



**ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE – MUMBAI**  
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**(An Autonomous College affiliated with the University of Mumbai)**

**Syllabus for Undergraduate Programme as per  
National Education Policy (NEP-2020)**

**Programme: BA in Political Science**

**Academic year 2023–2024**



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**Preamble:**

The foundational principles of the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) released by MHRD are:

- Multidisciplinary and holistic education (student-centred), encompassing courses from multiple disciplines across the sciences, social sciences, arts, humanities, and commerce for a multidisciplinary world, with emphasis on outcome-based learning.
- 50-50 formulation, where 50% of the credits must be from the core discipline and the rest 50% from other disciplines. Also, 50% of the course must be conceptual and theory based and the rest 50% must be the application of the concepts into practice through student engagement in activities/apprenticeship and internship. Pedagogic methods must be problem-centred/ based and project-based learning and activities.
- Integration of technology into teaching-learning-evaluation resources, blended teaching-learning (face-to-face, online collaborative learning, hands-on and practicum and flipped learning), strengthening research pedagogy of the discipline.
- Integrating skilling and employability with curriculum and teaching-learning across disciplinary, inter-disciplinary, and multi-disciplinary studies.
- Multiple entry and exit options for students within an academic programme of study with credit transfer and accumulation of credits in the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC).
- Equality is the Goal, and Equity is a process to achieve equality and inclusion to promote students' sense of belonging.

**The framework of the choice-based credit system**

**Major Subject:** A single subject course of study pursued by a student as a mandatory requirement of the programme of study. Indian knowledge system (IKS) to be included in the core courses.

**Elective Course:** An elective course could be a project designed to acquire skills to supplement the major study.

**Minor Subject:** A second subject of study pursued by a student as an additional requirement of the programme of study.

**OE:** Open Elective - An elective course chosen generally from an unrelated discipline/subject, to seek multidisciplinary exposure.

**AEC:** Ability Enhancement Course - Mandatory Courses on content related to Language, and Literature (i) Compulsory – English communication (ii) Elective – any Indian language other than English.

**IKS:** Indian Knowledge System (Generic) – Mandatory course - an overview of the contribution of India towards multidisciplinary research and development.

**VSC:** Vocational Skill Course – Courses aimed at imparting practical skills, hands-on training, and soft skills to increase the employability of students. Specific or supporting the major subject is to be chosen from a basket/pool offered by the college.

**SEC:** Skill Enhancement Course – Courses aimed at imparting practical skills, hands-on training, and soft skills to increase students' employability. It could be chosen from a basket/pool offered by the college or a MOOC on Swayam or NPTEL platforms.

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**On-Job Training (OJT)/Internship/Field Project (FP)/Community Engagement Programme (CEP) Research Project (RP):** Application of knowledge/concepts in solving or analyzing a real-life problem. All these are related to the major subject.

**CC:** Co-curricular Course – For the holistic development of students through Cultural activities such as performing art, visual art, NCC, NSS, Yoga, etc.

**VEC:** Value Education Course – Compulsory courses on (i) The Constitution of India and (ii) Environmental Education.

FYUGP Credit Structure with number of courses 2023-24													
Level	Sem	Sub-1/Major	Elective	Sub-2/Minor	OE	VSC	SEC	IKS generic	AEC	VEC	OJT, FP, RP, CEP, CC	Total	Degree/Cum Cr
4.5/100-199 (2023-24) First Year	Sem 1	1	0	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	0	9	44 credits UG certificate
	Sem 2	1	0	1	2	1	1	0	1	1	CC 1	9	
Introductory Courses		2	0	2	4	2	2	1	2	2	1	18	
Exit option with a UG Certificate in Major &/or Minor with an additional 4 credits NSQF course/internship OR continue with Major & Minor													
5/200-299 (2024-25) Second Year	Sem 3	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	FP/CEP 1 (Sci) & CC 1	8	88 credits UG Diploma
	Sem 4	2	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	FP/CEP 1 (Art/Com) & CC 1	8	
Intermediate Courses		6	0	4	6	3	3	1	4	2	5	34	
Exit option with a UG Diploma in Major & Minor with an additional 4 credits NSQF course/internship OR continue with Major & Minor													
5.5/300-399 (2025-26) Third Year	Sem 5	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	FP 1	7	132 credits UG Degree
	Sem 6	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	OJT 1 Internship	6	
Higher Courses		12	2	6	6	4	3	1	4	2	7	47	
Exit option with a Three-Year Bachelor Degree with Major and Minor OR continue with Major & Minor (Fourth year by Papers)													
6/400-499 (2026-27) Fourth Year	Sem 7	3	1	RM 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	FP 1	6	176 credits UG Honours
	Sem 8	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	OJT 1 Internship	5	
Advanced Courses		18	4	7	6	4	3	1	4	2	9	58	
Exit option with a Three-Year Bachelor Degree with Major and Minor OR continue with Major & Minor (Fourth year by Research)													
6/400-499 (2026-27) Fourth Year	Sem 7	3	1	RM 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	RP 1	6	176 credits UG Honours with Research
	Sem 8	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	RP 1	5	
Advanced Courses		18	4	7	6	4	3	1	4	2	9	58	
Four-Year UG Honours with Research Degree with Major and Minor													

FYUGP Credit Structure from 2023-24 (Sci-Arts)											
Level	Sem	Major (Sub-1)	Elective	Minor (Sub-2)	OE	VSC	IKS Generic	OJT, FP, RP, CEP	CC	Cum Cr/Sem	Degree/Cum Cr
4.5 (2023-24)	Sem 1	4	0	4	4	4	6	0		22	44 UG certificate
	Sem 2	4	0	4	4	4	4	2		22	
	Cum Cr	8	0	8	8	8	10	2		44	
A student will decide which of the 2 subjects (Sub-1 or Sub-2) will be major and minor at the end of the second semester (ie the first year) Major subject-specific IKS of 2 credits must be done as 2 units (could be 1 unit + 1 unit) from Sem 3 to Sem 6											
Exit option with a UG Certificate in Major with an additional 4 credits core NSQF course/internship OR continue with Major & Minor											
5 (2024-25)	Sem 3	8	0	4	2	2	2	4		22	88 UG Diploma
	Sem 4	8	0	4	2	2	2	4		22	
	Cum Cr	24	0	16	12	12	14	10		88	
Exit option with a UG Diploma in Major & Minor with an additional 4 credits core NSQF course/internship OR continue with Major & Minor											
5.5 (2025-26)	Sem 5	12	4	2	0	2	0	2		22	132 UG Degree
	Sem 6	12	4	2	0	0	0	4		22	
	Cum Cr	48	8	20	12	14	14	16		132	
6 (2026-27)	Sem 7	12	4	4	0	0	0	2		22	176 UG Honours
	Sem 8	12	4	0	0	0	0	6		22	
	Cum Cr	72	16	20	12	14	14	24		176	
Exit option with a Three-Year Bachelor Degree with Major and Minor OR continue with Major & Minor											
6 (2026-27)	Sem 7	10	4	4	0	0	0	4		22	176 UG Honours with Research
	Sem 8	10	4	0	0	0	0	8		22	
	Cum Cr	68	16	20	12	14	14	28		176	
Four-Year UG Honours with Research Degree with Major and Minor											

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**Programme Outcomes aligned to the Vision and Mission of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai (Bachelor's degree programme)**

The students who complete three years of an undergraduate programme will be able to manifest skills and competencies in the following areas:

- 1. Disciplinary knowledge and Core competencies/skills:**  
Demonstrate (i) a lucid understanding of the fundamentals of the subject-related curriculum and (ii) basic and global skills in the academic field of study.
- 2. Critical and Creative thinking:**  
(i) Critically reflect on acquired knowledge and skills in areas of core competencies (ii) Explore new possibilities and be resourceful by generating relevant and practical ideas
- 3. Problem-solving and Analytical reasoning:**  
Demonstrate skills in identifying and investigating a problem. Collect relevant qualitative and quantitative data and analyze the results meaningfully.
- 4. Research-related skills:**  
(i) Apply comprehensive research-based knowledge and skills required for identifying issues, interpreting results, and synthesis of valid information. (ii) Communicate results of studies undertaken in an academic field effectively and accurately.
- 5. Social Application of research and development:**  
Employ core competencies and skills to develop solutions for the improvement of social and environmental conditions.
- 6. Industry-related skills:**  
Employ skills that are relevant to the industry and commit to strong work ethics and professionalism.
- 7. Ethical and Moral Integrity:**  
Practice values such as honesty, transparency, and accountability and commit to interpersonal and social ethics.
- 8. Empathy and Social Intelligence:**  
Cultivate and demonstrate affective, interpersonal, social, and spiritual intelligence.
- 9. Collaboration, Teamwork, and Multidisciplinary competence:**  
Apply knowledge and skills as an individual, team member or leader to manage ventures in monodisciplinary and interdisciplinary settings.
- 10. Leadership and Management:**  
Demonstrate effective strategic planning, and efficient organizational and transformational leadership skills to manage a mission embarked upon.
- 11. Social Concern:**  
Demonstrate (i) empathy and care for the marginalized and disadvantaged, (ii) respect, compassion, and concern for others.
- 12. Social responsibility and inclusion:**  
(i) Strive for social justice, harmony, and solidarity (ii) Value cultural pluralism and diversity.
- 13. Environmental Wellbeing**  
Investigate and design strategies to care for and enhance the well-being of the environment.
- 14. Self-motivation and Lifelong learning:**  
Develop a passion for ongoing personal and professional growth.



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**Abbreviations:**

- OE: Open Electives
- AEC: Ability Enhancement Course
- VSC: Vocational Skill Course
- SEC: Skill Enhancement Course

List of Courses offered from Semesters 1-8 in Political Science (Refer to the credit structure for your faculty)

Level	Semester	Major (Sub-1) Course titles	Minor (Sub-2) Course titles	OE Course title/s	VSC Course title/s	SEC
4.5 100-199	Sem 1	Introduction to Politics	-	-	Know Your Rights	-
	Sem 2	Political Theory	-	-	Know Your Rights	-
5 200-299	Sem 3					
	Sem 4					
5.5 300-399	Sem 5					
	Sem 6					
6 400-499	Sem 7					
	Sem 8					
	Total					

**Composition of the Board of Studies in Political Science 2023 – 2024**

**Board of Studies 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023 Department of Political Science**

As given in the above statute, the Department of Political Science has the following BOS composition:

Sr. No	Composition	Name
1	Head of the Department concerned (Chairman)	Dr. Pratiba Naitthani
2	Entire faculty of each specialisation	Ms. Sukhada Gole

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3	Two subject experts (other University)	Dr. Manisha Madhava, Prof Ravi Saxena
4	VC nominee	Dr. Beena Khanolkar
5	Representative from industry/corporate sector/allied	Adv. Kasab Vora
6	PG meritorious alumnus	Ms. Anchal Agarwal
7	(a) Experts from outside the college (co-opted)	-
	(b) Other members of staff of the same faculty	-

#### Four-Year Undergraduate Programme in Political Science

Year of Implementation	Semester	Course Code	BOS Date	Academic Council Date
2023-2024	1	UAPOL4501CR1	21 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	21 <sup>st</sup> April 2023
2023-2024	2	UAPOL4502CR1	21 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	21 <sup>st</sup> April 2023
2023-2024	3	UAPOL4501VS1	21 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	21 <sup>st</sup> April 2023

#### Programme Specific Outcomes

PSO Sr. No.	PSOs
PSO 1	Understand the trends in Indian and World Politics.
PSO 2	Analyze international political and economic issues such as international conflicts and peace, sustainable environment, and electoral process, etc.
PSO 3	Understand the basic framework of political theory and ideologies, rights, basic political values, and democratic models.
PSO 4	Study the Western and Indian political thinkers and analyze their political theories in terms of their relevance for various political systems.



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