

PROPOSED  
PRE Ph.D. course work for  
Doctor of Philosophy  
In  
Political Science  
Academic Session : 2022-23 onwards

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### Pre- Ph.D. course work in Political Science

The Pre- Ph.D. course work for Political Science shall comprise of only one semester, in which there shall be three compulsory papers and one major research project

		First Semester		
Course code	Type of course	Paper	Title of the Course	Credit Assigned
POLR 001	Compulsory (Major Subject)	I	Democracy, Election and Voting behaviour	6 (6+0)
POLR002	Compulsory (Major Subject)	II	State Politics in India	6 (6+0)
POLR003	Compulsory (Res.Methodology)	III	Research Methodology	4 (4+0)
POLR 004	Compulsory (Major Res.Project)	--	Major Res. Project	Non credit/ Qualifying

Note : The research work and Ph.D. thesis shall be completed as per then effective UGC (Min. standard and procedure for award of Ph.D.) regulation and in accordance with the ordinance made for the same by the university.



Name of programme/ class	Ph.D. course work		
subject	Political Science		
Course Code	POLR. 001		
Course Title	DEMOCRACY, ELECTIONS AND VOTING BEHAVIOUR		
Course to be offered in the semester of	First Sem.		
Credit Assigned	Total	Theory	Practical
	6	6	0
Course objective and outcomes	<p>Understand the general process of democracy, mainly elections and related factors.</p> <p>Understand the concepts, ideas, and debates on elections in democracy.</p> <p>Evaluate elections, role of political parties and voting behaviour.</p> <p>Analyze the electoral systems comparatively with the leading democratic countries of the world.</p> <p>Understand the importance of psephology and election studies.</p> <p>Evaluate the electoral process in India.</p>		
Unit	Topic	Min. no of lectures	
I	Democracy- Elections and voting; Social structural theories-Social and political cleavages such as ethnicity, class, caste and religion Party identifications.	25	
II	. Rational choice theories - Voting, ideology; political issues; economy; candidate; media; clientelism and money	25	
III	Voting Behaviour- the voter; ideology, political parties, Manifesto, Voting behavior -election campaign, role of media, choice between party and candidate. election data analysis.	25	
IV	Elections in India – Multi-party system, coalition politics, role of national party,	25	



	regional party, religion, caste factors, pressure groups Electoral politics, Party competition, role of religion, caste & groups.	
Course pre-requisites	To study this course, a student must have had the subject POL.Sc.in PG class.	
Suggested readings including digital platform	<p>. 1. MacKuen, Michael, George Rabinowitz (ed.) (2003), Electoral Democracy, Michigan, University of Michigan Press.</p> <p>2. Diamond, Larry, and Marc F. Plattner (Ed.) (2006), Electoral Systems and Democracy, Maryland, JHU Press.</p> <p>3. Thomassen, J. J. A. (Ed.) (2014), Elections and Democracy: Representation and Accountability, Oxford, Oxford University Press.</p> <p>4. Kumar, Sanjay and Praveen Rai (2013), Measuring Voting Behaviour in India, New Delhi, Sage.</p> <p>5. Arzheimer, Kai, Jocelyn Evans, Michael S. Lewis-Beck (Ed.), (2016), The SAGE Handbook of Electoral Behaviour, London, Sage.</p> <p>6. Roy, Meenu (2000), Electoral politics in India: election process and outcomes, voting behaviour and current trends, New Delhi, Deep &amp; Deep Publications</p> <p>7. Cees van der Eijk, Mark Franklin (2009), Elections and Voters, New York, Palgrave.</p> <p>8. Dassonneville, Ruth, Marc Hooghe, Michael S (Ed.), (2018), Electoral Rules and Electoral Behaviour: The Scope of Effects, New York, Routledge.</p> <p>9. Roy, Prannoy, and Dorab R. Sopariwala (2019), The Verdict: Decoding India's Elections, New Delhi, Penguin.</p> <p>10. Bendor, Jonathan, Daniel Diermeier, David A. Siegel (2011), A Behavioral Theory of Elections, Princeton, Princeton University Press.</p> <p>11. Fisher, Justin, Edward Fieldhouse, Mark N. Franklin (2017), The Routledge Handbook of Elections, Voting Behavior and Public Opinion, New York, Routledge.</p> <p>12. Loanna Atekson and Michael Alvarez, Oxford Handbook on Polling and Survey Methods, OUP, 2018</p>	
Suggested equivalent online courses		
Further suggestions, if an		



. Name of programme/ class	Ph.D. course work		
subject	Political Science		
Course Code	POLR. 002		
Course Title	STATE POLITICS IN INDIA		
Course to be offered in the semester of	First Sem.		
Credit Assigned	Total	Theory	Practical
	6	6	0
Course objective and outcomes	<p>This course attempts to explore regions and regional politics by underscoring the complexity and multidimensional nature of federal polity in India. The paper focuses on areas such as democratisation, regionalisation, electoral politics and economic reforms. The course involves extensive readings by domain experts to analyse the changes in subnational politics with the state as well as across the states.</p> <p>The endeavour is to do an in depth analysis of the changes which have shaped and reshaped the contours of our body politic and deepened Indian democracy by giving voice to the voiceless..</p>		
Unit	Topic	Min. no of lectures	
I	Conceptual Framework: understanding State Politics (i) Theoretical Framework for the Study of State Politics (ii) Sub-national Comparisons in India (iii) States as Units of Politics	25	
II	Regional Politics and electoral dynamics with spl. reference to UP	25	
III	Party politics in state of Uttar Pradesh : a. National parties and Regional parties b. elections and electoral process.	25	
IV	a. Politics of identity in UP b. Politics of development in UP c. Nationalism and BJP	25	
Course pre-requisites	To study this course, a student must have had the subject POL.Sc.in PG class.		
Suggested readings including digital platform	<p>. 1.Dhattiwala, Raheel. Spatial Differences in Hindu-Muslim Violence in Gujarat, New Delhi: Cambridge University Press. 2009.</p> <p>2. Kudaisya, Gyanesh. A Republic in the Making: India in the 1950s. New Delhi: Oxford University Press,</p>		



	<p>2017.</p> <p>3. Singh, Prerna. How Solidarity Works for Welfare: Subnationalism and Social Development in India. New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2016.</p> <p>4. Stepan, Alfred, et.al. Crafting State-Nations: India and Other Multinational Democracies. Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press, 2011.</p> <p>5. Tillin, Loise. Remapping India: New State and Their Political Origins. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2014.</p> <p>6. Tillin, Louise, et.al. Politics of Welfare: Comparison Across Indian States, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2015.</p> <p>7. Vaishnav, Milan. When Crime Pays: Money and Muscle in Indian Politics. New Delhi: Harper Collins, 2017.</p> <p>8. Varshney, Ashutosh. Ethnic Conflict &amp; Civic Life: Hindus and Muslims in India. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2003.</p> <p>9. Willkinson, Steven. Votes and Violence: Electoral Competition and Ethnic Violence in India. New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2006.</p> <p>10. Ziegfeld, Adam. Why Regional Parties?: Clientalism, Elites, and the Indian Party System. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2016.</p>
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subject	Political Science		
Course Code	POLR. 003		
Course Title	RESEARCH METHODOLOGY		
Course to be offered in the semester of	First Sem.		
Credit Assigned	Total	Theory	Practical
	4	4	0
Course objective and outcomes	1. Understand the philosophy of social science 2. Understand and Exemplify knowledge about basics of research methodology 3. Learn and Apply various research designs 4. Understand and Apply the sampling types and techniques 5. Understand and Apply tools and techniques of data collection 6. Understand and Apply statistical techniques in social science		
Unit	Topic	Min. no of lectures	
I	Philosophy of Social Science: Value – Fact relationship - Question of Objectivity-Scientific explanation and interpretative understanding of Social Sciences - Qualitative vs. Quantitative research	25	
II	Concept, Hypothesis and Variables in Political Science- Selection and Formulation of Research Problem.	25	
III	.Synopsis Preparation and Research Design: Types of Designs: Exploratory-Descriptive- Diagnostic -Experimental.	25	
IV	Sampling-Types of Sampling: Probability Sampling Techniques - Non-Probability Sampling Techniques. Major stages of research: Data Collection –Tools of Data Collection – Data Analysis– Use of Computer and Internet	25	
Course pre-requisites	To study this course, a student must have had the subject POL.Sc.in PG class.		
Suggested readings including digital platform	. 1. Bernard Russell H. (2012) Social Research Methods, Sage. New Delhi, 2. Blablock H.M. (1970) An introduction to Social Research, , Prentice Hall, Englewood Cliffs		



	<p>3. Bryman A. (1988) Quantity and Quality in Social Research, Unwin Hyman London.</p> <p>4. Creswell J. W. (2012) Qualitative Inquiry and Research Design, Sage, New Delhi,</p> <p>5. David E. McNabb (2010) Research Methods for Political Science: Quantitative and Qualitative Approach, M.E Sharpe, London</p> <p>6. De Vaus D. (2002) Surveys in Social Research, Routledge, London,</p> <p>7. De Vaus D. (2001) Research Design in Social Research Sage, London,</p> <p>8. De Vaus D. (2002) Analyzing Social Science Data, Sage, London.</p> <p>9. Denzin N. K. (2011) The Sage Handbook of Qualitative Research, Sage. New Delhi,</p> <p>10. Fielding J. (2002) "Coding and Managing Data" in Gilbert N. (ed.) Researching Social Life, Sage, London.</p>
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