

## Ph.D. Political Science

### **Eligibility:**

1. Candidate should have a:
  - A. Consistently good academic record and a minimum of 55 percent of aggregate marks, or minimum final grade point averages (FGPA) of 6.0 in a 10 point scale awarded by a recognized university in India or abroad.
  - B. M.A. degree in Political Science or International Studies/Relations.
2. Candidate can be a fresh M.Phil graduate in Political Science/International Relations.
3. Candidate with NET/JRF qualifications will be given preference.

**SYLLABUS FOR Ph.D. POLITICAL SCIENCE**

S.NO	Paper code	Course Title	L	T	P	Cr	% Weightage				Marks
							A	B	C	D	
<b>SEMESTER 1</b>											
<b>CORE COURSES</b>											
1	PSC. 701	Research Methodology for Social Sciences	4	1	0	4	25	25	25	25	100
2	PSC. 702	Computer Applications	4	1	0	4	25	25	25	25	100
3	PSC. 703	Computer Applications-Practical	1	1	1	2	10	15	15	10	50
4	PSC. 704	Assignment Based Seminar I	1	1	1	2	10	15	15	10	50
<b>Elective courses: Select any two of the specialized courses listed below</b>											
5	PSC. 705	Indian Political System (Course Co-ordinator: Dr. Bawa Singh)	4	1	0	4	25	25	25	25	100
6	PSC. 706	Emerging Issues of International Politics (Course Co-ordinator: Dr. Nishtha Kaushiki)	4	1	0	4	25	25	25	25	100
7	PSC. 707	Will be added later	4	1	0	4	25	25	25	25	100
8	PSC. 708	Will be added later	4	1	0	4	25	25	25	25	100
9	PSC. 709	Will be added later	4	1	0	4	25	25	25	25	100
<b>Total</b>			<b>18</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>20</b>					<b>500</b>
<b>Semester-II</b>											
<b>Synopsis writing</b>											

- A. Continuous Assessment: Based on Objective Type Tests  
 B. Pre-Scheduled Test-1: Based on Objective Type & Subjective Type Test (By Enlarged Subjective Type)  
 C. Pre-Scheduled Test-2: Based on Objective Type & Subjective Type Test (By Enlarged Subjective Type)  
 D. End-Term Exam (Final): Based on Objective Type Tests  
 E. Total Marks  
 F. **L: Lectures T: Tutorial P: Practical Cr: Credits**

<b>Course Title: Research Methodology for Social Sciences</b>	<b>56 Lecture Hours</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>Marks</b>
<b>Course Code: PSC. 701</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Unit I: General Principles of Research</b>						<b>10 hours</b>
<p>General principles of research: Meaning and importance of research, Critical thinking, Formulating hypothesis and development of research plan, review of literature, interpretation of results and discussion.</p> <p>Technical writing: Scientific writing, writing research paper, poster preparation and presentation and dissertation.</p> <p>Library: Classification systems, e-Library, Reference management, Web-based literature search engines.</p> <p>Research and Academic Integrity: Copyright issues, conduct of ethical research, Belmont report and Plagiarism in research.</p>						
<b>Unit II: Knowledge and Theory I</b>						<b>18 hours</b>
<p>Epistemological and ontological foundations of knowledge; Deductive and Inductive forms of knowledge; Reality and false consciousness; Empirical and subjective knowledge; the questions of truth, facts and fiction; Knowledge and power – Michael Foucault and Edward Said.</p> <p>Science of Knowing: Positivism; age of science; determinism, empiricism, parsimony and generality; Comte and the social phenomena; Durkheim and his social facts and definite realities; Ranke and the Berlin revolution; Smith, Mill, Marshall and the economic science; logical positivism- from Newtonian determinism to relativism; Popper and the theory of falsification.</p>						
<b>Unit III: Knowledge and Theory II</b>						<b>18 hours</b>
<p>Discontents of positivism: anti-positivism, critical theory, post-modernism and post behaviourism; <i>What is History</i>; the linguistic turn and twists in the notion of meaning and authenticity; Philosophy of Science- Thomas Kuhn, Paul Feyerabend and Imre Lakatos; Hayden White and his Meta-History; Amartya Sen and his moral science of Economics.</p> <p>Structure and agency: the questions of methodological holism and individualism; functionalism-structuralism-post-structuralism; Giddens and the theory of structuration; Rational agents/actors; Social constructivism and cultural relativism.</p> <p>Against the knowledge, the meta-narratives and the method: Paradigms in conflict; methodological plurality; margins, fragments and resurrection of subjugated knowledge; Subaltern studies.</p>						

**Unit IV: Methods of Qualitative Research****10 hours**

Ethnography, interviewing, focus groups, observation, oral history and narration, story-telling, memories & fiction; photography; auto-biography, visual methods, and, textual analysis; challenge and joy of “being there”, and, analysing qualitative data.

**Essential Readings:**

1. Denzin, Norman K, and Yvonna S Lincoln. *The Sage Handbook of Qualitative Research*. Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications, 2005. Print.
2. Esterberg, Kristin G. *Qualitative Methods in Social Research*. Boston: McGraw-Hill, 2002. Print.
3. Feyerabend, Paul. *Against Method*. London: Verso, 1997. Print.
4. Kintē, Vasō, and Theodore Arabatzis. *Kuhn's the Structure of Scientific Revolutions Revisited*. New York: Routledge, 2012. Print.
5. Lester, James D, and James D Lester. *Principles of Writing Research Papers*. New York: Penguin Academics, 2007. Print.
6. Mycoff, Jason D, and Janet Buttolph Johnson. *Working With Political Science Research Methods*. Los Angeles: SAGE/CQ Press, 2012. Print.
7. Pennings, Paul, Hans Keman, and J Kleinnijenhuis. *Doing Research in Political Science*. London: Sage, 2006. Print.
8. Robinson, David, and Val Reed. *The A-Z of Social Research Jargon*. Aldershot, Hants, England: Ashgate/ARENA, 1998. Print.
9. Savin-Baden, Maggi, and Claire Howell Major. *New Approaches to Qualitative Research*. London: Routledge, 2010. Print.
10. Turabian, Kate L. *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2007. Print.

**Suggested readings:**

Robinson, David, and Val Reed. *The A-Z of Social Research Jargon*. Aldershot, Hants, England: Ashgate/ARENA, 1998. Print.

Chatterjee, Partha, and Pradeep Jaganathan. *Subaltern Studies*. London: C. Hurst, 2001. Print.

<b>Course Title: Computer Applications</b>	<b>56 Lecture hours</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>Marks</b>
<b>Course Code: PSC.702</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Unit I: (may be common)</b>						
<b>Unit II: (may be common)</b>						
<b>Unit III: Writing for Social Sciences on Computers</b>						
Chapter Writing/ synopsis Preparation: Literature review writing, alignments, referencing, tables, finding in MS-Word.						
Referencing in Preparing seminar reports & synopsis APA 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition, Chicago and Harvard style.						
<b>Unit IV: (may be common)</b>						
<b>Suggested readings:</b>						
More readings will be added later						

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PSC. 703	Computer Applications- Practical	1	1	1	2	10	15	15	10	50
PSC. 704	Assignment Based Seminar I	1	1	1	2	10	15	15	10	50

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PSC.		4	1	-	4	25	25	25	25	100
PSC.		4	1	-	4	25	25	25	25	100

<b>Course Title: Indian Government and Politics</b>	<b>56 Lecture Hours</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>Marks</b>
<b>Course Code: PSC. 705</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Course Coordinator: Dr. Bawa Singh</b>						
<b>Unit I:</b>						<b>14 hours</b>
Making of the Indian Constitution: Legacies of the British rule; different social and political perspectives; salient features of the Indian Constitution: The Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties, Directive Principles; Parliamentary System and Amendment Procedures; Judicial Review and basic structure doctrine.						
<b>Unit II:</b>						<b>14 hours</b>
Principal Organs of the Union Government: Envisaged role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature and Supreme Court; State Government: role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature and High Courts.						
<b>Unit III:</b>						<b>14 hours</b>
Election Commission, Comptroller and Auditor General, Finance Commission, Union Public Service Commission, National Commission for Scheduled Castes, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, National Commission for Women; National Human Rights Commission, National Commission for Minorities, National Backward Classes Commission.						
<b>Unit IV:</b>						<b>14 hours</b>
Caste, Religion and Ethnicity in Indian Politics; Grassroots Democracy: Panchayati Raj and Municipal Government; significance of 73rd and 74th Amendments; Grass-root movements.						
<b>Essential Readings:</b>						

1. Chatterjee, Partha. *State and Politics in India*. Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1997. Print.
2. Hasan, Zoya, Eswaran Sridharan, and R Sudarshan. *India's Living Constitution*. London: Anthem, 2005. Print.
3. Hasan, Zoya. *Parties and Party Politics in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2002. Print.
4. Kaviraj, Sudipta. *Politics in India*. Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1997. Print.
5. Kohli, Atul, and Perna Singh. *Routledge Handbook of Indian Politics*. Milton Park, Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge, 2012. Print.

**Suggested readings:**

1. Dua, B. D, and Mahendra Prasad Singh. *Indian Federalism in the New Millennium*. New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2003. Print.
2. Govinda Rao, M, and Nirvikar Singh. *The Political Economy of Federalism in India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2005. Print.
3. Kashyap, Subhash C. *Constitutional Reforms*. New Delhi: Radha Publications, 2004. Print.
4. Kothari, Rajni. *Politics in India*. Boston: Little, Brown, 1970. Print.
5. Laxmikanth, M. *Indian Polity*. New Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill Education Private Limited, 2010. Print.
6. Limaye, Madhu. *Indian Polity in Transition*. New Delhi: Radiant Publishers, 1990. Print.
7. Morris-Jones, W. H. *Parliament in India*. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 1957. Print.
8. Shiva Rao, B et al. *The Framing of India's Constitution*. New Delhi: Indian Institute of Public Administration; [distributors: N.M. Tripathi, Bombay], 1966. Print.

<b>Course Title: Emerging Issues of International Politics</b>	<b>56 Lecture Hours</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>Marks</b>
<b>Course Code: PSC. 706</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Course Coordinator: Dr. Nishtha Kaushiki</b>						
<b>Unit I: What are International Relations- Concepts and Theories</b>						<b>14 hours</b>
<p>International relations: subject and scope; how is the international political system structured? ; contending theories of international relations.</p> <p>Cold War alliances and colonial legacy: anti-colonial movements (national &amp; social revolutions), and the impact on the geopolitical environment.</p> <p>National interests and foreign policy: defining power; national interests and ideology; making of a foreign policy and changing national interests- case studies of the Iraq wars.</p>						
<b>Unit II: Rise of Regional Powers- Emerging Issues</b>						<b>14 hours</b>
<p>Economic rise of China &amp; India: causes, consequences for international political economy and international relations; military balance of Asia.</p> <p>Triangular dynamics of – US, China and India; Japan, China and US; China, US and Russia- scope and issues.</p> <p>Rise of regional powers- Russia, Iran &amp; Syria- causes, consequences on regional and international issues; pipeline politics; asymmetric warfare- deepening of the Shia-Sunni divide- politics, and, consequences.</p>						
<b>Unit III: The Geopolitics of Economic Globalization</b>						<b>14 hours</b>
<p>Role and politics of the International Monetary Fund, World Bank, and World Trade Organization; Globalization and its discontents- the North-South debate; South-South dialogue; Role of regional economic organisations in regional and world politics- special emphasis on the Middle East, Europe, and, East Asia.</p>						
<b>Unit IV: Non-Traditional threats to Security</b>						<b>14 hours</b>
<p>Economic disparity in the developing nations &amp; threats of social conflicts; social conflicts leading to international ramifications; child soldiers; honour killings in Asia and the Middle East; narco-terrorism &amp; small arms proliferation; gender and migration issues; human trafficking; refugee problems due to terrorism; spread of communicable &amp; other diseases – Drug resistance Tuberculosis, SARS, Ebola and HIV/AIDS; environment sustainability and emerging water crisis; disaster management facilities of the developing nations.</p>						
<b>Essential Readings:</b>						
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Baldwin, David A. <i>Theories of International Relations</i>. Farnham, England: Ashgate, 2008. Print.</li> <li>2. Baram, Amatzia, and Barry M Rubin. <i>Iraq's Road to War</i>. New York: St. Martin's Press, 1993. Print.</li> <li>3. Harrison, Lisa, and Theresa Callan. <i>Key Research Concepts in Politics &amp; International Relations</i>. Los Angeles:</li> </ol>						



sage, 2013. Print.

4. Jones, David Martin, Nicholas Khoo, and M. L. R Smith. *Asian Security and the Rise of China*. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar, 2013. Print.
5. Keller, William W, and Thomas G Rawski. *China's Rise and the Balance Of Influence In Asia*. Pittsburgh, Pa.: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2007. Print.
6. Milliot, Eric, and Nadine Tournois. *The Paradoxes of Globalisation*. Houndsmill, Basingstoke, Hampshire: Palgrave Macmillan, 2010. Print.
7. Shambaugh, David L, and Michael B Yahuda. *International Relations of Asia*. Print.

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1. Dunning, John H, and Khalil A Hamdani. *The New Globalism and Developing Countries*. Tokyo: United Nations University Press, 1997. Print.
2. Kumar, Nagesh, K Kesavapany, and Yao Chaocheng. *Asia's New Regionalism and Global Role*. New Delhi: Research and Information System for Developing Countries, 2008. Print.
3. MacQueen, Benjamin. *An Introduction to Middle East Politics*. London: Sage Publications, 2013. Print.