

Course Number and Name	PSCE 202 Political and Social Theory
Intended Learning Outcomes	At the end of the course students will be able to explore/examine the influence of political and social theories in political actions and discourses.
Course Contents	Introduction to Political and Social Theory; Ancient Asian Political Philosophy: Buddhist perspective, Kautilya, political philosophy of Confucius; Greek political philosophy: Plato, Aristotle, Stoicism; Roman Political Philosophy: Polybius, Cicero; Medieval Political Thought: St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, Dante; Modern Political Theory: Machiavelli and Jean Bodin, Thomas Hobbes, John Locke, and Jean Jacques Rousseau, conservative political philosophy of Edmund Burke, Idealist political thought of Immanuel Kant, G.W.Hegal, T.H.Green, Utilitarianism of Jeremy Bentham, representative democracy of James Mill; Marxist political theory: Karl Marx, Engels and Lenin; Trends and patterns in the political theory in 20 th century; Neo-Marxist and Neo-Liberalist theories.
Assessment Strategy	Assessment Scheme: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Time of Assessment – End of the Year ii. Assessment Methods- Written examination iii. Assigned Percentage of Mark for each Component–100%
Recommended References	Ariyasena, Rev.K., <i>An Introduction to Buddhist Philosophy of State</i> , Lake House, Colombo, 1986. Bhandari, D.R., <i>History of European Political Philosophy</i> , Bangalore Press, Bangalore, 1986. Ebenstine, William, <i>Great Political Thinkers:Plato to Present</i> , Hold Rinehart And Winston, New York, 1961. Jain, M.P., <i>Political Theory</i> , New Delhi, 1986. Parmar, A., <i>A Study of Kautilya's Arthasatra</i> , Atma Ram & Sons, Delhi, 1987. Samaranayake,G., <i>Desapalana Saha Samaja Chintanaya</i> (Sinhala), Offset Printers Kandy, 2005. Suda, J.P., <i>History of Political Thoughts</i> , Kupta Press, India, 1988. Thomson, David, <i>Political Ideas</i> , Penguin, 1976. Williams, Gertaint, <i>Political Theory in Retrospect: From the Ancient Greeks to the 20th Century</i> , Edward Edgar Publishing Ltd, London, 1991.