

**B A Semester III  
Political Science  
Comparative Government and Politics**

**Unit I:**

- 1.1 The nature, scope and methods of comparative political analysis
- 1.2 Comparing Regimes: Authoritarian and Democratic

**Unit II:**

- 2.1 Classifications of political systems:
  - a) Parliamentary and Presidential: UK and USA
  - b) Federal and Unitary: Canada and China

**Unit III:**

- 3.1 Electoral Systems: First past the post, proportional representation, mixed systems
- 3.2 Party Systems: one-party, two-party and multi-party systems

**Unit IV:**

- 4.1 Contemporary debates on the nature of state:
  - a) From state centric security to human centric security;
  - b) Changing nature of nation-state in the context of globalization.

**READING LIST**

**Essential Texts:**

- Bara, J & Pennington, M. (eds.). (2009) Comparative Politics. New Delhi: Sage.
- Caramani, D. (ed.). (2008) Comparative Politics. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Hague, R. and Harrop, M. (2010) Comparative Government and Politics: An Introduction. (Eight Edition). London: Palgrave MacMillan.
- Ishiyama, J.T. and Breuning, M. (eds.). (2011) 21st Century Political Science: A Reference Book. Los Angeles: Sage.
- Newton, K. and Deth, Jan W. V. (2010) Foundations of Comparative Politics: Democracies of the Modern World. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

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