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Syllabus & Prescribed Books
Subject- Political Science
B.A. Yearly Examination

MAHAKAUSHAL UNIVERSITY, JABALPUR

**As per model syllabus of U.G.C. New Delhi, drafted
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1st Year

B.A. Political Science Syllabus

BPOL101-T Basic Principles of Political Science

Unit 1: Introduction to Political Science

- Definition, Nature, Scope
- Approaches: Traditional, Behavioral, Normative, Post-Behavioral

Unit 2: State and Sovereignty

- Concept of State, Elements, Functions
- Sovereignty: Types and Theories (Classical & Modern)

Unit 3: Political Ideologies

- Liberalism, Socialism, Conservatism, Feminism, Environmentalism

Unit 4: Democracy and Political Participation

- Meaning, Forms, Merits & Demerits
- Political Parties, Pressure Groups, Civil Society

Unit 5: Political Change and Political Development

- Modernization, Globalization, Challenges to Democracy

References:

1. A. Appadorai – *Political Theory*
 2. S. Chand – *Principles of Political Science*
 3. R.C. Agarwal – *Political Theory*
 4. Almond & Powell – *Comparative Politics*
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BPOL102-T Indian Government and Politics

Unit 1: Evolution of Indian Constitution

- Historical Background, Salient Features

Unit 2: Indian Federalism

- Centre-State Relations, Forms of Federalism, Issues in Federalism

Unit 3: Union Government

- President, Prime Minister, Council of Ministers, Parliament

Unit 4: State Government

- Governor, Chief Minister, State Legislature

Unit 5: Contemporary Indian Politics

- Electoral System, Political Parties, Coalition Politics, Regionalism

References:

1. Granville Austin – *Indian Constitution: Cornerstone of a Nation*
 2. M. Laxmikanth – *Indian Polity*
 3. Rajni Kothari – *Politics in India*
 4. Subhash Kashyap – *Our Constitution: An Introduction to India's Constitution*
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2nd Year

BPOL201-T: Representative Political Thinkers

Unit 1: Plato and Aristotle

- Concept of State, Justice, Citizenship, Politics

Unit 2: Machiavelli and Hobbes

- Power, State, Sovereignty, Social Contract

Unit 3: John Locke and Rousseau

- Natural Rights, Social Contract, Liberty, Democracy

Unit 4: Karl Marx and Lenin

- Class Struggle, State, Communism, Historical Materialism

Unit 5: Modern Thinkers

- John Stuart Mill, Antonio Gramsci, Hannah Arendt – Democracy, Civil Society, Totalitarianism

References:

1. R.C. Agarwal – *Political Thinkers*
 2. S.P. Verma – *Modern Political Thought*
 3. Andrew Heywood – *Political Theory: An Introduction*
 4. C.B. Macpherson – *The Political Theory of Possessive Individualism*
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BPOL202-T: Constitution of Major Countries

Unit 1: Constitution of the United States

- Federalism, Separation of Powers, Fundamental Rights

Unit 2: Constitution of the United Kingdom

- Unwritten Constitution, Parliamentary System, Rule of Law

Unit 3: Constitution of France

- Republicanism, Semi-Presidential System, Constitutional Council

Unit 4: Constitution of China

- One-Party System, Role of Communist Party, Fundamental Rights

Unit 5: Comparative Analysis

- Similarities and Differences, Strengths & Weaknesses

References:

1. Subhash C. Kashyap – *Constitutional History of India*
 2. Granville Austin – *Working a Democratic Constitution*
 3. D.D. Basu – *Comparative Constitutional Law*
 4. Jean Blondel – *Comparative Government*
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3rd Year

BPOL301-T: Indian Foreign Policy

Unit 1: Evolution of Indian Foreign Policy

- Pre-Independence and Post-Independence Developments

Unit 2: Principles and Determinants

- Panchsheel, Non-alignment, Economic & Strategic Considerations

Unit 3: India and Neighbouring Countries

- Pakistan, China, Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka

Unit 4: India and Global Powers

- USA, Russia, European Union, Japan

Unit 5: India and International Organizations

- UN, SAARC, BRICS, WTO, Emerging Trends

References:

1. V.P. Dutt – *India's Foreign Policy*
 2. Rajiv Sikri – *Challenge and Strategy: Rethinking India's Foreign Policy*
 3. G. Parthasarathy – *Indian Foreign Policy: The Diplomacy of Regional Power*
 4. K. Subramanyam – *India's Foreign Policy and Security*
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BPOL302-T: Public Administration

Unit 1: Introduction to Public Administration

- Meaning, Scope, Evolution, New Public Administration

Unit 2: Administrative Theory

- Classical Theory, Scientific Management, Weber's Bureaucracy

Unit 3: Organizational Behavior

- Structure, Hierarchy, Leadership, Decision Making

Unit 4: Personnel Administration

- Recruitment, Training, Motivation, Performance Appraisal

Unit 5: Contemporary Issues

- Good Governance, E-Governance, Accountability, Citizen-Centric Administration

References:

1. L.D. White – *Introduction to the Study of Public Administration*
2. Avasthi & Maheshwari – *Public Administration*
3. R.K. Saprú – *Administrative Theories and Management Thought*
4. Mohit Bhattacharya – *Public Administration: Structure, Process, Behavior*

Basic Principles of Political Science

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