



BS (4 Years) for Affiliated Colleges

Code	Subject Title	Cr. Hrs	Semester
GS-306	Gender and Politics	3	V
Year	Discipline		
3	Gender Studies		

The course is based on the understanding of function and importance of politics in a state. It enables students to look through the system of politics with gender lens in national and International context. Further, the course focuses on the understanding of Women's role in politics and how it can increase efficiency of political system.

Course Contents

Introduction to Political thought

Theories of Political Science

Role of Men and Women's in Pakistan movement

- Formal Political Participation
- Informal Political Participation
- Contesting Elections

Representation of men and women in various bodies

- Local bodies, jirgas and village councils, and at grass root levels
- Provincial and National Assemblies
- Senate

Gendered representation in politics

- Role in political parties
- Role in the parliaments
- Sources of empowerment and leadership
- Case studies of female legislators
- Challenges faced by men and women in politics

Political empowerment

- Vote casting
- Awareness regarding political processes and equal opportunities of political representation
- Political participation as human rights
- Electoral System in Pakistan
- Local Government Ordinance 2000

Capacity building

- Men & Women's Leadership skills training
- Role of International and National Organizations

Women's political caucus

- Provincial and National Assemblies

Basic Readings

- Rouse, Shahnaz. (2006). **Gender, Nation, State in Pakistan**. Lahore: Maktaba Jadeed
 - Goertz ,Gry and M.G.Amy. (2008). **Politics, Gender and Concepts**. UK: Cambridge University
 - Asian Development Bank. (2004). **Gender and Governance Issues in Local Government: Regional Report of Bangladesh, Nepal, and Pakistan**
 - Rouse. S. (2006). **Gender, Nation, State in Pakistan: Shifting body Politics**. Lahore: Vanguard Books
 - Geertz, G; Mazur. G.A. (2008). **Politics, Gender and Concepts (Theory and Methodology)**. United Kingdom :Cambridge University Press
 - Ayaz, Aazar, and Andrea Flscherberg (2009). **The gender face of Asian Politics**. Karachi: Oxford University
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