

**GIRIJANANDA CHOWDHURY UNIVERSITY, ASSAM**  
Hatkhowapara, Azara, Guwahati-781017



**POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMME**  
**COURSE STRUCTURE**

**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

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**Postgraduate Course Structure**

**School of Social Sciences and Humanities**

**Department of Political Science**

**TOTAL CREDITS: 84**

**Discipline-Specific Core Course (DSCC) = 54**

**Research Project and Dissertation= 4**

**Internship= 4**

**Discipline Specific Elective (DSE)=16**

**Interdisciplinary Elective Course (IEC)= 3**

**Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)= 3**

<b>SEM</b>	<b>Discipline Specific Core Course (DSCC)</b>	<b>Discipline Specific Elective (DSE)</b>	<b>IEC</b>	<b>SEC</b>	<b>Internship/ Dissertation</b>	<b>Credit</b>
I	5x4=20	-	3		-	23
II	4x4=16* 1X2=2	-	-	3	-	21
III	2x4=8	2x4=8*	-	-	4	20
IV	2x4=8	2x4=8	-	-	4	20
	*Students may be allowed to opt for one SWAYAM or NPTEL course in their respective disciplines in lieu of DSCC and DSE courses in 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> semesters prescribed by the university					

## **Programme Outcomes (PO)**

The students on completion of the programme shall be able to

1. Demonstrate an in-depth comprehension of fundamental theories and concepts and awareness of social problems.
2. Application of knowledge-based ideas, and quantitative and qualitative approaches to effectively analyze and resolve complex real-world problems.
3. Inculcate a research-oriented mindset by identifying problems, conducting a relevant review of literature, and analyzing specific issues.
4. Improve social understanding for negotiating multiple perspectives such as, political, historical, economic, and cultural, through interdisciplinary approaches to draw evidence-based inferences.
5. Develop and apply communication skills and ICT proficiently in various academic and professional situations.
6. Nurture language literacy and critical thinking skills in students to enhance their grasp of subject-specific terminology and concepts.
7. Develop commitment to values and ethical principles and sensitivity towards gender equity and respect for other cultures and communities to coexist in society.
8. Acquire knowledge of global literary traditions, their ongoing impact on cultures around the world, and the emergence of new literary trends.
9. Foster students' consciousness by instilling environmental awareness and initiating responsibility toward the attainment of sustainable development goals.
10. Explore and understand human behaviour, individual concerns, and therapeutic interventions, equipping students to effectively identify, diagnose, and address these challenges.
11. Develop the capacity for astute evaluation by engaging with historical issues, and demonstrate analytical thinking regarding intricate political matters, policy debates, national and international political phenomena, and governmental activity strategies.
12. Build professional competency to enhance the ability to identify and mobilize resources independently.
13. Engage in activities that promote continuous learning and holistic development and develop empathy for the needs of disempowered communities.

## **Programme Specific Objectives (PSO)**

The students on completion of the programme shall be able to

1. Demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of advanced political theories and concepts that can be applied to analyse and address complex political phenomena.
2. Develop the ability to formulate, design and conduct research in the field of political science and other domains of social science.
3. Construct intellectually diverse perspectives and critical analysis of political issues by integrating insights from various fields.
4. Develop the necessary skills and abilities to create logical arguments upholding the basic human values of liberty, justice and equality that can mould political, ethical behaviour and leadership qualities.

## Syllabus Structures

<b>M.A. 1<sup>st</sup> Semester</b>						
Sl. No.	Paper Code	Name of the Paper (DSCC)	Hours per week			Total Credit
			L	T	P	
1.	MPO23500T	Debates in Political Theory	4	0	0	4
2.	MPO23501T	International Relations: Concepts and Theories	4	0	0	4
3.	MPO23502T	Politics in India	4	0	0	4
4.	MPO23503T	Public Administration: Contemporary Issues and Debates	4	0	0	4
5.	MPO23504T	Western Political Thinkers	4	0	0	4
<b>IEC</b>						
6.	MPO23540T	Indian Government and Politics	3	0	0	3

<b>M.A. 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester</b>						
Sl. No.	Paper Code	Name of the Paper (DSCC)	Hours per week			Total Credit
			L	T	P	
1.	MPO23505T	Research Methodology	4	0	0	4
2.	MPO23506T	Indian Administration: Structure and Processes	4	0	0	4
3.	MPO23507T	Comparative Politics: Issues and Perspectives.	4	0	0	4
4.	MPO23508T	Themes in Indian Political Thought	4	0	0	4
5.	MPO23509T	Gender and Politics	2	0	0	2

<b>M.A. 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester</b>						
Sl. No.	Paper Code	Name of the Paper	Hours per week			Total Credit
			L	T	P	
<b>Core Subjects (DSCC)</b>						
1.	MPO23600T	Marxist Political Thought	4	0	0	4
2.	MPO23601T	North East India: Politics and Determinants	4	0	0	4
3.	MPO23602R	Summer Internship	0	0	4	4
<b>*DSE (Any Two out of which One can be from SAWAYAM/NPTEL)</b>						
4.		One Paper to be selected from SWAYAM/NPTEL	4	0	0	4
5.	MPO23620T	Federalism in India	4	0	0	4
6.	MPO23621T	Political Ecology	4	0	0	4
7.	MPO23622T	Foreign Policy of Major Powers	4	0	0	4

<b>M.A. 4<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>						
Sl. No.	Paper Code	Name of the Paper	Hours per week			Total Credit
			L	T	P	
<b>Core Subjects (DSCC)</b>						
1.	MPO23603T	Politics of Social Movements	4	0	0	4
2.	MPO23604T	India's Foreign Policy	4	0	0	4
3.	MPO23605R	Research Project	0	0	8	4
<b>* *DSE (Any Two)</b>						
4.	MPO23623T	Political Sociology	4	0	0	4
5.	MPO23624T	Human Rights	4	0	0	4
6.	MPO23625T	Administrative Theory	4	0	0	4
7.	MPO23626T	Democracy and Multiculturalism	4	0	0	4

\*One from SAWAYAM/NPTEL courses as prescribed by the university.

\*\*Out of 4 electives students can choose any two courses and/or any one from the given list.