



SRI VENKATESHWARA UNIVERSITY

TIRUPATI

Model Syllabus for 4-Year UG Honours in B.A. (Political Science) as Major in consonance with Curriculum framework w.e.f. AY 2025-26

COURSE STRUCTURE

Year	Semester	Course	Title of the Course	No. of Hrs /Week	No. of Credits
I	I	1	Introduction to Political Science	4	4
		2	Concepts & Ideologies of Political Science	4	4
	II	3	Political Institutions	4	4
		4	Indian Constitution	4	4
II	III	5	Western Political Thought	4	4
		6	Ancient & Medieval Indian Political Thought	4	4
		7	Indian Government	4	4
	IV	8	Modern Indian Political Thought	4	4
		9	Indian Federal System	4	4
		10	Theory of International Relations	4	4
III	V	11	Dynamics of Indian Political System	4	4
		12 A	India’s Foreign Policy (Elective)	4	4
		OR			
		12 B	Principles of Public Administration (Elective)	4	4
		13 A	International Organizations & Global Issues (Elective)	4	4
		OR			
		13 B	E-Governance (Elective)	4	4

Year	Semester	Course	Title of the Course	No. of Hrs /Week	No. of Credits
	VI	14 A	Select Constitutions: USA, UK, Switzerland, China (Elective)	4	4
		OR			
		14 B	Public Policy Analysis (Elective)	4	4
		15 A	Human Rights in India (Elective)	4	4
		OR			
		15 B	Environmental Politics (Elective)	4	4
IV	VII	16	Government and Politics in Andhra Pradesh	4	4
		17	Modern Political Analysis	4	4
		18	Comparative Politics	4	4
	VIII	19	Research Methodology	4	4
		20	Legal Literacy and Rights Awareness	4	4
		21	Women in Indian Political Process	4	4

Note: In the III Year (during the V and VI Semesters), students are required to select a pair of electives from one of the **Two** specified domains. **For example: if set ‘A’ is chosen, courses 12 to 15 to be chosen as 12 A, 13 A, 14 A and 15 A.** To ensure in-depth understanding and skill development in the chosen domain, students must continue with the same domain electives in both the V and VI Semesters.

SEMESTER-II

COURSE 3: POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS

Theory

Credits: 4

4 hrs/week

Learning Objectives:

The student will have a vivid picture of various political institutions like legislature, executive, judiciary, forms of government, democratic system, and pressure groups.

Learning Outcomes: On successful completion of the course the students will be able to:

- Understand the organs of the government.
- Learn the theory of separation of powers.
- Comprehend the forms of government.
- Know the rights and its theories.
- Acquaint with political ideologies.

Unit – I: Organs of the Government

1. Legislature: Unicameral and Bicameral
2. Legislature: Powers and Functions
3. Executive: Types, Powers and Functions
4. Judiciary: Powers and Functions

Unit – II: Separation of Powers

1. Theory of Separation of Powers: Meaning and Nature
2. Montesquieu's doctrine of Separation of Powers
3. Merits and Demerits of Separation of Powers
4. Case Study of USA & UK

Unit – III: Forms of Government

1. Unitary form of Government: Merits and Demerits
2. Federal form of Government: Merits and Demerits
3. Parliamentary form of Government: Merits and Demerits
4. Presidential form of Government: Merits and Demerits

Unit – IV: Democracy

1. Democracy: Meaning, Definition and Significance
2. Theories and Principles of Democracy
3. Types of Democracy
4. Essential Conditions for the success of Democracy

Unit – V: Political Parties, Pressure Groups and Public Opinion

1. Political Parties: Meaning, Definition and Functions
2. Classification of Political Parties
3. Pressure Groups: Meaning, Definition and Types
4. Public Opinion: Meaning, Definition and Significance

Activities & Evaluation:

Celebrations on International Day of Democracy

1. Q &A session
2. Quiz Program: Marks scored by teams.
3. Debate: Faculty evaluation.
4. Essay writing: Based on understanding and scores.
5. Classroom Seminar: Peer evaluation.
6. Study Project: Faculty evaluation.

References

1. Modern Political Theory: S.P.Varma
2. Principles of Political Science: A.C. Kapoor
3. Contemporary Political Theory: J.C.Johari
4. An Introduction to Political Theory: O.P.Gauba
5. Political Theory: R.C.Agarwal

**4- Year UG Honours, Major
Syllabus
(2025-26)
Semester-II**

Model Question Paper

Time : 3hrs

Marks:75

Part-A

Answer any Five Questions. Each Question carries 3 Marks.

5x3=15

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

Answer the following questions. Each question carries 12 Marks

5x12=60

11. a) Unit-I
(Or)
b) Unit-I

12. a) Unit-II
(Or)
b) Unit-II

13. a) Unit-III
(Or)
b) Unit-III

14. a) Unit-IV
(Or)
b) Unit-IV

15. a) Unit-V
(Or)
b) Unit-V