

Select Readings:

- P. Calvocoressi: World Politics since 1945 (latest edition).
 R. Mansbach and K. Taylor, (2012) Introduction to Global Politics
 J. Baylis and S. Smith (eds), The Globalization of World Politics: An Introduction to International Relations.
 G. Ritzer: Globalization--- A Basic Text.
 J.A. Moore, Jr. and J. Pubantz: The New United Nations.
 S. Juyal and B. Ramesh Babu: The United Nations and World Peace.
 K. Bajpai and H.C. Shukul eds.: Interpreting World Politics.
 J. Baylis and S. Smith: The Globalization of World Politics.
 L.M. Goodriche: The UN in Changing World.
 M.S. Rajan: Essays in Non-Alignment and UN.
 Alvin Y. So: Development and Social Change.
 J. Haynes: Third World Politics.
 Ankie Hoogvelt: Globalization and the Postcolonial World
 N.O. Sullivan ed.: Terrorism, Ideology and Revolution.
 D. Nayyar: Governing Globalization.
 G. Ritzer: Globalization--- A Basic Text.
 S.D. Muni: Responding to Terrorism in South Asia.
 Peter Burnel: Politics in the Developing World.
 B.C. Smith: Understanding Third World Politics.
 Björn Hettne: Development Theory and the Three Worlds.

রাধারমণচক্রবর্তীওসুকল্লাচক্রবর্তী: সমসাময়িকআন্তর্জাতিকসম্পর্ক
 পুরুষোত্তমভট্টাচার্যওঅনিন্দ্যজ্যোতিমজুমদার (সম্পা.): আন্তর্জাতিকসম্পর্কেররূপরেখা
 গৌতমবসু: আন্তর্জাতিকসম্পর্ক: তত্ত্বওবিবর্তন
 অনীকচট্টোপাধ্যায়: ঠাণ্ডাযুদ্ধেরপরআন্তর্জাতিকসম্পর্ক

PLS-MD- CC-7-5: Western Political Thought - I

Course Objectives:

1. This course introduces the students to the key political philosophers from ancient Greece to the 18th century Europe.
2. It explains the historical development and intellectual foundation of their views on key issues like state, society, and sovereignty.

Learning Outcomes:

Students will be able

1. To understand and analyze critically the arguments of the select political thinkers
2. To contextualize and evaluate the relevance of their thought in reference to contemporary political society.

Module I:

1. Greek Political Thought: Main features; Plato: Justice, Communism; Aristotle: State, Classifications of Constitutions.
2. Roman Political Thought: Theories of Law and Citizenship – Contributions of Roman thought.

3. Medieval Political Thought in Europe: Major features.

4. Contribution of Machiavelli. Significance of Renaissance. Political thought of Reformation.

Module II:

5. J. Bodin: Idea of Sovereignty.

6. T. Hobbes: Founder of science of materialist politics; Human nature, State of Nature, State and sovereignty.

7. J. Locke: Founder of Liberalism; Views on natural rights, property, and consent.

8. J. J. Rousseau: Views on General Will, freedom, democracy, and sovereignty.

Select Readings:

A. J. Skoble and T. R. Machan: Political Philosophy: Essential Selections.

D. Boucher and P. Kelly, (eds) Political Thinkers: From Socrates to the Present

G. H. Sabine and T.I. Thorson: A History of Political Theory.

S. Mukherjee and S. Ramaswamy: A History of Political Thought: Plato to Marx.

R.G. Gettell: History of Political Thought.

B. Barker: The Political Thought of Plato and Aristotle.

Q. Skinner: Machiavelli: A Very Short Introduction.

A.K. Mukhopadhyay: Western Political Thought: From Plato to Marx.

শোভনলালদত্তগুপ্ত(সম্পা.): পাশ্চাত্যরাষ্ট্রভাবনা

অমলকুমারমুখোপাধ্যায়: রাষ্ট্রদর্শনেরধারা

অমৃতভবন্দ্যোপাধ্যায়: পাশ্চাত্যরাষ্ট্রচিন্তারইতিহাস

সুদীপ্তদে: গণরাজ্য (প্লেটোরRepublic-এরঅনুবাদ)

নির্মলকান্তিমজুমদার: (এয়ারিস্টটলেরPolitics-এরঅনুবাদ)

সুনীলবরণবিশ্বাস: ম্যাকিয়াভেলীর ThePrince-এরঅনুবাদ

SEMESTER –VI

PLS-MD-CC-8-6: Comparative Government and Politics -I

Course Objectives:

The idea behind the course is to introduce the students to:

1. The conceptual development of comparative government and politics, its genesis and contending approaches
2. To acquaint the student community with the basics of comparing political systems
3. To develop among them the understanding about comparison as a method in politics
4. Initiate them to develop critical knowledge about regimes, structures, functions and processes in politics

Learning Outcomes:

After completing the course, the students will be able to:

1. be theoretically equipped to explain and critically examine political events and political phenomena encountered
2. understand the rationale and dynamics of different political systems and the ideas and practices of democracy

Module I

1. Evolution of Comparative Politics: its scope, nature and methods of comparisons. Distinctions between comparative government and comparative politics.
2. Major approaches: Institutional approach (dominant schools: Systems approach and Structural Functional approach): Features and limitations; New Institutionalism, Political Economy: Origin and Key features; Cultural Approach: Features.
3. Comparing Regimes: Authoritarianism: Meaning and Features; Democracy: Critical Perspective (focus on S. P. Huntington).

Module II

4. Forms of Government: Unitary system: Features (focus on UK, France); Federal system: Features (focus on USA, Russia).
5. Executive in UK, USA, France and PRC: A comparative study of the powers and position of the President of USA, France and China. Comparative study of British and French Parliaments.
6. Legislature in U.K., USA, France and PRC: Composition and Functions of legislative chambers; Committee System in UK and USA.

Select Readings:

- G. Almond et al eds.: Comparative Politics Today: A World View
 S.E. Finer: Comparative Government.
 J. Blondel: An Introduction to Comparative Politics.
 J. Blondel (ed.): Comparative Government: A Reader.
 G. Lowenberg: British and French Parliaments in Comparative Perspective
 G. Almond and B. J. Powell: Comparative Politics: A Developmental Approach
 J. T. Ishiyama and Breuning, M. eds.: 21st Century Political Science: A Reference Book
 S. Mukherjee and S. Ramaswamy: Theoretical Foundations of Comparative Politics
 J. Kopstein and H. Lichbach eds.: Comparative Politics
 R. Chatterjee: Introduction to Comparative Political Analysis.
 S. P. Huntington: The Third Wave: Democratization in the Late Twentieth Century.
 Samuel P. Huntington, Political Order in Changing Societies
 J. Harvey and L. Bather: British Constitution and Politics
 Ivor Jennings: Cabinet Government
 A.C. Kapoor: Select Constitutions
 J. Wilson: American Government

রাখহরিচ্যাটার্জীঃ তুলনামূলক রাজনীতি পরিচয়
 অমিতাভরায় (সম্পা): তুলনামূলক রাজনীতি
 রাজশ্রীবসু (সম্পাদিত)-তুলনামূলক শাসনব্যবস্থা ও রাজনীতি
 পঞ্চানন চট্টোপাধ্যায়ঃ ফ্রান্সের সাধারণতন্ত্র
 সুকন্যা ঘোষ ও ইন্দ্রানী ঘোষঃ তুলনামূলক সরকার ও রাজনীতি