

Semester Lecture Plan

Name of the college: Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce- Sanquelim, Goa

Name of Faculty: Judaline Torcato

Subject: Political Science

Paper code: POL 100

Program/Course: FYBA INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL THEORY

Division: A

Academic year: 2026 - 2027

Semester: I

Total Lectures: 60

Course Objectives:

1. To impart knowledge about the fundamentals of Political Science, Political Philosophy and Political Thought.
2. To make the learner aware of the basic concepts in the discipline of Political Science (Power, Authority, Citizenship, Rights, Security and Democracy).
3. To introduce learners to basic political values — Liberty, Equality and Justice — and the relationship between them.
4. To inculcate the democratic spirit amongst the learners.

Course Learning Outcome:

The student will be:

1. Understand the meaning, nature, scope and relevance of Political Science, Political Philosophy and Political Thought.
2. Examine the important basic concepts in Political Science.
3. Understand the relationship between Liberty, Equality and Justice.
4. Inculcate and appreciate the democratic spirit in everyday life.

Month	Lectures From:	To:	No. of Lectures Allotted	Topic, Subtopic to be Covered	Learning Outcome	ICT Tools	Reference Books
June	22/06/2026	27/06/2026	4	Introduction to Political Science: Meaning, Nature and Scope of Political Science	Students will be able to understand the meaning, nature and scope of Political Science.	PowerPoint Presentation / Discussion	Andrew Heywood, Politics, Palgrave Macmillan, 1997
June/ July	29/06/2026	04/07/2026	4	Meaning of Political Philosophy and Political Thought	Students will be able to distinguish between Political Philosophy and Political Thought.	PowerPoint Presentation	J. C. Johari, Principles of Modern Political Science, Sterling Publishers, 2009
July	06/07/2026	11/07/2026	4	Relevance of Political Science in Contemporary Times	Students will understand why the study of Political Science is relevant today.		O.P. Gauba, An Introduction to Political Theory, MacMillan Publishers, 2009

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July	13/07/2026	18/07/2026	4	Unit 1 Recapitulation & Concept Quiz; Introduction to Unit 2 — Basic Political Concepts	Students will consolidate Unit 1 learning and get introduced to core political concepts.	PowerPoint Presentation	Political Theory by V.D Mahajan
July	20/07/2026	25/07/2026	4	Power — Meaning, Types and Sources of Power	Students will understand the meaning and various dimensions of power in politics.	PowerPoint Presentation	Political Theory by V.D Mahajan
July/ Aug	27/07/2026	01/08/2026	4	Authority — Meaning, Types and Relationship with Power	Students will distinguish between power and authority and understand the types of authority.	PowerPoint Presentation	Political Theory by V.D Mahajan
August	03/08/2026	08/08/2026	4	Citizenship — Meaning and Types of Citizenship	Students will understand the meaning and classification of citizenship.	PPT / Case Study Discussion	
August	10/08/2026	15/08/2026	4	Rights — Meaning and Types of Rights	Students will understand the meaning and classification of rights.	PowerPoint Presentation	J. C. Johari, Contemporary Political Theory, Sterling Publishers, 1996
August	17/08/2026	22/08/2026	4	Security — Meaning and Types of Security; Democracy — Meaning and Features	Students will understand the concept of security and the basic features of democracy.	PPT / Discussion	
August	24/08/2026	29/08/2026	4	Unit 2 Recapitulation & Group Discussion; Introduction to Unit 3 — Basic Political Values	Students will consolidate Unit 2 learning and get introduced to political values.	Group Discussion / Worksheets	Political Theory by V.D Mahajan
Aug/ Sep	31/08/2026	05/09/2026	4	Liberty — Meaning, Types and Significance	Students will understand the meaning and dimensions of liberty.		O.P. Gauba, An Introduction to Political Theory, MacMillan Publishers, 2009
September	07/09/2026	12/09/2026	4	Equality — Meaning and Types of Equality	Students will understand the meaning and forms of equality.	PPT / Discussion	
September	14/09/2026	19/09/2026	Nil	Ganesh Chaturthi Break			
September	21/09/2026	26/09/2026	4	Justice — Meaning and Types of Justice	Students will understand the meaning and types of justice.	PowerPoint Presentation	B. C. Rout, Political Theories Concepts & Ideologies, S. Chand & Co., 1986
Sep/ Oct	28/09/2026	03/10/2026	4	Relationship between Liberty, Equality and Justice	Students will critically examine the interrelationship between liberty, equality and justice.	Group Discussion / PPT	Andrew Heywood, Politics, Palgrave Macmillan, 1997

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October	05/10/2026	10/10/2026	4	State :Meaning, Elements and Development	Students will examine concepts of State		Political Theory by V.D Mahajan
October	12/10/2026	14/10/2026	4	Sovereignty: Meaning, Features and Kinds	Students will revise and consolidate examine concept of Sovereignty and its importance in International Relations		O.P. Gauba, An Introduction to Political Theory, MacMillan Publishers, 2009

Component	Max Marks
ISA 1	10
ISA 2	10
ISA 3	10
Semester End Exam	80