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**Syllabus for F.Y.BA Under NEP 2020**  
**(June 2023 Onwards)**

**Program: B.A**

**Semester 1**

**Course: Open Elective Course (OE)**

Course Code	Paper Title	Credit
	GEOPOLITICS-I	04

**1. Syllabus as per Choice Based Credit System**

i) Name of the Programme : F.Y.BA

ii) Course Code :



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iii) Course Title	:	GEOPOLITICS-I :-I
iv) Semester wise Course Contents	:	Copy of the syllabus Enclosed
v) References and additional references	:	Enclosed in the Syllabus
vi) Credit structure	:	
No. of Credits per Semester	:	04
vii) No. of lectures per Unit	:	10
viii) No. of lectures per week	:	04 per batch
ix) No. of Tutorial per week	:	---
		Semester end examination
		Internal Assessment 40 marks: Test 15 marks,
		Project/ Assignment 25 marks
2Scheme of Examination	:	Class Participation: 10 marks
3Special notes, if any	:	No
		As laid down in the College
4Eligibility, if any	:	Admission brochure / website
		As per College Fee Structure
5Fee Structure	:	specifications
	:	No
6Special Ordinances / Resolutions, if any	:	

**Programme: F.Y.BA**

**Semester: I**

**Course :VSEC ( GEOPOLITICS-I)**

**Course Code :**

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Teaching Scheme (Hrs/Week)				Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) 40 marks					End Semester Examination	Total
L	T	P	C	CIA-1	CIA-2	CIA-3	CIA-4	Lab	Written	
4	-	-						-		100
Max. Time, End Semester Exam (Theory) -2Hrs.										

**Prerequisite**      **1. Basic knowledge of Geography & Political Science**

**2. Understanding of world maps, and current affairs**

### Course Objectives

1. To introduce the fundamental concepts of Geopolitics
2. To familiarize students with the significance and emerging trends in Geopolitics of the current times and emerging economic & social issues in the world.
3. To provide knowledge of classical Geopolitical thoughts
4. To introduce the maps related to Geopolitical studies

### Course Content

Unit No.	Module No.	Content	Lectures
1	I	<b>MODULE - 1 INTRODUCTION TO GEOPOLITICS -</b> 1.1. Definitions and Meaning : Meaning of Geopolitics & Relationship with political Geography 1.2 key concepts -Territoriality, Sovereignty, Region and State Power. 1.3 Historical Development : Evolution of Geopolitical thoughts, Classical thinkers, the rise of Modern Geopolitics.	10



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<b>2</b>	II	<b>MODULE -2-CONCEPTS &amp; APPROACHES</b> 2.1 Classical Theories- Heartland Theory, Rimland Theory 2.2 Sea Power 2.3 Modern Geopolitics with reference to International Business and International Trade	10
<b>3</b>	III	<b>MODULE - 3-GEOGRAPHY SHAPES GEOPOLITICS</b> 3.1 Geography as a Foundation of Geopolitical studies 3.2 Geostrategy 3.3 Resource Security	10
<b>4.</b>	IV	<b>MODULE -4 PRACTICAL COMPONENT</b> 4.1 Introduction to Maps- Types of maps used in Geopolitical studies 4.2 Map Reading and Interpretation Map Analysis- cartographic techniques 4.3 Map Making and Presentation	10
		<b>Total No. of Lectures</b>	40

#### Beyond the Syllabus

Paper presentations, book reviews and visits to ecologically sensitive locations

#### Course Outcome

##### Students should be able to

1. Know the fundamental concept of Geopolitics
2. familiarize with the significance and emerging trends in Global Geopolitical conditions .
3. To understand relation between Geography and Geopolitics of a location
4. To familiarize with cartographic techniques used in Geopolitical studies

#### Recommended Resources

##### Text Books

**Reference Books** List attached below

Syllabus Prepared by:



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Ms. Shirisha Gupte : Chairperson

**E-Resources**

<https://nptel.ac.in/courses/109106124/https://study.com/academy/lesson/what-is-fiction-definition-types.html>

**References: References & Suggested Readings:**

- Gray, Colin S., and Geoffrey Sloan. Geopolitics, Geography and Strategy. Routledge, 2014.
- Harm j. Di Blij, Systematic Political Geography, New York: John Wiley and Sons, 1973.
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## Syllabus for F.YBA Under NEP 2020

(June 2025-2026 Onwards)

Program: B.A.

Semester 2

### Course: Open Elective Course ( OE)

Course Code	Paper Title	Credit
		04

#### 2.Syllabus as per **Choice Based Credit System**

- i) Name of the Programme : F.Y.BA
- ii) Course Code :
- ii) Course Title : GEOPOLITICS-II –II
- iii) Semester wise Course Contents : Copy of the syllabus Enclosed
- iv) References and additional references : Enclosed in the Syllabus
- v) Credit structure :
- vi) No. of Credits per Semester : 04
- vii) No. of lectures per Unit : 10
- viii) No. of lectures per week : 04 per batch



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- ix) No. of Tutorial per week : Semester end examination- 60 marks
- Internal Assessment 40 marks: Test 15 marks,  
 Project/ Assignment 25 marks
- 2 Scheme of Examination : Class Participation: 10 marks
- 3 Special notes, if any : No
- As laid down in the College
- 4 Eligibility, if any : Admission brochure / website
- As per College Fee Structure
- 5 Fee Structure : specifications
- 6 Special Ordinances / Resolutions, if any : No

**Programme: F.Y.BA Semester: II**

**Course : VSEC- GEOPOLITICS-II**

**Course Code :**

Teaching Scheme (Hrs/Week)				Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) 40 marks					End Semester Examination	Total
L	T	P	C	CIA-1	CIA-2	CIA-3	CIA-4	Lab	Written	
4	-	-						-		100



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**Max. Time, End Semester Exam (Theory) -2Hrs.**

**Prerequisite**    **1. Basic knowledge of Natural Resources & Geographical features**  
**2. Basic knowledge of Political map of the world**

**Course Objectives**

1. Know the fundamental concept of Environmental Geopolitics
2. familiarize with the significance and emerging trends in Global environmental -Geopolitical conditions .
3. To understand relation between international environmental issues and global Geopolitics
4. To familiarize with cartographic techniques used in Geopolitical studies

**Course Content**

Unit No.	Module No.	Content	Lectures
<b>1</b>	I	<b>Unit 1: Environmental Geopolitics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of Environmental Geopolitics: key concepts and the historical context of environmental concerns in international relations.</li> <li>• Theoretical frameworks: Examining classical Geopolitical theories and their application to environmental issues, with a focus on Environmental Security.</li> <li>• Roles of nation-states agencies such as NGOs and International Institutions in Environmental Politics.</li> </ul>	10



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<b>2</b>	II	<b>Unit 2: Global environmental issues</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Core Concepts of environment - Ecology, Ecosystems, Ecosystem services, and the Ecological footprint- Environmental Ethics and Politics: Ethical frameworks of Ecocentrism versus Anthropocentrism and Green Politics Climate change and Sustainability: Climate change as a geopolitical issue, Relationship between development and the environment.</li> <li>Environmental Justice and Migration: Environmental issues disproportionately affecting different populations - resulting migration patterns</li> </ul>	10
<b>3</b>	III	<b>Unit 3: Resource geopolitics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relationship between Resources and Geopolitics</li> <li>Relationship between Resource &amp; Power</li> </ul> Relevance of Natural resources-Geopolitics of specific resources like Water, Energy resources , minerals and related conflicts	10
<b>4.</b>	IV	<b>Unit- 4 Case studies</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regional analysis- Studying Environmental Geopolitics through case studies from different regions and continents</li> <li>International Laws and Policies- Introduction of important International Agreements and the challenges of enforcement</li> <li>Applications- Understanding toolsof Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for environmental analysis</li> </ul>	10
		<b>Total No. of Lectures</b>	40

**Beyond the Syllabus**

Paper presentations, book reviews and visits to ecologically sensitive locations, tourism related locations, Regional Tourismdevelopment projects.

**Recommended Resources**



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**PATTERN OF EVALUATION**

Total marks	100 marks
External evaluation	60 marks
Internal evaluation ( project/assignments/ presentations/ viva etc)	40 marks
Paper pattern for external evaluation	<p>Q.1 Write short note (Any Four out of six ) 20 marks</p> <p>Q.2 to Q. 5 Questions( Basedon unitI ,II ,III &amp; IV respectively) 10 marks each</p> <p>(Answer any one question out of given two questions )</p>



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