

**St. Josephs college for women (A) Visakhapatnam.**

**B.A. Political Science**

**I Semester, Basic concepts of political science Time : 7 Hrs/Week**

**POL 1501(4) Max Marks: 100**

**w.e.f.2017-2020(“17AE”)**

**OBJECTIVES:** To enable the students

- To become aware of the basic concepts and the scope of the subject
- Understand the subject and utilize it and change them into responsible and committed citizens.

**Unit –I:**

1. What is politics: Nature and scope of political science
2. Approaches to the study of politics: Historical Empirical traditions – relation to other social Sciences.

**Unit- II**

1. State and its elements -differences between state and Government – Society - Association
2. Origin and Evolution of the modern state
3. Sovereignty – Meaning – Characteristics – Kinds.

**Unit- III Nation and Nationalism**

1. Conceptual distinction between Nationality and Nation.
2. Varieties of Nationalism : Culture and civic Nationalism

**Unit – IV Rights and Citizenship**

1. Evolution of Rights : Civil and social Rights and Responsibilities.
2. Citizen ship : universal and differential citizenship

**Unit – V Freedom (liberty) Equality, justice**

1. Freedom : Negative and Positive Freedom
2. Equality : Formal Equality, Equality of opportunity, equality of out come
3. Justice “based on needs, deserts, and Rights

**Reference Books:**

1. Modern political theory : Prof. P.G.Das – published by new Central book Agency, Delhi(1996)
2. Bhargava rajiv and Acharya Ashok (eds) (2008).  
political Theory: An Introduction, New Delhi.
3. Principles of political Science – A.C. Kapoor S.Chand and company Ltd, Delhi (1983)
4. Contemporary political Theory – J.C.Johari – Sterling publishers Pvt. Ltd. Chennai (1989)