



Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth Vishwavidyalaya, Indore
Shri Vaishnav Institute of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts
Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in Light of NEP-2020
B.A. Political Science
(2024-2027)

COURSE CODE	CATEGORY	COURSE NAME	TEACHING & EVALUATION SCHEME								
			THEORY			PRACTICAL			L	T	P
			END SEM University Exam	Two Term Exam	Teachers Assessment*	END SEM University Exam	Teachers Assessment*				
BAPOL SC401	Major/ Minor	Comparative Government and Politics	60	20	20	0	0	3	0	0	3

Legends: L - Lecture; T - Tutorial/Teacher Guided Student Activity; P – Practical; C - Credit;

***Teacher Assessment** shall be based following components: Quiz/Assignment/ Project/Participation in Class, given that no component shall exceed more than 10 marks.

Course Educational Objectives (CEOs): The student will be able to:

- **CEO 01** Identify the key institutions and theories of comparative politics.
- **CEO 02** Understand the theories that have shaped political institutions and structures.
- **CEO 03** Knowledgeable about how different organs of the government work in specific countries.
- **CEO 04** Capable to understand the difference in the Constitution of USA, UK, France, Switzerland, and China.
- **CEO 05** To get to know about differences in unitary and federal polity.

Course Outcomes (COs): The students should be able to:

- **CO 01** Evaluate one's own political system, its strengths, and its weaknesses, by comparing it to others.
- **CO 02** Examine the role of various theories.
- **CO 03** Memorize about the organs of the government like legislative, executive and judiciary of specific countries.
- **CO 04** Describe the differences in the constitution of specific countries. How one country is different from another country.
- **CO 05** Recall the system of countries division of power that is centralised or decentralised.

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COURSE CONTENTS

Unit-I

Comparative Politics: Nature, Scope, Relevance for Analysis of Politics and Economy

Unit-II

Structural Functional, Neo- Marxist Theories of Under Development and Dependency

Unit-III

Executive, Legislature, Judiciary; India, U.K. (United Kingdom), U.S.A. (United States of America)

Unit- IV

Comparative Analysis: Features of the Constitutions; India, UK, U.S.A, Switzerland

Unit-V

Federal and Unitary forms of Government: India, U.K. U.S.A, France

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- Bara, J & Pennington, M. (2009). *Comparative Politics*. New Delhi: Sage.
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Course Educational Objectives (CEOs): The student will be able to

- **CEO 01** Understand the meaning and justification of important concepts such as sovereignty, freedom, equality, and rights.
- **CEO 02** Informed about rival theoretical frameworks such as natural law, utilitarianism, egalitarianism, communitarians, and Marxism, through the analysis of classic texts.
- **CEO 03** Study how J.S Mill work become bridge from negative liberty to positive liberty.
- **CEO 04** Get familiar with Marxism and basic concept of class conflict.
- **CEO 05** Acquire in depth knowledge about the meaning and concept of liberalism and its types.

Course Outcomes (COs): The students should be able to:

- **CO 01** Memorize detailed knowledge of some of the concepts, positions, and arguments in the central literature on the topics of the course.
- **CO 02** Develop their ability to think independently about some of the ideas studied.
- **CO 03** Construct their own arguments, responding to but not merely reproducing the arguments of others.
- **CO 04** Recognition of deep understanding about the Marxism and the class struggle prevailed even today.
- **CO 05** Able to recall liberalism, its function and played role in globalizing whole world.

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COURSE CONTENTS

UNIT-I

Political Modernity: Concept, Critique

UNIT-II

Rousseau: General Will, Real Will, Origin of Inequality.

Mary Wollstonecraft: Women and Paternalism; critique of Rousseau's idea of Education; Legal Rights

UNIT-III

John Stuart Mill: Liberty, Suffrage, Subjection of Women, Right of Minorities, Utilitarian Principle.

UNIT-IV

Radicals: Karl Marx and Critique of Capitalism, Classes and Class Struggle, State Theory

UNIT-V

Liberalism: Classical Liberalism, Modern Liberalism, Contemporary Liberalism

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