



Bangladesh University of Business and Technology (BUBT)

(Outcome-Based Curriculum)

Faculty of Law

LL.B. Program

Course Outline

Part A

- 1. Course Code** : GED 03121105
- 2. Course Title** : Government and Politics
- 3. Course Type** : Compulsory
- 4. Year/Semester** : 1st Year, 1st Semester
- 5. Academic Session** : Fall 2025

6. Course Teacher's Information

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7. Pre requisite (If any) : None

8. Credit Value : 3.00 Credit Hours

9. Contact Hours : Class Hours = 17 Weeks = (34 Classes x 1.25 Hours per class) = 42.5 Hours

Counseling Hours = 17 Weeks x 2 Hours per week = 34 Hours

****For optimum utilization of physical resources, the duration of our class weeks are 17 weeks.***

10. Total Marks : 100

11. Class Schedule and Counseling Hours

Intake	Section	Class Schedule			Counseling Hours		
		Day	Time	Room No.	Day	Time	Room No.
54	2	Monday	05:15 PM to 06:30 PM	B1-501	Monday	02.45 PM to 04.45 PM	B1-504c
		Tuesday	01:30 PM to 02:45 PM	B1-504A	Tuesday	02.45 PM to 04.45 PM	B1-504c

12. Rationale of the Course : ‘Government and Politics’ is a GED Course which provides a basic overview over the fundamentals of government and politics. This also deals with different types of government and discusses the essential elements, nature, advantages and disadvantages of various types government. It elaborately explains the organs of the government and helps the students being able to develop necessary critical thinking skills. The overlapping and supplementary relationships between Law, Politics and Government is also ventured thoroughly in this course. Students will be able to critically analyze the concept of politics, political parties and electoral system of the state. This course will help the students to develop the necessary socio legal sense which helps in clarifying the complexity of the relationship between law and society.

13. Course Objectives:

The objectives of this course are as follows:

- a) To enable the undergraduate students to gain a better understanding about government and politics about and how the government operates.
- b) To discuss the various aspects of formation of government and its social, economic and other impacts in a country.
- c) To describe the role of politics in society, the primary functions and external forces that affect activities, competitive and economic environment of business enterprises.
- d) To know about the different political system, the role of government in different economy, and the advantages and disadvantages of each.

14. Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs) and Mapping of CLOs with Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs):

Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs):

The expected learning outcomes of this course are as follows:

CLO1	Discuss the concepts of socialism, communism and forms of governments.
CLO2	Distinguish the different types of government and develop the necessary critical thinking Skills
CLO3	Critically analyze the concept of politics, political parties and electoral system of the state.
CLO4	Compare and contrast the relationship between government and politics.
CLO5	Develop the socio political sense which is helpful for removing the complexities from the society.

Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs):

PLO1	Legal knowledge: Apply the knowledge of evaluation, fundamentals and legal specialization to solve the legal problems.
PLO2	Problem analysis: Identify, formulate, research the literature and analyses legal problems and reach substantiated conclusions using provisions of law.

PLO3	Investigation: Conduct investigations of various legal problems, considering provisions of law, analysis and interpretation of case laws to provide lawful conclusions.
PLO4	Legal Professionals and society: Apply reasoning informed by relative knowledge to assess societal, health, safety, legal and cultural issues and the consequent responsibilities relevant to professional manners and etiquette.
PLO5	Ethics: Apply ethical principles and commit to professional ethics, responsibilities and the norms of the lawyers professional manners and etiquette.
PLO6	Individual work and team work: Function effectively in the individual law chamber and as a member or leader of particular law chamber or legal work base office/teams as well as in multidisciplinary settings.
PLO7	Communication: Communicate effectively about legal issues with the general people and with society at large. Be able to comprehend and write effective opinion, prepare legal documentation, make effective presentations before the court and clients and give and receive clear instructions..
PLO8	Life-long learning: Recognize and need for and have the preparation and ability to engage in independent, life-long learning in the broadest context of legal changes.

Mapping of CLOs with Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs):

Course Learning Outcome (CLOs)	PLO1	PLO2	PLO3	PLO4	PLO5	PLO6	PLO7	PLO8
CLO1: Discuss the concepts of socialism, communism and forms of governments.	√	√		√	√	√		√
CLO 2: Distinguish the different types of government and develop the necessary critical thinking skills	√			√	√			
CLO 3: Critically analyze the concept of politics, political parties and electoral system of the state.	√			√	√	√	√	
CLO 4: Compare and contrast the relationship between government and politics.	√	√	√		√		√	
CLO 5: Develop the socio political sense which is helpful for removing the complexities from the society.	√				√		√	√

Part B

15. Course plan specifying contents, CLOs, teaching-learning and assessment strategy with corresponding CLOs:

Week	Lecture	Topics	Book(s) & Other Reference(s)	Teaching-Learning Strategy	Assessment Strategy	Corresponding CLO (s)
1	1	Relationship between Law & Politics as well as Law and Governance.	Journal Articles, Zulfiquar Ahmed, Government and Politics, R.C Agarwal Political Theory, V.D. Mahajan, Political Theory	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO2
	2	Fundamental Concepts: State, Sovereignty, Law, Liberty, Equity, Fundamental Rights, Government Definition of Politics, Individualism, Concepts of State, Law and Rights.		Lecture		CLO5
2	3	Socialism:-Concept of Socialism, History of Socialism, The Rise of Marxism,		Lecture, Group Study		CLO1
	4	Socialism and Bangladesh Constitution, Capitalism vs Socialism or Marxism, Criticism of Socialism	V.D. Mahajan, Political Theory Harold J. Laski- The State in Theory and Practice (Harold J. Laski- A Grammar of Politics	Lecture		CLO2
3	5	Communism:- Concept of Communism, Schools of Communism, The Idea of Marx and Engles, Criticism of Communism,		Lecture, Interactive Discussion	Class Test 01	CLO2
	6	Constitutionalism: - Principles of Constitutionalism, Montesquieu and Constitutionalism, Constitutionalism in Various Countries. The Changes proposed by the Constitution Reform Commision.		Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO2

4	7	Forms of Government: Ancient forms of Governments	Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics, R.C Agarwal Political Theory	Lecture		CLO4
	8	Concept and Forms of Government in Medieval Age:- Anarchism, Aristocracy, Autocracy, Dictatorship, Oligarchy		Lecture		CLO4

5	9	Tyrant, Communism, Democracy, Facism.	Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics	Lecture, Group Study		CLO4
	10	Despotism, Feudalism, Monarchy, Republic	Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics Laski- A Grammar of Politics	Lecture		CLO3
6	11	Concepts and Forms of Modern Government:		Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics Laski- A Grammar of Politics	Lecture	
	12	Presidential forms of Government	Lecture		CLO2, CLO3, CLO4	
7	13	Cabinet, Unitary, Federal System.	Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics, R.C Agarwal Political Theory.	Lecture, Interactive Discussion	CLO2, CLO3, CLO4	
	14	Liberal, Democracy, Principles of Democracy		Lecture	CLO4	
8	15	Advantages and Disadvantages of Democracy	Journal Articles, Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics	Lecture	CLO2, CLO4	
	16	Direct and Indirect Democracy	Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics R.C Agarwal Political Theory	Lecture	CLO2 CLO3	
	Midterm Examination					
9	17	Organs of Government: The Legislature, Executive, Judiciary	Laski- A Grammar of Politics	Lecture, Interactive Discussion	Assignment & Presentation	CLO1, CLO5
	18	Doctrine of Separation of Power- its application in USA, UK,	Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics	Lecture		CLO1, CLO5
10	19	Doctrine of Separation of Power India and Bangladesh.	Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics, R.C Agarwal Political Theory	Lecture		CLO1, CLO5
	20	The Electorate: Election, Definition of Democratic Election,		Lecture, Group Study		CLO1, CLO5

11	21	Characteristics of Election, Role of Election in Modern Democracy,		Lecture		CLO1, CLO5
	22	Direct Participation of People in Policy Making, Referendum, Direct and Indirect election.		Lecture, Group Study		CLO1, CLO5
12	23	Election in Bangladesh: Bangladesh Electoral System,	Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics, R.C Agarwal Political Theory	Lecture		CLO1, CLO5
	24	General Election, Members of Parliament, Election Commission,		Lecture		CLO1, CLO5
13	25	Electoral Role, Election Laws of Bangladesh.	Laski- A Grammar of Politics	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO1, CLO5

	26	Politics: Concept of Politics, Classification of Political	Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics Laski- A Grammar of Politics	Lecture	Class Test 02	CLO1, CLO5
14	27	Ideologies, Political Parties, Ideal Types of Political Parties,		Lecture		CLO1, CLO5
	28	Politics in Bangladesh.		Lecture		CLO1, CLO5
15	29	The Role of Political Parties: Role of Political Parties in	R.C Agarwal Political Theory, Laski- A Grammar of Politics	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO1, CLO5
	30	Democracy and in Dictatorship,		Lecture		CLO3
16	31	Political Party System in Developed and Under Developed Countries	Laski- A Grammar of Politics	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO3
	32	Failure or Success of Democracy in Developing Countries of the World, Relationship between the Economic Structure of the State and its Government,		Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO3
17	33	Reason for Failure of Democracy in Developing Countries, Reason for Failure of Democracy in Developing Countries, Status and Justification of Military Government.	Laski- A Grammar of Politics, Journal Articles, Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics (With Election Laws in	Lecture, Interactive Discussion		CLO2

			Bangladesh) (1st Edition, Shams Publication, 2017).			
	34	Revision Class		Interactive Discussion		
	Final Examination					

Part C

16. Assessment and Evaluation:

a) Assessment Strategy:

- Students will have **two class tests (CTs)** during the semester in this course. The date and time of each Class Test will be announced before the tests. All CTs will be closed book.
- The marks of the **two class tests** will be counted.
- There will be **one assignment** with **presentation**.
- No late submission of any assignment will be accepted.
- If students cannot submit their assignments within due time for any valid reason(s), their assignment will be accepted as late submission but the marks of assignment will be deducted.
- Failure to submit assignments will carry Zero Mark(s).
- Evaluated copies of assignments will be shown to the students during the class time.
- Zero tolerance will be shown in case of copy/manipulation in assignment. Two or more copied assignments will carry zero mark.
- Remaining absent in any presentation will carry zero mark in that presentation and there will be no make-up presentation.
- There will be one **Midterm Examination** and the **Final Examination** according to the rule of BUBT.
- All the examined scripts of Class Tests and Midterm Examination will be shown to the students during the class time.

b) Marks Distribution:

Marks distribution of each course at BUBT is made on 100 marks and the distribution of weightage is given below:

<i>Particulars</i>	<i>Marks</i>
Class Attendance	05

Class Test	15
Assignment and Presentation	10
Midterm Examination	30
Final Examination	40
Total	100

Marks distribution for class attendance

A student must attend at least 70% classes in all the courses. 5% marks in each course is allocated for attendance and this score will vary from 1 to 5 according to his/her percentage of presence as shown below:

Percentage of Attendance	Marks
91% to 100%	5
86% to 90%	4
81% to 86%	3
76% to 80%	2
70% to 75%	1

c) Grading Policy:

The grading policy of BUBT will be followed to grade the students:

Marks (%)	Letter Grade	Grade Point
80 -100	A+	4.00
75 to less than 80	A	3.75
70 to less than 75	A-	3.50
65 to less than 70	B+	3.25
60 to less than 65	B	3.00
55 to less than 60	B-	2.75
50 to less than 55	C+	2.50
45 to less than 50	C	2.25
40 to less than 45	D	2.00
Less than 40	F	0.00

d) Make-up Procedure:

- If any student remains absent in CT(s) because of valid reason(s), he/she must report it to the course teacher immediately. The course teacher may consider the reason(s) of remaining absent in CT(s) and may give a make-up schedule for that CT(s). No further make-up schedule of CT(s) will be given if a student fails to comply with the earlier make-up schedule.
- If any student fails to attend the Mid-term Examination or and Final Examination for valid reason(s), he/she may apply for supplementary examination(s) **according to the rules of**

BUBT and the supplementary examination(s) will be conducted by the Controller of Examination according to the examination rules of BUBT.

- iii. If any student remains absent in any class(es) due to valid reason(s), he/she needs to submit a 'Written Application' to the course teacher supported by proper document(s). After verifying the submitted documents, the class teacher may grant him/her a 'Leave of Absence' and may consider the attendance for those class(es).

Part D

17. Learning Materials

a) Recommended Readings:

1. R.C Agarwal, Political Theory
2. V.D. Mahajan, Political Theory
3. Zulfiqar Ahmed, Government and Politics (With Election Laws in Bangladesh) (1st Edition, Shams Publication, 2017).
4. Hossain Mohammad Reza, Basic Concepts of Political Science (1st Edition, Sufi Publication, 2015).

b) Supplementary Readings:

- Horold J. Laski-The State in Theory and Practice (1st Edition, Routledge ,2008)(Horold J. Laski- A Grammar of Politics (1st Edition, Routledge, 2014)
- M. Judd Harmon, Political thought from Plato to the Present (McGraw-Hill Book Company, 1964)
- E.I.J. Rosenthal, Political Thought in Medieval Islam (Reissue edition, Cambridge University Press, 2009)
- Majid Khadduri, Political Trends in the Arab World (1st Edition, The Johns Hopkins University Press,1970)
- David Spitz (ed), Political Theory and Social Change (Atherton Press, 1967)
- W.E. Wiloughby, Government of Modern State (The Century Co., 1920)
- H. Finer, Theory and Practice of Modern Government (Reprint Edition, H. Holt,1949)

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