

PS/615: A Study of Comparative Political Institutions in Pakistan (1947-2010)

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Course Assessment:

- Mid-Term : 25
- Assignment : 15
- Class Activity : 10
- Final Exam : 50

❖ Learning Outcomes:

This course will create awareness about the Institution building in Pakistan. The aim of the course is to acquaint the students with the nature and direction of the institutional and the growth and working of the institutions. A special focus shall be on the role of the political leadership and that of military-bureaucratic leadership in the political institutionalization in Pakistan.

❖ Course Outline:

- Institution –Building: Concept and Theory
- The State and State-building
- Development of Civil Society

Legislatures

- a) Place of Parliament in History : Concept & Origin
- b) Organization and Composition of the Parliament
- c) Working and Functioning of the Parliament
- d) Political handicaps in Legislation

Electorates

- a) Role of Electorates in Democratic Process
- b) Concept of Electoral College
- c) Use of Electorates by the Political Parties

Executives

- a) Organizational Structure
- b) Cabinet Formulation criterion
- c) The Range of Executive Power
- d) Role of Executive in State affairs

Courts

- a) Institution of Judiciary in Pakistan
- b) The Range of Judicial Powers
- c) Judicial activism
- d) Court's relations with other institutions

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