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CIRCULAR

The Academic Council & Executive Council of the University has approved Ordinance OA-35A relating to PG Programmes offered at the University campus and its affiliated Colleges based on UGC 'Curriculum and Credit Framework for Postgraduate Programmes'. Accordingly, the University has proposed introduction of Ordinance OA-35A from the Academic year 2025-2026 onwards.

The Programme structure and syllabus of Semester I and II of the **Master of Arts in International Studies** Programme approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 13th & 14th June 2025 is attached.

The Dean of the School of International and Area Studies is requested to take note of the above and bring the contents of the Circular to the notice of all concerned.

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To,

1. The Dean, School of International and Area Studies, Goa University.

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2. Chairperson, BoS in International Studies, Goa University.
3. Programme Director, M.A. International Studies, Goa University.
4. Controller of Examinations, Goa University.
5. Assistant Registrar Examinations (PG), Goa University.
6. Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance, Goa University for uploading the Syllabus on the University website.

GOA UNIVERSITY
MASTER OF ARTS IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
Effective from Academic Year 2025-26

ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

The MA International Studies programme caters to an interdisciplinary understanding and analysis of cross-cutting issues underpinning global politics, economy, society, and security. It provides a holistic understanding of issues in terms of their regional peculiarities and global specificities. The canvas of international relations, which includes sovereign states, regional and international organisations for governance, transnational state and non-state actors, and civil society, is showcased in terms of their impact on policy making within national, regional, and international milieus.

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMME

1. To provide a holistic comprehension of global developments in the political, economic, military, and social spaces.
2. To impart an integrated view of crosscutting issues which influence sovereign statecraft and governance calculus of states and international organisations.
3. To map and analytically decode strategic trends, influencing the trajectory of interstate relations, regionalism, multilateralism, and global commons alike.
4. To dissect the nuances and intricacies, shaping strategic axes across ‘hard-soft’ power, ‘traditional–nontraditional’, security, ‘multi-mini-pluri’ lateralisms, etc, in global politics.

PROGRAMME SPECIFIC OUTCOMES (PSO)

PSO1	To demonstrate interdisciplinary knowledge and critical thinking related to global issues, seminal policies, inflection processes, and key trends.
PSO2	To familiarise with the historical evolution of India's foreign policy since independence, both in terms of the conceptual underpinnings and philosophical moorings on the one hand, as also the current trajectory and hue of its diplomatic practice.
PSO3	Understanding the complexities and interplay of international politics, economics, security, technology, and the cultural milieus in an integrated frame.
PSO4	Clearly articulate, consider, and argue issues through the use of diverse frames of reference and engagement through understanding of the public-private sector strategic cooperation and the imperative role of non-state actors.
PSO5	Develop an insight into the historical evolution and development of the Latin American and African regions, paying special emphasis on key informed appropriate action to solve complex problems.
PSO6	Use knowledge and skills to develop and advocate for informed, appropriate action to solve complex problems.
PSO7	Demonstrate multi-level competency in the Japanese language, with prospective inception of Korean and Mandarin languages, and the resumption of Spanish too.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE
Master of Arts in International Studies
Effective from Academic Year 2025-26

Bridge Course			
Sr. No.	Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits
1.	INR-1000	Introduction to International Relations	04

SEMESTER I				
Discipline Specific Core (DSC) Courses (16 credits)				
Sr. No.	Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits	Level
1.	INR-5000	Theories in International Relations	04	400
2.	INR-5001	International Relations: Concepts and Perspectives	04	400
3.	INR-5002	Evolving Dimensions of Strategic Studies	04	400
4.	INR-5003	International Political Economy	04	400
Total Credits for DSC Courses in Semester I			16	
Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) Courses (4 credits)				
Sr. No.	Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits	Level
1.	INR-5201	Geopolitics: Theory and Practice	04	400
2.	INR-5202	Central Asian Politics and Society in World Affairs	04	400
3.	INR-5203	Israeli Polity, Economy, Society and Foreign Policy	04	400
4.	INR-5204	Politics, Society and Foreign Policy of Australia	04	400
Total Credits for DSE Courses in Semester I			4	
Total Credits in Semester I			20	

SEMESTER II				
Discipline Specific Core (DSC) Courses				
Sr. No.	Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits	Level
1.	INR-5004	International Law	04	500
2.	INR-5005	International and Regional Institutions in Global Governance	04	500
3.	INR-5006	India's Foreign Policy	04	500
4.	INR-5007	US Foreign Policy in Perspective	04	500
Total Credits for DSC Courses in Semester II			16	
Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) Courses (4 credits)				
Sr. No.	Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits	Level
1.	INR-5205	Understanding China	04	400
2.	INR-5206	Russia in World Affairs	04	400
3.	INR-5207	India's Maritime Security and Strategy	04	400
4.	INR-5208	Society, Politics and Foreign Policy of Brazil	04	400
Total Credits for DSE Courses in Semester II			4	
Total Credits in Semester II			20	

Blooms Taxonomy Cognitive Levels	
Cognitive Level	Notations
K1	Remembering
K2	Understanding
K3	Applying
K4	Analyzing
K5	Evaluating
K6	Create

BRIDGE COURSE

Title of the Course	Introduction to International Relations
Course Code	INR-1000
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	Yes
Bridge Course	Yes
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil
Course Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To introduce students to the foundational concepts, key terminology, and historical evolution of the discipline of International Relations (IR), enabling them to contextualize contemporary global developments.• To familiarize students with major theoretical approaches in IR, such as realism, liberalism, constructivism, and critical theories, and explore how these frameworks help interpret the behavior of both state and non-state actors in the international system.• To analyze the core principles and priorities of India's foreign policy, its institutional frameworks for diplomacy, and evolving strategic concerns, with special emphasis on regional and global contexts affecting India's national interests.• Orient students towards the changing role of International Institutions and Global Governance.

Course Outcome:	After completion of this course, students will:	Mapped to PSO		
	CO 1. Familiar with the basic concepts underpinning the discipline of international relations.	PSO1, PSO3,		
	CO 2. Understand some of the prominent theory that shapes states and non-state behavior in international relations	PSO 2, PSO4.		
	CO 3. Enable students to capture the historical evolution of India's foreign policy in terms of the conceptual underpinnings, philosophical moorings, and diplomatic practice.	PSO 4, PSO5, PSO6.		
	CO 4. Aware of the strategic traditions, doctrines, and initiatives that have defined the nation's approaches to various regional and global themes and conditioned its national interest.	PSO4, PSO5.		
	CO 5. Able to understand and analyze the role played by International Institutions in Global Governance.	PSO1, PSO4.		
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Foundations of International Relations	15		
	1.1 State- and its elements, Westphalian State, Nation State, Community building, Non-state Actors		CO1, CO2	K1, K2,
	1.2 Decolonization- Third World, South-South, Global South		CO2, CO3	K3, K4,
	1.3 Democracy, Conflict Resolution, Democratic Peace, Hegemony		CO1, CO2	K4, K5, K6
	1.4 Geopolitics, Geoeconomics, Globalisation		CO2, CO3	K5, K6
	1.5 Human Security, Sustainable Development, Climate Change		CO1, CO2	K1, K6
Module 2:	Introduction to International Relations Theory and Practice	15		
	2.1 Overview of International Relations Theory – Overview of the Cold War		CO1, CO2	K1, K2, K4,
	2.2 Realism and Neorealism - Power, Anarchy, Survival, Balance of Power (Case study – Cold War Arms Race and U.S.-China strategic competition)		CO1, CO2	K2, K3, K4,

	2.3 Liberalism and Neoliberal Institutionalism - Interdependence, Institutions, Democracy (Case Study - EU formation, WTO, UN Peacekeeping missions)		CO1, CO2	K4, K6
	2.4 Constructivism – Norms and Identity (Nuclear Taboo, The End of the Cold War)		CO1, CO2	K5, K6
	2.5 Critical theory - Marxism – (Global inequality debates)		CO1, CO2	K2, K5, K6
Module 3:	The Genesis and Making of Indian Foreign Policy	15		
	3.1 The Sources and Determinants of Indian Foreign Policy (History, Geography, National Development, Democratisation, Multilateralism, National Self-Reliance, Globalism, etc.)		CO3, CO4	K1, K2.
	3.2 Seminal Milestones in Indian Foreign Policy (Afro-Asian Relations, Non-Alignment, Six Epochs in Annals of Post-Independent India : 1947-2025)		CO3, CO4	K4, K5
	3.3 Formulation of Indian Foreign Policy (Fundamental Actors, Institutional and Non-Institutional Factors Shaping Foreign Policy)		CO2, CO4	K5, K6
	3.4 ‘Neighbourhood First’ in Indian Foreign Policy: Reimagining Ties in the ‘Near-Abroad’ (Strategic Understanding of India’s South Asia Policy)		CO1, CO4	K4, K5
	3.5 ‘Cartographic Re-envisioning’ in Indian Foreign Policy: From ‘Look East’ to ‘Act East’		CO2, CO3	K5, K6
	3.6 ‘Strategic Connectivity’ in Indian Foreign Policy: ‘Look North’ and ‘Think West’ Frames		CO1, CO2	K5, K6
	3.7 ‘Reimagining Globalism’ in Indian Foreign Policy: Engaging a ‘Forward’ Africa, ‘Rising’ Latin America		CO1, CO2	K4, K5
	3.8 India-US Engagement: A Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership in Evolution		CO3, CO4	K2, K4
	3.9 The India-China Relationship: Issues, Challenges, and Opportunities in Mutual Rise		CO1, CO4	K4, K5, K6
3.10 India-Russia Relations: A Reconfiguring and Transforming Strategic Partnership	CO2, CO4	K4, K6		

	3.11 India-Japan ‘Special Strategic and Global Partnership’: Dimensions and Drivers		CO3, CO4	K2, K6
	3.12 India and the EU: Fostering Strategic Development Compacts in the Indo-Pacific and Beyond		CO1, CO3	K2, K4
	3.13 India and the ‘Quad’: Community-Building of Values and Interests through Strategic Domains Compact		CO3, CO4	K4, K5
	3.14 India in the ‘BRICS’: ‘Emerging’ Economies to ‘Rising’ Geographies in Global Multilateralism		CO1, CO4	K5, K6
Module 4:	Introduction to the International System	15		
	4.1 Theoretical Framework & Functioning		CO1, CO5	K1, K2, K3
	4.2 Types of International Institutions – Regional & International; Economic & Security		CO2, CO5	K4, K5
	4.3 Evolution of UN System; Global Finance; Terrorism; Climate Change; Proliferation of Arms and Technology		CO3, CO5	K5, K6
	4.4 Norms & Systems; Multilaterals & Minilaterals		CO2, CO3	K2, K6
	4.5 Conceptual Framework: Role of Transnational Actors; Non-state Actors and Global Protest Movements		CO1, CO5	K2, K4, K6
Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Devetak, R and True, J (eds). (2022). Theories of International Relations. Bloomsbury Academic India. 2. Kirton, J., and Larionova, M. 2020. Eds. BRICS and Global Governance. Routledge 3. Lesage, D., and Wouters, J. (2024). Eds. G20, development and the UN Agenda 2030. Routledge. 4. Oguz Gok, G., and Mehmetcik, H. (2023). Eds. The crises of legitimacy in global governance. Routledge. 5. Zimmermann, H., Elsinger, M., and Burkhardt, A (2024). International Relations: Theories in Action. SAGE Publications Ltd. 			
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Web Resources:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Acharya, A. (2017). ‘Theorising the international relations of Asia: necessity or indulgence?’ Some reflections. https://doi.org/10.1080/09512748.2017.1318163 2. Alterman, J. and McElwee, L. (2024). <i>Non-State Actors</i>, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) https://www.jstor.org/stable/resrep59425.7 3. Boonen, C., Brando, N., Cogolati, S., Hagen, R., Vanstappen, N., & Wouters, J. 2019. <i>Governing as commons or as global public goods: two tales of power</i>. <i>International Journal of the Commons</i>, 13(1), 553–577. https://www.jstor.org/stable/26632732 4. Börzel, A. (2020). <i>Multilevel governance or multilevel government?</i> In <i>The British Journal of Politics and International Relations</i>, Sage, Doi:10.1177/1369148120939872 5. Halliday, T. C. (2017). <i>Time and temporality in global governance</i>. In P. DRAHOS (Ed.), <i>Regulatory Theory: Foundations and applications</i> (pp. 303–322). ANU Press. http://www.jstor.org/stable/j.ctt1q1crtm.27

SEMESTER I

Discipline Specific Core Courses

Title of the Course	Theories in International Relations
Course Code	INR-5000
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil
Course Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The course is designed with the view to equip students with conceptual tools necessary to efficaciously comprehend the fundamental forces, processes and actors, militating within the international system. Towards this end, the Course will endeavour to introduce students to principal theoretical debates and analytical tools, imperative to a fulsome study of International Relations.• Both, mainstream theoretical traditions and pertinent critical perspectives are intended to be examined. An abiding goal of this course is to alter the image of the study of theory, which is often disparaged by students, as abstract

	and outside the purview of the real world.			
Course Outcomes:	After completion of this course, Students will be:	Mapped to PSO		
	CO 1. Equipped with the conceptual tools necessary to efficaciously comprehend the fundamental forces.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO4, PSO6		
	CO 2. Able to comprehend the processes and actors involved in international relations.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO4,		
	CO 3. Able to analyse and understand the working of the international system through the theoretical debates in International Relations.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO4		
	CO 4. Able to comprehend the application of theories in International Relations, issues, and debates.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO5, PSO6		
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1:	Introducing Theory-Practice Interface	10		
	1.1 Defining Theory, Its Role and Significance		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K2, K3, K6
	1.2 Theorizing about International Relations and System of Analysis		CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K3, K6
	1.3 Major Theoretical Debates as part of Lineage and Practice of IR		CO1, CO2, CO3,	K2, K3, K6
Module 2:	International Economic Institutions and Problems	10		
	2.1 Realism (Classical & Structural; Defensive and Offensive)		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K2, K3, K6
	2.2 Liberalism (Interdependence, Neoliberal Institutionalism, Commercial Liberalism)		CO2, CO4	K3, K4, K5, K6
Module 3:	Constructivism and the ‘English School’	10		

	3.1 Identity		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K2, K6
	3.2 Constructivism (Social Construction of Knowledge, Construction of Social Reality).		CO2, CO4	K1, K3 K6
Module 4:	Non-State Actors in International Political Economy	10		
	4.1 Transnational Corporations (TNCs)		CO3, CO4	K1, K3, K6
	4.2 Security Dilemma		CO2, CO3	K1, K5, K6
	4.3 Anarchy vis-à-vis Regime Stability		CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
	4.4 Power Politics v/s International Order		CO3, CO4	K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
	4.5 Cooperation		CO1, CO4	K3, K4, K5, K6
Module 5:	Post-Cold-War 'IR' Theory	10		
	5.1 Democratic Peace Theory		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K6
	5.2 Hegemonic Stability Theory		CO2, CO3,	K1, K2, K6
	5.3 Decision-making Theories		CO2, CO3,	K1, K2, K6
Module 6:	Critical IR Theories and Non-Western Perspectives	10		
	6.1 Marxism		CO1, CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K6
	6.2 Post-Structuralism,		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K6
	6.3 Post-Modernism		CO2, CO3, CO4	K4, K5, K6
	6.4 Post Colonialism		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
	6.5 Feminism		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6

	6.6 Global IR		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
Pedagogy:	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Carlsnaes, W., Risse, T., & Simmons, B. A. (2013). Handbook of International Relations. SAGE Publications. 2. Huntington, Samuel P. (2011). The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order. New York, NY: Simon & Schuster. 3. Lawson, S. (eds). (2002). The New Agenda for International Relations. Malden, Blackwell Publishers. 4. Schieder, S. (2014). Theories of international relations. Routledge. 5. Wendt, A. (1999). Social Theory of International Politics. University Press. 			
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5. Silva, A. P. M., Barbosa, G. G., Alves, E. E. C., & Carvalho Pacheco, C. (2023). The Game of Shapes: An Active Learning Template to Teach Constructivism in International Relations. *Journal of Political Science Education*, 19(4), 696–714. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15512169.2023.2200949>

Title of the Course	International Relations: Concepts and Perspectives
Course Code	INR-5001
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025-26
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learner	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil	
Course Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aims to acquaint students with a rudimentary conceptual understanding of the various concepts, which are integral to the study of the discipline of International Relations. • Disseminating knowledge and information about evolution of concepts, in historical and analytical perspectives, and delineating their linkage to the landscape of global politics and the terrain of global and regional governance. • Enabling a fairly detailed understanding of the concepts and their attendant perspectives from a geo-political, geo-economic 	
Course Outcome:	After completion of this course student will be:	Mapped to PSO
	CO 1. Comprehend the terms, concepts and perspectives to the latest thought-process, discourse, in terms of theory and praxis, in a manner that helps internalise the conceptual phenomenon.	PSO2, PSO3, PSO4
	CO 2. Determine the intricacies and nuances that condition the study of	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO4

	fundamentals of international relations through curated understanding of the structural, institutional and governance elements.			
	CO 3. Examine international developments namely peace-making, conflicts, conflict resolutions, and wars as it unfurls		PSO3, PSO4, PSO6	
	CO 4. Determine how National Interest are formulated sustained and narrated.		PSO 1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO6	
	CO 5. Contribute their inputs on conceptualising new developments, actors (State and Non-state actors influenced) both regionally and globally.		PSO 1,4,5,6	
	CO 6. Apply International and Regional Approaches to concepts such as counter-terrorism, climate change, and sustainable development.		PSO 3,4,6	
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Introduction to International Relations:	10		
	1.1 Origins of Modern International System		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K5
	1.2 World Wars I and II; The Cold War; Post Cold War; Post-Post Cold War; Post-Truth Epoch		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4, CO5	K1, K4, K5
	1.3 Oriental Perspectives on Sovereignty, Nation-State, Community Building, etc.		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4	K2,K4,K5, K6
Module 2:	Structural Concepts in International Relations:	10		
	2.1 Sovereignty; State System; Empire and Nationalism (European and Global); Nation-State		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4	K2, K3,K4
	2.2 Great Powers; Decolonization; Capitalist- Socialist Industrial Societies		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4	K2, K3, K4, K5
	2.3 Non-State Actors and Role in International Relations		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4, CO5	K1, K2, K4, K5

	2.4 'Third World', 'South-South', 'Global South' Perspectives		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4, CO5	K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
Module 3:	International Relations: Institutional Concepts:	10		
	3.1 Anarchy; War and Peace; Balance-of-Power (BoP), Conflict Resolution		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K3, K4
	3.2 Democratic Peace, Hegemony, Security Community, and Security Dilemma		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K3
	3.3 Dependency		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4,CO5	K1, K2, K4, K5
Module 4:	Strategic Analysis in International Relations:	10		
	4.1 Strategic Culture; Foreign Policy; National Security		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4	K2, K3, K4, K5
	4.2 Geopolitics and Spheres of Influence		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K3, K4, K5
	4.3 National Interest in Statecraft; National Development		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4	K2, K3, K4, K5
	4.4 Arms Control, Disarmament, Non-Proliferation Diplomacy and Negotiation		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4, CO5	K1, K2, K4, K5, K6
Module 5:	International Relations: Governance Concepts:	10		
	5.1 Regions, Regionalism, Regionalisation		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4, CO5	K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
	5.2 Geo-Economics; Globalisation; International Regimes and Norms		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4, CO5	K1, K2, K3, K4, K5
	5.3 International Society; Global Commons		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4	K2, K4, K5, K6

	5.4 Territoriality vis-à-vis Functionality		CO1,CO2,CO4, CO5	K2, K4, K5
	5.5 Multilateralism, Multipolarity, Polycentricity		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4, CO5	K1, K2, K3, K4,K5
Module 6:	Conceptualising Modern Global Concerns:	10		
	6.1 Democracy and Democratisation; Human Rights, Human Security and Humanitarianism		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4,CO5, CO6	K2, K4, K5, K6
	6.2 Terrorism and Violent Radicalisation		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4, CO5	K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
	6.3 Nuclear Non- Proliferation, Disarmament and Weapons of Mass Destruction		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4, CO5	K1, K2, K4, K5, K6
	6.4 Sustainable Development; Climate Change and the Environment		CO1,CO2,CO4, CO5, CO6	K1, K2, K4, K5, K6
	6.5 Religion and Culture		CO1,CO2,CO3, CO4, CO5	K1, K2, K4, K5
Pedagogy	Lectures, Discussions, Flipped Classrooms, Audio Visual Aids etc.			
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Title of the Course	Evolving Dimensions of Strategic Studies
Course Code	INR-5002
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners: Yes/No	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil
Course Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This course examines international conflict and cooperation, forms of strategic interaction and causes of war and prevention of conflict and conditions and efforts toward attaining peace. It introduces students to the basic concepts of the State, Power, National Interest, War, Conflict, and Peace, etc., as also acquainting them with the nuances and intricacies of what constitutes such concepts and phenomena. • The Course would enable students not just to understand the causes and consequences of various dimensions within the discipline of Strategic Studies, but also be able to use analytical tools and frameworks to comprehend, dissect and articulate the changing narrative and realm of Strategy.

Course Outcomes:	After completion of this course, students will be:	Mapped to PSO		
	CO 1. Have a holistic understanding of peace, security, and strategic studies and their importance to the study of International Relations.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO4, PSO6		
	CO 2. Able to understand the role of strategic thinking in war and peace doctrines.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO4		
	CO 3. Able to comprehend the concepts of cooperation in defence and the role of non-state actors in strategic thinking.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO4		
	CO 4. Understand the role of the failed states and their impact on international relations.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO4, PSO6		
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1:	Introduction	10		
	1.1 Brief Survey of Strategic Thought (Kautilya, Clausewitz, Tsun-Tzu, Mao)		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K6
	1.2 Concepts of Nation, State, Nation-State		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K6
	1.3 Theories of the State		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K6
	1.4 Components, Dimensions and Notions of Power		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K6
	1.5 Concept of National Interest		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K6
Module 2:	Notions of ‘Security’	10		
	2.1 National Security, Collective Security (Balance of Power vis-à-vis Balance of Terror, Arms Control and Disarmament)		CO3, CO4	K1, K4, K5, K6
	2.2 Regional Security, Comprehensive Security, Common Security, Human Security, Maritime Security, Economic Security; Climate Security		CO3, CO4	K1, K3, K4, K6
Module 3:	‘War’ and ‘Conflict’ in Strategic Studies	10		

	3.1 Definition and Causes of War, Principles of War, Conventional Warfare in the Nuclear Age, Limited War, Revolutionary, Guerrilla War, Low Intensity Conflict(s), Insurgency and Counter-Insurgency Operations, War against Terror		CO1, CO3,	K1, K2, K6
	3.2 Techniques (Conflict Prevention, Conflict Management & Resolution, Conflict Preservation, Confidence Building Measures		CO1, CO3,	K1, K2, K6
Module 4:	From Peacekeeping to Peace-Building	10		
	4.1 Epistemology and Concept, Dimensions, Approaches and Assumptions; Civil-Military Relations (Theories, Models, Empirical Studies)		CO1, CO3,	K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
	4.2 IGOs and NGOs in Peace-Operations (Peacekeeping, Peace-making, Peace-Enforcement and Peace-building)		CO1, CO3,	K1, K2, K6
	4.3 Diplomacy and its Role (Genesis, Evolution, Changing Contours, New Age Approaches, Methodologies and Techniques), Peace Movements and Peace Research		CO1, CO3,	K2, K3, K6
Module 5:	Role of Science and Technology	10		
	5.1 Research and Development in Defence Preparedness (Revolution in Military Affairs)		CO1, CO4	K3, K4, K5, K6
	5.2 Military-Industrial Complex, Modernization and Indigenization in Defence Requirements, Disruptive Technologies		CO1, CO4	K3, K4, K5, K6
Module 6:	Strategic Stability: Imperatives and Challenges	10		
	6.1 Evolving Alliance Frameworks, Defence Cooperation, Security and Strategic Dialogues		CO1, CO4	K3, K4, K5, K6
	6.2 Nuclear Deterrence, Non-Proliferation, Nuclear Regimes; Problems in the System of Governance and Human Rights, Organized Crime and Violence		CO1, CO4	K3, K4, K5, K6

	6.3 Migration, Environmental Concerns, Failed States and State Collapse			
Pedagogy:	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bull, H. (1965). The control of the arms race: Disarmament and arms control in the missile age. Praeger. 2. Campisi, J., Leitner, J., Meissner, H., & Sottilotta, C. E. (eds). (2025). The Routledge Handbook of Political Risk. Routledge. 3. Freedman, L., & Michaels, J. H. (2019). The evolution of nuclear strategy. Palgrave Macmillan. 4. Johnson, L. K. (2015). Essentials of strategic intelligence. Praeger. 5. Webel, C. P., & Galtung, J. (2007). Handbook of peace and conflict studies. Taylor & Francis. 			
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 4. Pettman, R. (2005). Human Security as Global Security: Reconceptualising Strategic Studies. *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*, 18(1), 137–150. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09557570500059878>
 5. Shirkey, Z. C. (2025). State Formation, Warfare, and the Bronze Age State System. *Security Studies*, 1–31. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09636412.2025.2497967>

Title of the Course	International Political Economy
Course Code	INR-5003
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil	
Course Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide insights into recent trends in the international political economy from the perspective of developing countries by integrating traditional and contemporary theoretical approaches. To expose students to the complex interplay between international politics and economics, beyond the general dynamics of global politics and international relations. 	
Course Outcome:	After completion of this course, students will be:	Mapped to PSO
	CO 1. Able to analyze how the interplay between political power and economic resources shapes the conduct of international relations.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3
	CO 2. Able to explain the relationship between globalization and regionalism and assess their impact on international political and economic dynamics.	PSO3, PSO4, PSO5.
	CO 3. Able to understand the role and functioning of various regional groupings in the international political economy.	PSO2, PSO4, PSO5.

	CO 4. Able to critically engage with and evaluate various perspectives on international political economy.		PSO 2, 3, 5.	
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Introducing International Political Economy	10		
	1.1 Background, Definition, and Approaches;		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K3.
	1.2 Contemporary Mainstream Approaches— Institutional and Critical IPE.		CO1, CO4	K2, K3.
Module 2:	International Economic Institutions and Problems	10		
	2.1 World Trade Organization (WTO)		CO1, CO3	K5, K6
	2.2 Multilateral Economic Institutions and Development Finance Agencies		CO3, CO4	K4, K5, K6
Module 3:	Political Economy of Regionalism	10		
	3.1 European Union		CO2, CO3	K5, K6
	3.2 North American Free Trade Area (NAFTA)		CO3, CO4	K4, K5, K6
	3.3 Asia Pacific Economic Community (APEC)		CO1, CO2,	K4, K5,
	3.4 Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)		CO1, CO4	K1, K2,
	3.5 Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)		CO2, CO4	K1, K4,
Module 4:	Non-State Actors in International Political Economy	10		
	4.1 Transnational Corporations (TNCs)		CO1, CO3,	K5, K6
	4.2 Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)—National and International		CO2, CO4	K4, K5
	4.3 Protest Movements		CO3, CO4	K2, K3,
Module 5:	Transnational Issues	10		
	5.1 Migration; Sustainability and Climate Change; Human Rights, Poverty,		CO1, CO2,	K2, K3, K6

	Demographics, Food Security, Global Financial Crises, Energy Security.		CO3, CO4	
Module 6:	Critical Perspectives on Contemporary IPE	10		
	6.1 New Social Movements, Protests, Feminist Critique of IPE.		CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K3, K4,
Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Daniela, I and Charountaki, M (Ed.). (2022). Mapping Non-State Actors in International Relations. Springer. 2. Daunton, M. (2023). The Economic Government of the World. Penguin Books Ltd. 3. Ghosh, P. (2022). Introduction to Political Economy: Context, Issues and Challenges. Sage Publications. 4. Kenen, P. (2018). The International Economy. Cambridge University Press – Fourth Edition. 5. Molle, W. (2006). Global Economic Institutions. Routledge. 			
References/ Readings:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Borzel, T., Goltermann, L., and Striebinger, K. (2016). Roads to Regionalism: Genesis, Design, and Effects of Regional Organizations. London: Routledge. 2. Frieden, J., Lake, D., and Broz, L. (2017). International Political Economy: Perspectives on Global Power and Wealth. New York: W.W. Norton & Co. 3. Halperin, S. (2013). Re-envisioning Global Development: A Horizontal Perspective. London: Routledge. 4. Pettman, R. (2012). Handbook on International Political Economy. Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. 5. Ravenhill, J. (2011). Global Political Economy. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 6. Seligson, M., and Passe-Smith, J. (2013). Eds. Development and Underdevelopment: The Political Economy of Global Inequality. Boulder: Lynne Rienner Publishers. 7. Shaw, T., and Fanta, E. (2013). Eds. Comparative Regionalisms for Development in the 21st Century: Insights from the Global South. London: Routledge. 8. Thorsten, O., Helge, P. and Paaskesen, K. (2013). Saints and Sinners: Official Development Aid and its Dynamics in Historical and Comparative Perspective. Bergen, Norway: Fagbokforlaget Publishers. 9. Veltmeyer, H. (2016). New Perspectives on Globalization and Antiglobalization: Prospects for a New World Order? London: Routledge. 10. Xing, L. (2014). The BRICS and Beyond: The International Political Economy of the Emergence of a New World Order. London: Routledge. 			
Web Resources:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dolan-Evans, E. (2021). Pipes, profits and peace: toward a feminist political economy of gas during war. https://doi.org/10.1080/09692290.2021.2012223 			

2. Gasseau, G. (2025). Bridging the international political economy of water: social reproduction, governance and non-state actors. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09692290.2025.2454918>
3. Hopewell, K. (2025). Challenging the status quo-revisionist power dichotomy: China and the United States in the trade regime. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09692290.2025.2493802>
4. Langley, P. and Leyshon, A. (2020). The Platform Political Economy of FinTech: Reintermediation, Consolidation and Capitalisation. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13563467.2020.1766432>
5. Muyang, C. and Johannes, P. (2023). What about the dragon in the room? Incorporating China into international political economy (IPE) teaching. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09692290.2023.2175711>

Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) Courses

Title of the Course	Geopolitics: Theory and Practice
Course Code	INR-5201
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025-2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil
Course Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. This optional course is aimed at making students understand that there is a complex history and geography, both given and written, to the term 'Geopolitics'. The term was coined at the very end of the 19th century at the service of new forms of nationalism, colonial project, and inter-imperialist rivalry in Europe and the World.2. With the complex interplay between space and power at its conceptual core, geopolitics has most often been associated with a 'realist' and state-centric approach to international relations. But recent decades have witnessed the rise of a critical geopolitics that focuses on a far wider range of social actors, experiences (including non-Western), and practices.3. This course provides a concise survey of classical geopolitics from a critical geopolitical perspective. It draws attention to the politics behind the production of geopolitical knowledge (in plural) of international relations. Illustrations/cases used in this course are drawn largely from both continental and maritime Asia and the Indian

	Ocean Region.			
Course Outcome:	After completion of this course, students will:	Mapped to PSO		
	CO 1. Understood the significance of geopolitical thinking in International Relations.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO4		
	CO 2. Obtain clarity in relation to the various phases of geopolitical thinking in International Relations.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO4, PSO5		
	CO 3. Able to relate and examine the writings of major geopolitical thinkers across a century-long period of geopolitical thought and State approaches.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO5		
	CO 4. Able to critically engage with and evaluate the role and impact of big powers, middle powers, as well as non-state actors and transnational phenomena on global governance, strategic stability, and institutional order. By the end of the course, students will be able to analyze how the interplay between political power and economic resources shapes the conduct of international relations.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO4, PSO5		
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Conceptualizing Geopolitics	10		
	1.1 Definition, Genesis, Traditions of Evolving Thought. Critical Perspectives on Space–Place, Scale and Knowledge-Power.		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K3,
	1.2 Origins, Evaluation and Legacies of Western Geopolitical Tradition: (Rudolf Kjellen) (Organic Theory of State), Friedrich Ratzel (Lebensraum), Karl Haushofer (German School of Geopolitics), Halford J. Mackinder (Heartland), Alfred Thayer Mahan (Sea Power), Nicholas J. Spykman (Rimland).		CO1, CO4	K1, K4, K6.
Module 2	Cold War Geopolitics	10		
	2.1 Eurocentric Visualizations of the Globe (Worlds and Blocks); Post Cold War Geopolitics and Maritime Order (Indian Ocean Region and the ‘Indo-Pacific’).		CO1, CO3	K2, K4, K6
Module 3	Critical Geopolitics	10		
	3.1 Climatic Change (Perspectives on and from Global South); Geopolitics and		CO1, CO2,	K1, K4, K6

	Geo-Economics of Connectivity in Asia and Beyond (Silk Routes: Old and New; One Belt One Road).		CO3	
	3.2 Geo-politics and Geo-Economics of Connectivity in Asia and Beyond (Silk Routes: Old and New; One Belt One Road).		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K4, K6
Module 4	Contours of Geopolitical Visions in the Contemporary World	10		
	4.1 End of Cold War; The New Militarism, Rise of Multi-polarity in the Geopolitical Context; A Different Kind of Geopolitics? New Tensions in Geopolitical and Geostrategic Context.		CO1, CO2,	K1, K5, K6
Module 5	Anti-Geopolitics	10		
	5.1 New Forms of Resistance, Gender and Geopolitics.		CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
Module 6	Emerging Geopolitics in the 21st Century	10		
	6.1 Popular Geopolitics in the Era of Globalization: US Grand Strategy: An American Empire?; The End of Eurocentrism?; Role of China and India in the Emerging World. Resurgence of ‘South-South’ Cooperation as the ‘Global South’.		CO1, CO4	K4, K5, K6
Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agnew, J. (2003) Geopolitics: Re-visioning World Politics. 2. Blij, H. (2012). Why Geography Matters More than Ever. Oxford University Press. 3. Dodds, K. and Atkinson, D. (eds.) (2000). Geopolitical Traditions: A Century of Geopolitical Thought. 4. Flint, C. (ed.) (2004). The Geography of War and Peace: From Death Camps to Diplomats. 5. Ó Tuathail, G. (1996). Critical Geopolitics, The Politics of Writing Global Space. 			
References/ Readings:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bialasiewicz, L. (2016). EU Geopolitics and the Making of European Space. Routledge. 2. Craft. A. (2023). Critical Geopolitics and Regional Re-Configurations: International Perspectives. Clanrye International. 3. Dittmer, J. and McConnell, F. (2016). Diplomatic Cultures and International Politics: Translations, Spaces and Alternatives. Routledge. 4. Dodds, K., and Kuus, M. (2024). The Ashgate Research Companion to Critical Geopolitics. Routledge. 			

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Elden, S. (2009). <i>Terror and Territory: The Spatial Extent of Sovereignty</i>. University of Minnesota Press. 6. Haass, R. (2018). <i>A World in Disarray</i>. Penguin Books (TR). 7. Ingram, A., and Dodds, K. (2016). <i>Spaces of Security and Insecurity: Geographies of the War on Terror</i>. Routledge. 8. International Renewable Energy Agency (2023). <i>The Geopolitics of Energy Transition: Critical Minerals</i>. IRENA 9. Irrera, D., and Charountaki, M. (2022). <i>Mapping Non-State Actors in International Relations</i>. 10. Sloan, G. and Gray, C. (2018). <i>Geopolitics, Geography and Strategic History</i>. Routledge.
Web Resources:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dalby, S. (1996). <i>The Critical Geopolitics Constellation: Problematizing Fusions of Geographical Knowledge and Power</i>. https://doi.org/10.1016/0962-6298(96)00026-1 2. Fard, R. (2021). <i>Towards a New Concept of Constructivist Geopolitics</i>. https://www.cejiss.org/images/docs/Issue_15-1/02_Fard.pdf 3. Kurfurst, J., Solik, M. (2024). <i>Critical Geopolitics in the Era of Identitarian Populism</i>. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10708-024-11009-6 4. Lu, D. and Zhiding, H. (2016). <i>Re-Interpretation of the Classical Geopolitical Theories in a Critical Geopolitical Perspective</i>. DOI: 10.1007/s11442-016-1357-1 5. Sharp, J. (2020). <i>Critical Geopolitics</i>. https://linkinghub.elsevier.com/retrieve/pii/B9780081022955104573

Title of the Course	Central Asian Politics and Society in World Affairs
Course Code	INR-5202
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil	
Course Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Course shall endeavour to introduce students, to a well-rounded and integrated understanding, of the geographical, geopolitical and geostrategic rudiments, of the Central Asian region, both in terms of its distinctness as also in terms of it being a regional subset within broader Asia, of critical import. 2. The focus of the Course shall be to enable students to get a grasp of the issues, narratives, and aspects conditioning Central Asian politics, societal evolution, foreign policy and diplomatic orientation and impulses and imperatives, underpinning their National Security. 	
Course Outcomes:	After Completion of this course, students will be:	Mapped to PSO
	CO 1. Have a holistic understanding of the geographical, geopolitical and geostrategic rudiments of the Central Asian region.	PSO 1, PSO 3, PSO 6

	CO 2. Able to comprehend the relations between the Central Asian countries and the major powers in the region and outside		PSO1, PSO3, PSO6	
	CO 3. Oriented to the study of contemporary challenges like political, security, economic and others to the countries of Central Asia.		PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO6	
	CO 4. Able to analyse the major economic, security and political groupings of the region.		PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO6	
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1:	Mapping Central Asian Diversity	10		
	1.1 Geographical Mapping, Survey of Historical Antecedents		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K6
	1.2 Geopolitical Facets, Geo-Economic Realities, Geo-Strategic Import		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K6
Module 2:	Politics, Economics and Society of Central Asian Republics (CARs)	10		
	2.1 Political Structures, Economic Systems, Societal Profile, Politico Economic and Socio- Economic Developments		CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K4, K5, K6
	2.2 Ethno-Cultural Narratives and Trajectory		CO2, CO4	K4, K5, K6
Module 3:	Foreign Policy and National Security of ‘CARs’	10		
	3.1 Strategic Backdrop and Contemporary Context		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K5, K6
	3.2 Structure and Changes in Foreign Policy and Diplomatic Orientation		CO1, CO2, CO3,	K1, K4, K6
	3.3 Dynamic Imperatives and Impulses conditioning National Security and Development		CO1, CO2, CO3,	K1, K4, K6
Module 4:	‘CARs’ Engagements with Major, Rising and Regional Powers	10		

	4.1 CARs and Major Power Dynamics – Russia, China, US.		CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K6
	4.2 CARs and Regional Peripheries – India, Turkey, Iran, GCC states		CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K6
	4.3 CARs and Rising Geographies – Eurasia, West Asia, Western Indian Ocean Region		CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K6
Module 5:	Central Asia and Strategic Initiatives	10		
	5.1 Central Asia and Regionalism – Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU), Union of Turkic States (UTS),		CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K3, K6
	5.2 Central Asia and Connectivity – Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), International North-South Transport Corridor (INSTC), Turkmenistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan-India (TAPI)		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K3, K6
Module 6:	21st Century Strategic Portfolios in Central Asia Governance	10		
	6.1 Hard Security – Border management, Terrorism and Radicalism, Energy Security		CO2, CO3, CO4	K4, K5, K6
	6.2 Strategic Infrastructure-Based National Economic Development; State Capacity for Crime and Security Management, Intra-Regional Integration		CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K4, K6
	6.3 Non-traditional security – narcotics, Human trafficking, Small arms proliferation, Climate change, and Water crisis, Challenges to Human development		CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K5, K6
Pedagogy:	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts:	1. Cooley, A. (2014). Great Games, local rules: The New Great Power Contest in Central Asia. Oxford University Press. 2. Golden, P. B. (2011). Central Asia in world history. Oxford University Press.			

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| | <p>Republics. <i>Eurasian Geography and Economics</i>, 49(5), 604–622. https://doi.org/10.2747/1539-7216.49.5.604</p> <p>4. Roy, M. S. (2011). Strategic Importance of Turkmenistan for India. <i>Strategic Analysis</i>, 35(4), 661–682. https://doi.org/10.1080/09700161.2011.585791</p> <p>5. Strakes, J. E. (2006). Tools of political management in the New Central Asian Republics. <i>Journal of Muslim Minority Affairs</i>, 26(1), 87–99. https://doi.org/10.1080/13602000600738772</p> |
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Title of the Course	Israeli Polity, Economy, Society and Foreign Policy
Course Code	INR-5203
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil	
Course Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The course shall endeavour to introduce students to the basics of the State of Israel, in terms of its Jewish historical background, its historical antecedence and evolution through the annals, the contours of its economy as it has unfolded through time. • It introduces Israeli societal evolution and metamorphosis and challenges within, its foreign policy orientations, diplomatic postures, and national security imperatives, • It also affords students an in-depth interrogation of the principal issues of conflict and contention, conditioning Israel’s engagement with competing regional powers and emergent and rising global powers. 	
Course Outcome:	After completion of this course, students will be:	Mapped to PSO
	CO 1. Able to acquire a comprehensive understanding of Israel, in terms of its polity, economic structures, societal milieu, foreign policy attributes, national security determinants, etc.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3.

	CO 2. Analyze the Foreign Policy and National Security determinants of the Jewish State, and their implications on policymaking and the accomplishment of national interests.		PSO1, PSO4, PSO5.
	CO 3. Understand the strategic role of the Jewish State, in terms of power and influence, within the specific Levant, as well as in the wider West Asian region		PSO2, PSO3, PSO5.
	CO 4. Critically engage with and evaluate the challenges confronting Jewish polity, economy, security, and society, and its breakout opportunities.		PSO1, PSO3, PSO4.
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO
Module 1	Introduction	10	
	1.1 Decoding Zionism: Genesis, Trends in Evolution, the Holocaust Moment, Jewish Nation-Building - Biblical Mandate to Politico-Juridical Statehood		CO1, CO4 K1, K2, K3
	1.2 Zionism in Modern and Contemporary Epoch: Post-Independence Antecedents		CO1, CO4 K1, K2, K4.
Module 2	Israel's Polity and Politics	10	
	2.1 Polity: Historicity, Political Narratives, Schools of Thought, Constitutionalism, Democratization, and Representation Political Structure, System, Political Actors		CO1, CO3, CO4 K1, K2, K6
	2.2 Politics: Political Structure, System, Parties - Actors and Change-Agents, Electoral System and Voting Patterns, Multifaceted Institutional Process Interactions.		CO1, CO3, CO4 K1, K2, K5,
Module 3	Israel's Economy	10	
	3.1 Macro-Economy: Historical Development - Socialism to Privatization, 21 st century Neoliberal Economic Growth, Advancements and Innovations in Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Industrial Manufacturing.		CO1, CO3, CO4 K1, K2, K5, K6
	3.2 Israel's Frontier Economy: Role of Military Industrial Complex and Development of Strategic Defence Industries; Techno-Service Sector Growth, Role of Energy Development in Economic Diversification - Hydrocarbons to		CO1, CO3, CO4 K1, K2, K4.

	Renewables			
Module 4	Israeli Society	10		
	4.1 Ethnicity and Identity; Religious-Secular Axis, Jewish Nationalism vis-à-vis Multiculturalism and Social Stratification; Demographic Dynamics; Role of Diaspora.		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K2, K4, K6
	4.2 Politics-Society Interaction: Conscription and its Social Impact; Conflict with Arabs, Integration of Palestinian Arabs and Christians, including Shia Minorities.		CO1, CO2, CO3	K4, K5, K6
Module 5	Foreign Policy and National Security	10		
	5.1 Sources and Determinants of Foreign Policy and National Security Strategizing; Role of the United States in Israeli National Power; Israel's Diplomatic Traditions.		CO1, CO3, CO4	K4, K5, K6
	5.2 Israel's External Diplomacy in the Region: Engagements with Gulf States (GCC), States in the Levant: Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, Iran, Egypt, and the Arab League, etc.		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K2, K4,
	5.3 Israel and the Wider World: Strategic Partners and Extended Geographies (China, India, Russian Federation, Africa, Europe, Latin America, Australia, East Asia)		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K3, K6
Module 6	Israel and Regional and Global Issues	10		
	6.1 Israel-Palestine Conflict: Issues of Dispute and Conflict Resolution and Management Responses		CO1, CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
	6.2 State and Non-State Actors; Traditional and Non-Traditional Security - Terrorism, Non-Proliferation, Water, Technology, Hegemony		CO1, CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Freedman, R. (2009). Contemporary Israel: Domestic Politics, Foreign Policy, and Security Challenges. Boulder: Westview Press. 2. Freilich, C. (2018). Israeli National Security: A New Strategy for an Era of Change. Oxford University Press. 3. Sachar, H. (2007). A History of Israel: From the Rise of Zionism to Our Time. New York University Press. 4. Sasley, B. (2016). Politics in Israel: Governing a Complex Society. Oxford University Press. 			
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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Freedman, R. (2019). <i>Israel under Netanyahu: Domestic Politics and Foreign Policy</i>. Routledge. 4. Freilich, C. (2018). <i>Israeli National Security: A New Strategy for an Era of Change</i>. Oxford University Press USA. 5. Gilder, G. (2012). <i>Why the World's Most Besieged Nation is a Beacon of Hope for the World Economy</i>. Washington, D.C.: US Library of Congress. 6. Jean-Loup, S. (2017). <i>Israel's Foreign Policy: Beyond the Arab World</i>. Routledge. 7. Maoz, Z. (2006). <i>Defending the Holy Land: A Critical Analysis of Israeli Foreign and Security Policies</i>. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press. 8. Morechai, G. (2016). <i>Israeli Diplomacy and the Quest for Peace</i>. Routledge. 9. Sagi, A., and Anchtomy, O. (2009). <i>The Multicultural Challenge in Israel: Society, Culture, and History</i>. Brighton, MA: Academic Studies Press. 10. Senor, D., and Singer, S. (2011). <i>Start-Up Nation: The Story of Israel's Economic Miracle</i>. Washington, D.C.: US Library of Congress.
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Title of the Course	Politics, Society and Foreign Policy of Australia
Course Code	INR-5204
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil	
Course Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The major focus of the Course is to give a comprehensive insight into an introductory understanding of the Australian nation, as regards its historical evolution, its political processes, its economic trajectory, and its societal profile. 2. The students would also be exposed to a substantive understanding of how Australia, as an important rising power in the South Pacific subset and the wider Indo-Pacific expanse, relates to the significant strategic developments in the region, through its foreign policy, economic engagements, security orientation, and postures alike. 3. Students would be familiarized with how Australia leverages various facets of its national development and growing comprehensive national power, towards advancing and bettering the cause of global governance. 	
Course Outcome:	After completion of this course, students will	
	CO 1. Possess insights into an introductory and rudimentary understanding of the Australian nation, as regards its historical evolution across political, economic,	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO4

	societal and military aspects.			
	CO 2. Analyse the Foreign Policy and National Security determinants of Australia, and the implications of formulation and operation on national interests' prioritization and accomplishment.		PSO1, PSO3, PSO4, PSO5	
	CO 3. Understand the strategic role of Australia, in terms of its growing power and influence, within the Asia-Pacific, as well as across the Indo-Pacific.		PSO1, PSO2, PSO4, PSO5	
	CO 4. Critically engage with and evaluate various perspectives on the challenges confronting Australian society, as well as the opportunities that beckon.		PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO5	
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Introducing Australia	10		
	1.1 Geographical and Geopolitical Scope; Historical Antecedence, Evolution to Contemporary Nationhood;		CO1, CO4	K1, K2, K3,
	1.2 National Identity and Societal Profile: Anglo-Saxon Heritage, Indigenous Peoples', Multiculturalism, Contemporary Quasi-Republicanism to Potential Whole-Republic.		CO1, CO4	K1, K2, K3
Module 2	Australian Polity and Politics	10		
	2.1 Constitutional Scheme, Political Structure, Executive Processes, Traditional Two-Party System: Liberals and Labour; Smaller Parties - Nationals, Greens, 'One-Nation'		CO1, CO3, CO4	K4, K5, K6
	2.2 Recent Political Developments, Electoral System and Evolving Preferences		CO1, CO3, CO4	K3, K4, K6
Module 3	Australian Foreign Policy and National Security	10		
	3.1 Foreign Policymaking Apparatus, Diplomatic Orientation, History of Foreign Relations, Foreign Policy Frameworks of Coalition and Labour Administrations, Conceptualizing National Interest Anew,		CO1, CO2, CO3	K4, K5, K6

	3.2 National Security Establishment; Conceptions of National Interests anew, Defence White Paper(s)		CO1, CO3, CO4	K3, K4, K6
Module 4	Australian Political Economy	10		
	4.1 Basic National and Provincial Economic Profiles; Economics of Resources; Foreign Aid to Developmental Diplomacy; Economy and the Environment for Sustainability.		CO1, CO2	K4, K5, K6
Module 5	Australia in the Region and the World	10		
	5.1 Australia and Allies: Australia-US Relations; Trans-Tasman Relationship; Australia in the South Pacific, Australia and ASEAN, Migration; Sustainability and Climate Change; Human Rights, Poverty, Demographics, Food Security, Global Financial Crises, Energy Security.		CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K4, K6
	5.2 Australia and Key Geographies: Australia-Philippines, Australia-Japan, Australia-South Korea, Australia-India, Australia-China, Australia's Indo-Pacific Step-up, Australia and UK, Australia and European Union, Australia in the Global South		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K4, K6
Module 6	Australia in Regional and Global Governance	10		
	6.1 Australia's Role in APEC, G7Plus, G20, OECD, NATO-Plus, UN, etc.; Australia in key initiatives - Quad, BDN, IPOI, SCRI, CPTPP, RCEP, India-Indonesia-Australia.		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K3, K4
	6.2 Sustainability and Climate Change; Human Rights; Poverty Alleviation; Demographics - Refugees and Immigration; Food Security, Financial Coordination, Energy Security, Strategic Connectivity Trajectories, Blue Economy, Soft Power, etc.		CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K5, K6
Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fernandes, C. (2018). Island of the Coast of Asia: Instruments of Statecraft in Australian Foreign Policy. Monash University Press. 2. Gyngell, A. (2017). Fear of Abandonment: Australia in the World since 1942. La Trobe University Press. 			

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Gyngell, A., and Wesley, M. (2003). <i>Making Australian Foreign Policy</i>. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 4. Mclean, I. (2012). <i>Why Australia Prospered: The Shifting Sources of Economic Growth</i>. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 5. Schreer, B. (2008). <i>The Howard Legacy: Australian Military Strategy 1996- 2007</i>. Frankfurt, Germany: Peter Lang AG.
References/ Readings	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Baldino, D. (2014). <i>Australian Foreign Policy: Controversies and Debates</i> 2. Barrett, T. (2017). <i>The Navy and the Nation: Australia’s Maritime Power in the 21st Century</i>. Carltonvic: Melbourne University Publishing. 3. Gilbert, R. and Liow, J. (2018). <i>International Relations and Asia’s Southern Tier: ASEAN, Australia and India</i>. London: Palgrave Macmillan. 4. Hundt, D., and Chubb, D. (2024). <i>Australia in World Affairs 2016-2020: A Return to Great Power Rivalry</i>. Cambridge University Press. 5. Lofgren, H. and Sarangi, P. (2017). Ed. <i>The Politics and Culture of Globalization: India and Australia</i>. London: Routledge. 6. McDonald, S., and Tan, A. (2023). <i>The Future of the United States-Australia Alliance: Evolving Security Strategy in the Indo-Pacific</i>. Routledge. 7. Megalogenis, G. (2017). <i>The Australian Moment</i>. New York: Penguin Publishers. 8. O’Keefe, M. (2023). <i>Australian Foreign Policy: Relationships, Issues, Strategic Culture</i>. Bloomsbury Academic. 9. Strating, R., and Wallis, J. (2024). <i>Girt by Sea: Reimagining Australia’s Security</i>. La Trobe University Press. 10. Wang, Y. (2012). <i>Australia-China Relations Post 1949: Sixty Years of Trade and Politics</i>. London: Routledge.
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	5. Sotomayor, M., and Thomas, R. (2024). Australia: The Guardian of the Indo-Pacific. https://www.unav.edu/documents/16800098/17755721/australia-guardian-of-the-indo-pacific-report.pdf
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SEMESTER II

Discipline Specific Core (DSC) Courses

Title of the Course	International Law
Course Code	INR-5004
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025-26
New Course	No
Bridge Course/ Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil	
Course Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Course is designed to give the students of International Studies a foundational comprehension of the rudiments of International Law.• Emphasis is on enabling students to understand concepts such as State, Sovereignty and Statehood, State Responsibility and Liability, etc., as also to help them get a grasp of the myriad Global Treaty Regimes in vogue, managing the harness of the Commons and regulating State behaviour and interstate transactions.	
Course Outcome:	After completion of this course student will be:	Mapped to PSO
	CO 1. Understand the importance and linkages between International Law and	PSO1, PSO3, PSO4, PSO6

	International Relations.			
	CO 2. Have a clear analysis of laws during peacetime and wartime.		PSO1, PSO3, PSO5	
	CO 3. Evaluate economic and trade laws in the context of International Relations.		PSO1, PSO2, PSO4, PSO5, PSO6	
	CO 4. Interpret the developments of diplomacy between countries		PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO5, PSO6	
	CO 5. Appraise the realms of Space, Cyber, and Environmental laws.		PSO1, PSO3, PSO4, PSO6	
	CO 6. Discuss and propose policy alternatives based on precedents and changing dynamics		PSO1, PSO3, PSO6	
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	General Principles of International Law:	10		
	1.1 Sources of International Law; States as Subjects of International Law		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K2, K3
	1.2 Statehood; Forms of States; State Recognition; State Succession; State Responsibility, State Liability		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
Module 2:	International Law and the Laws of Peace and Armed Conflict:	10		
	2.1 Prohibition of Force in International Relations & Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K2, K3, K4
	2.2 Laws of War (Commencement & Termination of Hostilities)		CO1, CO2	K1, K2, K3, K4
	2.3 International Humanitarian Law & Criminal Tribunals		CO1, CO2, CO6	K1, K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
	2.4 Legal Regime on Counter-Terrorism		CO1, CO2, CO6	K1, K2, K4, K5, K6
Module 3:	International Economic and Trade Laws:	10		
	3.1 New International Economic Order and Charter of Rights and Duties of States		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K2, K4

	3.2 Law of Sovereignty over Natural Resources vis-à-vis the Right to Development		CO1, CO2, CO3, CO6	K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
	3.3 Legal Regime on IPR		CO1, CO2, CO3, CO6	K1, K2, K4, K5, K6
	3.4 Origin and History of GATT; MFN Clause, National Treatment Clause, Codes on Anti-Dumping and Subsidies; WTO's Dispute Settlement Mechanism		CO1, CO2, CO3, CO6	K2, K4, K5, K6
Module 4:	International Environmental Law:	10		
	4.1 Overview of Environmental Problems and Efforts to meet the Challenge; Emergence of International Environmental Law		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K2, K4
	4.2 Lawmaking and Institution Building Processes; 1972 Stockholm Conference, 1987 Brundtland Commission Report, 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K2, K4, K5
	4.3 International Environmental Agencies, including UNEP, Commission on Sustainable Development		CO2, CO3, CO4, CO5, CO6	K1, K2, K4, K6
	4.4 Select Multilateral Environmental Agreements, Polar Regions		CO2, CO3, CO4, CO5, CO6	K2, K3, K4, K5, K6
Module 5:	International Maritime, Nuclear, Space and Cyber Law:	10		
	5.1 Legal Regime on Maritime Nuclear Weapons – PTBT, NPT & CTBT		CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4, CO5	K1, K2, K4, K5, K6
	5.2 The Laws of Outer Space (Moon Treaty, Geostationary)		CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4, CO5	K1, K2, K4, K5, K6
	5.3 Cross-cutting issues in Treaty-Regimes (Equity, Liability, Access, Treaties, Community, Reforms)		CO1, CO2, CO3, CO5, CO6	K2, K3, K5, K6
Module 6:	International Diplomatic Law:	10		

	6.1 1961 Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K2, K4, K5, K6
	6.2 1946 Convention on the Privileges & Immunities of the UN; Treaties and Treaty- making; Types of Treaties, Validity and Termination of Treaties		CO1, CO2 CO4, CO6	K1, K2, K3, K4, K5
	6.3 Political Asylum; Diplomatic Asylum; Laws relating to Extradition.		CO1, CO2, CO4, CO6	K1, K2, K4, K5, K6
Pedagogy	Lectures, Discussions, Case Study, Flipped Classrooms, Self-Study, Audio-Visual Aids etc.			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Claudia, C. (2024). Regulation of Outer Space: International Space Law and the State (1st edition) by Routledge and by G. Giappichelli Editore, USA 2. Crowford, E. and Pert, A. .(2024). International Humanitarian Law, 3rd Edition, Cambridge University Press,USA, DOI: 10.1017/9781009326681 3. Jason, R. (2024). Responsibility for Environmental Damage, Edward Elgar Publishing Limited,USA, http://dx.doi.org/10.4337/9781803920719 4. Klabbers, J. (2024). International Law, 4th edition, Cambridge University Press , USA 5. Schabas, W. (2025). Genocide in International Law The Crime of Crimes,3rd Edition, Cambridge University Press, USA, DOI: 10.1017/9781009460774 			
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Title of the Course	International and Regional Institutions in Global Governance
Course Code	INR-5005
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025-26
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil	
Course Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aims to acquaint students with a rudimentary conceptual understanding of the various forms of sovereign inter-state and myriad other organisations that punctuate the landscape of global politics and condition the terrain of global and regional governance. • Disseminating knowledge and information coalesced around how the mutating forms of organisations are addressing themselves to geopolitical, geo-economic, and geo-strategic portfolios of decision-making and policy. • Endeavouring to elucidate the principles and basis upon which sovereign collectivisation of functional kinds is increasingly taking shape, consequently redefining regional and global approaches to international issues 	
Course Outcomes:	After completion of this course student will be:	Mapped to PSO
	CO 1. Comprehend the nature, meaning, and typology of an International Organisation.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO4
	CO 2. Identify the role of UN organs and specialized agencies in changing global politics.	PSO1, PSO4

	CO 3. Analyze the dynamics of Regionalism in Global politics.		PSO1, PSO4, PSO5	
	CO 4. Evaluate the interface between Institutions and practice in the Global/Regional political economy.		PSO1, PSO3, PSO5, PSO6	
	CO 5. Contribute their inputs to policy formulation on regional institutional politics.		PSO1, PSO4, PSO5, PSO6	
	CO 6. Apply International and Regional Approaches to concepts such as counter-terrorism, climate change, and sustainable development.		PSO1, PSO4, PSO5, PSO6	
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Introduction to International Organization:	10		
	1.1 Conceptual – Construct; Typology; Historicity		CO1, CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K3
	1.2 Role and Significance in Evolving World Politics.		CO1, CO3, CO4, CO5	K2, K5, K6
Module 2:	The UN System and Changing Global Politics	10		
	2.1 Structure and Functions of UN Organs		CO1, CO2	K1, K2, K4,
	2.2 Specialised Agencies and Global Commons		CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K4, K5
	2.3 UN’s Role Regional and Global Peace and Security		CO1, CO2, CO3,	K1, K2, K4
	2.4 UN Peace Operations; Cooperation Framework with Regional Security Organisations		CO1, CO3, CO5	K1, K2, K4,
Module 3:	Regionalism, Institutions & Global Governance	10		
	3.1 Politico-Diplomatic, Economic and Security based Regionalism		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K3, K4
	3.2 Regional Economic Communities (RECs) and Regional Security Organizations (RSOs) – Select Cases		CO1, CO2, CO3,	K2, K4, K6
Module 4:	Institutional ‘Geo-Economic’ Governance	10		

	4.1 Bretton Woods Regime (IMF & World Bank)		CO1, CO2, CO4	K2, K4, K5, K6
	4.2 Rules Based Mercantilism (GATT, WTO)		CO1, CO2, CO4	K2, K4, K5, K6
	4.3 Development Financing (ADB, NDB, AIIB, ADB - Africa, etc.)		CO1, CO3, CO4	K2, K5, K6
	4.4 Structured Regional Economic Cooperation (REC) Initiatives.		CO1, CO4, CO5	K4, K5, K6
Module 5:	Regionalism Anew	10		
	5.1 Functional Collectivisation (Multilateralism, Minilateralism, Plurilateralism)		CO1, CO2, CO3	K2, K4, K5
	5.2 Re-imagined Geopolitics (BIMSTEC, EAS, SCO)		CO3, CO4	K2, K4, K5, K6
	5.3 Regional Trade & Investment Arrangements (USMCTA, RCEP, CPTPP, AfCFTA)		CO1, CO2	K2, K4, K5, K6
	5.4 Development Diplomacy		CO1, CO4, CO5	K4, K5, K6
Module 6:	International and Regional Approaches to Governances Challenges:	10		
	6.1 Counter-Terrorism; Humanitarianism; Sustainable Development		CO1, CO3, CO5,	K2, K5, K6
	6.2 Climate Change and the Environment; Maritime Security; Global Organizations (UN, IMF) Reforms		CO1, CO2,	K4, K5, K6
	6.3 Rules and Norms for Global Commons Management		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K3, K4,
	6.4 Civil Society and Institutional Governance		CO1, CO2, CO5,	K2, K4, K5, K6
Pedagogy	Lectures, Discussions, Self-Study, Flipped Classroom, Audio-Visual Aids etc.			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Guéhenno, J. (2015). The Fog of Peace: a memoir of international peacekeeping in the 21st century, The Brookings Institute, Washington. Reinalda, B.(2009). Routledge History of International Organizations From 1815 to the present day by Routledge, USA Vetterlein, A., and Schmidtke, T. (2024). The World Bank A companion to International Organisations Edward Elgar Publishers, UK. Online version https://dx.doi.org/10.4337/9781802204780 			

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Title of the Course	India's Foreign Policy
Course Code	INR-5006
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025-2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil
Course Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The course aims to familiarize students with the historical evolution of India's foreign policy since independence, focusing on its conceptual foundations and philosophical influences, as well as the development of its diplomatic practices. • The course aims to introduce students to the traditions of Indian foreign policy that have shaped the nation's strategic approaches and perspectives on national interest in relation to contemporary global contexts. • The course emphasizes understanding the evolving contours of Indian foreign policy in the 21st century, highlighting both its underlying continuity—from non-alignment 2.0 to the growing integration of maritime affairs into the nation's strategic framework. • Particular emphasis will be placed on the foundational aspects of foreign policy, along with an exploration of the mechanisms and dynamics of its formulation and implementation. The course will also cover emerging dimensions of India's engagement with global and regional actors, as well as multilateral organizations and forums.

Course Outcome:	After completion of this course, students will be:	Mapped to PSO		
	CO 1. Able to comprehensive understanding of India's Foreign Policy and its predicaments.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3.		
	CO 2. Have an understanding of economic diplomacy and national development plans of India's regional and global engagements.	PSO3, PSO4, PSO5.		
	CO 3. Understand the delicate balance of India's relations with its neighbours.	PSO2, PSO4, PSO5.		
	CO 4. Able to evaluate and analyse the concepts of continuity and change in India's foreign policy.	PSO4, PSO5.		
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Making of India's Foreign Policy	10		
	1.1 Historical Overview; Conceptual Underpinnings (Principles, Philosophical Traditions, Determinants – Domestic and International)		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2,
	1.2 Dynamics-Mechanics (Structure, Institutions, Processes)		CO3, CO4	K3, K4, K5
	1.3 External Change-Agents (Role of Think Tanks, Public Diplomacy).		CO1, CO4	K5, K6
Module 2:	National Security and Strategic Autonomy in India's Foreign Policy	10		
	2.1 Genesis, Doctrines, Trends, and Patterns of National Security		CO3, CO4	K1, K2,
	2.2 Changing Dimensions in Indian Security Framework (External/Internal, Continental vis-à vis Nautical)		CO1, CO2,	K4, K5, K6
	2.3 Nuclear Construct (PNE to Minimum Nuclear Deterrent).		CO2, CO3,	K2, K4,
Module 3:	India's Interface with its Neighbours	10		
	3.1 Neighbourhood-First Doctrine (Blending Balanced Strategic Engagement of Geographical Neighbourhood (South Asian littorals),		CO3, CO4	K1, K2,
	3.2 Geopolitical and Civilizational Neighbourhood (Continental South East Asia)		CO1, CO2	K3, K4,

	3.3 Disaggregated Relationships in Himalayan South-Asia (Bhutan and Nepal)		CO1, CO3	K3, K5, K6
	3.4 Maritime South Asia (Sri Lanka and Maldives)		CO2, CO4	K1, K2
	3.5 Peninsular South Asia (Bangladesh)		CO1, CO4	K3, K4
	3.6 Beachhead South Asia (Afghanistan and Myanmar).		CO2, CO3	K2, K4
Module 4:	India's Relations with Strategic Regions and Regional and Global Powers	10		
	4.1 Strategic Regional Engagements in South East Asia (Look East to Act-East)		CO1, CO2	K1, K2,
	4.2 Persian Gulf and West Asia (Link-West)		CO3, CO4	K4, K5
	4.3 Europe (Think-West)		CO2, CO3	K4, K6
	4.4 India-Africa Summit and India-LAC Relations (Renew South-South)		CO2, CO4	K3, K5
Module 5:	Economic Diplomacy and National Development Impulses in India's Regional and Global Engagements	10		
	5.1 Strategic Partnerships with Global Powers (United States, China; Japan, France, Germany, the Russian Federation, and Israel)		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K3
	5.2 Interaction with Global and Regional Institutions and Groupings (UN, G20, BRICS, EAS, BIMSTEC, IORA)		CO3, CO4	K4, K5, K6
Module 6:	Continuity and change in 21st Century Indian Foreign Policy and Diplomacy	10		
	6.1 Non-Alignment to Multi-Alignment (Balance-of-Power to Power of-Balance)		CO1, CO2,	K1, K3
	6.2 Counter- Terrorism, Energy Security and Independence, Diaspora		CO3, CO4	K4, K5, K6.
	6.3 Strategic Maritime and other Geographies (SAGAR in the IOR to QUAD in the Indo-Pacific)		CO3, CO4	K1, K5
	6.4 Strategic Infrastructure Development (AIIB, NDB, ADB, AAGC)		CO2, CO4	K2, K4, K6.
	6.5 Global and Regional Trade and Economic Communities (WTO to		CO1, CO4	K1, K6.

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Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visual			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gurumurthi, S. (2023). India and the Changing World Order (Emerging paradigm shift in the changing global, political and economic order). Occam (An imprint of BluOne Ink) 2. Kothari, R. (2021). India in the New World Order: The Changing Contours of Her Foreign Policy Under Narendra Modi. Atlantic Publishers & Distributors (P) Ltd. 3. Pant, H., and Singh, A. (2025). Power and Purpose: Rediscovering Indian Foreign Policy in Amrit Kaal. Rupa Publication India. 4. Sikri, R. (2024). Strategic Conundrums: Reshaping India's Foreign Policy. Penguin Business. 5. Wadhwa, A. and Gupta, A. (2020). India's Foreign Policy: Surviving in a Turbulent World. Sage Publications. 			
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Web Resources:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Devi, P., Singh, J. (2024). China's Assertive Escalation in the Indo-Pacific Region and its Repercussions on India-US Relations. https://www.jstor.org/stable/10.2307/48807800 2. Izuyama, M. (2024). India's Diplomacy under Major Power Competition. https://doi.org/10.1080/13439006.2024.2346381 3. Mishra, R. (2023). From non-alignment to multi-alignment: assessing India's foreign policy shift. https://doi.org/10.1080/00358533.2023.2165367 			

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| | <ol style="list-style-type: none">4. Sadia, R. and Enescan, L. (2024). The Challenge(s) of India's foreign policy in the shifting global power balance. https://doi.org/10.1080/00358533.2024.23331975. Sharma, A. and Basu, B. (2024). Ten years of India's Act East Policy. https://www.orfonline.org/expert-speak/ten-years-of-india-s-act-east-policy |
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Title of the Course	US Foreign Policy in Perspective
Course Code	INR-5007
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course	NIL
Course Objectives	<p>2. The course aims to acquaint and familiarize with the nature and scope of US Foreign Policy, in its evolutionary trajectory, in pursuance of them obtaining a comprehensive understanding of the US’s role in global affairs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To enable students to inform themselves on the contours of US disposition with cornerstone allies, key strategic partners and rising geographies. • To elicit a holistic appreciation of the US role in shaping the liberal institutional firmament across security, trade, finance and tech spaces. • It intends to introduce students to the changing contours of a dynamic external-policy framework, vis-à-vis different regions of the globe, not to mention its policy-response to mutating thematic challenges manifesting themselves on the horizon and delineate the undercurrents, which underpin the American policy in the global realm, highlighting the forces, institutions and actors.

Course Outcomes	After completions of this course, students will be:	Mapped to PSO		
	CO 1. Analyze the full gamut and scope of US power instrumentalized across multi-domains of politico-diplomatic, economic and fiscal, mercantilist, technological and soft power influences.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO4		
	CO 2. Introduce the changing contours of a dynamic external-policy framework, vis-à-vis different regions of the globe, not to mention its policy-response to mutating thematic challenges manifesting themselves on the horizon and delineate the undercurrents, which underpin the American policy in the global realm, highlighting the forces, institutions and actors.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO4, PSO5		
	CO 3. Inform the normative and operative dimensions of national power as amassed and deployed by the United States in pursuance of hegemony.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO4, PSO5		
	CO 4. Critically engage with and evaluate various perspectives conditioning the United States role and contribution to regional and global security, stability, and prosperity	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO5		
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Introduction to US Foreign Policy	10		
	1.1 Historicity'; Traditional Approaches to Diplomacy and Statecraft; Fundamental Principles and Philosophical Moorings (Isolationism vis-à-vis Internationalism)		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K2, K3
	1.2 Dynamics and Milestones in Evolution of American Economic Development (Mercantilism to Capitalism) Constitutional Scheme in Foreign Policy Development (Congress, Presidency, Judiciary; 'Divided Government' Concept)		CO1, CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K4, K6

Module 2	US Foreign-Policy and National Security Making: Dynamics and Mechanics	10		
	2.1 Genesis (Sources); Actors and Change-Agents (State Department, Pentagon, Treasury, Homeland Security, Intelligence Apparatus, Law Enforcement Framework)		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K2, K4
	2.2 National Security Establishment (National Security Council), National Security Strategies (NSSs), National Security Directives (NSDs), Presidential Doctrines, etc.		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K5, K6
Module 3	US Global Strategic Statecraft and Powerplay	10		
	3.1 Cold War Bipolarity; Dual Containment Strategy; Security Guarantor, Net Security Provider; Normative Power (Bretton Woods, UN, GATT-WTO, G7); Hub-n-Spokes Alliance System.		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
	3.2 US Diplomatic-Security Policies (Regime Changes across Geographies); US Footprint through SEATO, CENTO, etc.		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K3, K5
Module 4	US Engagement with Major and Regional Players	10		
	4.1 Regional and Global Allies (Japan, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom, Australia, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Singapore, Philippines)		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K3, K4
	4.2 Regional and Global Strategic Partners (India, EU-2: France, Germany; UAE, Qatar, Nigeria, Brazil, Argentina, Mexico, Vietnam)		CO1, CO3, CO4	K1, K3, K6
	4.3 Regional and Global Adversaries (Russian Federation, PRC, DPRK, Iran, Venezuela)		CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K3, K4, K6
Module 5	United States and Regional and Global Institutions	10		
	5.1 UN Agencies, Regional Organizations (OAS, OAU, OSCE, EU, ASEAN, ARF, SCO, BRICS, GCC, APEC, EAS, G20)		CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K3, K4, K5, K6

Module 6	United States in Critical Geographies and on Key Issues	10		
	6.1 Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC), Africa, Central Asia, South Asia, Western Pacific, West Asia, WIOR, Indo-Pacific.		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K2, K5, K6
	6.2 Terrorism, Nuclear Non-Proliferation, Climate Change, Energy Security, Agenda 2030, Human Rights, Drugs and Arms Trafficking, Threats to Good-Order-at-Sea.		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K3, K4, K5,
Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bacevich, A. (2018). Ideas and American Foreign Policy: A Reader. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 2. Brzezinski, Z. (2013). Strategic Vision: America and the Crisis of Global Power. New York: Perseus Books Group. 3. Haas, R. (2017). A World in Disarray: American Foreign Policy and the Crisis of the Old Order. New York: Penguin Books. 4. Jentleson, B. (2013). American Foreign Policy: The Dynamics of Choice in the 21st Century. New York: W.W. Norton & Co. 5. Leffler, M. (2017). Safeguarding Democratic Capitalism: US Foreign Policy and National Security (1990-2015). Princeton: Princeton University Press. 			
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	<p>National Interests. London: Routledge.</p> <p>7. Mandelbaum, M. (2022). The Four Ages of American Foreign Policy: Weak Power, Great Power, Superpower Hyper-power. Oxford University Press, USA.</p> <p>8. Mearsheimer, J., and Rosato, S. (2024). How States Think: The Rationality of Foreign Policy. Yale University Press, USA.</p> <p>9. Pauly, R. (2005). U.S. Foreign Policy and the Persian Gulf: Safeguarding American Interest vide Selective Multilateralism. Aldershot: Ashgate Publishing House</p> <p>10. Tow, W., and Douglas S. (2017). The New US Strategy Towards Asia: Adapting to the American Pivot. London: Routledge.</p>
Web Resources	<p>1. Armitage, R and Nye, J. (2024). The US-Japan Alliance 2024: Towards an Integrated Alliance. https://csis-website-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2024-04/240404_Armitage_USJapan_2024.pdf?VersionId=PdawHvNzZEMSK4CJwzyh7AZ2Nbx_g7Th</p> <p>2. Carmack, D and Pant, H. (2022). India-US Relations: Priorities in the Next Decade. https://www.orfonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/ORF-Heritage_India-US-Priorities.pdf</p> <p>3. Singh,A., Kondapalli, S and Mahapatra, C. (2023). US-China Strategic Contestation: Aspects and Prospects. https://icwa.in/pdfs/USChinaStrategicContestationWeb.pdf</p> <p>4. Su, J. Think Tanks in the United States: The Evolution and their Evolving Roles. https://www.researchgate.net/publication/310742215_Think_Tanks_in_the_United_States_The_Evolution_and_Evolving_Roles</p> <p>5. Uzra, Z. and Finer, J. (2022). Revitalizing the State Department and American Diplomacy https://cdn.cfr.org/sites/default/files/report_pdf/csr89_final.pdf</p>

Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) Courses

Title of the Course	Understanding China
Course Code	INR-5205
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil
Course Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The course exposes the students to an introductory yet well-rounded comprehension of the Chinese State and the Chinese Nation, alike. Emphasis would be on acquainting students with the historical sweep of Chinese civilization through its iconic Imperial Dynasties, leading into the Peoples Revolution and ever since. 2. The endeavour would also be to familiarize students with the complexities, intricacies, and nuances of the Chinese Party-State political structure and linkages to various organs of State Power. 3. Notwithstanding, Chinese foreign policy and national security would also be under the microscope in terms of understanding the conceptual underpinnings and the evolution to contemporary dynamics, undergirded by a historically anchored narrative. 4. The Chinese economy, which has become the most emblematic dimension of its National Power and global presence, shall be examined and elucidated in terms of the industrial and financial heft and pelf being brought to

	bear on regional and global engagements and realignments.			
	5. The element of Chinese Soft Power, returning back with a proverbial vengeance, in subtle and not so subtle ways, shall also be illuminated as a recurrent feature within this Course.			
Course Outcome:	After completion of this course, students will:	Mapped with PSO		
	CO 1. Possess a comprehensive understanding of the role that China plays in regional and international affairs through the prism of the historical evolution of its nation-building and societal expressions.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO4		
	CO 2. Comprehend the fullest extent of Chinese national aspirations for global domination and pervasive influence.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO4, PSO5		
	CO 3. Understand the scope and contours shaping the trajectory and content of Chinese engagement with major and middle powers, across critical geographies.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3, PSO5		
	CO 4. Able to critically engage with and evaluate the rising stock and equity of China within global governance institutions and in respect of such strategic portfolios.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO5		
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Introduction to China	10		
	1.1 Geographical Contours, Continental and Maritime Geostrategic Attributes (Geopolitical Facets, Geo-Economic Realities); Historical Antecedence (Brief Overview of Imperial China, Nationalist Revolution, Post Revolution Chinese State, Contemporary Dynamics)		CO1, CO2.	K1, K2, K3.
	1.2 Societal Profile (Cultural and Ethnic Dimensions); Religio-Cultural Dimensions of Annexation of Tibet, Inner Mongolia, Western China (Xinjiang), Han and Non-Han Minorities Relations.		CO1, CO2.	K1, K2, K3,
Module 2:	Chinese Polity and Political Economy	10		
	2.1 Politics and Polity: Political Power Structure (CPC, Linkages with State Council, NPC, CPPCC, CMC-PLA, Supreme People's Court; Supreme People's Procuratorate)		CO1, CO3.	K1, K2, K6.

	<p>2.2 Political Doctrines: Mao’s ‘Four Olds’; Deng’s ‘Four Cardinal Principles’; Jiang’s ‘Three Represents’; Hu’s ‘Scientific Socialism’ and ‘Harmonious Growth’; Xi’s ‘Four Comprehensives’.</p>		CO1, CO3	K4, K5, K6.
	<p>2.3 History of Chinese Political Economy and Milestones; Transition from Mao’s Centralized Statist Planning to Deng’s Socialism with Chinese Characteristics; Four Stages of Chinese Growth Process; Fundamentals of Contemporary Chinese Economy, Twin Centennial Goals, Entry into the World Trade Organization (WTO), Six Rebalances in Chinese Economy, Focus on Productive Forces and Qualitative Growth.</p>		CO1, CO2.	K4, K5, K6.
Module 3:	<p>Foreign Policy and National Security</p>			
	<p>3.1 Historicity of Foreign Policy Practice and Seminal Milestones; Conceptual Principles, Diplomatic Orientation and Practice; National Security Doctrine; Role of Party, State and Military in Foreign Affairs and National Security.</p>	10	CO2, CO3, CO4.	K4, K5, K6.
	<p>3.2 Strategic Dimensions (Economic Diplomacy, Infrastructural-Build, Resources-based Engagement, Military Modernization and Transformation, Maritime Territorial Disputes and Power Projection); Continental and Transcontinental Maritime Strategy, Dimensions of Strategic Rise of China as Regional Hegemon and Major Global Power</p>		CO2, CO3, CO4.	K1, K2, K6.
Module 4:	<p>China’s Regional and Global Engagements</p>			
	<p>4.1 Strategic Relationships (United States, Russian Federation, India, Japan, European Union); Middle Partners: ASEAN Members, Australia, Israel, Türkiye and Arab States, Korean Peninsula (DPRK-RoK), Latin American States (Brazil, Mexico, Chile)</p>	10	CO2, CO3, CO4.	K1, K3, K6.
	<p>4.2 Strategic Institutions in Governance (UN Specialized Agencies, ASEAN, Shanghai Cooperation Organization, BRICS, China Africa Cooperation Forum (FOCAC), China-CELAC, China-GCC, China-South Asia Cooperation, IOR Blue Economy Forum)</p>		CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K4, K6

Module 5:	China's Engagement with Regions and Regional Powers	10		
	5.1 ASEAN (Continental and Maritime); East Asia Summit (EAS), South Asia (Himalayan, Peninsular and Maritime); Southern, Western, and Eastern Indian Ocean Region (IOR), Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) and Central Asia Republics (CARs), Latin American Region, East China Sea, South China Sea Disputes, South Pacific Islands)		CO1, CO2, CO4	K4, K6
Module 6:	Issues and China's Role in National and Global Governance	10		
	6.1 National Plans and Initiatives for Chinese Economic, Industrial, Infrastructural, Urbanizing and New-Age Technological Development; Outbound Infrastructure and Capacity-Building Investment Initiatives (Belt-n-Road)		CO1, CO2, CO3,	K4, K5, K6
	6.2 'Go-Out' Strategy for Energy Security and Independence (Strategic Footprint across Central Asia, Africa and Latin America) and Revolution in Renewables; New Architecture for Financial Multilateralism and Minilateralism (AIIB, NDB); Chinese Foray into the Arctic.		CO1, CO3, CO4	K1, K4, K6
Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Economy, E. (2018). 'Xi Jinping and the New Chinese State. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 2. Ju, H. (2015). China's Maritime Power and Strategy: History, National Security and Geopolitics. Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. 3. Kroeber, A. (2016). China's Economy: What Everyone Needs to Know. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 4. Panda, J. (2018). India-China Relations: Politics of Resources, Identity and Authority in a Multipolar World Order. London: Routledge. 5. Starr, J. (2010). Understanding China: A Guide to China's Economy, History, and Political Culture. New York: Hill and Wang. 			
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	<p>Co.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Deepak, B.R. (2018). Ed. China's Global Balancing and the New Silk Road. New York: Springer. 4. Economy, E. (2014). By all Means Possible: How China's Resource Quest is Changing the World. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 5. Kane, T. (2014). Chinese Grand Strategy and Maritime Power. London: Routledge. 6. Kay, J. (2011). China: A History. New York: Basic Books. 7. Myers, M., and Wise, C., (2016). The Political Economy of China Latin America Relations in the New Millennium: Brave New World. London: Routledge. 8. Peng, L. (2017). China-Japan Relations in the 21st Century: Antagonism despite Interdependency. London: Palgrave Macmillan. 9. Yoshihara, T. (2018). Red Star over the Pacific: China's Rise and the Challenge to US Maritime Strategy. Annapolis, MD: Naval Institute Press, 2018. 10. Zhao, H. (2015). China and ASEAN: Energy Security, Cooperation and Competition. Singapore: ISEAS-Yousuf Ishak Institute.
<p>Web Resources:</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Blackwill, R., and Fontaine, R. (2024). No Limits: The China-Russia Relationship and US Foreign Policy. https://cdn.cfr.org/sites/default/files/report_pdf/No%20Limits.pdf 2. Fu, Y. (2023). Mapping the Future of China-Africa Relations: How the Continent Can Benefit. https://saiia.org.za/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Occasional-Paper-333-fu-eguegu.pdf 3. Jatiya, A. (2024). The China-India Relations: A Complex Bilateral Equation - Explore the Historical, Economic, and Geopolitical Dimensions of the Relationship Between India and China, Focusing on Areas of Cooperation and Conflict. https://www.ijfmr.com/papers/2024/1/12681.pdf 4. Martinez, J. (2022). China-Latin America Relations. https://www.researchgate.net/publication/359650902_China_-_Latin_America_Relations 5. Pant, H. (2023). Russia-China Relations And A Changing World Order. https://www.icwa.in/pdfs/SHPRussiaChinaRelations.pdf

Title of the Course	Russia in World Affairs
Course Code	INR 5206
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners: Yes/No	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil	
Course Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The course exposes the students to the Russian foreign policy in the contemporary period, most notably, Russia's relations across the globe with special emphasis upon the foreign policy doctrine and making, vis-à-vis global issues and challenges. 2. Students are showcased Russia's vibrant multi-spectrum engagements, with the major and regional powers alike. 3. The stakeholders find appreciation in the rise and resurgence of Russia as a major power and a strategic disruptor in world affairs, advocating multipolarity and multilateralism in administering world affairs. 	
Course Outcome:	After completion of this course, students will:	Mapped with PSO
	CO 1. Glean the workings of the government, various institutions influencing and shaping policy making, and the role assigned by the Russian Federation, both within and outside.	PSO1, PSO2, PSO3
	CO 2. Able to understand the Russian policy perceptions and postures conditioning its	PSO2, PSO4, PSO5

	behaviour in global politics and with respect to regional security issues.			
	CO 3. Obtain insights on attributes and determinants underpinning Russian foreign policy formulation and articulation, as well as its national security dilemmas and imperatives, through the study of Russian political, security, economic, and tech institutions.		PSO3, PSO4, PSO5	
	CO 4. Able to critically engage with and evaluate various perspectives articulating Russian regional and global power assertion and projection in the 21st century.			
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Introduction to Russia	10		
	1.1 Historicity - Imperial Czarist Russia, Formative Years of the USSR, Cold War Soviet Union and Dismemberment; Strategic Geography and Geopolitical Verities		CO1, CO2,	K1, K2, K3,
Module 2	Russian Polity and Economy	10		
	2.1 Administrative Set-up, Federal Governance Structures, Constitutional Framework, Role of Political Executive, the Parliament, Judiciary.		CO1, CO3	K1, K2, K6
	2.2 Russian Economy in Historical Evolution and Milestones; Structural Characteristics of Post-Soviet Russian Economy, Reform Initiatives and Challenges, Oligarchs and Outsized Economic Power, WTO Related Issues.		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K5, K6
Module 3	Russian Foreign Policy and National Security	10		
	3.1 Concept of Foreign Policy through varied iterations of Constructs of ‘Core Areas’, ‘Near Abroad’, ‘Spheres of Influence’, ‘Critical’ National Interests; Policymaking apparatus; Diplomatic Establishment: Institutions, Structures, Processes		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K2, K3,
	3.2 National Security Doctrines and Defence White Papers, Military-Industrial Complex; High-Tech Defence Sectors in Military Modernization and Spatial Areas Transformation		CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4	K2, K5, K6
Module 4	Russia’s Regional and Global Engagements	10		

	4.1 Relations with Major Powers: United States, PRC, India, European Union		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K2, K3
	4.2 Relations with Middle and Regional Powers: Japan, GCC States, Iran, Vietnam, Türkiye, Israel, North Korea, etc.		CO1, CO2, CO3	K1, K4, K6
Module 5	Russian Policy Perceptions and Postures to Regional and Global Issues	10		
	5.1 NATO Expansion on Russia’s Eurasian and Baltic Periphery; EU Enlargement into Former Republics; Russia-US Stratagems in Central Asia and Eurasian Caucuses, Strategic Coalitions viz., BRICS, SCO.		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K5, K6
	5.2 Russian Energy Strategy and Diplomacy; Russian Power Projection in Extant Geographies: West Asia, North Africa and the Horn, Sahel and West Africa, Latin America, Maritime Northern IOR, Korean Peninsula, the ARCTIC, etc.		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K3, K4, K5,
Module 6	Key Themes in Russian Statecraft	10		
	6.1 Cultural Nationalism, Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) Capabilities in Warfare, Cyber and Outer Space Hegemony, Information Warfare and Lawfare tools, Influence Peddling Political Ops in Foreign Countries, etc., Economic Diversification, Tech-Development bridging Demographic deficits.		CO2, CO3, CO4	K1, K2, K3, K4,
Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ascher, A. (2017). Russia: A Short History. London: One World Publications. Bobo Lu. (2015) Russia and the New World Disorder. Washington, D.C.: Brookings Institution Press. Clowes, E. (2011). Russia on the Edge: Imagined Geographies and Post-Soviet Identity. Ithaca, New York: Cornell University Press Gaddy, C. and Ickes, B. (2013). Bear Traps on Russia’s Road to Modernization. London: Routledge. Kaczmarek, M. (2016). Russia-China Relations in the Post-Crisis International Order. London: Routledge. 			
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Borozna, A. (2022). Sources of Russian Foreign Policy Assertiveness. Palgrave Macmillan. Goode, J.P. (2018). The Decline of Regionalism in Putin’s Russia: Boundary Issues. London: Routledge. Kozhanov, N. (2022). Russian Foreign Policy Towards the Middle East: New trends, Old Traditions. Georgetown University Press. 			

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Web Resources:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Howell, E. (2024). North Korea and Russia's Dangerous Partnership. https://www.chathamhouse.org/sites/default/files/2024-12/2024-12-04-north-korea-russia-dangerous-partnership-howell.pdf 2. Kluge, J. (2024). The Russian Economy at a Turning Point. https://www.swp-berlin.org/publications/products/comments/2024C53_RussianEconomy_TurningPoint.pdf 3. Menon, R and Rumer, E. (2022). Russia and India: A New Chapter. https://carnegie-production-assets.s3.amazonaws.com/static/files/Menon_Rumor_-_Russia_India-v4.pdf 4. Pant, H. (2023). Russia-China Relations and a Changing World Order. https://www.icwa.in/pdfs/SHPRussiaChinaRelations.pdf 5. Rumer, E. and Sokolsky, R. (2022). Russia's National Security Narrative: All Quiet on the Eastern Front. https://carnegie-production-assets.s3.amazonaws.com/static/files/Rumer_Sokolsky_Russia_NatSec_1.pdf

Title of the Course	India's Maritime Security and Strategy
Course Code	INR-5207
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025-26
New Course	Yes – Revised
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil
Course Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The course aims to provide students with a comprehensive and integrated understanding of global strategic maritime affairs. It will cover prevailing, emerging, and future concepts and dynamics by examining both normative/doctrinal ideas and the evolving practices of policy formulation and operational strategy. A key focus will be on equipping students with analytical tools to critically assess India's maritime doctrines, strategic policies, and naval posture within the broader Indo-Pacific geopolitical context. 2. The course focuses on helping students understand the key issues, narratives, and strategic considerations shaping India's maritime security and strategy. It examines India's engagement with its immediate maritime neighbours, its near-abroad, and its broader sphere of influence, in light of its political ambitions, diplomatic priorities, and socio-economic needs. Students will also learn to identify, analyze, and develop responses to a range of maritime threats, such as piracy, maritime terrorism, illegal fishing, and climate-related challenges, affecting India's maritime domain. 3. Prepare students to design informed, pragmatic policy recommendations on maritime security and to engage

	effectively in strategic communication on India's maritime initiatives like SAGAR, MDA, and Indo-Pacific cooperation frameworks.			
Course Outcome:	After completion of this course, students will be:	Mapped to PSO		
	CO 1. Demonstrate a conceptual and theoretical understanding of maritime security within the framework of international relations.	PSO1, PSO3		
	CO 2. Critically evaluate the historical evolution and contemporary trajectory of India's maritime strategy and naval doctrine.	PSO2, PSO3		
	CO 3. Analyze traditional and non-traditional maritime threats facing India and assess strategic and policy-level responses.	PSO1, PSO4		
	CO 4. Assess India's strategic initiatives, such as SAGAR, IONS, and Marine Domain Awareness, in strengthening regional maritime cooperation.	PSO3, PSO5		
	CO 5. Interpret the role of naval diplomacy and India's maritime partnerships in shaping its regional and global influence.	PSO3, PSO4		
	CO 6. Formulate informed, policy-oriented recommendations addressing India's maritime security challenges and opportunities in the Indo-Pacific.	PSO3, PSO5		
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Foundations of Maritime Security in International Relations	10		
	1.1 Definitions and scope of maritime security		CO1,	K1, K2,
	1.2 Conceptual Framework of Maritime Frontiers; Maritime Economy; Maritime Ecology; Maritime Connectivity; Maritime Strategy.		CO1, CO2,	K3, K4,
	1.3 Theoretical Perspectives of Maritime Security: Realism, Liberalism, Constructivism		CO4, CO5.	K4, K5, K6.
Module 2:	Evolution of Maritime Thought and Approaches	10		
	2.1 K.M. Panikkar on India's Maritime Strategy		CO1, CO2	K1, K2, K3,

	2.2 A.T. Mahan on Sea Power		CO1, CO2	K3, K4, K5.
	2.3 Hedly Bull on Sea Power		CO5, CO6.	K2, K4, K6.
	2.4 Julian Corbett's views on Sea Power		CO1, CO2	K3, K5, K6.
	2.5 Indian Maritime Strategy documents and Doctrine (2007, 2015)		CO3, CO4,	K2, K3, K6.
Module 3:	Understanding India's Maritime Sphere of Influence	10		
	3.1 India's Naval Footprint;		CO2, CO3.	K1, K2.
	3.2 Role of Major and Rising Powers (US, China, Japan).		CO4, CO5.	K4, K5, K6.
Module 4:	Strategic Architecture Frameworks	10		
	4.1 SAGAR and MAHASAGAR: India's regional leadership		CO1, CO4.	K1, K2, K3.
	4.2 IONS and IORA: India's naval cooperation among the Indian Ocean littoral states		CO5, CO6.	K4, K5, K6.
	4.3 MDA: Maritime information fusion centers (IFC-IOR)		CO1, CO5.	K2, K4, K6.
	4.4 Quad: Promoting regional security and economic cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region		CO4, CO5.	K1, K3, K5.
Module 5:	Traditional and Non-Traditional Maritime Threats	10		
	5.1 Sea-based terrorism and piracy		CO1, CO3.	K1, K2, K4,
	5.2 Maritime trafficking and smuggling		CO3, CO5.	K4, K5, K6.
	5.3 Illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing		CO4, CO6.	K5, K6.
	5.4 Territorial Disputes, Freedom of Navigation and Security of SLOCs		CO1, CO2.	K2, K5, K6.
Module 6:	India's Maritime Diplomacy and Future Opportunities	10		
	6.1 India's naval exercises		CO2, CO3.	K1, K2.
	6.2 Port infrastructure diplomacy		CO4, CO6	K4, K5, K6.

	6.3 Blue economy and sustainable development		CO2, CO5	K2, K3, K4.
	6.4 Maritime Community Construct		CO1, CO2,	K2, K4, K6.
Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visual			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bimal, P., Malik,A., Nunes, W. (2017). Indian Ocean and Maritime Security Competition, Cooperation and Threat. Routledge. 2. Bueger, C and Timothy, E. (2024). Understanding Maritime Security. New York: Oxford University Press. 3. Fernando, S. (2020). Comprehensive Maritime Security in The Indian Ocean Region: Challenges and Opportunities. Sun Links Ltd. 4. Howard, H., Gupta, A. (2018). Maritime Security in the Indian Ocean and Western Pacific Heritage and Contemporary Challenges. Routledge. 5. Malik, M. (2014). Maritime Security in the Indo-Pacific: Perspectives from China, India, and the United States. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers. 			
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Title of the Course	Society, Politics and Foreign Policy of Brazil
Course Code	INR-5208
Number of Credits	04
Theory/Practical	Theory
Level	400
Effective from AY	2025 – 2026
New Course	No
Bridge Course/Value-added Course	No
Course for advanced learners	No

Pre-requisites for the Course:	Nil	
Course Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The major focus of the course is to provide a comprehensive insight into the political, social, and foreign policy developments of Brazil with the view to understanding the emerging role of Brazil in world Affairs. 2. Also, an endeavour will be made to understand the role and position of Brazil in regional and global affairs 	
Course Outcome:	After completion of this course, student will:	Mapped to PSO
	CO 1. Able to understand the growth and development of Brazilian society and polity.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO5, PSO6
	CO 2. Have a clear understanding of the political institutions and structures since Brazilian independence.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO5, PSO6
	CO 3. Able to analyse Brazil's relations with the older power versus newer strategic partners.	PSO1, PSO3, PSO5, PSO6

	CO 4. Able to decipher Major challenges and trends in Brazil.		PSO1, PSO3, PSO5, PSO6	
Content:		No of hours	Mapped to CO	Cognitive Level
Module 1	Brazil Society, Polity and Culture from the Colonial Times to the End of WWII	10		
	1.1 Colonization, Slavery, Race, Empire, Church		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K3, K6
	1.2 Independent Brazil, Republic, Estado Novo, Getulio Vargas		CO1, CO2, CO4	K1, K3, K6
Module 2:	Political Structures and Processes	10		
	2.1 Institutions, Political Parties, Constitution, Elites versus Masses, Military Rule and Politics		CO2, CO4	K1, K3, K6
	2.2 Democracy, Political and Economic Impact of Social Inclusion Policy		CO2, CO4	K1, K3, K6
Module 3:	The Political Economy of Brazil	10		
	3.1 Coffee and Sugar Economy Cycles, Trade Dependence, Great Depression		CO2, CO4	K2, K3, K6
	3.2 The “Brazilian Miracle”, Debt Crisis, Restructuring and Privatization		CO1, CO3	K2, K3, K6
Module 4:	Brazil in World Affairs	10		
	4.1 Relations with the US, Europe, Japan, China, India, South East Asia and Africa		CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
	4.2 UN and Multilateral Groupings—IBSA, BRICS, G-4, G-20		CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
Module 5:	Brazil and the Region	10		
	5.1 Bilateral Relations with Argentina, Chile, Peru, Venezuela		CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
	5.2 Regional Organisations—Rio Group, OAS, MERCOSUR, UNASUR		CO3, CO4	K1, K5, K6
Module 6:	Issues and Trends in Contemporary Brazil	10		
	6.1 Social Progammes and the Brazilian State: Bolsa Familia, Luz para Todos;		CO1, CO2, CO3,	K1, K5, K6
	6.2 Energy- Nuclear, Hydro and Biofuels, Environment, Narco Trafficking,		CO1, CO2, CO3,	K1, K5, K6

	Violence, Social Movements—Land, Women			
Pedagogy	Lectures/ Tutorials/Assignments/Self-Study/Discussions/Audio-Visuals			
Texts:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Alvarez, S. E., Dagnino, E., & Escobar, A. (eds). (1998). Cultures of Politics. Westview Press. 2. Lockhart, J., & Schwartz, S. B. (2005). Early latin america: A history of colonial spanish america and Brazil. Cambridge University Press. 3. Robbins, D. (2020). The history of Brazil: A fascinating guide to Brazilian history. David Robbins. 4. Southey, R. (2013). History of Brazil. Cambridge University Press. 			
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