center-State relations, Demand for State Autonomy, Sarkaria Commission Report; An Analysis; Impact of Party System on Center-State relations, Inter-State Council

UNIT - II

Union Executive - President, Cabinet, Prime Minister, Legislature, Lok-Sabha, Rajya Sabha, Supremacy of Parliament, Speaker of Lok-Sabha.

UNIT - III

India's Judicial System - Supreme Court, Structure, Functions and Judicial Activism

UNIT - IV

State Government - Working of the Executive, Legislature and Judiciary; Local Self Government - The 73rd and 74th Amendments; Working of the Rural Local Self Government and Urban Local Self Government.

UNIT V

Public Opinion, Electoral System, Election Commission, Electoral Reforms, Voting Behaviour

M.A Semester II (Political Science)

Third Elective paper - III

Indian Administration

UNIT-I

Indian Administration: Its main features, Organizational Structure at union level and State levels, Central Secretariat, Ministries and Departments - Home Finance External Affairs

UNIT - II

Local Administration in India District Administration, Role of D.M and S.P, Welfare Administration.

UNIT - III

Civil Services in India Neutrals and Committed, Generalist vs. Specialists, Administrative Reforms, Planning in India.

UNIT - IV

Budget, Performance and Programme Budgeting, Comptroller And Auditor General of India, Lokpala and Lokayukta.

UNIT - V

Planning - History and Growth in India, Planning Process in India, NITI AAYOG - its organization, Structure and Functions, Economic Liberalization & Recent Initiatives

M.A Semester II (Political Science)

Third Elective Paper III⁰⁰

~~Democracy~~ And Human Rights In India

UNIT - I

Development in India

Human Rights; National and International Dimensions, Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State Policy, Protection of Human Rights Act 1993

UNIT - II

Human Rights: Issues & challenges, Refugees and Displaced persons, Caste, Minorities, Women, children, Tribals, Bonded Labourers, People with Disabilities, Prisoners.

UNIT - III

Impact on Deprived Groups: Gender Based violence, Caste Based violence, Discrimination, Fundamentalism, Organised Crime, Custodial Torture and Death

UNIT - IV

State Reference: Role of Police, Administration, ~~Army~~ and Paramilitary forces, Administration of Justice, Judicial Intervention and Activities, Judicial Commissions on Human Rights, Affirmative Actions for weaker Section, Development Strategies

UNIT - V

Civil Society - Media, Public Opinion and Human Rights, New Social Movements and NGOs, NHRC - National Human Rights Commission

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Public Policy

UNIT - I

Concept & Dimensions - Characteristics and Norms, Politics - Administration Relationship, Approaches to public Policy - Political Economy - Western, Marxist and Non-Western Traditions, Development Policy and Administration, Public Policy Approach - Post-Behavioral Approach, Public Choice Theory, Public Management Theory.

UNIT II

(a) Public Policy Process, Political, Constitutional, Legal, Administrative, socio-cultural, economic, environmental and Scientific

(b) Interfaces of the Policy Process - Institution, role of Public Policy planning & Analysis, Policy formulation, Implementation, evaluation.

(c) Role of Government, bureaucracy, parliament, courts, political parties, corporate sector, Interest Group, NGOs in policy Process.

UNIT - III

(a) Public Policy Analysis: Quantitative & Qualitative Models

(b) Public Policy Research and Development & Practical Issues.

UNIT IV

Public Policy in India - Nehruvian Model, Public Sector Undertaking, Economic Liberalization Model:

Privatization, Marketization, Privatization, State Society: NGO, Social Action Groups, Decentralization

Model: Panchayat Raj Institutions, Municipal Corporation

(c) Rural-Urban Development, Vision Model's Vision for India, Atmanirbhar Bharat, Swachhata Abhiyan, PDP Model, Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana, Jan Dhan Yojana, Atmanirbhar Bharat Yojana.

Manmohan Singh Model, Modi's Model

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Fourth Elective Paper IV

Contemporary Political Issues in India

UNIT-I

Civil Society: Concepts, Features, Issues & its Relevance, in Indian Context. Human Rights: Concept & Its Importance, Human Rights Provisions in Constitution of India, Its Structures, Functions & Role.

UNIT - II

Globalization: Concept & Dimensions; Globalization and the Nation-State; Implications for India. Liberalization: Concept, Implication for India.

UNIT - III

- Gender Issues: Womens Rights & Women Liberation Movement, Remedial Measures.
- Environmental Issues, Movements for Protection of the Environment;

UNIT-IV

Terrorism: Concept, Causes & Implications of Terrorism for India.
Political Development: Issues in India, Problems & obstacles, The Issue of Regional Underdevelopment & Regional Movements in India - Causal factors: The Prospects of Political Development in India.

UNIT-V - Corruption, Lokpal, Lokayukta

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M.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE

SEMESTER - III

Core Paper - I

Political Thinkers of Ancient India Political Thought

UNIT - I Political Philosophy in Ancient India:
Problem of nomenclature, sources of study
and salient features.

UNIT - II Nature, purpose and functions of state in
ancient India, the theory of Saptanga.

UNIT - III The Vedic Poetry, Political Ideas in the
Vedic Samhitas, Brahmanas and the Upanishads
Political ideas of the Buddhists and the Jains.

UNIT - IV Kingship in the post Vedic age, the
political ideas in Ramayana, Mahabharat,
Bhagwatgita, earlier Mahapuranas and Smritis

UNIT - V Political Thinkers: Manu, Vatsyayana, Vyas, Kautilya,
Kautilya, Bhishma, Brihaspati, Shukra,
Kamandaka, Somdev Suri

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M.A. Semester - III

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Core paper II
Contemporary Political Ideologies

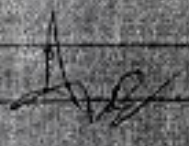

UNIT-I Rise of Scientific Politics, Political Science and political Philosophy, Politics as a search of Good Society.

UNIT-II Basic Concepts - Power, Authority and Influence, Political obligation and legitimacy.

UNIT-III Political Culture and Multi-culturalism, Political Participation, Political Development and Modernization

UNIT IV Liberalism and Libertarianism, Totalitarianism and Republicanism.

UNIT-V ~~and~~ Globalization, Post-colonialism.

M.A. Semester - III

paper - III

Core paper

International Politics - I

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UNIT-I Meaning, Nature and Scope of International Politics, Concept of Post-International Politics State and Non-State Actors (NSA)

UNIT-II Impact of Ideological & Technological Development on International Politics

UNIT-III Theories: Traditional & Contemporary, Realistic, Idealist theory, Marxist theory, World State theory, Equilibrium theory, Decision-Making and Game theory.

UNIT-IV Balance of Power, Collective Security, Ideology and National Interest.

UNIT V Cold war, Deterrence, Non-Alignment Movement - the major issues in International (NAM) Politics.

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M.A. Semester - III

~~Paper III~~ Elective Fifth

Fifth Elective

Paper IV International Organisation

UNIT-I - Meaning, Nature and Genesis of International Organization, League of Nations, - origin, ~~Structure~~ Achievements & Failures.

UNIT-II - UNO - Genesis, main organs, Specialized agencies, Revision of the UNO charter, Changing Prospects of world Government.

UNIT-III, Role of Secretary General in UNO, Role of Veto in the functioning of UNO, Peaceful Settlement of International disputes, Collective Security under the UNO, Peace keeping

UNIT-IV Specialized Agencies - UNESCO, ILO, WHO, IMF, UNICEF, FAO

UNIT-V - Regional Organizations - NATO, EU, OPEC, ASEAN, BIMSTEC, Quad, BRICS, Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG)

M.A. Semester - III

Paper - II - Elective Fifth

India's Foreign Policy.

UNIT-I Principles and Objectives of India's Foreign Policy, Domestic Determinants: Geography, History and Culture, Society and Political System.

UNIT-II - External determinants, Global, Regional and Bilateral.

UNIT-III Structure of Foreign Policy: Decision-making, Continuity and Changes in India's Foreign Policy.

UNIT-IV India's Foreign Policy in a comparative perspective, India and Super Powers.

UNIT V India's Policy towards her neighbours, India & U.N.O, India's approach to major global issues.

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M.A. Semester III
Sixth Elective Paper II

Democracy And Development Process In India.

UNIT-I

Relationship between Democracy & Development
Concept of Development, Concept of Human Development,
Gender Development Debates.

UNIT-II

Socio-economic Problem and Issues of Development in
India, Poverty, Social Backwardness and Disparities,
Role of Historical, Sociological and Economic Forces,
Hunger.

UNIT-III

Development Strategy and State Policies in India
Priorities, Target groups, Approaches & Methods.

UNIT-IV

Shift in Development Policies; Liberalization,
Privatization, Globalization; Implication for
Weaker Section, Critiques of Development and
Alternative Methods.

UNIT-V

Democracy, Decision Making & Development; Participatory
Development, Decentralised Planning.
Non-Governmental Initiatives & Peoples
Empowerment.

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M.A Semester ~~III~~ (Political Science)

Sixth Elective Paper ~~IV~~ III

Seventh

Research Methods in Social Science

UNIT-I

General remarks about Social Science and Natural Science Research, Limitations of Social Science Research, Importance of Theories and facts in Research.

UNIT-II

Social Science research and Public Policy, Basic parameters of I.R. Research

UNIT-III

Sources of Information, Classification and Documentation: Techniques of Data Collection (Personal Observation Method, Respondents Perception, Survey Method, Experimental Method): Classification & tabulation of Information, Graphical and Diagrammatical Representation of Information.

UNIT-IV Comparison and Analysis of Information: Application of Averages and measure of Central Tendency such as mean, median and Partitioned values.

Measures of Dispersion, Theories of Sampling: Importance of Sample, its characteristics, Difference between Large & small Sample, parameters and Statistics, Sample Types (simple, systematic, stratified).

UNIT-V Identification of Research Problems and Research Design: Formulating a Hypothesis & Writing Thesis.

M.A Semester IV (Political Science)

Core Subject paper I

Political Thinkers of Modern India

UNIT - I

An Overview of Modern Indian Political Thought & Its Development, Raja Ram Mohan Roy, Dayananda Saraswati, Swami Vivekananda.

UNIT - II

Mahadev Govind Ranade, Gopal Krishna Gokhale, Bal Gangadhar Tilak.

UNIT - III

M.K. Gandhi, Aurobindo Ghosh, Mohd. Iqbal, V.D. Savarkar.

UNIT - IV

~~M.K. Gandhi~~, Subhash Chandra Bose, J.L. Nehru, B.R. Ambedkar.

UNIT - V

M.N. Roy, Acharya Narendra Dev, Do. Ram Manohar Lohia, Jay Prakash Narayan

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M.A Semester IV

Core Subject paper II

International Politics - II

UNIT - I

India's Foreign Policy - Its Origin, Continuity & Emerging Economic power Structure in 21st Century, India and his Neighbours, India's Foreign Economic Policy (Make in India) & (Atmanirbhar Bharat)

UNIT - II

Past Cold War issues and Concerns; Democracy, Human Rights, Environmental issues, Contemporary debate on Development, Arms Race & Nuclear Disarmament.

UNIT - III

Third World and Its Problems, the emergence of Unipolar world; The New World Order and its major dimensions, "QUAD", "Abraham Accords", Objectives, principles and Impact.

UNIT - IV

Crises - Israeli - Arab Conflicts, Gulf War, Afghanistan Crisis, Russia - Ukraine War, Covid-19, Sri Lankan Economic Crisis

UNIT - V

Issues - North - South Dialogue, South - South Cooperation, Humanitarian Interventions, Coactions, Expansion of Democracies.

M.A Semester IV

Seventh Elective Paper IIIrd

State Politics In India (with special Reference to U.P.)

UNIT - I

State Politics: Theoretical Framework, Nature & Patterns, Emerging Trends - Demand for State Autonomy

UNIT - II Government Machinery in the States: State Executive: Governor, Chief Minister, Council of Ministers, State Legislature: Composition, Power and Functions, State Judiciary: Composition Power and Functions.

UNIT - III

Changing Patterns of Centre - State Relation, Democratic Decentralisation and Social Justice, Rise of Regional Parties.

UNIT IV

Politics of U.P.: Historical Legacies, Geographic & Demographic Profile of U.P. Pressure Groups and their impact on U.P. Politics, Major Political Parties in U.P., Voting Behaviours in U.P.

UNIT V

Cast, Religion, Minorities, Schedule Caste & other Backward classes in U.P. Politics, Political Leadership and changing pattern of Dominance, Impact of National Politics on U.P. Politics.

M.A Semester IV

Seventh Elective paper III

Local Self Government.

UNIT-I

Evolution of Local Self Govt. in Pre-Independence Period; Local Self Government and the Indian Political Process since Independence, The 73rd & 74th Amendments of Constitution.

UNIT-II

Rural and Urban Local Self Government; Composition & Power, Emerging Patterns of Leadership.

UNIT-III

Finances of Local Government, Personnel Administration of Local Government.

UNIT-IV

Reservations in the Organization of Local Self Government, Local Autonomy.

UNIT-V

Social, Economic and Political Growth of Panchayati Raj, Local Self Government and Bureaucracy, Local Self Government and Politics.

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Political Sociology

UNIT - I

Definition and Growth of Political Sociology, Social bases of Politics, Relationship with Sociology & Political Science.

UNIT - II

Models for the Study of Political Behaviour, Approaches to the study of Political Sociology - Normative Approach and System Approach.

UNIT - III

Polity and Social Structure - Polity as a social - Sub - System, The Concepts of Class and elites, Ideology and Interests, Nature of Authority in Society: Traditional & Modern, Bureaucracy, charismatic Authority.

UNIT - IV Social Groups, Social Stratification and Social mobility, Interest groups and voluntary Associations, Socialization and Social Control - Modes of Primary Socialization and their relevance to Politics, Social Control and Political Power.

UNIT - V Public Opinion and Propaganda, voting Behaviour, Role of socio - Economic and socio - ethical factors, The Social basis of Indian Political Behaviour, Community, Language, Caste, Religion and Provincialism, Traditional Norms, Democratic, Egalitarian and Secular values, Sanskritization, westernization and Secularisation.

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Research Project

Dissertation

- 1) The Students offering this paper will be Required to Write a Dissertation of about 40 to 60 Handwritten Pages on a topic and under a Supervisor approved by the Head of the Department of Political-Science at the College Concerned.
- 2) The Students will be Required to Submit their Dissertation to the University before the Commencement of the Examination in Theory Papers.

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