Syllabus for Ph. D. Entrance Test in Political Science

For Subject specific Test	
Sr. No.	Course Title
1	Political Theory
2	Political Philosophy
3	Administrative Theory
4	Issues in Administration
5	Theoretical Aspects of International Politics
6	Issues in World Politics
7	Theoretical Aspects of Comparative Politics
8	Issues in Comparative Politics

For Research Aptitude Test	
Course	Course Title
No.	
1	Research Methods for Political Enquiry

Course Content:

Course1: Political Theory

<u>Units</u>:

- 1. Nature and Significance of Political Theory
- 2. Importance and Limitations of the Classical Tradition
- 3. Modern Approaches: Behaviouralism, Post-behaviouralism and Marxism
- 4. Civil Society and the State
- 5. Citizenship & Nation

COURSE 2: Political Philosophy

<u>Units</u>:

- 1. Grounds of Political Obligation
- 2. Political Disobedience and Resistance
- 3. Democracy, Liberty and Rights
- 4. Equality and Justice
- 5. Recent trends: Post Modernism & Feminism

COURSE 3: Administrative Theory

<u>Units</u>:

- 1. The Study of Administration: Its Nature and Development
- 2. Ecological, Decision-Making and Political Economy Approaches
- 3. Development Administration
- 4. Bureaucracy and Society: Weberian, Marxist and Feminist Perspectives
- 5. Public Policy: Theories and Processes

COURSE 4: Issues in Administration

<u>Units:</u>

- 1. Administration and Politics: Civil Service Neutrality and Integrity
- 2. Economic Administration in a Planned Economy and Free Market Economy
- 3. Administrative Ethics and Accountability
- 4. Governance: Issues and Challenges
- 5. Recent Trends: Modernisation of Administration, Partnership with Industry, Non Governmental Organisations (NGOs), Disaster Management

Course 5: Theoretical Aspects of International Politics

<u>Units:</u>

- 1. The Study of International Politics: Its Nature and Scope
- 2. Major Approaches: Realism, Idealism, Systems Theory, Marxism and Feminism
- 3. The Concept of National Power: Its Constituents and Limitations
- 4. The Management of Power: Balance of Power and Collective Security
- 5. The Concept of Non-alignment: Bases, Role and Relevance

Course 6: Issues in World Politics

Units:

- 1. Foreign Policy and Diplomacy
- 2. War, Arms Race and Disarmament
- 3. International Law and Organisation: Achievements, Limitations and Prospects.
- 4. Regional Organisations: Patterns, Role and Importance
- 5. Contemporary Challenges: Terrorism, Human Rights, Globalisation and Clash of Civilisations

Course 7: Theoretical Aspects of Comparative Politics

<u>Units</u>:

- 1. The Study of Comparative Politics: Its Nature and Development
- 2. Systems and Structural-Functionalist Approaches
- 3. Marxist and Feminist Approaches
- 4. Strategies for Comparison
- 5. Typology of Political Systems

Course 8: Issues in Comparative Politics

<u>Units</u>:

- 1. Political Culture and Socialisation
- 2. Political Elites and Classes
- 3. Political Parties and Elections
- 4. Interest Groups and People's Movements
- 5. Political Development and Revolution

Course 9: Research Methods for Political Enquiry

Units:

- 1. Scientific Method of Political Enquiry
- 2. Sampling and Research Design
- 3. Techniques of Data Collection
- 4. Content Analysis & Hermeneutics
- 5. Techniques of Data Analysis
- 6. Report Writing