

COURSE, PROGRAM OUTCOMES & PROGRAM SPECIFIC OUTCOMES OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

The undergraduate programme of Political Science aims at providing students with a conceptual foundation in the discipline, with an ability to critically analyze the on presence of the political thought. Through various courses, we shall examine the nature, distribution and dynamics of power- both at the macro level of national and international politics and also at the micro level of the individual, family and community. We will map the ways in which knowledge systems and challenges to particular power relations have been constructed over specific vectors of time and space. We will study Aristotle and Plato, Gandhi and Iqbal; complementing studies on cold war politics will be an exploration of party politics in South Asia. The relationship of theory and ethnography, quantitative and qualitative techniques, analysis of objective data and descriptive accounts will provide the background to our studies. Exploration of the field and data collection will be of vital importance as we seek to prepare a strong foundation in research methodology. Following Kumaun University's aim of covering the breadth of disciplines and exploring their interconnections, a student of political science will be encouraged to identify and pursue areas of interest that go beyond conventional disciplinary structure.

Programme Specific Outcomes:

PSO1: The students will be familiarized with the basic ideas of political science.

PSO2: The students will be familiarized with the concepts of political theory.

PSO3: The students will be able to understand and distinguish between basic concepts like political theory, political thought and political philosophy.

PSO4: The students will be able to understand and relate the concepts and facts with the political realities and the country and different parts of the world.

The students will be equipped with the basics of the discipline and learn the basic underpinnings of the subject of political science.

Programme Outcome:

PO1: In the Certificate course of first year, we offer the students following specific curriculum about developments in political philosophy and detailed knowledge about key concepts in political theory. The students will be able to follow contemporary debates on justice, freedom, democracy, and also to apply abstract theoretical arguments to practical situations.

PO2: The students will be able to understand the representation system and working of the institutions in modern democracies by studying elections and understanding trends. They will learn application of the knowledge to the field of electoral politics.

PO3: The students will be able to learn about environmental issues, organizations, treaties and protocols as well as about politics and environment relationships. They will be able to apply environmental regulations to real life problems.

PO4: The students will be able to learn about rural local self-government and administration in India. They will also get an understanding of the governance and policies in the rural context. They will be able to apply the knowledge to grass root level situations.

PO5: The students will be able to learn about evolution of Comparative Politics as a domain, its methods and theories with a focus on politics in different nations in a comparative perspective. They will be able to acquire skills to compare politics among nations. They will be able to apply the knowledge gained in understanding the politics of different nations and the political trends including area studies.

Course outcomes UG I semester :

Unit	Course Outcome
UNIT I	The students will be able to understand the basic concepts of political science.
UNIT II	The students will be able to understand the foundation of political science.
UNIT III	The students will gain awareness towards civic rights. They will also learn about basic legal rights which would help them stand up for themselves and help others too.
UNIT IV	This unit will help students in furthering their understanding of the world around.
UNIT V	The students will be able to understand the foundations of Western Political thought. This will help to learner understand the idea of state rights, liberty, equality and justice which have evolved over a period of time.

Course outcomes UG II semester :

Unit	Course Outcome
UNIT I	The students will be able to understand and discuss issues of women empowerment in India.
UNIT II	The students will be able to understand theories of International politics: This unit will equip students with the basic tools for understanding International relations. It also introduces major events and developments that have shaped the contemporary International system. It aims at capturing the changing dynamics of the International politics by taking up burning and relevant issues which have potential to alter its contours.
UNIT III	The students will be able to develop an insight regarding the principles of administration in general. They will also be able to apply for administrative examinations.
UNIT IV	The students will be able to develop a comprehensive insight towards research work in the areas of their interest.

Course outcomes UG II year :

Paper I

Unit	Course Outcome
UNIT I	The students will be able to understand the larger political and social thinking and ideas in ancient as well as medieval India.
UNIT II	The students will be equipped with the basic tools for understanding international relations.
UNIT III	The students will be able to develop a comprehensive insight so that given an opportunity they can initiate a minor research.
UNIT IV	The students will be able to develop an insight regarding the principle of administration in general and it will help them bring out the best from existing setup, and prepare for administrative exams too.

Paper II

Unit	Course Outcome
UNIT I	The students will be able to make teaching socially inclined and relevant in a multicultural society like India.
UNIT II	The students will be able to understand various political issues and social challenges.
UNIT III	The students will be able to provide an overview of Indian freedom struggle and key concepts of the Indian constitution.
UNIT IV	The students will be able to understand ancient and modern political thinking in the west. This would help them understand the idea of state, rights, liberty, equality and justice.

Course outcomes UG III year :

Paper I

Unit	Course Outcome
UNIT I	The students will be able to get knowledge of historical origins, key debates and emerging trends in the discipline. They will be able to develop an understanding of contemporary international political developments.
UNIT II	The students will be able to understand about the administration of different countries. They will learn to apply and contextualize recent administrative and developmental issues in India and other developing countries.
UNIT III	The students will be able to learn about state and sub-state politics. They will develop an understanding of the deeper realities and dimensions of regional and sub-regional politics in India.
UNIT IV	The students will be able to learn about the political ideas of Indian thinkers covering both ancient and modern political thinkers from renaissance to modernity. They will be able to develop the ability to critically assess and form opinions on philosophical and ideological issues relevant to contemporary India.

Paper II

Unit	Course Outcome
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UNIT I	The students will be equipped with the basic tools for understanding international relations. They will also be introduced to major events and developments that have shaped the contemporary international system.
UNIT II	The students will gain knowledge of the fundamentals of public administration too.
UNIT III	The students will be able to capture the changing dynamics of the international policies by taking up burning and relevant issues which have potential to alter its contours.
UNIT IV	The students will be able to strongly influence the politics of India and bring positive changes to it.
UNIT V	The students will be able to understand the deeper realities and dimensions of regional politics of India.