

Course Code	Course Name	Credits
26PL110	INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY	04

Course Objectives

- To understand the scope and relevance of political sociology in everyday political life.
- To examine key concepts such as power, authority, and legitimacy in social and political systems.
- To analyse the processes of political socialisation and participation.
- To evaluate the influence of cultural values and social structures on political behaviour and change.

Learning Outcomes

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

- Gain a clear understanding of how major political ideas help explain society and politics.
- Learn how concepts like power and authority shape everyday political life.
- See how different political systems work and what makes them unique.
- Discover how people develop political views and get involved through culture, values, and participation.

Unit I: Introducing Political Sociology (10 hrs)

Emergence; Nature and scope; Significance

Unit II: Approaches to the study of Political Sociology (13 hrs)

Behaviouralism; Structural-functional; Marxism

Unit III: Power, Authority and Legitimacy (12 hrs)

Meaning; Nature and sources; Relationship between power, authority and legitimacy

Unit IV: Political System (12 hrs)

Nature and characteristics; Structure and sources; Similarities and differences

Unit V: Political Socialisation, Political Participation and Political Culture (13 hrs)

Political socialisation: meaning, agents and types; Political participation: meaning, nature and typologies;

Political culture: meaning, components, role in political stability and change

Suggested Readings:

1. Samir Dasgupta, 2013, Political Sociology, Pearson Education
2. Coser Lewis (ed.), 1967, Political Sociology: Selected Essays, N.Y., Harper& Row
3. Dahl R.A., 1977, Modern Political Analysis, New Delhi, Prentice Hall
4. Wasburn P.C., 1982, Politics and Society, Englewood Cliffs, N.J. Prentice Hall
5. Geetha V., 2007, Patriarchy, Calcutta, Stree.
6. Krislov Samuel, 1974, Representative Bureaucracy, Englewood Cliffs, N.J., Prentice-Hall
7. Milner Andrew, 1999, Class, London, Sage

COs and Bloom's Taxonomy Level (BTL) Mapping -26PL110		
Course Outcomes	On completing U.G. program in Political Science the students will be able to	BTL
CO1	Remember the foundational concepts of political sociology, understanding its position at the intersection of political science and sociology, and recognizing its focus on the association between society and politics	K1, K2
CO2	Understand the complex interactions between political institutions, economic interests, and cultural ideas in democratic and capitalist societies, comprehending the nuanced relationships that define political sociology	K2
CO3	Apply theoretical frameworks to analyze the dynamics of power within political sociology, demonstrating practical understanding of power relations in democratic and capitalist contexts	K3, K4
CO4	Analyze the intricate interplay between political institutions, economic interests, and cultural ideas, critically examining how these factors shape power dynamics within societies	K4
CO5	Evaluate the role of political sociology in enhancing societal understanding, assessing its contribution to preventing the misuse of power in democratic systems and promoting informed decision-making for societal betterment	K5, K6

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

Relationship Matrix- 26PL110													
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	3	2	2	1	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	2.2
CO2	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	1	2	2	2.3
CO3	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	2	2.3
CO4	2	3	2	1	2	3	2	3	2	1	2	3	2.2
CO5	3	3	2	2	2	3	3	3	2	2	2	3	2.5
												Total	2.3

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