



Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati

Model Syllabus for 4-Year UG Honours in B.A. (Political Science) as Major

(In consonance with the Curriculum Framework w.e.f. AY 2026-27)

Course Structure – Year II (Semester III)

Year	Semester	Course No.	Title of the Course	Hours/Week	Credits
II	III	5	Western Political Thought	4	4
		6	Ancient & Medieval Indian Political Thought	4	4
		7	Indian Government	4	4

Semester-wise Credit Summary

Semester	No. of Courses	Total Hours/Week	Total Credits
Semester III	3	12	12

SEMESTER-III

COURSE 5:

WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT

Theory

Credits: 4

4 hrs/

Unit-I: Ancient Greek Political Thought

1. Plato - Rule of Philosopher Kings -Theory of Justice - Ideal State and Education
2. Aristotle -Theory of State - Classification of Governments-Citizenship, Slavery and

Theory of Revolutions

Unit- II: Medieval and Modern Political Thought

1. St. Augustine-Theory of Two Cities
2. Niccolo Machiavelli-State and Statecraft

Unit- III: Contractual Political Thought

1. Thomas Hobbes- Human Nature, Social Contract and Absolute Sovereignty
2. John Locke- Human Nature, State of Nature, Social Contract, Natural Rights and Limited Government.
3. Jean Jacques Rousseau- Human Nature, State of Nature, Social Contract, General Will and Popular Sovereignty.

Unit- IV: Utilitarian Political Thought

1. Jermy Bentham-Theory of Utility, Law and Reforms
2. J.S. Mill-Theory of Liberty and Representative Government.

Unit- V: Marxist Political Thought

1. Karl Marx - Dialectical Materialism, Theory of Surplus Value and Class Struggle
2. Antonio Gramsci - Hegemony and Civil Society
3. John Rawls -Theory of Justice

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4- Year UG Honours, Major
Syllabus
(2026-27)
Semester-III

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