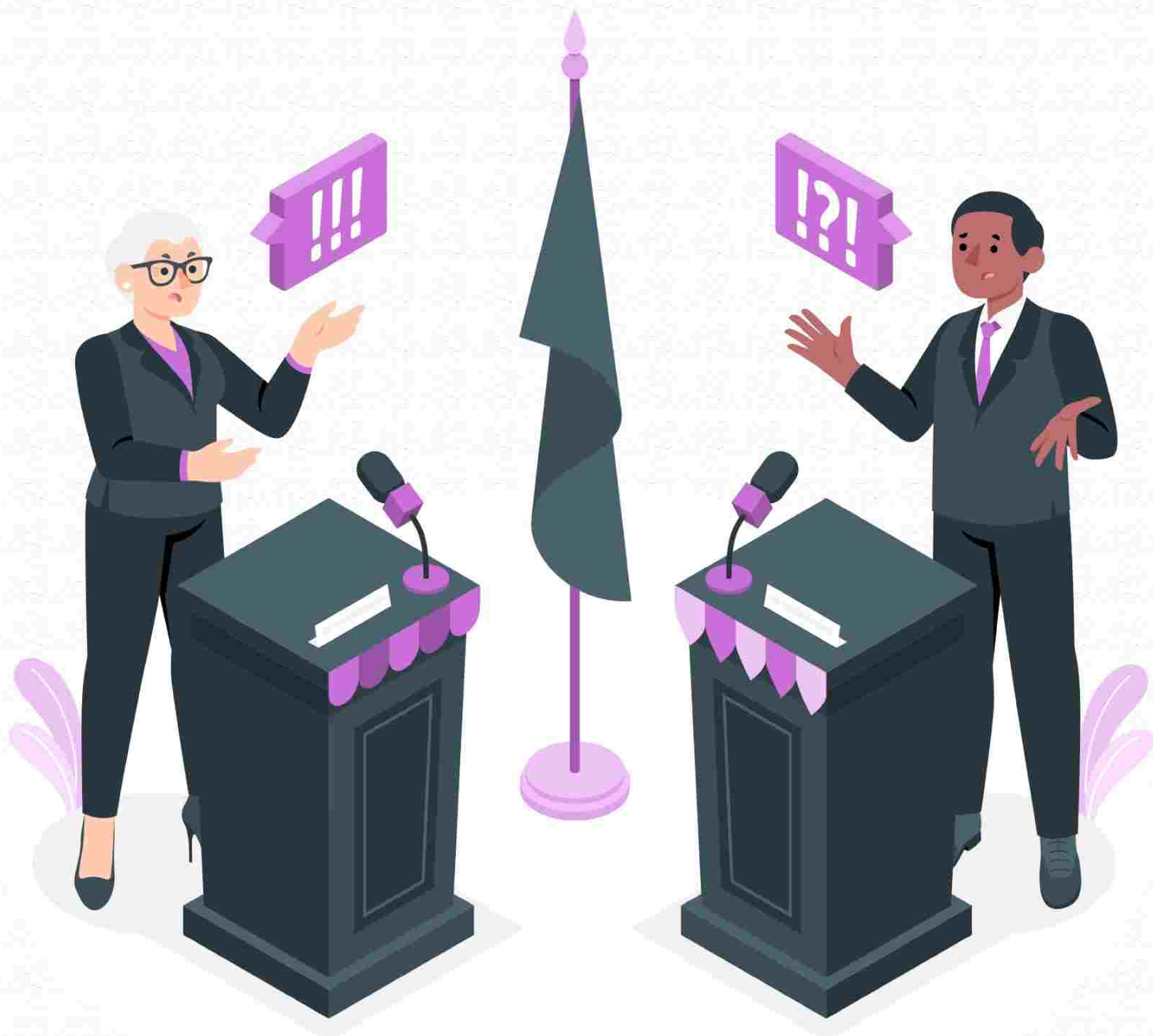


# Master's Degree in Political Science (MPS)



# Welcome to Learnwise!

Hi!

We are thrilled that you have decided to join us.

At Learnwise, we believe that everyone has a right to live a life of dignity and quality. We strive to provide quality learning solutions to anyone who wishes to pursue higher education regardless of their previous academic track record. If you're looking for an environment that not only supports education but also helps you gear towards your career goals, you are at the right place!

With our emphasis on job-readiness training and up-skilling, we not only help you get a degree but also provide you with unparalleled exposure into the field and help you acquire field-relevant skill-sets. Through-out your journey with us, our qualified Academic Mentors and dedicated Career Coaches ensure that all your individual learning and career needs are taken care of. When we promise you personalized interventions, we mean nothing short of expert companionship and scaffolding that anyone could ask for.

We look forward to serving you!

Warm regards,

Muhammed A.

Founder, Learnwise

# About us

We are a team of passionate individuals educated from premier institutes across India, who feel grateful for the educational and career opportunities we've got and earnestly wish to create a platform that opens up such possibilities to anyone, regardless of their socio-cultural backgrounds and previous academic track records!

Learnwise is an Online Platform for Higher Education, that provides personalized learning support for pursuing UG and PG degrees from reputed universities through a consistent Mentorship program, all through a mobile application. Alongside learning, the program also takes care of the individuals' career needs through individually tailored Career Coaching, Job-Readiness Training and industry relevant add-on Up-Skilling programs.



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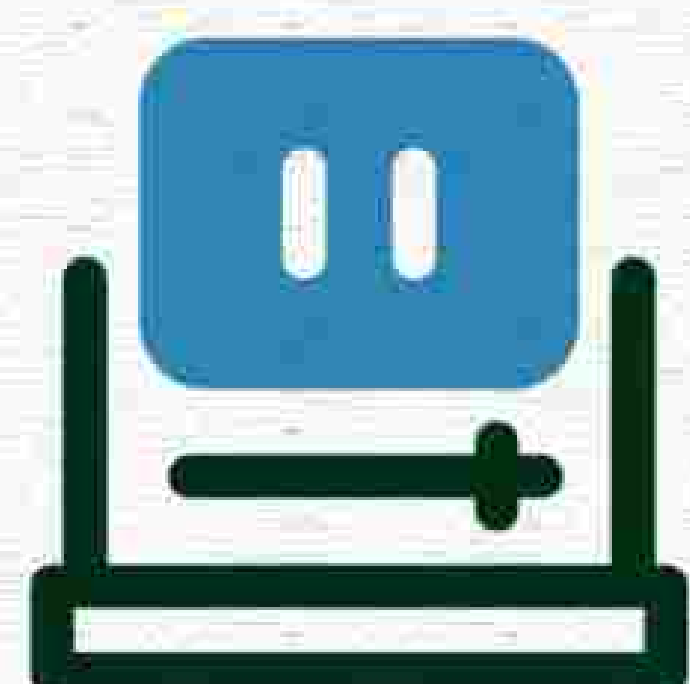
# About IGNOU

For the present program, we have chosen IGNOU (Indira Gandhi National Open University) as the Institute we enroll our students with for obtaining their degrees. Along with registration with our learning program, the student enrolls with IGNOU as anyone would normally do. The difference here being that Learnwise will be supporting the student's learning whilst pursuing their degree from IGNOU.

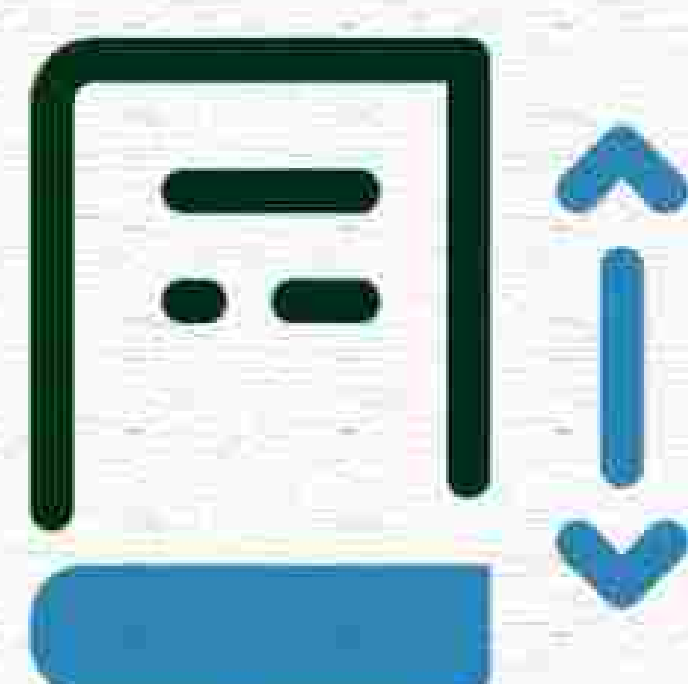
The Indira Gandhi National Open University is the world's largest University imparting education through open and distance mode. Established in 1985, IGNOU is an internationally awarded Central University which aims to provide quality higher education opportunities to all segments of the society. It is a University that constantly strives to raise the standards of distance education and actively researches best practices in open education. Currently, it has 21 schools of studies, 67 regional centers, 3500 study centres, 12 overseas study centers, and offers 200+ programs, ranging from certificate courses, diplomas, bachelors, masters to doctoral programs.



# The Learnwise Edge



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Personalized  
Interventions



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Connect with  
Batchmates



Career  
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& Guidance  
Service



Upskilling  
Programs



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# Master's Degree in Political Science (MPS)

Affiliated to: IGNOU

Program Code: MPS

Minimum age: No bar

Maximum age: No bar

Eligibility: Bachelor's Degree or a higher degree from a recognized University.

Course Duration: 2

Session starts: January & July of every year

## Introduction

Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) is dedicated to delivering quality education at an affordable cost, especially to those who, due to various reasons, have missed the opportunity for higher education. Recognizing the diverse and heterogeneous nature of its learners, the University offers a wide array of programmes aimed at both human resource development and self-enrichment.

The Master's Programme in Political Science is designed to equip learners with a strong foundation in political analysis, offering an in-depth understanding of various political phenomena across multiple dimensions of the discipline. This programme serves as a comprehensive exploration into the complex and dynamic world of political science.

## Eligibility

Consistent with IGNOU's principles of openness and flexibility, the eligibility criteria for this programme are broad. All graduates are eligible to apply, regardless of whether they have a background in Political Science at the undergraduate level.

There is no admission test for entry into the programme. However, students who have not studied Political Science previously are strongly encouraged to familiarize themselves with the Bachelor's level Political Science courses offered by IGNOU, as this will help them better grasp the content at the Master's level.

## Duration

The duration of the programme is structured to suit learners with varied schedules:

- Minimum duration: 2 years
- Maximum duration: 4 years

This flexible timeline enables students to progress at their own pace, balancing studies with personal and professional responsibilities.

## **Credit System**

IGNOU operates on a credit-based learning system, where one credit equals 30 hours of study. This includes reading, watching videos, attending sessions, completing assignments, and exam preparation.

- An 8-credit course requires approximately 240 hours of study.
- A 4-credit course requires around 120 hours.

This system allows students to plan their course load based on the time they can dedicate to their studies. Successful completion of the programme involves:

Submitting and passing assignments

- Clearing term-end examinations
- Completing project work, if applicable

Furthermore, credit transfer is permitted under certain conditions. Students may transfer up to 50% of credits from another university, provided the credits are from the same subject and education level. This offers additional flexibility for learners who may have previously pursued similar academic paths.

# MPS Programme Structure

## Programme Details:

| Course Code                             | Title of the Course                                  | Credits   |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>I Year</b>                           |                                                      |           |
| MPS 1                                   | Political Theory                                     | 8         |
| MPS 2                                   | International Relations: Theory and Problems         | 8         |
| MPS 3                                   | India: Democracy and Development                     | 8         |
| MPS 4                                   | Comparative Politics: Issues and Trends              | 8         |
| <b>II Year (Choose 32 credits only)</b> |                                                      |           |
| MPSE 1                                  | India and the World                                  | 4         |
| MPSE 2                                  | State and Society in Latin America                   | 4         |
| MPSE 3                                  | Western Political Thought                            | 4         |
| MPSE 4                                  | Social and Political Thought in Modern India         | 4         |
| MPSE 5                                  | State and Society in Africa                          | 4         |
| MPSE 6                                  | Peace and Conflict Studies                           | 4         |
| MPSE 7                                  | Social Movements and Politics in India               | 4         |
| MPSE 8                                  | State Politics in India                              | 4         |
| MPSE 9                                  | Canada: Politics and Society                         | 4         |
| MPSE 11                                 | The European Union in World Affairs                  | 4         |
| MPSE 12                                 | State and Society in Australia                       | 4         |
| MPSE 13                                 | Australia's Foreign Policy                           | 4         |
| MED 2                                   | Sustainable Development: Issues and Challenges       | 4         |
| MED 8                                   | Globalisation and Environment                        | 4         |
| MGP 4                                   | Gandhi's Political Thought                           | 4         |
| MGPE 7                                  | Non-Violent Movements after Gandhi                   | 4         |
| MGPE 8                                  | Gandhian Approach to Peace and Conflict Resolution   | 4         |
| MGPE 10                                 | Conflict Management, Transformation & Peace Building | 4         |
| MGPE 11                                 | Human Security                                       | 4         |
| MGPE 13                                 | Civil Society, Political Regimes and Conflict        | 4         |
| <b>Total Credits</b>                    |                                                      | <b>64</b> |



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