

Course Code	Course Name	Credits
26PL006	COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS	4

### Course Objectives

- To understand the nature and relevance of comparative politics.
- To examine key concepts and approaches in comparative political analysis.
- To analyze constitutionalism and state-building processes in different political systems.
- To compare major political systems such as the United Kingdom, United States, and China.

### Learning Outcomes

#### After the completion of course, the students will be able to

- Explain the key concepts, nature, and scope of comparative politics.
- Understand and differentiate between liberal and social concepts of constitutionalism.
- Compare forms of government including parliamentary and presidential, as well as unitary and federal systems.
- Analyze the functioning of political parties, electoral systems, and pressure groups in different contexts.
- Demonstrate comparative knowledge of political systems in the United Kingdom, United States, and China.
- Develop critical and analytical skills to evaluate political institutions and processes across countries.

#### Unit I: Introduction to Comparative Politics (10 Hrs)

Meaning, Nature and Scope of comparative politics; Approaches to the study of comparative politics ,

#### Unit II: Constitutionalism (12 Hrs)

Definition, development of constitutionalism; Liberal concept of constitutionalism; Social concept of constitutionalism

#### Unit III: State and Regime Types (13 Hrs)

Authoritarian and Democratic; Parliamentary and presidential; Unitary and federal

#### Unit IV: Political Processes and Participation (13 hrs)

Types of party systems- One-party, two-party and multi-party; Electoral systems: First-past- the post, proportional representation; Role of pressure groups

#### Unit V: Comparative study of select political systems (12 hrs)

UK: Parliamentary democracy, constitutional monarchy; USA: Presidential system, federalism; China: One-party system, socialist state

### Essential Readings:

1. Bara, J & Pennington, M. (eds.). (2009) *Comparative Politics*. New Delhi: Sage.
2. Caramani, D. (ed.). (2008) *Comparative Politics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
3. Hague, R. and Harrop, M. (2010) *Comparative Government and Politics: An Introduction*.(Eight Edition). London: Palgrave McMillan.
4. Newton, K. and Deth, Jan W. V. (2010) *Foundations of Comparative Politics: Democracies of the Modern World*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
5. Palekar, S.A. (2009) *Comparative Government and Politics*. New Delhi: PHI Learning Pvt. Ltd.
6. Mohanty, M. (1975) 'Comparative Political Theory and Third World Sensitivity', in Teaching Politics.
7. Bara, J. (2009) 'Methods for Comparative Analysis', in Bara, J. & Pennington, M. (eds.) *Comparative Politics*. New Delhi: Sage, pp. 40-65.
8. Blondel, J. (1996) 'Then and Now: Comparative Politics', *Political Studies*. Vol. 47, Issue 1, pp. 152-160
9. Almond and Powell, *Comparative Politics Today*, Pearson Publications, New Delhi, 2004.
10. Diamond, Larry, J., & Lipset, S.M., (eds), *Democracy in Developing Countries*, Vol. I-IV, Lynne Reiner, Boulder, Colorado, 1988.
11. G.S. Mahler, *Comparative politics: An institutional and cross-national approach* (4th ed.). New Jersey: Prentice Hall, 2003.

12. Hari Hara Das, *Comparative Politics*, National Publishing house, Jaipur, 2003.
13. J.C. Johari, *Comparative Politics*, Sterling Publishers PVT. Ltd., New Delhi 2004
14. Mehran Kamrava, *Politics and Society in the Developing World*, Routledge, London, 2009. (Second Edition).
15. S.N. Ray, *Modern Comparative Politics: Approaches, Methods and Issues*, Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi, 2005.
16. K.K. Ghai, *Major Governments: Political systems of U.K., U.S.A., Russia, Switzerland, France and China*. Kalyani Publishers, ninth revised edition, 2017.
17. Vishnoo Bhagwan and Vidya Bhushan, *World Constitutions* (eighth revised edition, 2004), Sterling publishers private limited, New Delhi.
18. Cole, (2011) 'Comparative Political Parties: Systems and Organizations', in J. Ishiyama, and M. Breuning, (eds) *21st Century Political Science: A Reference Book*. Los Angeles: Sage Publications, pp. 150-158.
19. Heywood, A (2002) 'Parties and Party System', in *Politics*. New York : Palgrave, pp. 247-268.

COs and Bloom's Taxonomy Level (BTL) Mapping- 26PL006		
Course Outcomes	On completing U.G. program in Political Science the students will be able to	BTL
CO1	Recall facts and basic concepts of comparative politics, and demonstrate understanding on different approaches, regimes and political system, and the development of constitutionalism.	K1, K2
CO2	Apply the knowledge to analyse how politics is organised in countries around the world and interpret the political development.	K3
CO3	Draw a connection, differentiate and compare to analyse the various approaches to comparative politics, forms of government, electoral system, types of party systems and pressure groups.	K4
CO4	Justify a stand on specific approaches, different kinds of political system, politics and society to evaluate the global context within which states operates.	K5
CO5	Use the knowledge and understanding of the world constitution to generate new ideas and design a more equitable and just global society.	K6

BTL K1 and K2 – Remembering and Understanding, K3- Applying, K4 – Analyse, K5- Evaluate and K6- Create

Relationship Matrix- 26PL006														
Course Outcomes	Programme Outcomes (POs)						Programme Specific Outcomes (PSOs)						Mean Score of COs	
	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PSO1	PSO2	PSO3	PSO4	PSO5	PSO6		
CO1	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1.6	
CO2	3	3	3	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2.5	
CO3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2.6	
CO4	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2.6	
CO5	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2.6	
													<b>Total</b>	<b>2.38</b>

Mean Score: 3- High, 2- Medium/Moderate, 1-Low