

VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY

Midnapore, West Bengal



PROPOSED CURRICULUM & SYLLABUS (DRAFT) OF

BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH POLITICAL SCIENCE (MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES)

3-YEAR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMME
(w.e.f. Academic Year 2023-2024)

Based on

**Curriculum & Credit Framework for Undergraduate Programmes
(CCFUP), 2023 & NEP, 2020**

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BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HUMANITIES/ SOCIAL SCIENCE with POLITICAL SCIENCE
(under CCFUP, 2023)

| Level | YR. | SEM | Course Type | Course Code | Course Title | Credit | L-T-P | Marks | | | |
|--|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--|--------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-----|
| | | | | | | | | CA | ESE | TOTAL | |
| B.A. in Humanities/ Social Science with Pol. Sc. | 1 st | I | SEMESTER-I | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Major-1 (Disc.-A1) | POLPMJ101 | T: Introduction to Political Theory <i>(To be studied by the students taken Pol .Sc. as Discipline-A)</i> | 4 | 3-1-0 | 15 | 60 | 75 | |
| | | | SEC | SEC01 | <i>To be chosen from SEC-01 of Discipline A/B/C of their Hons. prog.</i> | 3 | 0-0-3 | 10 | 40 | 50 | |
| | | | AEC | AEC01 | Communicative English-1 <i>(common for all programmes)</i> | 2 | 2-0-0 | 10 | 40 | 50 | |
| | | | MDC | MDC01 | Multidisciplinary Course-1 <i>(to be chosen from the list)</i> | 3 | 3-0-0 | 10 | 40 | 50 | |
| | | | VAC | VAC01 | VAC-01: ENVS <i>(common for all programmes)</i> | 4 | 2-0-2 | 50 | 50 | 100 | |
| | | | Minor (Disc.-C1) | POL MI01/C1 | T: Nationalism and Anti-colonial Movements in India <i>(To be studied by the students taken Pol .Sc. as Discipline-C)</i> | 4 | 3-1-0 | 15 | 60 | 75 | |
| | | Semester-I Total | | | | | | 20 | | | 400 |
| | | II | SEMESTER-II | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Major (Disc.-B1) | | <i>To be decided (Same as like A1 for students taken Pol .Sc. as Discipline-B)</i> | 4 | 3-1-0 | 15 | 60 | 75 | |
| | | | SEC | SEC02 | <i>To be chosen from SEC-02 of Discipline A/B/C of their Hons. prog.</i> | 3 | 0-0-3 | 10 | 40 | 50 | |
| | | | AEC | AEC02 | MIL-1 <i>(common for all programmes)</i> | 2 | 2-0-0 | 10 | 40 | 50 | |
| | | | MDC | MDC02 | Multi Disciplinary Course-02 <i>(to be chosen from the list)</i> | 3 | 3-0-0 | 10 | 40 | 50 | |
| | | | VAC | VAC02 | VAC-02 <i>(to be chosen from the list)</i> | 4 | 4-0-0 | 10 | 40 | 50 | |
| | | | Minor (Disc.-C2) | POL MI 02/C2 | T: Gender Studies <i>(To be studied by the students taken Pol .Sc. as Discipline-C)</i> | 4 | 3-1-0 | 15 | 60 | 75 | |
| | | Summer Intern. | CS | Community Service | 4 | 0-0-4 | - | - | 50 | | |
| | | Semester-II Total | | | | | | 24 | | | 400 |
| | | TOTAL of YEAR-1 | | | | | | 44 | - | - | 800 |

P MJ= Major Programme (Multidisciplinary), MI = Minor, A/B = Choice of Major Discipline; C= Choice of Minor Discipline; SEC = Skill Enhancement Course, AEC = Ability Enhancement Course, MDC = Multidisciplinary Course, VAC = Value Added Course; CA= Continuous Assessment, ESE= End Semester Examination, T = Theory, P= Practical, L-T-P = Lecture-Tutorial-Practical, MIL = Modern Indian Language, ENVS = Environmental Studies

MAJOR (MJ)

Major A1/B1: Introduction to Political Theory

Credits 04

COURSE OUTCOME:

Learning is necessary for being a useful member of society. The first step towards learning is having a theoretical understanding of the subject matter. This course is specifically dedicated for this purpose.

Major A1/B1T: Introduction to Political Theory

Full Marks: 75

Course contents:

Group A

| Sl | Topic | No of Classes |
|----|--|---------------|
| 01 | Politics, Political Science and Political Theory | 08 |
| 02 | Democracy, Liberty and Equality | 08 |
| 03 | Citizenship: Rights and Duties | 08 |
| 04 | Human Rights: Concept and Scope | 06 |

Group B

| Sl | Topic | No of Classes |
|----|--|---------------|
| 05 | State and Political Theory: Core Issues | 06 |
| 06 | The State and Civil Society: Privacy and Surveillance | 07 |
| 07 | Development and Economic Growth: Major Themes | 07 |
| 08 | Issues of Justice: Gender, Fairness and Protective Discrimination/Affirmative Action | 10 |

Suggested Readings:

1. Acharya, A. (2008) 'Affirmative Action', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 298-307.
2. Acharya, A. (2008) 'Equality', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 58-73.
3. Bhargava, R. (2008) 'What is Political Theory', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 2-17.
4. Bhargava, R. (2008) 'Why Do We Need Political Theory', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 18-37.
5. Brighouse, H. (2008) 'Citizenship', in McKinnon, C. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 241-259.
6. Casal, P. & William, A. (2008) 'Equality', in McKinnon, C. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 149- 165.
7. Chambers, C. (2008) 'Gender', in McKinnon, C. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 241-288.
8. Christiano, Thomas. (2008) 'Democracy', in McKinnon, Catriona. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 80-96
9. Das, S. (2008) 'State', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 170-187.
10. Frances E O. (1985) 'The Myth of State Intervention in the Family', *University of Michigan Journal of Law Reform*, 18 (4), pp. 835-64.

11. Jha, M. (2001) 'Ramabai: Gender and Caste', in Singh, M.P. and Roy, H. (eds.) *Indian Political Thought: Themes and Thinkers*. New Delhi: Pearson.
12. Menon, K. (2008) 'Justice', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 74-82.
13. Menon, N. (2008) 'Gender', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 224-235.
14. Prezowski, A., et al. (2003) 'Political Regimes and Economic Growth,' in Dahl, R., Shapiro, I. and Cheibub, A. J. (eds.) *The Democracy Sourcebook*. Cambridge, Massachusetts: MIT Press, pp. 447-454.
15. Riley, J. (2008) 'Liberty', in McKinnon, C. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 103-125.
16. Roy, A. 'Citizenship', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 130-147.
17. Sen, A. (2003) 'Freedom Favours Development,' in Dahl, R., Shapiro, I. and Cheibub, A. J. (eds.) *The Democracy Sourcebook*. Cambridge, Massachusetts: MIT Press, pp. 444-446.
18. Sethi, A. (2008) 'Freedom of Speech and the Question of Censorship', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 308-319.
19. Shorten, A. (2008) 'Nation and State', in McKinnon, C. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 33-55.
20. Singh, M. (2008) 'Civil Society', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 188-205.
21. Srinivasan, J. (2008) 'Democracy', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 106-128.
22. Sriranjani, V. (2008) 'Liberty', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 40-57.
23. Swift, A. (2001) *Political Philosophy: A Beginners Guide for Students and Politicians*. Cambridge: Polity Press.
24. Talukdar, P.S. (2008) 'Rights', in Bhargava, R. and Acharya, A. (eds.) *Political Theory: An Introduction*. New Delhi: Pearson Longman, pp. 88-105.
25. Wolf, J. (2008) 'Social Justice', in McKinnon, C. (ed.) *Issues in Political Theory*. New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 172-193.
26. দীপক কুমার দাশ (সম্পাদিত) [২০১৬] রাজনীতির তত্ত্বকথা, প্রকাশন একুশে, কলকাতা।
27. ইয়াসিন খান (সম্পাদিত) [২০২২] রাজনৈতিক সমাজঃ তত্ত্ব ও বাস্তব, প্রোগ্রেসিভ পাব্লিশারস, কলকাতা।
28. ইয়াসিন খান (সম্পাদিত) [২০১৭] মানব অধিকারঃ নানাদিক, প্রোগ্রেসিভ পাব্লিশারস, কলকাতা।

MINOR (MI)

MI-1/C1: Same as Minor-1 (POLMI01) of Pol. Sc. (Hons) programme

**Credits 04
Full Marks: 75**

MI-2/C2: Same as Minor-2 (POLMI02) of Pol. Sc. (Hons) programme

**Credits 04
Full Marks: 75**

SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE (SEC)

**TO BE CHOSEN FROM THE BUCKET OF SECs OF SELECTED DISCIPLINE A/B/C
(As per A/B/C Hons. Prog. Syllabus)**