



Glocal Law School

Saharanpur, Uttar Pradesh

TENTATIVE LECTURE PLAN

Course Teacher	Parth Sharma
Subject	Political Science
Time Available	70 Lectures/Hours
Learning Aids Required	White Board, Markers, Eraser, Laptops, LCD Projector
Size of Class	Sixty students
Objectives	At the end of this course, students will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand the nature of Politics as a separate academic discipline, its practical dimensions and the close connection with law• Understand the fundamental theories, ideological traditions, concepts and terminologies associated

with the discipline.

- Evaluate the intellectual understandings of classical and contemporary political thinkers on the subject of State and its sovereignty, rights, liberty, and equality, political obligation and civil disobedience
- Recognize and understand the contemporary debates on affirmative action, different notions of justice, liberty, equality and rights and their practical implications.

Entry Behavior	At entry, students are familiar with Indian Constitutional scheme with special focus on Civil Liberties, Directive Principles and Fundamental Duties.
Assessment	Continuous Assessment (Research Paper, Presentation, Snap Tests, Mid-Term Examination and End-Term Examination).
Cooperative Teaching	Teachers from other schools will be invited as and when it is required.
Readings	Important edited cases will be uploaded on the website for the students.
Requirements	Students are expected to not only attend class, but devote out-of-class time to reading, and using other college resources. 5 Marks is allotted to attendance.

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POLITICAL SCIENCE

MODULES	MODULE TITLE	NUMBER OF LECTURES	LECTURE DETAILS
One	INTRODUCTION TO POLITICS	TEN LECTURES	<u>LECTURE TOPIC</u>
			Political Science: definition, Why to study it?
			Nature: Is it truly a Science?
			Scope of the subject?
			Approaches to the Study of Politics
			Its relationship with law and other disciplines
			<u>An Extra Hour If Needed</u>
Two	Module 2 State and Sovereignty	FIFTEEN LECTURES	<u>LECTURE TOPIC</u>
			Definition of State and its Elements?
			Theories of Origin of State <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Divine Origin 2. Social Contract Theory 3. Evolutionary Theory
			State and other Associations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. State and Civil Society 2. State and Nation 3. State and Government
			Diverse perspectives on state <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Liberal Perspective 2. Marxist Perspective 3. Feminist Perspective
			Sovereignty: Meaning: Monist and Pluralist views.
			Contemporary challenges to Sovereignty
			Article 13: Extra Caution or Abundant

			Caution
			An Extra Hour If Needed
Three	LIBERTY AND EQUALITY	FIFTEEN LECTURES	<u>LECTURE TOPIC</u>
			LIBERTY: MEANING, WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE FREE?
			Evolution of the Concept
			Classification: Positive and Negative liberty.
			Different Conceptions of Liberty
			1. Liberal-individualistic Conception of Liberty
			2. Marxist view on freedom
			3. Freedom as emancipation and development
			Liberty under the Indian constitution.
			Equality: Meaning; The rationale behind Equality
			Equality of What:
			1. Equality of Resources
			2. Equality of Welfare
			3. Equality of Capabilities
			4. Complex Equality
			An Extra hour if Needed
Four	Notions of Justice	FIFTEEN LECTURES	<u>LECTURE TOPIC</u>
			What is Justice
			How it is related to Liberty, Equality and Law.
			Procedural and Substantive Justice
			Retributive and Distributive Justice
			Various theories of Justice:
			1. Liberal Theory of Justice: John Rawls

- 2. Libertarian Theory of Justice: Robert Nozick
- 3. Amartya Sen's idea of Justice

[An Extra Hour If Needed](#)

Five

DEMOCRACY IN THEORY AND PRACTICE FIFTEEN LECTURES

LECTURE TOPICS

Democracy: Meaning
History of an idea

Democracy and its forms
1. Procedural and Substantive Democracy
2. Direct and Representative Democracy.

Theories of Democracy
1. Elitist theory
2. Pluralist theory
3. Marxist theory of Democracy
4. Concept of Deliberative democracy

Key debates in Democracy:
1. Democracy and Development
2. Democracy and Difference

Democracy in India and its challenges

[An Extra Hour If Needed](#)

Wishing You Good Luck!

