

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

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UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA

PROGRAMME OUTCOMES

Studying Political Science deepens the knowledge and understanding of one of the most powerful forces of society operating on people, communities and individual. Political Science educates students on fundamental part of state and society and helps the students to understand that if they engage in political processes, using the pressure points built into the system, then everyone really does have the opportunity to change the world. The degree in Political Science prepares the students for many forms of employment in government institutions, research institutes as well as further study. They will gain many analytical and practical skills including the ability to conduct research, team work, oral and written communication, all of which are invaluable in employment market.

The undergraduate syllabus as prescribed by University of Calcutta seeks to ingrain the following attributes to its students:

PO1. Critical Thinking: Take informed action after identifying the assumptions that frame our thinking and actions, checking out the degree to which these assumptions are valid today and seeking new ideas from different perspectives.

PO2. Effective Communication: To acquaint learners with politics as a dynamic discipline and the radical changes that has occurred in its substance, method in recent years. To be able to comprehend the inter-linkages between various social science disciplines and the way they come together to throw a more focussed and better light on the problems that man encounters in day to day life.

PO3. Effective Citizenship: To acquaint learners of how the institutions of modern Indian state was formed and how these institutions have actually functioned over the last 73 odd years since Independence. Demonstrate empathetic social concern and equity centred national development, and the ability to act with an informed awareness of issues and participate in civic life through volunteering.

PO4. Social Interaction: Recognise different value systems including their own, elicit views of others, mediate disagreements and help reach conclusions in group settings.

PO5. Self- directed and life-long learning: Acquire the ability to engage in independent and life-long learning in the broadest context of social changes.

PO6. Skill Enhancement Courses: Further, there are skill-oriented courses which enable the students to acquire necessary skills which could fetch gainful employment for the students in the job market. These skills-oriented courses are very innovative and being introduced for induction for the first time in the Indian universities.

PO7. Discipline specific Elective: This is again a new addition in Indian Universities to equip students with knowledge of varied subjects offered from inter-disciplinary subjects. It enables exposure to some other domain of knowledge and nurtures the candidate's skill and acumen.