

Social Sciences - II

One of the following options:

A. POL-101-Political Science

Objectives:

The objective of this course is to introduce the students with the fundamentals of the subject of Political Science and prepare them for advanced studies in the forthcoming semesters. The very basic concepts and terminology commonly used in the further courses of studies are taught to make the students friendly with the subject.

Contents:

1. Definition, Nature, Scope and Sub-fields of Political Science.
2. Relationship of Political Science with other social sciences.
3. Approaches to the study of Political Science: Traditional and Modern.
4. Basic concepts of Political Science: Power, Authority, Legitimacy, Nation and Sovereignty.
5. State: its origin and evolution; Western and Islamic concepts of State, Forms of State: Unitary, Federation, Confederation.
6. Organs of Government: Legislature, Executive, Judiciary.
7. Forms of Government: Parliamentary, Presidential, Authoritarian.

Note: Sub-fields of Political Science include: Political Philosophy/Theory; Comparative Politics; International Relations; Public Administration/ Public Policy; Local Government, etc.

Recommended Books:

1. Choudhry Ahmad Shafi, Usul-e-Siyasiat (Urdu), Lahore Standard Book Depot, 1996.
2. Sheikh Bashir Ahmad, Riyasat Jo Ilm (Sindhi meaning Science of State), Jamshoro, Institute of Sindhalogy, University of Sindh, 1985.
3. Mazher ul Haq, Theory and Practice in Political Science, Lahore Bookland, 1996.
4. Michael G. Roskin, Political Science: An Introduction, London: Prentice Hall, 1997.
5. Mohammad Sarwar, Introduction to Political Science, Lahore Ilmi Kutub Khana, 1996.
6. Robert Jackson and Dorreen Jackson, A Comparative Introduction to Political Science (New Jersey, Prentice – Hall, 1997)
7. Rodee Anderson etc. Introduction to Political Science, Islamabad, National Book Foundation, Latest Edition.
8. R. C. Agarwal, Political Theory (Principles of Pol. Science), New Delhi, S. Chand & Co., 2006.
9. V. D. Mahajan, Political Theory (Principles of Pol. Science), New Delhi, S. Chand & Co., 2006.
10. Ian Mackenzi (Ed.), Political Concepts: A Reader and Guide, Edinburgh, University Press, 2005.