



U. G. SYLLABUS - NEP 2020
Political Science
TDC (NEP) 4th Semester
PLS: DSC 251: WORLD CONSTITUTIONS
Full marks- 100
(ESE- 70 Internal- 30)
Credit-4

Course Objectives:

1. To study the characteristics of the constitution of the United Kingdom, including the role of the Crown, the Prime Minister, and the Parliament.
2. To understand the basic features of the constitution of the United States of America, including the role of the President, the Congress, and the Supreme Court.
3. To examine the salient features of the constitution of Switzerland, including direct democracy, the federal executive, and the federal legislature.
4. To analyze the basic characteristics of the constitution of the People's Republic of China, including the role of the National People's Congress, the Standing Committee, the State Council, and the Communist Party.
5. To compare and contrast the political systems of the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Switzerland, and the People's Republic of China.

Units	Topics	Lectures
1	The United Kingdom: Characteristics of the Constitution- the Crown-the Prime Minister and the Parliament.	
2	The United States of America: Basic features of the Constitution-the President-the Congress and the Supreme Court.	
3	Switzerland: Salient features of the Constitution- Direct Democracy- Federal Executive- Federal Legislature.	
4	People's Republic of China: Basic Characteristics of the Constitution- National People's Congress- Standing Committee- State Council and the Communist Party.	
5	Comparison between the political systems of the UK, the USA, Switzerland and People's Republic of China.	

Course Outcomes:

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

1. Describe and explain the characteristics of the constitution of the United Kingdom, including the role and functioning of the Crown, the Prime Minister, and the Parliament.
2. Identify and discuss the basic features of the constitution of the United States of America, including the role and functioning of the President, the Congress, and the Supreme Court.
3. Analyze and evaluate the salient features of the constitution of Switzerland, including direct democracy, the federal executive, and the federal legislature.
4. Understand and analyze the basic characteristics of the constitution of the People's Republic of China, including the role and functioning of the National People's Congress, the Standing Committee, the State Council, and the Communist Party.
5. Compare and contrast the political systems of the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Switzerland, and the People's Republic of China, identifying similarities, differences, strengths, and weaknesses.
6. Apply knowledge of world constitutions to analyze and understand the functioning of different political systems and institutions.
7. Develop critical thinking skills to evaluate and compare constitutional arrangements and their impact on governance and democracy.
8. Recognize and appreciate the diversity of constitutional systems and their influence on global politics and governance.

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