

Honours Course: Discipline Specific Elective I

Semester	FIVE
Paper Number	HPSDS5011T
Paper Title	Political Sociology
No. of Credits	6
Theory/Composite	Theory
No. of periods assigned	Th: 5+1 Tutorial Pr:
Name of Faculty member(s)	
Course description/objective	This course is divided into two sections. Module I introduces the students to the idea of Political Sociology, its evolution, and an insight into some of the key concepts. Module II is designed to explore some of the key issues which have acquired importance and relevance for a comprehensive understanding of the political process. Discussions on these issues will draw upon relevant views of prominent social thinkers.
Syllabus	<p>Module I: (40 Marks)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Emergence of Political Sociology (4 Lectures) 2. Power, Authority and Legitimacy (8 Lectures) 3. Political elites: Michels, Mosca, Pareto. (8 Lectures) 4. Political culture and socialization (5 Lectures) 5. Groups in politics: political parties and pressure groups (5 lectures) <p>Module II: (40 Marks)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Political participation: concept and types; determinants of electoral behaviour (6 Lectures) 7. Social stratification: class, caste and ethnicity (8 Lectures) 8. Religion and politics: views of Durkheim, Weber, Marx (8 Lectures) 9. Political Development (4 Lectures) 10. Military and politics (4 lectures)
Texts	
Reading/Reference Lists	<p>Heywood, Andrew (2002) <i>Politics</i>. New York: Palgrave Foundations.</p> <p>Heywood, Andrew (2004) <i>Political Theory- An Introduction</i>. London: Palgrave Macmillan</p> <p>Ponton, Geoffrey & Gill, Peter (1998) <i>Introduction to Politics</i>.</p>

	<p>Oxford, UK: Blackwell Publishers</p> <p>Bottomore, T.B.(1975) <i>Sociology – A Guide to Problems and Literature</i>. New Delhi: Blackie & Son (India)</p> <p>Chakroborty, Satyabrata (ed) (2005) <i>Political Sociology</i>. New Delhi: Macmillan India Ltd.</p> <p>Mukhopadhyay,A.K. (1980) <i>Political Sociology – An Introductory Analysis</i>. Kolkata: K.P. Bagchi & Company</p>
Evaluation	<p>CIA: 20</p> <p>End-Sem: 80</p> <p>Short Notes: 2 out of 3 of 5marks each (2x5=10)</p> <p>Essay Type: 3 out of 4 (3X10= 30) (40 marks per module)</p> <p>40+40 (Module I + Module II= 80) (80+20 CIA=100)</p>