

GIRIJANANDA CHOWDHURY UNIVERSITY, ASSAM

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UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMME

COURSE STRUCTURE

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Girijananda Chowdhury University, Assam

Common Course Structure Summary of Credit Distribution

SEM	Core (Major)	Core (Minor)	Multidisciplinary (MDC)*	AEC*	SEC*	VAC*	Internship/ Dissertation/ project	Credit	EXIT OPTION
I	4	4+4	3	2	3	2		22	Certificate**
II	4	4+4	3	2	3	2		22	
III	4	4+4	3	2	3	-		20	Diploma**
IV	12+4	-	-	2		2		20	
V	12+4	-	-		-		4	20	Degree (with Single Major and/or Minor /Double Major in Discipline(s))
VI	16+4	-	-	-	-	-		20	
Total								124	End of 3rd Year
VII	8	4+4	-	-	-	-	Project/Dissertation I (4)/ Core (4)***	20	Degree Honours with Research/With out Research (With Single Major and Minor(s) /Double Major) in Discipline(s))
VIII	12	-	-	-	-	-	Project/Dissertation II (8)/ Core (4+4)***	20	
Total								164	End of 4th Year

NOTE:

A)

*Students have to choose one course from the pool of courses offered under MDC, AEC, SEC and VAC.

** Students, opting to exit from the programme at the end of 1st /2nd year, need to undertake a compulsory Vocational Course carrying 4 credits.

*** Students not opting for Research Project have to undertake **1 course of 4 credits** in the 7th Semester and **2 courses of 4 credits** each in the 8th Semester in lieu of 12 credits of dissertation work during the 4th year.

B)

i) AEC, SEC & VAC courses are constructed centrally for the university for all the disciplines and across all the schools wherever it is applicable.

ii) MDC courses are constructed by individual departments for the specific school of studies & are offered together in a common basket.

Program Outcome (PO)

1. Demonstrate a thorough understanding of foundational concepts and awareness of societal challenges.
2. Apply knowledge-based ideas and quantitative and qualitative approaches to address complex real-world concerns.
3. Develop research skills, identifying problems, reviewing literature, and analysing issues efficiently.
4. Employ interdisciplinary approaches, explore various perspectives, and reach evidence-based conclusions.
5. Effectively communicate and use ICT in a variety of academic and professional settings.
6. Foster critical thinking, creativity, and innovation, as well as language literacy, for the goal of professional development and career advancement.
7. Incorporate moral standards, ethical ideals, and cultural sensitivity to promote diversity and empathy towards marginalised communities.
8. Acquire knowledge of global literary traditions, new literary developments, and their continuous influence on cultures throughout the world.
9. Promote environmental responsibility in support of sustainable development goals.
10. Pursue lifelong learning and foster a scientific mindset to generate new knowledge.

Program Specific Outcome (PSO)

1. Develop an understanding of the basic concepts of Political Science with the application of knowledge-based ideas to explore various perspectives related to academic and professional settings.
2. Develop critical thinking along with applications of scientific research tools through effective communications and the use of ICT.
3. Explore various perspectives related to policy-making and promote environmental responsibility in support of sustainable development goals.
4. Foster a scientific mindset to generate new knowledge and to achieve goals of professional development and career advancement.

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Department of Political Science

Course - Structure for Four-year Full-time Undergraduate Programme

FIRST YEAR				
First Semester				
Code	Course	Category of Course	L-T-P	Total Credit
BPO23100T	Introduction to Political Theory	DSCC/Major/ Minor	4-0-0	4
BPO23101T	Understanding International Relations	DSCC/Minor	4-0-0	4
Second Semester				
Code	Course	Category of Course	L-T-P	Total Credit
BPO23102T	Constitutional Government and Democracy in India	DSCC/Major/ Minor	4-0-0	4
BPO23103T	Indian Constitution and Government	DSCC/Minor	4-0-0	4

****Minor papers are offered to the students from other departments than political science.**

EXIT OPTION WITH CERTIFICATION in Political Science

Students who desire to exit after 1 year of study need to undertake Vocational Training/Course of 8 weeks/4 credits.

SECOND YEAR				
Third Semester				
Code	Course	Category of Course	L-T-P	Total Credit
BPO23200T	Introduction to Comparative Government and Politics	DSCC/Major/Minor	4-0-0	4
BPO23201T	Local Governance: Theory and Practice	DSCC/Minor	4-0-0	4
Fourth Semester				
Code	Course	Category of Course	L-T-P	Total Credit
BPO23202T	Introduction to Public Administration	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23203T	International Relations: Theories and Practices	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23204T	Political Processes in India	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23220T	Understanding Feminist Political Theory	DSE (Elective)	4-0-0	4
BPO23221T	Peace and Conflict Resolution			

EXIT OPTION WITH DIPLOMA in Political Science

Students, who desire to exit after 2 years of study and have not undertaken Vocational Training/ Course of 4 credits after 1st year, need to go for such training.

Year 3**Fifth Semester**

Code	Course	Category of Course	L-T-P	Total Credit
BPO23300T	Political Ideology	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23301T	Western Political Thought	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23302T	India's Foreign Policy in a Globalising World	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23320T	Human Rights: Issues and Challenges	DSE (Elective)	4-0-0	4
BPO23321T	Understanding Globalisation			
BPO23400R	Dissertation/Field Work	Internship/Project	0-0-8	4

Sixth Semester

Code	Course	Category of Course	L-T-P	Total Credit
BPO23303T	Public Policy and Administration in India	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23304T	Modern Indian Political Thought	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23305T	Politics in North-East India	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23306T	Global Politics	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23322T	Environment and Politics	DSE (Elective)	4-0-0	4
BPO23323T	United Nations and Global Conflict			

EXIT OPTION WITH BACHELOR DEGREE in Political Science

*Students who want to undertake a 3-year UG programme will be awarded a UG Degree in the field of study upon securing the **minimum credit requirements** prescribed by the university*

Political Science (Hons) without Research

Seventh Semester				
Code	Course	Category of Course	L-T-P	Total Credit
BPO23401T	Research Methods & Techniques for Political Science	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23402T	Political Sociology	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23403T	***Liberal Political Theory: Concepts and Debates	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23420T	Select Constitutions	Minor (Elective)	4-0-0	4
BPO23421T	Nationalism in India			
BPO23422T	International Organisations	Minor (Elective)	4-0-0	4
BPO23423T	India and her Neighbours			
Eighth Semester				
Code	Course	Category of Course	L-T-P	Total Credit
BPO23405T	Government and Politics in South Asia	DSCC(Major)	4-0-0	4
BPO23406T	Social Movements in India: Issues and Debates	DSCC(Major)	4-0-0	4
BPO23407T	Perspectives on Political Economy	DSCC(Major)	4-0-0	4
BPO23408T	***Local Governance: Issues and Challenges	DSCC(Major)	4-0-0	4
BPO23409T	*** Contemporary Political Issues	DSCC(Major)	4-0-0	4

** POLITICAL SCIENCE papers are in lieu of research projects so students opting for honours with research shall not study these papers.

Political Science (Hons) with Research

Seventh Semester				
Code	Course	Category of Course	L-T-P	Total Credit
BPO23401T	Research Methods & Techniques for Political Science	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23402T	Political Sociology	DSCC/Major	4-0-0	4
BPO23404R	Research Project Part I	Project/Internship/ Dissertation	0-0-8	4
BPO23420T	Select Constitutions	Minor (Elective)	4-0-0	4
BPO23421T	Nationalism in India			
BPO23422T	International Organisations	Minor (Elective)	4-0-0	4
BPO23423T	India and her Neighbours			
Eighth Semester				
Code	Course	Category of Course	L-T-P	Total Credit
BPO23405T	Government and Politics in South Asia	DSCC(Major)	4-0-0	4
BPO23406T	Social Movements in India: Issues and Debates	DSCC(Major)	4-0-0	4
BPO23407T	Perspectives on Political Economy	DSCC(Major)	4-0-0	4
BPO23410R	Research Project Part II	Project/Internship/ Dissertation	0-0-16	8
TOTAL				20