

KURUKSHETRA UNIVERSITY KURUKSHETRA

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('A⁺' Grade NAAC Accredited)**Undergraduate Programme (Political Science) Syllabus, Semester-III**

CC-3 / MCC-4			
Session 2023-2024			
Part-A Introduction			
Subject	Political Science		
Semester	III		
Name of the Course	Indian Constitution		
Course Code	B23-POL-301		
Course Type: (CC/MCC/MDC/ CCM/ DSEC/VOC/DSE/PC/AEC/ VAC	CC/MCC		
Level of the course (As per Annexure-I)	200-299		
Pre-requisite for the course (if any)	NA		
Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)	After completing this course, the learner will be able to: 1. Understand the preamble and features of the Indian Constitution and develop an understanding of Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy. 2. Develop an understanding of the powers, position and functions of the Union and the State Executive. 3. Comprehend the functioning of the Union and State legislatures and local self-government. 4. Comprehend the functioning of the Indian judicial system		
Credits	Theory	Tutorial	Total
	3	1	4
Contact Hours	3 per week	1 per week	4 per week
Max. Marks: 100	Time: 3 Hours		
Internal Assessment Marks: 30			
End Term Exam Marks: 70			
Part-B Contents of the Course			
Instructions for Paper Setters			
1. Total NINE Questions will be set and students will be required to attempt FIVE questions.			
2. Question No. 1 will be compulsory and will consist of 7 short answer type questions of 2 marks each spread over the entire syllabus.			

3. The remaining EIGHT questions will be set taking TWO questions from each of the four units. The candidate would be required to attempt ONE question from each unit in addition to the compulsory question.		
4. Each question will carry 14 marks.		
Unit	Topics	Contact Hours
I	Indian Constitution: Preamble, Salient Features, Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State Policy	12
II	Union Executive: President, Vice-President, Prime Minister and Council of Ministers State Executive: Governor, Chief Minister and Council of Ministers	12
III	Union Legislature: Parliament - Composition, Functions and the Legislative Process State Legislature: Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council Panchayati Raj Institutions: History, Basic Features and 73rd Amendment	12
IV	Judiciary: Supreme Court and High Courts: Powers, Functions and Jurisdiction; Judicial Review and Judicial Activism	12
	Tutorial	12
Suggested Evaluation Methods		
Internal Assessment: 30 Marks Class Participation 05 Seminar/Presentation/Assignment/Quiz/Class Test etc. 10 Mid Term Exam: 15		End Term Examination: 70 Marks

Part-C Learning Resources
Recommended Books: • Austin, G. (1966). The Indian Constitution: Corner Stone of a Nation. Oxford, Oxford University Press. • Austin, G. (2000). Working a Democratic Constitution: The Indian Experience. Delhi, Oxford University Press. • Basu, D. D. (1994). An Introduction to the Constitution of India. New Delhi, Prentice Hall. • Basu, D. D., & Parekh, B. (Eds.). (1994). Crisis and Change in Contemporary India. New Delhi, Sage. • Bhambhri, C. P. (1997). The Indian State: Fifty Years. New Delhi, Shipra. • Bhushan, R., & Katju, M. (2012). Supreme but not Infallible: Essays In Honour of The Supreme Court of India. Hay House India. • Brass, P. (1974). Language, Religion and Politics in North India. London, Cambridge University Press. • Brass, P. (1990). Politics of India Since Independence. Hyderabad, Orient Longman. • Chanda, A. (1965). Federalism in India: A Study of Union-State Relations. London, George

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