

B.A.(Hons.) - Political Science
Discipline Specific Core Course

DSC-12 : GLOBAL POLITICS

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Global Politics DSC 12	4	3	1	-	NA	NA

Learning Objectives

This course aims to familiarize the students with key concepts and issues of global politics by providing an overall frame that de-centres the Eurocentric notion of the origins and development of global politics and introduces students to the alternative locations of global politics through history as well as in the contemporary contexts. Through the conceptual frames of geo-politics, geo-economics and geo-strategy, students will learn about various dimensions of the contemporary dynamics of global politics. Students will debate questions of dominance, control, and identity by examining the cultural frames of global politics. The course also offers insights into key and pressing contemporary global issues ranging from climate change, nuclear proliferation and migration to the rise and impact of global terrorism and, human security. It also discusses politics at the grassroots level through the lens of global social movements in an interconnected world. Throughout, the course attempts to foreground the perspectives from the Global South in order to pluralize and truly globalize the domain of global politics.

Learning outcomes

At the end of the course, students would acquire

- a basic clarity on the meaning, nature and significance of global politics.
- ability to analyse global politics beyond its conventional Eurocentric accounts.
- conceptual tools to understand its dynamics in the contemporary context.
- an understanding of the debates on the changing nature of global politics in terms of de-globalization and post-globalization along with territorialization and deterritorialization.
- the ability to understand the operational aspects of geo-politics, geo-economics, and geo-strategy in the context of global politics.
- the skills to analyze discourses on cultural frames of global politics
- an enhanced understanding of contemporary global issues like- ecology, environment, proliferation of nuclear weapons, global terrorism, human security, and migration.

SYLLABUS OF DSC-12

UNIT – I

Locating Global Politics

UNIT – II

Changing Nature of Global Politics

- a. Globalization to de-globalization, and post-globalization
- b. Geo-politics, Geo-economics, and Geo-strategy
- c. Territorialisation and De-territorialisation
- d. Cultural Frames of Global Politics

UNIT – III

Contemporary Global Issues

- a. Ecological Issues: Climate Change, and International Environmental Agreements
- b. Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons in Post- Cold War Era
- c. Global Terrorism and Its Impact
- d. Migration
- e. Human Security

UNIT – IV

Global Social Movements

- a. Environment Movements
- b. Women Movements
- c. Peace Movements

Essential/recommended readings

Unit 1 Locating Global Politics

Essential readings:

Hobson, J.M. (2004). *The Eastern origins of Western civilization* (pp. 1-26). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Acharya, Amitav (2014), "Who Are the Norm Makers? The Asian-African Conference in Bandung and the Evolution of Norms" in Special Section on "Principles from the Periphery: The Neglected Southern Sources of Global Norms", *Global Governance*, 20 (3): 405- 417.

Additional readings:

Hobson, J.M. (2020), "Globalization" in A. B. Tickner, & K. Smith (eds.), *International Relations from the Global South: Worlds of difference* (pp. 221-239). Routledge.

Pieterse, Jan Nederveen (2017), "Oriental Globalization: Past and Present", in Delanty, Gerard (eds.), *Europe and Asia Beyond East and West*, New York: Routledge, pp. 61-73.

Getachew, A. (2019), *Worldmaking after Empire: The rise and fall of self-determination* (pp. 1-13). Princeton: Princeton University Press.