

Courses for B.A. (Programme) Political Science

Paper IV - Introduction to International Relations (62324407) Core Course - (CC) Credit:6

Course Objective

This Course is designed to give students a sense of some important theoretical approaches to understand international relations; a history from 1945 onwards to the present; and an outline of the evolution of Indian foreign policy since independence and its possible future trajectory.

Course Learning Outcomes

- Students will learn about major theoretical approaches and the history of International Relations.
- The course will enhance students' understanding on the major political developments in international relations since 1945.
- The paper will develop in-depth knowledge on the emerging centers of power like European Union, China, Russia and Japan.
- Students will also learn about basic determinants of India's foreign policy and understand it in the context of India as an emerging power.

Unit 1

Early Debates in International Relations (27 lectures)

- (a) Idealism vs Realism
- (b) Liberalism to Neo Liberal Institutionalism
- (c) Structural Approaches: World Systems Approach (Immanuel Wallerstein) and Dependency School (Andre Gunder Frank)
- (d) Feminist Perspective (J. Ann Tickner)

Unit 2

Post War International Relations and the emergence of Cold War (20 lectures)

- (a) Second World War & Origins Cold War
- (b) Phases of Cold World War: First Cold War, Rise and Fall of Détente, Second Cold War End of Cold War and Collapse of the Soviet Union
- (c) Post-Cold War Era and Emerging Centers of Power (European Union, China, Russia and Japan)

Unit 3

India's Foreign Policy (13 lectures)

- (a) Basic Determinants (Historical, Geo-Political, Economic, Domestic and Strategic)
- (b) India's Policy of Non-alignment
- (c) India: An Emerging Power

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Teaching Learning Process

This course will help the students in getting introduced to major theoretical approaches and the history of International Relations and will enhance their understanding on the major political developments in international relations since 1945 as well as emerging centers of power like European Union, China, Russia, Japan and India. In this course the teaching process would include a combination of different pedagogic tools like class lecture, class discussion, class presentations, group discussion and debates. The students will also learn through power-point presentations and film screening. The teaching-learning process would also focus on regular revision through different methods like holding quiz after the end of every unit, dividing the class into different groups based on different ideologies in the discipline and holding a free debate amongst them on different issues relevant for the course. Students will also be asked to do small write-ups on a question or a topic given to them based on their understanding of the problem/issue after completing every unit.

Assessment Methods

Students will be assessed at different stages during the completion of this course. They will be assessed on the basis of their performance in group discussions after completion of every unit, class presentations and one assignment on a given topic.

Keywords

International Relations, Idealism, Realism, Liberalism, Structuralism, Feminism, Post-war IR, India's Foreign Policy
