

Course Code	Course Name	Credits
26PL508	COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS	04

Course Objectives

- To understand the comparative study of political systems and processes.
- To examine democratic and non-democratic regimes and their political outcomes.
- To analyse major political institutions such as parties, legislatures, executives, and judiciaries.
- To evaluate the role and interaction of institutions such as bureaucracy, police, and the military in governance.

Learning Outcome

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

- Define the meaning, nature, scope, and evolution of comparative government and politics.
- Explain the principle of separation of powers and the roles of executive and judiciary.
- Apply comparative methods to analyze political institutions and processes.
- Develop critical understanding of state theories and political systems across regions.
- Interpret political behaviour and attitudes using theoretical frameworks.
- Engage in comparative evaluation of different regime types and governance models.

Unit I: Understanding Comparative Government and Politics (12 hrs)

Meaning, nature, scope, evolution and significance; Traditional and modern approaches; Distinction between Comparative Government and Comparative Politics

Unit II: Structure and Institutions (12 hrs)

Separation of powers: executive, judiciaries, judicial activism; Unitary and federal states; Old and new constitutionalism

Unit III: Theories of the State (12 hrs)

State – theories of the state, development of modern states in Europe and Non- European societies; State and social classes in capitalist, socialist, and post-colonial societies

Unit IV: Political Attitudes and Political Behaviour (12 hrs)

Political attitudes – political interest and identity, political culture, civic culture; Political behaviour – modes of political behaviour (conventional and unconventional), patterns of political behaviour

Unit V: Comparative Perspective of Third World Regimes (12 hrs)

Parliamentary model; Military Regime; Communist System

Suggested Readings:

1. A.S. Narang. *Comparative Government and Politics*. Gitanjali Publishing House, 1999. Chetna Sharma & Pushpa Singh. *Comparative Government and Politics*. New Delhi: Sage Publications, 2019.
2. December Green & Laura Luehrmann. *Comparative Politics of the Third World: Linking Concepts and Cases* (2nd Edition). Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2007.
3. Jemifer Gandhi & Ruben Ruuiz-Rufino (eds.). *Routledge Handbook of Comparative Political Institutions*. Routledge Publications, 2016.
4. Kenneth Newton & Jan W. van Deth. *Foundations of Comparative Politics: Democracies of the Modern World*. Cambridge University Press, 2009.
5. Norman P. *Analyzing the Third World: Essays from Comparative Politics*. Routledge, 1978.
6. Rod Hague, Martin Harrop & John McCormick. *Comparative Government and Politics: An Introduction* (10th Edition), Palgrave, 2016.
7. V.N. Khanna. *Comparative Study of Government and Politics*. New Delhi: R. Chand & Co., 2003.

COs and Bloom's Taxonomy Level (BTL) Mapping 26PL508		
Course Outcomes	On completing P.G. program in Political Science the students will be able to	BTL
CO1	Recall and understand the fundamental principles underlying comparative government and politics, including the theories and approaches used to compare government structures, political institutions, and policy outcomes across different countries and regions.	K1, K2
CO2	Apply comparative frameworks and theoretical perspectives to analyze the nature and functioning of political institutions in diverse political settings.	K1, K3
CO3	Analyze the dynamics of power relations and governance mechanisms in various political systems.	K1, K4
CO4	Evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of different political systems and institutional arrangements, and critically analysing the factors influencing political change and regime transitions in comparative perspective	K1, K4, K5
CO5	Develop alternative theories and approaches for better understanding of the complexities of political system emerging in the contemporary politics	K1, K3, K6

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

Relationship Matrix-26PL508													
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	1	1	3	2	2	1	2	1	1.75
CO2	3	3	2	2	1	1	3	3	2	1	3	2	2.17
CO3	3	3	3	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	3	2	2.5
CO4	3	3	3	2	1	1	3	3	2	2	3	2	2.33
CO5	3	3	3	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	3	2	2.5
	Total												2.25

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