

Centre for Canadian, US & Latin American Studies
School of International Studies
Jawaharlal Nehru University
M. Phil. Course

Course No.	:	AW 649
Course Level	:	M.Phil
Course Title	:	Government & Politics in Canada
Credits	:	3
Semester	:	Monsoon Semester
Course Instructors	:	Dr. Aprajita Kashyap
Instructional Methods	:	Lectures/Seminars/Tutorials
Evaluation	:	Sessionals & End-Semester Examination
Duration of the Course	:	One Semester
Contact Hours	:	4 per Week

Course Contents

- I Canadian Politics: approaches, perspectives & ideas; societal factors and economic forces; political culture; Canadian political thought. Charter of Rights & Freedom.
- II Political Institutions: Constitutional foundations; legislative politics; role of Executive; judiciary: structure & process. Judicial Review.
- III Federal Structures and Policy Process; reasons for federalism; federalism and Policy-making process; inter-governmental relations; fiscal federalism. Economic liberalisation process and tensions within federation. Quebec and The political process
- IV Party System: origin and evolution of party system; major political parties; Brokerage politics; role of minor parties. Electoral system and its consequences Party finance and special interests
- V Non-party activity and expression: pressure groups and political movements; Language politics; movements of 'first nations'. Civil Society in Canada.
- VI Media, politics, and democracy: role and ownership; shaping of the public opinion

Readings:

Archer, K. et al. (1995), *Parameter of Power: Canada's Political Institutions*, Toronto: Nelson Press.

Bickerton, James and Alain-G. Gagnon (eds.) (2004), *Canadian Politics*, Peterborough, Ontario: Broadview Press.

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Christian, William, Colin Campbell (1990), *Political Parties and Ideologies in Canada*, Toronto: McGraw-Hill Ryerson.

Christopher P. Manfredi (1993), *Judicial Power and the Charter: Canada and the Paradox of Liberal Constitutionalism*, Toronto: Oxford University Press.

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Holmes, Helen and David Taras (eds.) (1996), *Seeing Ourselves: Media Power and Policy in Canada*, Toronto: Harcourt Brace and Company.

Jackson, Robert J. (1998), *Politics in Canada : Culture, Institutions, Behaviour and Public Policy*, Ontario: Prentice-Hall.

Johnston, J. Paul and Harvey E. Pasis, (eds.) (1990), *Representation and Electoral Systems: Canadian Perspective*, Scarborough: Prentice-Hall.

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Roberts, John, Darion Boyington and Shahe Kazarian (2012), *Diversity and First Nations Issues in Canada*, Canada: Emond Montgomery Publications.

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