



Sabarmati University

Syllabus of Political Science

Ph.D. Course

UNIT – I : Western Political Thought

Major Thinkers & Concepts

- Nature and Scope of Political Theory
- Politics – “Who gets what, when and how” – *Harold Lasswell*
- Systems Theory – *David Easton*
- General Will – *Jean-Jacques Rousseau*
- Social Contract Theories – *Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau*
- Liberty – Positive and Negative – *Isaiah Berlin*
- Justice as Fairness – *John Rawls*
- End of Ideology – *Daniel Bell*
- The Prince – *Machiavelli*
- Plato – Philosopher King & Ideal State
- Aristotle – Classification of Governments
- Iron Law of Oligarchy – *Robert Michels*

UNIT – II : Indian Political Thought

Major Thinkers & Ideas

- Indian Renaissance – *Raja Ram Mohan Roy*
- Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Swami Vivekananda (Nationalist Thought)
- Gandhian Thought
 - Swaraj – Moral Autonomy & Self-Rule
 - Hind Swaraj – *M.K. Gandhi*
- B.R. Ambedkar – Social Democracy & Annihilation of Caste
- V.D. Savarkar – Concept of Hindutva (Cultural Nationalism)

UNIT – III : Indian Constitution – Philosophy & Structure

Constitutional Framework

- Preamble – Amendment (42nd Amendment)
- Fundamental Rights
 - Right to Equality – Articles 14-18
 - Right to Freedom – Articles 19-22
 - Article 32 – Heart and Soul of Constitution
- Number of Fundamental Rights – 6
- Fundamental Duties – 42nd Amendment
- Basic Structure Doctrine – *Kesavananda Bharati Case*

- Impeachment of President
- Panchayati Raj – 73rd Constitutional Amendment
- Role of Parliament

UNIT – IV : Comparative Politics & Political Systems

- Westminster Model – United Kingdom
- Presidential System – United States
- Development as Freedom – *Amartya Sen*
- Clash of Civilizations – *Samuel Huntington*
- Consociational Democracy – *Arend Lijphart*
- Realist Theory in International Relations – *Hans Morgenthau*

UNIT – V : International Relations

- Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) – Belgrade Summit, 1961
- SAARC – Establishment in 1985
- United Nations – Security Council & Permanent Members
- Post-Cold War World Order

UNIT – VI : Public Administration

Theories & Thinkers

- Bureaucratic Model – *Max Weber*
- New Public Management – Market Mechanism & Efficiency
- Good Governance – Transparency, Accountability, Rule of Law
- Father of Public Administration – *Woodrow Wilson*
- Scientific Management – *Frederick W. Taylor*
- POSDCORB – *Luther Gulick*
- Two-Factor Theory – *Frederick Herzberg*
- Unity of Command – *Henri Fayol*
- UPSC – Constitutional Body
- Lokpal – Recommendation of Administrative Reforms Commission

UNIT – VII : Indian Political System

- Congress System – *Rajni Kothari*
- Pressure Groups – Bharatiya Kisan Union
- Mandal Commission – Implemented under *V.P. Singh Government*