



Sh. L. N. Hindu College, Rohtak (Haryana)

Course Plan

Department of Political Science

Program: B.A.IIIrd Sem

Principles of Political Science

SCHEME

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| Course Name | Principal of Political Science | Course Type | Theory |
| Course Code | PS03 | Class | B.A 2nd Sem. |
| Instruction Delivery | Per week Lectures: 3, Tutorial:1 Total No. Classes Per Sem: 60(L), 13(T), 3 (Class Test) Assessment in Weightage: Sessional (30%), End Term Exams (70%) | | |
| Course Coordinator | Dr Rajni Kumari | Course Instructors | Theory :Dr.Rajni Kumari Dr Promila Yadav |

COURSE OVERVIEW

The course provides a comprehensive exploration of fundamental political science principles. Students examine the delicate interplay between rights and duties, delve into human rights frameworks, and analyze theories of liberty and equality in contemporary contexts. The course critically explores social change theories, development concepts, and the intricacies of rights to information, emphasizing transparency in governance. Additionally, students gain insights into consumer rights within the broader spectrum of human rights.

PREREQUISITE

Concept of Political Thoughts ,Basic structures of Political systems and Governance

COURSE OBJECTIVE

The primary objective of this course is to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the scope, nature, and significance of political science. By the end of the course, students will be able to define key concepts and terminologies used in political science.Examine major political theories and ideologies.Study the political aspects of economic and social development.Analyze the processes of political change, including democratization and regime transitions.

COURSE OUTCOMES (COs)

After the completion of the course, the student will be able to:

| CO No. | Course Outcomes |
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| 1 | To acquire the knowledge of the various Concepts and Theories of Political Science. KL1 |
| 2 | To be familiar with the theory of State. KL2 |



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| 3 | To acquire the knowledge nature of state KL3 |
| 4 | To get knowledge about the doctrine of sovereignty . KL4 |

COURSE CONTENT

| Content |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">Unit - 1</p> <p>Quick Review of Concept of Political Thoughts, Definition of Political Science ,Subject matter and scope of Political Science, Importance and Utility of Political Science, Nature of Political Science ,Relation of Political Science with other Social Sciences, Political Science and History, Political Science and Economics, Political Science and Sociology, Political Science and Ethics, Political Science and Psychology.</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Unit - II</p> <p>Meaning and definition of State, Elements of state, some Non Essential elements of state, State and other Associations, Differences between state and government, Differences between state and associations, Differences between state and Society, Theory of state, Divine origin theory of state ,Force theory of state, Patriarchal theory, Matriarchal theory, Social contract theory, Thomas Hobbs's theory of social contract, Locke's theory of social contract, Rousseau's theory of social contract, Historical and Evolutionary theory, Feature of Max's State .</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Unit - III</p> <p>Nature of States: the liberal perspective of the state, Marxian view of the Nature of state, comparative study of liberalism and marxian, Liberal theory regarding the functions of the state, views of the theories of modern or positive liberalism about the functions of the state, Functions of the state according to contemporary liberalism, Function of the state in capitalist society ,Function of the state according to socialist or Marxian theory, The principle of socialism, Definition of the welfare state, the function of the Modern welfare state, Development functions of the state, Criticism of welfare state.</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Unit - IV</p> <p>Meaning and Definition of Sovereignty, Characteristics of Sovereignty theory, Criticism of the features of sovereignty, Various kinds of sovereignty, Theory of Popular sovereignty, Criticism of the Popular theory, Austin's theory of sovereignty, The legal theory of sovereignty, Monist theory of sovereignty, Features of Austin's theory, criticism of Austin's theory, Importance of Austin's theory</p> |

LESSON PLAN (THEORY AND TUTORIAL CLASSES)

| L. No | Topic to be Delivered | Tutorial Plan | Unit |
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| 1 | Quick Review of Indian Political Thoughts. | Take doubts and queries about concepts | 1 |



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| 2 | Definition and Characteristic of Political Science | | |
| 3 | Definition and Characteristic of Political Science | | |
| 4 | Subject matter and scope of Political Science, | Take doubts and queries about concepts | |
| 5 | Importance and Utility of Political Science | | |

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| 6 | Nature of Political Science | | 1 | |
| 7 | Nature of Political Science | Take doubts and queries about concepts | | |
| 8 | Nature of Political Science | | | |
| 9 | Relation of Political Science with other Social Sciences | | | |
| 10 | Political Science and History | Take doubts and queries about concepts | 1 | |
| 11 | Political Science and Economics | | | |
| 12 | Political Science and Sociology | | | |
| 13 | Political Science and Ethics | | | |
| 14 | Political Science and Psychology. | | | |
| 15 | Meaning and definition of State | Take doubts and queries about concepts | | 1 |
| 16 | Elements of state, some Non Essential elements of state | | | |
| 17 | State and other Associations, | | | |
| 18 | Differences between state and government | Take doubts and queries about concepts | | |
| 19 | Differences between state and associations | | | |
| 20 | Theory of state | | | |
| 21 | Divine origin theory of state | | 2 | |
| 22 | Force theory of state | Take doubts and queries about concepts | | |
| 23 | Patriarchal theory | | | |
| 24 | Matriarchal theory | | | |
| 25 | Social contract theory | | 2 | |
| 26 | Thomas Hobbs's theory of social contract | | | |
| 27 | Locke's theory of social contract | | | |



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| 28 | Rousseau's theory of social contract | Practice questions on concept | 2 |
| 29 | Historical and Evolutionary theory | | |
| 30 | Feature of Max's State | | |

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| 31 | Nature of States: the liberal perspective of the state | Practice questions and queries about concepts | 3 |
| 32 | Marxian view of the Nature of state | | |
| 33 | comparative study of liberalism and marxian | Practice questions and queries about concepts | 3 |
| 34 | Liberal theory regarding the functions of the state | | |
| 35 | views of the theories of modern or positive liberalism about the functions of the state, | | |
| 36 | views of the theories of modern or positive liberalism about the functions of the state, | | |
| 37 | Functions of the state according to contemporary liberalism, | Practice questions and queries about concepts | 3 |
| 38 | Function of the state in capitalist society | | |
| 39 | Function of the state according to socialist or Marxian theory | | |
| 40 | The principle of socialism | | |
| 41 | Definition of the welfare state | | |
| 42 | The function of the Modern welfare state, | | |
| 43 | Development functions of the state | | |
| 44 | Criticism of the welfare state. | | |
| 45 | Evaluation of Welfare state | 4 | |
| 46 | Meaning and Definition of Sovereignty | | |
| 47. | Characteristics of Sovereignty theory | 4 | |
| 48. | Criticism of the features of sovereign | Practice questions and queries about concepts | 4 |



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| 49. | Various kinds of sovereignty | | |
| 50. | Various kinds of sovereignty | | |
| 51. | Theory of Popular sovereignty | | |
| 52. | Theory of Popular sovereignty | Practice questions and queries about concepts | |
| 53. | Criticism of the Popular theory | | |
| 54. | Austin's theory of sovereignty | | 4 |
| 55. | Austin's theory of sovereignty | | |
| 56. | The legal theory of sovereignty | Practice questions and queries about concepts | |
| 57. | Monist theory of sovereignty, | | |
| 58. | Features of Austin's theory | | |
| 59. | criticism of Austin's theory | | |
| 60. | Importance of Austin's theory | Practice questions and queries about concepts | |

Text Book

V.K.Puri , Dr.S.S.Nanda Principles of Political Science ,Modern Publications Jalandhar ,2022

Reference Books

- 1.Dr.Pukhraj Jain and Dr. B .L. Fadia Political Theory Sahitya Bhawan Publication Agra,2020
- 2.O.P.Gauba An Introduction to Political theory ,MACMILLAN Publication Delhi,2009
- 3.Rajeev Bhargava and Ashok Acharya Political Theory and introduction ,Pearson education
- 4.RC Agarwal , Political Theory S.Chand Publication 2004
- 5.Heywood Andrew,Political Theory Bloomsbury Publishing PLC

Web/Links for e-content

<https://www.youtube.com/@politicalstudybydr.promila3988>

<https://youtu.be/iVTB34vJ1Ek?si=9cY60FZz6qA0PjhZ>

<https://youtu.be/oWhCHfgMzYA?si=Nw3WWFBP5G96FNi>

https://youtu.be/jZIWOEJ_PUE?si=ImJdXAoYsy792fbG



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PRACTICE QUESTIONS (QUESTION BANK)

| S No | Questions |
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| 1 | Explain the meaning, nature, and definition of Political Science. |
| 2 | Political Science without History is hollow and base less.Discuss. |
| 3 | Discuss the relationship of Political Science with sociology. |
| 4 | Critically examine the Hobbes's, Theory of Social Contract |
| 5 | Critically examine Rousseau's Theory of general will. |
| 6 | Briefly discuss Marxian theory about the origin of state. |
| 7 | Describe the Liberal Theory of the function of state. |
| 8 | Briefly discuss Marxian theory about the function of state. |
| 9 | Examine the Welfare state.Discuss its sphere of activities. |
| 10 | Examine Austin's theory of Sovereignty. |
| 11 | Describe the Pluralistic theory of sovereignty. |
| 12 | Describe the meaning and necessary elements of state. |
| 13 | Explain the relationship between political science and Economics. |
| 14 | Write down four main points of difference between political science and Ethics. |
| 15 | Describe some modern definitions of Political Science. |
| 16 | Give the meaning of internal and external Sovereignty. |
| 17 | Mention four important differences between state and society. |



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| 18 | Describe four features of divine theory. |
| 19 | Explain the importance of Locke's theory of social contract. |
| 20 | Discuss briefly evolutionary theory of origin of state. |
| 21 | “State is a necessary evil”.Give argument in favour. |
| 22 | Explain policy of Laissez Faire. |
| 23 | What you mean by nominal sovereignty. |
| 24 | Discuss the meaning of real sovereignty. |



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