
Compulsory Paper Semester- I M.A. Part-I (Political Science)

PO-C1 : Political Theory

Objectives: This Course introduces Political Theory as a distinctive area of inquiry that is integral to the study of politics. It highlights contemporary normative debates and places them in a historical perspective. The Course projects the global and interdisciplinary orientation of Political Theory. It also emphasises the interplay of theory and practice in the political process.

1. **Political Theory:** Nature, Significance and Resurgence.
2. **Contemporary Perspectives:** Liberal, Marxist, Feminist and Communitarian.
3. **State and Citizen:** Political Obligation, Resistance and Civil Disobedience.
4. **Key Concepts I:** Liberty, Equality and Fraternity.
5. **Key Concepts II:** Justice, Rights and Duties.
6. **Theories of Democracy:** Liberal, Radical and Cosmopolitan.

Readings:

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4. Hampton Jean, 1998, *Political Philosophy*, New Delhi, Oxford University Press.
5. Kulkarni Mangesh (ed.), 2011, *Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Political Theory*, New Delhi/Thousand Oaks, Sage
6. Kymlicka Will, 2002, *Contemporary Political Philosophy*, Oxford, Oxford University Press.
7. Knowles Dudley, 2001, *Political Philosophy*, London, Routledge
8. Pierson Christopher, 2004, *The Modern State*, London, Routledge.
9. Rege M. P., 2005, *Swatantrya, Samata ani Nyaya*, Mumbai, Shanta Rege.
10. Swift Adam, 2001, *Political Philosophy*, Cambridge, Polity.