

CURRICULUM PLAN (JULY-DECEMBER, 2025-26 Academic Year)

POLITICAL SCIENCE (B. A Programme, Semester-VII (NEP)

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Name of Paper & Code	Allocation of Lectures	Month wise schedule followed by the Department	Tutorial/Assignment/ Presentation etc.
Research Methods in Politics DSE-11, 4 Credits (3 Lectures +1 Practical/ Practice) B A Prog. (sharing with Dr. Sandeep)			
UNIT – I: Introduction a. Human Enquiry and Social Science Research b. What is political inquiry? Why do we need it? c. Issues of objectivity and Interpretation in political enquiry d. Epistemological Debate- Quantitative and Qualitative analysis	(12 Hours)	August-September, 2025	-Why Research is needed - understanding Designing Social Inquiry: Scientific Inference in Qualitative Research -Difference between Quantitative and Qualitative analysis -assignment for Book Review writhing
UNIT – II: Conceptualizing Research a. Formulation of a research problem/research design b. Framing research questions c. Review of literature d. Citation and sources	(10 Hours)		Dr. Sandeep
UNIT – III: Methods in the study of politics and their application? a. Empirical b. Discourse Analysis c. History of ideas d. Ethnography	(18 Hours)	October-November	-Explaining various methods used in political research -interactive session -case studies involving specific methods -assignment for survey will be given
UNIT – IV: Practical Component: Doing Research a. Writing Research Proposal: Review of the literature and Identification of research gap, research question and Hypothesis, Research Methodology b. Philosophy and ethics c. Plagiarism d. Publication ethics—publication misconduct	(5 Hours)	November-December	-Each Students will be given to prepare Research Proposal, Review of the literatures and Identification of research gap, research question and Hypothesis, use of Research Methodology -Research proposal will be plagiarism checked.