CSS COURSE SYLLABUS

International Relations

200 marks · two papers · Group I - Social Sciences

Complete International Relations syllabus. The full official FPSC syllabus this course covers, section by section.

Paper I (100 marks)

1 Introduction

- The Definition and Scope of International Relations.
- The Nation-State System
- Evolution of International Society

2 Theories and Approaches

- The Classical Approaches-Realism and Idealism
- The Scientific Revolution-Behavioral Approach, System Approach,
- Neo-realism, Neo-liberalism.
- Post-modernism, Critical Theory, Feminism, Constructivism

3 International Political Security.

- Conceptualization of security in the Twenty-First century
- Power. Elements of National Power
- Balance of Power
- Foreign Policy: Determinants, Decision Making and Analysis
- Sovereignty
- National Interest

4 Strategic Approach to International Relation.

- War: Causation of War, Total War, Limited War, Asymmetric Warfare, Civil War, Guerilla Warfare
- Strategic Culture: Determinants of Pakistani Strategic Culture.
- Deterrence: Theory and practice with special reference to India and Pakistan

5 International Political Economy.

- Theories in IPE: Mercantilism, Economic Liberalism, and Neo- Marxism
- Theories of Imperialism, Dependence and Interdependence discourse

6 International political community.

- Nationalism
- Internationalism
- Globalization

7 Approaches to Peace

- Diplomacy

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- International Law
- Arms Control /Disarmament and Nuclear Non proliferation Regime

8 International Political Institution

- United Nations
- International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- World Bank
- International Court of Justice

Paper II (100 marks)

9 International Relation between two Wars

- Russian Revolution, Fascism, League of Nations, Second World War

10 Cold War

- Decolonization in Asia and Africa.
- Rise of United States and Soviet Union,
- Era of Tight Bipolarity, Détente and Loose Bipolarity, Revival of Cold War

11 Post Cold War

- End of History, Clash of Civilizations, Terrorism, Globalization, Unipolarity (New World Order) and Revival of Multi-Polarity

12 International and Regional Organizations

- League of Nations, United Nations, Regional Organizations, EU, ASEAN, NAFTA, SAARC, SCO, OIC, ECO, WTO.
- Reforms in the United Nations, World Bank and the IMF

13 Foreign Policy of Selected Countries

- USA, Russia, China, UK, India, Pakistan and EU

14 South Asia

- Peace-making and Peace-Building in South Asia: Analytical overview of peace processes between/among the states of South Asia especially between India and Pakistan.
- India and Pakistan: Overview of agreements and accords, Indus Water Treaty;
- Composite Dialogue; Sir Creek & Siachen border, Visa and People to people contact; Trade; and Role of civil society
- Afghanistan: Cold war theatre; Soviet Invasion and Mujahedeen; Geneva Accord;
- Post Cold War situation---Rise of Taliban, AL-Qeada & 9/11; Operation Enduring Freedom; The Bonn Process- Withdrawal

15 Weapons of Mass Destruction

- Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
- Nuclear Weapon States- Programs and Postures: Indian-Pakistan Nuclear Doctrines

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- Nuclear Non –Proliferation Regime: International Atomic Energy Agency, Nuclear Non- Proliferation Treaty; Nuclear Supplier Group; Partial Test Ban Treaty;
- Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty; Fissile Material Cut-off Treaty
- Challenges of Non-Proliferation, Cooperation for Nuclear Energy
- The Missile Defence Systems and their impact on global strategic environment
- Militarization and Weaponization of Space.

16 Contemporary Issues

- Euro-Atlantic Vs. Asia Pacific: Great Power Policies
- Kashmir Issue
- Palestine Issue

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