

## Discipline Specific Core Courses

Programme: M.A (PoliticalScience)

CourseCode: POL - 500

Title of the Course: Political Theory: Concepts and Perspectives

Number of Credits:4

Effective fromAY: 2022-23

<b><u>Prerequisites for the course:</u></b>	Students should have studied B.A. in Social Sciences or other disciplines with interest and knowledge of political concepts. It is assumed that students have a basic knowledge of Political Thought and Political Concepts.	
<b><u>Objective:</u></b>	The paper has two sections. The first deals with concepts that are both normative and explanatory and the second with perspectives that are very much part of the tradition of political argumentation. The paper intends to present the student with a map of the field of Political Theory and develop argumentative skills.	
<b><u>Content:</u></b>	<p><b>Unit-1:</b> Political Theory: Role and need</p> <p><b>Unit-2:</b> Power, Authority &amp; Legitimacy</p> <p><b>Unit-3:</b> Liberty, Equality, Rights and Justice</p> <p><b>Unit-4:</b> Nation, Nation-State and Civil Society</p> <p><b>Unit-5:</b> Liberalism, Socialism and Feminism</p> <p><b>Unit-6:</b> The End of an Ideology, Postmodernism</p> <p><b>Unit-7:</b> Identity Politics: Consociationalism and Multiculturalism</p>	<p><b>No. of Hours</b></p> <p>2 hours</p> <p>6 hours</p> <p>10 hours</p> <p>10 hours</p> <p>14 hours</p> <p>8 hours</p> <p>10 hours</p>
<b><u>Pedagogy:</u></b>	lectures/ tutorials/assignments/self-study (dialogic and participatory discussion, collective teaching and learning)	
<b><u>References/Readings</u></b>	<p><b>Single Author Books</b></p> <p>Bhargava, Rajeev. (2012), <i>What is Political Theory and Why Do We Need It?</i> New Delhi: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Gauba, O.P. (2010), <i>An Introduction to Political Theory</i>, New Delhi: Macmillan.</p> <p>Heywood, Andrew. (2007), <i>Political Ideologies: An Introduction</i>, New York: Palgrave Macmillan</p>	

	<p>Heywood,Andrew.(2013),<i>Politics</i>, NewYork: Palgrave Macmillan</p> <p>Heywood,Andrew.(2015),<i>PoliticalTheory:Introduction</i>,NewYork: PalgraveMacmillan</p> <p>Heywood,Andrew.(2018),<i>EssentialsofPoliticalIdeas</i>, NewYork:PalgraveMacmillan.</p> <p>Kymlicka, Will. (2005), <i>Contemporary Political Philosophy</i>, NewDelhi: OxfordUniversity Press.</p> <p>Ramaswamy,Sushila.(2015),<i>PoliticalTheory:Ideas and Concepts</i>, New Delhi: PrenticeHall</p> <p><b>Edited Books</b></p> <p>Bhargava,RajeevandAcharya,Ashok.(eds)(2008), <i>PoliticalTheory:AnIntroduction</i>, NewDelhi:Pearson</p> <p><b>Two or More Authors</b></p> <p>Vinod,M.JandDeshpande,Meena(2013),<i>Contemporary PoliticalTheory</i>, New Delhi: PHILearning</p>	
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