

Programme Outcomes, Programme Specific Outcomes and Course Outcomes For M.Phil Programmes

Programme Name:.....M.Phil in Political
Science.....
(e.g M.Phil in Bengali)



Name of the Department
University of North Bengal
West Bengal, INDIA

Programme Outcomes

- An intermediate programme of two years between Masters and PhD programme enabling the student to increase domain knowledge in a specific area.
- The programme as equivalent to Course work for PhD imparts strong knowledge base in research methodology.
- The learner gets to know the contemporary state of research in the preferred area of his/her choice.

Programme Specific Outcomes

- In the first semester the learner develops knowledge of philosophy of science and the way it underwrites his/her research problem or approach
- In the second semester the students acquires advanced knowledge in a particular research area
- The third semester provides the necessary skill set in handling epistemological and ontological issues as well as familiarity with quantitative and qualitative research.
- The student acquires the ability of focused writing following research process by way of writing a dissertation in the fourth and final semester.

Course Outcomes

SEMESTER—I		
Each Course Carries 2 Credits, in addition to 2 credit compulsory course on Research and Publication Ethics		
Course Code	Course Name	Course Outcomes
101 Core	Epistemic Foundations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About nature of social research, scientific method and its application is social science, about key contributors in the Philosophy of science • Skill Acquired: To better understand issues of post structuralism and postmodernism in social research. The Course avoids methodological monism by way of emphasizing methodological pluralism and the learner gets introduced to ordering of knowledge. • Competence gained: To handle complex methodological issues of objectivity and relevance as well as balanced application of mixed method.

102 Core	Research designs and Methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About approaches ,research designs and methods • Skill Acquired : understanding and conceptualizing research problems • Competence gained : To apply the knowledge gained in formulating research designs and methods
103 Core	Collection and analysis of Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About doing research • Skill Acquired : To better understand the methods of data collection and tools of doing research • Competence gained : Clear idea about how to collect and analyse data
104 Core	Tools and Techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained :About doing the research and writing the research output • Skill Acquired : Understanding about tools and techniques of research • Competence gained :Presenting the research putput in a proper way

SEMESTER—II (Student to choose Any Four)		
Course Code	Course Name	Course Outcomes
201	Advance Political Theory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About current debates in Political theory • Skill Acquired : To critically analyses theoretical contribution in the field • Competence gained : To situate research interest in relation to theory.
202	Modern Ideologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : about modern ideologies and the contemporary debate • Skill Acquired : To critically analyse the ideas and the political thinkers • Competence gained : To link ideas to political realities while conceptualizing research problem
203	Social Movements and Political Process in India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About social movements and the political process in India • Skill Acquired : Understanding of the social movements critically • Competence gained : To situate research interest within the domain of social movements in India with a critical eye towards the 'political'
204	The Public Sphere & The State in India.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About the theoretical underpinnings related to the public sphere and the nature of State in India • Skill Acquired : Knowledge about the state and public sphere in India • Competence gained : To situate research interest in civil and political society and the nature of public sphere in India.
205	Ethno-regional Identity and Politics : The	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About ethnicity in its political connotations and its impact on governance in India <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skill Acquired: Contextualizing ethnicity in India and understanding of multi-disciplinary method and their

	Indian Experience	<p>usefulness. and analysis of identity-politics in modern times.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competence gained: Developing the capacity to differentiate cultural and economic elements behind social mobilization with a view to integration, unity and tolerance.
206	Politics of Working Class & Peasants Movements in India.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About working class and peasants movements in India • Skill Acquired: Understanding of the dynamics of the movements and objectively looking at it. • Competence gained : To situate research interest relating to the movements and its dynamics.
207	Protest, Change & Integration in India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About the protest movements and its management by the State with special emphasis on change and integration. • Skill Acquired :To understand the nature of protest and change • Competence gained :. To situate the research interest related to the basic issues that concern the India's government and politics.
208	Judicial Process in Contemporary India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About judicial process in India and its impact • Skill Acquired : An understanding of the dynamics of judicial decision making and its interrelationship with the larger environment • Competence gained : To situate the research interest relating to the working of the formal and informal institutions of justice.
209	Public Policy & Political Process in India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained: About public policy making and the political process in India. • Skill Acquired: To better understand the issues relating to public policies in India. • Competence gained: To handle complex questions related to the impact of politics on public policies in India.
210	District Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About district administration institutions and functions • Skill Acquired: To better understand the issues related to district administration. • Competence gained: To situate research interest relating to the working of district administration.
211	Decentralized Governance Development & Empowerment : Theory and Practice with reference to India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : Decentralized governance ---theories and practice • Skill Acquired : To understand the relationship between governance and empowerment • Competence gained : To situate research interest relating to decentralized governance and the issues thereof.

212	Development & Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained: About development and communication with special reference to India. • Skill Acquired : To understand the agents and role of communication in development • Competence gained: To situate research interests relating to agents of communication and their role in development at the grassroots.
213	Administrative Reforms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About administrative reforms, theories and practice in a comparative perspective. • Skill Acquired : To understand the nature of administrative reforms • Competence gained : To situate research interest relating to the evolution and nature of administrative reforms
214	Comparative Political Economy : South Asia.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : Ability to comprehend the modes of exchanges between economics and politics, economic limits of politics, state-market with special reference to South Asia • Skill Acquired : To carry out interdisciplinary comparative studies of political phenomenon using political economy approach • Competence gained : To research on the essential aspect of social development from a comparative political economy perspective
215	International Political Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About the interrelationship between politics and economics from an international viewpoint. • Skill Acquired : To carry out an interdisciplinary study of international politics using the political economy approach. • Competence gained : To situate research on international politics from a political economy perspective.
216	Regional Parties in Indian Democracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About the emergence and issues related to Regional political parties in India. • Skill Acquired : To understand the nature and role of regional political formations in India. • Competence gained : To research on regional politics in India.
217	Women and Politics in India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About the influence of women on politics and of politics on women in India from a feminist perspective. • Skill Acquired : A critical eye to understand the politics behind/within the existent socio-economic and political role of women in India. • Competence gained : To situate research on women and politics from a feminist perspective.
218	Aspects of Politics in a Sub-state Region; the North Bengal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About the politics in North Bengal pre and post-independence. • Skill Acquired : To understand the substate politics within North Bengal. • Competence gained : To situate research on the issues relating to the growth of political consciousness of the region.
SEMESTER—III		
Course Code	Course Name	Course Outcomes (Students to choose any four)
301	Term Paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : To write a research based short paper. • Skill Acquired : To present a research output in a balanced way. • Competence gained : To present a balanced view on a particular topic

302	Review of Awarded Thesis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : To write a review of an awarded thesis in major domains of Political Science so that the students have an idea of the way a thesis is written • Skill Acquired : To write a thesis • Competence gained : The students learn to write a review as well as write a thesis.
303	Book Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained: To write a book review from a critical perspective. • Skill Acquired: Skill to write a balanced book review. • Competence gained: The students would get a training in how to review a book critically.
304	Seminar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : To present the research output orally and using ppt presentations • Skill Acquired : How to give the major points of a research output in a precise manner • Competence gained : The students become competent to present the research findings in a precise manner orally.
305	Preparation of Research Proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained: To learn to write a research proposal. • Skill Acquired : Skill to write a good and balanced research proposal • Competence gained : The student becomes competent to write a compact research proposal
306	Written Commentary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : To write commentary on major issues • Skill Acquired : A Balanced and incisive approach to writing • Competence gained : The learner becomes competent in critical analysis of issues.
307	Field Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About how to do research and write a report. • Skill Acquired : field survey and writing report • Competence gained : Doing field studies.
308	Case Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About intensive and indepth study. • Skill Acquired : To delve deep and reveal uniqueness of the sample units. • Competence gained : . Ability to do an indepth study.
SEMESTER—IV		
Course Code	Course Name	Course Outcomes
	Dissertation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge Gained : About how to organize a thesis • Skill Acquired : To search for information, resources, software and developing research proposal to completion • Competence gained : To reveal new facts or offer new interpretation.