B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE



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Department of Political Science
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"Man is by nature a political animal."
- **Aristotle** (384 BCE-322 BCE)

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Why study Political Science?

Academic: Master Political Science concepts, vocabulary and processes.

Personal / Professional: Communicate effectively, defend views, and develop soft skills.

Research: Build critical thinking, analytical and writing skills.

Entrepreneurial/ Social: Foster citizenship and social responsibility, explore specializations, and contribute to policy-making and democratic governance.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Program Highlights

- The subject is taught at Major as well as Minor levels at the Undergraduate (BA) level, both in English and Marathi Mediums.
- syllabus under NEP 2020, Full time course
- Optional Elective for Science stream (Self-financed)
- Vocational Courses related to Employability
- An emphasis on inclusiveness and a concern for the environment in all the activities of the Department



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Course Structure

YEAR 1

Theoretical Foundations

Introduction to Political Theory
Western Political Thought
Indian Political Thought

YEAR 2

Core areas

Political Ideologies
Indian Government & Politics
Comparative Politics

YEAR 3

Interdisciplinary & Applied areas

International Relations
India's Foreign Policy
Public Administration
Indian Administration

Career Opportunities

- Research & Teaching Career
- Interdisciplinary Studies:
  - Public Administration
  - International Relations & Politics
  - Policy Studies
  - Defence & Strategic Studies
  - Development Studies
  - Women's Studies
  - Environmental Studies
  - Social Welfare
  - Media & Communication
- Government Service through Competitive Exams: UPSC, MPSC, etc.
- Post graduate Professional Courses:
  - Law
  - Journalism
- New Avenues in Creative Writing

Employment Opportunities:

Government / Civil Services, NGOs, Think Tanks, Policy Research Organisations, Election Strategy Management & Electoral Analysis

Placements & Skill Development

Simulation of election process in the classroom

Learning Centric Activities:

- Map Work
- Home Assignments
- Class Tests
- Student Seminars & Presentations
- Group Discussions
- Exhaustive Question Banks
- Field Research
- Skit writing
- Article & Movie Reviews
- Policy Analysis

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