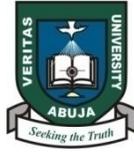


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COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE & DIPLOMACY

PROSPECTUS

of

B.Sc. POLITICAL SCIENCE AND DIPLOMACY

List of Academic Staff of the Department

S/N	Name	Qualifications	Area of Specialisation	Designation
1.	Fr. Basil A. Ekot	B.Phil.; B.D. Rome M.Phil; Ph.D. Sydney	Political Theory & African Studies	Senior Lecturer/ Ag Head of Department
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B.Sc. POLITICAL SCIENCE AND DIPLOMACY

BACKGROUND

Political Science and Diplomacy has been one of the first programmes offered at the College of Management, Social Sciences, Arts and Theological Studies (MSAT) of Veritas University, Abuja. At inception in 2008, it was a programme of study in the Department of Management and Social Sciences. Following the split of the Department in the 2010/11 session, the programme was domiciled in the Department of Social Sciences. Again, with the continued growth and development of the University, the Department of Social Sciences was further split at the inception of the 2013/2014 academic session. Political Science and Diplomacy has now become a Department. The Department has Rev. Fr Dr Basil Akpan Ekot as its pioneer Head.

INTRODUCTION

The Department offers a degree programme leading to the award of a Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) degree in Political Science and Diplomacy. The degree programme is designed to provide both academic and professional base from which graduates may continue their personal, academic and professional development as they assume managerial responsibilities in either public or private sectors of the society. The programme is therefore rigorous and demanding, but in all respect worthwhile and rewarding.

The graduates of B.Sc Political Science and Diplomacy of Veritas University, Abuja acquires knowledge of an interdisciplinary nature as is required of public administrators, career politicians, and diplomats in an increasingly globalized world. In addition to understanding and gaining competences in Political Science and Diplomacy, the graduates of this field will be prepared to communicate in at least one foreign language.

Graduates of the B.Sc Political Science and Diplomacy may be considered suitable as career diplomats, administrators in international firms, managers of national and international government and non-governmental projects, and also workers in the mass media. The graduates are equally prepared for further studies and research endeavours at the Masters level and as participants in research teams.

VISION

The vision of the Department to develop deeper knowledge of the Political, Administrative and Diplomatic studies and practice where the discipline is pursued with effective articulation of ideas aimed at impacting on the society; and

To excel in the study of Political and Diplomatic studies with a view to nurturing the courses offered through teaching and research undertaken in the search for truth and a just world order.

MISSION

To effectively structure the discipline in anticipation of the needs of the graduates, the government and the society at large; thereby enhance the political, socio-economic and moral development of the country, and scientific research to advance knowledge in the individual student.

OBJECTIVES

The study of Political Science and Diplomacy aims at building capacity and competences in contemporary national politics and international relations and practice.

The specific objectives are as follows:

- Graduates understand and are able to apply contemporary administrative and relational skill in managing public and private institutions in Nigeria and elsewhere.
- Graduates acquire capacity to operate successfully as administrators, journalists, and diplomats in multilateral organizations and international firms.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The B.Sc. Political Science and Diplomacy is structured as follows:

- (a) a four-year programme for UTME entrants, and
- (b) a three-year programme for Direct Entry students

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

In addition to the general university requirements, the following regulations shall apply to the admission of students into Department of Political Science & Diplomacy:

Direct Entry Admission

- (a) At least two 'A' level passes including Government or History. Candidates are expected to possess five credits at WASSCE/GCE/NECO 'O' Level or their equivalent in subjects that include English, Government or History and a Pass in Mathematics. Results at 'O' and 'A' level must be attained at not more than two sittings.
- (b) A National Diploma certificate from an approved university, polytechnic or school of arts & science with a grade not lower than **Merit**. In addition, the applicant must possess credit passes at WASSCE/GCE/NECO 'O' level, or its equivalent, in five subjects, which must include English, Mathematics, Government or History.
- (c) Any equivalent qualifications approved by the Senate of the University.
- (d) Basic knowledge of French or any other foreign language is an advantage.

UTME Admission

A minimum standard of five (5) credits at two sittings, including English Language. Candidates must have credit pass in Government or History and a pass in Mathematics. Basic knowledge of French or any other foreign language is an advantage.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE AWARD OF THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B.Sc.) IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND DIPLOMACY.

1. The four-year programme of study leading to award of the degree of Bachelor of Science shall be denoted by the letters B.Sc. (Political Science & Diplomacy).
2. Instructions in the Department shall be by courses and students are expected to take an approved combination of courses as may be determined from time to time by the University Senate on the recommendation of the Departmental Board of Studies.
3. The approved period of study for the award of the degree shall not be less than six semesters or three years for Direct Entry students, and eight semesters or four years for UTME students.
4. All undergraduate courses shall be full time.

5. A student is expected to maintain a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of at least 1.00 to be in good academic standing. Any student whose CGPA falls below 1.00 for two consecutive years will be asked to withdraw from the programme.
6. Continuous Assessment (CA) shall account for 40% of the final course grade. A Continuous Assessments consisting of two intra-semester tests and two written assignments (each carrying 10 marks) will be administered in all courses per semester and the assessed scripts returned to the student.
7. Students are expected to be regular and punctual in attendance at all classes in the course in which they are enrolled. All applications for exemption from attendance at classes of any kind must be made in writing to the Dean of the College.
8. At least 75% attendance is required in all courses and per semester.

A student shall normally register for a minimum of thirty (30) and a maximum of forty- eight (48) credit units in any academic year, except in the case of direct entry and inter-university transfer students. This means that a student should take between 15 and 24 credits in any given semester and no student can earn more than forty-eight (48) credit units at the end of an academic year.

Departmental Codes

All courses offered in the Department of Political Science and Diplomacy are coded by assigning them a three-lettered prefix followed by four-digit numbers.

PSD — Political Science and Diplomacy

At the inception of the programme in 2008/2009 and prior to second semester of 2010/2011 session, the three-lettered prefix was POL.

For course units taken from other academic disciplines that do not yet have degree programmes, three-letter prefixes are assigned as follows:

SOS	-	Social Sciences
PSY	-	Psychology
SOC	-	Sociology
LAW	-	Law
FRE	-	French
THG	-	Theology

The Four-Digit Codes

The four-digit numbers are to be interpreted in the following manner. The first digit in the sequence represents the level of study as follows: '1' represents 100 level, '2' represents 200 level, '3' represents 300 level, while '4' represents 400 level.

1	-	100 level
2	-	200 level
3	-	300 level
4	-	400 level

The second of the four-digit code (1 – 6) represents one of the 6 specialized areas of Political Science and Diplomacy: the University has reserved '0' as the second digit for General Studies courses only.

The third digit in the sequence represents the serial number the Department assigns to the course unit among the course units it offers within that specialization, while the last digit refers to the semester in which the course unit is offered. The digits that act as semester codes are assigned as follows:

1	—	First semester
2	—	Second semester

The course contents for the B. Sc. Political Science and Diplomacy degree programme and the

six areas of specialization are given below:

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

1. POLITICAL THEORY

PSD 1111	Introduction to Political Science	2
PSD 2121	Introduction to Political Analysis	2
PSD 2132	Political Ideas	2
PSD 3141	History of Political Thought	2
PSD 3152	Political Behaviour	2
PSD 3161	Logic and Methods of Political Inquiry	2
PSD 3171	Contemporary Political Analysis	2
PSD 3181	Research Methods	2
PSD 4191	Seminar	1

2. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

PSD 2211	Introduction to International Relations	2
PSD 3221	Comparative Federalism	2
PSD 3232	Theories of International Relations	2
PSD 3242	Politics of International Economic Relations	2
PSD 4252	Nigerian Foreign Policy	2
PSD 4262	International Law and Organization	3
PSD 4272	Political Parties and Pressure Groups	2
PSD 4282	Research Project	6

3. PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY

PSD 1312	Organization of Government: The Citizen and the State	2
PSD 1322	Introduction to Statistics for Political Science	2
PSD 2331	Introduction to Public Administration	2

PSD 2342	Introduction to Local Government	2
PSD 3351	Theory and Practice of Administration	2
PSD 3362	Public Relations Administration in Nigeria	2
PSD 3372	Government & Administration of Urban Systems	2
PSD 3382	Public Policy Analysis	2
PSD 4392	Comparative Public Administration	2

4. COMPARATIVE POLITICS

PSD 2411	Introduction to Comparative Politics	2
PSD 2422	Foundation of Political Economy	2
PSD 3431	Politics of Development & Underdevelopment	2
PSD 3441	the Methodology of Comparative Politics	2
PSD 3451	Theory and Practice of Marxism	2
PSD 4461	Civil-Military Relations	3
PSD 4471	Development Administration	3
PSD 4482	State and Economy	3
PSD 4491	Third World and Dependency	3

5. NIGERIAN/AFRICAN POLITICS

PSD 1512	Nigerian Constitutional Development	2
PSD 2521	Nigerian Government and Politics	2
PSD 2532	Politics in Africa	2
PSD 4541	Politics and Law in Africa	2
PSD 4551	Nigeria Local Government	2
PSD 4561	Political Sociology	2
PSD 4571	Revolution and Society	2
PSD 3582	Public Finance Administration	2
PSD 1691	Introduction to African Politics	2

6. DIPLOMACY

PSD 4612	Diplomatic Theory and Practice	3
PSD 2621	History of Diplomacy	2
PSD 3632	Institutions of Global Governance	2
PSD 2642	International Conflict and Security	2
PSD 3651	Conflict Resolution: Theory and Practice	2
PSD 3672	Political Data Analysis	2
PSD 4682	Intercultural Management	3
PSD 4691	Current Issues of International Relations.	3

RESULTS, GRADING SYSTEM, AND GRADE POINTS

Results are published by the College after approval by the Senate. The published results show the student's name and matriculation number, the courses the student took and their credit units, and then the student's examination performance in terms of the raw scores, their letter grade equivalents, and grade points. The information given in the table below is helpful in interpreting a student's performance.

Raw Scores (%)	Letter Grade	Value Points	Interpretation
70 – 100	A	5	Excellent
60 – 69	B	4	Very Good
50 – 59	C	3	Good
45 – 49	D	2	Fair
40 – 44	E	1	Pass
0 – 39	F	0	Fail

CLASSIFICATION OF DEGREE

The B. Sc. (Political Science and Diplomacy) degrees shall be classified according to the University's degree classification scheme, which is as follows:

<u>Final CGPA</u>	<u>Class of Degree</u>
4.50 – 5.00	First Class Honours
3.50 – 4.49	Second Class Honours, Upper Division
2.40 – 3.49	Second Class Honours, Lower Division
1.50 – 2.39	Third Class Honours

B. Sc. Political Science and Diplomacy Curriculum

100 Level

First Semester Course Offerings

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Units
ECO 1111	Principles of Economics I	2
GES 1011	Communication in English I	2
GES 1021	History and Philosophy of Science	2
GES 1031	Nigerian Peoples and Culture	2
GES 1041	Use of Library, Study Skills & ICT	2
LAW 1111	Nigerian Legal System I	2

PSD 1691	Introduction to African Politics	2
PSD 1111	Introduction to Political Science	2
SOC 1111	Introduction to Sociology	2
MGT 1111	Introduction to Management Sciences	2
Total		20

Second Semester Course Offerings

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Units
GES 1012	Communication English II	2
GES 1022	Logic, Philosophy and Human Existence	2
GES 1032	Communication in French	2
GES 1042	Community Service	1
THG 1712	Introduction to Church History	2
ECO1112	Principles of Economics II	2
LAW 1122	Nigerian Legal System II	2
PSD 1312	Organization of Government: The Citizen and the State	2
PSD 1512	Nigerian Constitutional Development	2
PSY 1112	Introduction to Psychology	2
Total		19
Total Credit Units for 100 Level		39

200 Level

First Semester Course Offerings

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Units
GES 2011	Peace and Conflict Resolution	2
GES 2021	Entrepreneurship and Innovation	2
THG 2711	Spiritual Theology and Catechesis	2
PSD 2621	History of Diplomacy	2
PSD 2121	Introduction to Political Analysis	2
PSD 2211	Introduction to International Relations	2
PSD 2411	Introduction to Comparative Politics	2
PSD 2331	Introduction to Public Administration	2
PSD 2521	Nigerian Government and Politics I	2
PSD 2111	Introduction to Social Statistics	2
Total		20

Second Semester Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Units
ECO 2452	Urban and Regional Economics	2
GES 2012	Business Creation and Growth	2
THG 2722	Social Teaching of the Church	2
PSD 2422	Foundations of Political Economy	2

PSD 2132	Political Ideas	2
PSD 2532	Politics in Africa	2
PSD 2342	Introduction to Local Government	2
PSD 2522	Nigerian Government and Politics II	2
PSD 2642	International Conflict and Security	2
Total		18
Total Credit Units for 200 Level		38

300 Level

First Semester Course Offerings

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Units
POL 3141	History of Political Thought 1	2
PSD 3161	Logic and Methods of Political Inquiry	2
PSD 3171	Contemporary Political Analysis	2
PSD 3191	Research Methods in Political Science	2
PSD 3221	Comparative Federalism	2
PSD 3431	Politics of Development & Underdevelopment	2
PSD 3651	Conflict Resolution: Theory and Practice	2
Electives (Any 2)		
PSD 3441	The Methodology of Comparative Politics	2
PSD 3451	Theory and Practice of Marxism	2
PSD 3351	Theory and Practice of Administration	2
Total		18

Second Semester Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Units
PSD 3142	History of Political Thought II	2
PSD 3152	Political Behaviour	2
PSD 3382	Public Policy Analysis	2
PSD 3242	Politics of International Economic Relations	2
PSD 3632	Institutions of Global Governance	2
PSD 3672	Political Data Analysis	2
Electives (Any 2)		
PSD 3172	Government & Administration of Urban Systems	2
PSD 3362	Public Administration in Nigeria	2
PSD 3232	Theories of International Relations	2
Total		16
Total Credit Units for 300 Level		34

400 Level

First Semester Course Offerings

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Units
PSD 4481	State and Economy	3
PSD 4461	The Military and Politics	3
PSD 4471	Development Administration	3

PSD 4491	Third World and Dependency	3
PSD 4541	Politics and Law in Africa	3

Electives (any 1)

PSD 4551	Nigerian Local Government	2
PSD 4561	Political Sociology	2
PSD 4571	Revolution and Society	2

Total **17**

Second Semester Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Units
PSD 4282	Project	6
PSD 4272	International Law and Organizations	3
PSD 4612	Diplomatic Theory and Practice	3
PSD 4682	Intercultural Management	3

Electives (any 1)

PSD 4692	Current Issues of International Relations	2
PSD 4252	Nigerian Foreign Policy	2
PSD 4272	Political Parties and Pressure Groups	2

Total **17**

Total Credit Units for 400 Level **34**

Total Credit Units for Course Duration **145**

COURSE DESCRIPTION

100 Level

First Semester

ECO 1111: Principles of Economics I (2 credit units)

An introduction to microeconomics theories; the nature of economic science, microeconomic foundations, the methodology of economics, major areas of specialization in economics, stressing historical development of ideas, major finding in the various areas of specialization, current issues of interest and probable future developments.

GES 1011 Communication in English 1 (2 credits)

The course is designed to impart the communication skills in the medium of English. Emphasis is on introducing students to English for Academic purposes and specifically focuses on: Listening and Note taking; Speaking skills (sounds of English, stress, intonation and rhythm); Reading Skills and strategies such as skimming and scanning, SQ3R, KWL, CATAPULT, THIEVES, etc); and essentials of English grammar. The concentration of this course is equipping students to develop appropriate language skills necessary for academic purposes.

GES 1021 History and Philosophy of Science (2 credits)

Scientific evolution of man: the history of science, classification; scientific methods and the various areas of science and technology. Science and the environment: environmental effects of chemical plastics, textiles, waste and other material, chemical and radioactive hazards; elements of environmental studies; terrestrial and cosmic life; ecology and types of habitat: climate and vegetation; Energy resources: fossil fuels, nuclear energy and renewable energy resources; the Nigerian energy reserves. Characteristics of living things; cell and tissue biology; biochemistry and cellular metabolism; taxonomy of living things; Engineering technology and socio-economic development of Nigeria; the effect of adequate and stable electric power supply and satellite communication technology on the technological development of Nigeria; The interaction between science and technology; Social and ethical implications of advances in science and technology; automated industrial plants; satellite technology; space technology; genetic engineering technology; weapons of mass destruction (WMD); health education.

GES 1031 Nigerian People's and Culture (2 credits)

Study of the Nigerian history, culture and arts in pre-colonial times, Nigerian's perception of his world; culture areas of Nigeria and their characteristics; evolution of Nigeria as a political unit, indigene/settler phenomenon; concepts of trade; economies of self reliance, social justice, individual and national development, norms and values, negative attributes and conducts (cultism and related vices); reorientation of moral and national values; moral obligations of

citizens and environmental problems. The course should emphasize some aspects of Nigerian political economy as critical in understanding Nigerian peoples and cultures.

GES 1041 Use of Library, Study Skills and ICT (2 credits)

Brief history of libraries; library and education, university libraries and other types of libraries; types of library materials, using library resources including e-learning, e-materials, etc. Understanding library catalogues (card, OPAC, etc.) and classification; copyrights and its implications, database resources, bibliographic citations and referencing; Study skills. Development of modern ICT, hardware technology, software technology, input devices, storage devices, output devices, communication and internet services, word processing skills (typing, etc.); Hands on practice using Microsoft Word, Excel and Power Point.

LAW 1111: Nigerian Legal System I (2 credit units)

Introduction to the basic definitions; evolution of law and the Nigerian legal system; classification of Nigerian law; sources of Nigerian law; the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria; the Nigerian courts and tribunals; and the legal personnel.

PSD 1111: Introduction to Political Science (2 credit units)

This course introduces students to the nature of politics and how it is played. It emphasizes the issues of political discourse and practice. It also introduces students to the language and basic concepts of politics. The student is later introduced to the methods of political science.

PSD 1691 Introduction to African Politics (2 credit units)

SOS 1111: Introduction to Social Sciences (2 credit units)

SOC 1111: Introduction to Sociology (2 credit units)

This is an introductory analysis and description of social structure and dynamics of human society; the field of Sociology; sociology and other social sciences; Basic concepts and principles of sociology.

MGT 1111: Introduction to Management (2 credit units)

This course is a general introduction to the concepts and the principles underlying management behaviour and decision-making processes in business and non-business organizations. The course will also emphasize the evolution of management thought/theories and the practice of management in the developing countries. The topics covered will include the role and

significance of management in a modern enterprise and the primary managerial activities of planning, organizing, staffing, coordinating, motivating, directing, and controlling. Other topics will include the emergence of the scientific management school, the human relations school, participatory management, the systems approach, and the contingency theories of management. Others are Theory X and Theory Y, Theory Z, Management by Objectives, and strategic management.

Second Semester

GES 1012 Communication in English II (2 credits)

This is a continuation of GES 1011: Communication in English 1 which introduced students to the rudiments of English for academic purposes. The focus of this course is academic writing and presentation skills in English. The course exposes students to the broad linguistic conventions and skills suitable for different kinds of academic writing such as summaries including abstracts, book reviews, report writing, answering examination questions, etc. Emphasis is on logical presentation, choice of appropriate lexis, cohesion and coherence as fundamentals of effective writing. Students are also exposed to public speaking skills and aspects of rhetoric, style and use of figures of speech which add to persuasive writing and speaking in English.

GES 1022 Logic, Philosophy and Human Existence (2 credits)

A brief survey of the main branches of philosophy; symbolic logic, special symbols in symbolic logic – conjunction, negation, affirmation, disjunction, equivalent and conditional statements; Law of tort. The method of deduction using rules of inference and bi-conditionals qualification theory; Types of discourse: nature of arguments, validity and soundness; techniques of evaluating arguments; distinction between inductive and deductive inferences, tec. (illustration will be taken from familiar texts including literature materials, novels, law reports and newspaper publications; Philosophy and national development; national ideology and patriotism.

GES 1032 Communication in French (2 credits)

Introduction to French, Alphabets and Numeracy for effective communication (written oral). Conjugation and simple sentence construction based on communication approach, sentence construction, comprehension and reading of simple texts.

GES 1042 Community Service (2 credits)

The course aims to promote the spirit of service and engages students in civil works beneficial to the University community and its environs including but not limited to farming, road building and maintenance, landscaping, planting of flowers and hedges, grass-cutting and general

cleaning of the campus and its environs, concreting and laying of seating and footpath slabs amongst others to promote the dignity of labour and service to community.

THG 1712 Introduction to Church History (2 credits)

The course introduces students to church history covering Ancient Church history (from the closing of the NT writings circa 100 to the Council of Chalcedon, in 451) through medieval to contemporary church history. Ancient church history highlights the importance of this period to theological scholarship, doctrinal development and ecumenical studies. Medieval Church History covers the Middle age period which gave birth to scholasticism and humanism. These two are important to any attempt to understand the development of history of theology in this period and the religious and intellectual factors that led to the Reformation. This is a period between the Dark Ages and the 16th Century; however, the Reformation and Counter Reformation period is purposely included in order to bring the period of its logical conclusion to the contemporary era and the Second Vatican Council.

ECO 1122: Principles of Economics II (2 credit units)

An introduction to macroeconomic theories; the nature of economic science, foundations to macroeconomics, the methodology of economics, major areas of specialization in economics, stressing historical development of ideas, major finding in the various areas of specialization, current issues of interest and probable future developments.

PSD 1512: Nigerian Constitutional Developments (2 credit units)

The student is taken through the development of Nigerian Constitutional Development in a chronological and sequential order. In this course emphasis is on topics like the colonization. The Richards Constitution. The McPherson Constitution, the Littleton Constitution. The Independence Constitution, The Republican Constitution, the 1979 Constitution.

LAW 1122: Nigerian Legal System II (2 credit units)

Introduction to public and private laws; criminal and civil laws; the law of contract, constitutional law, etc; substantive and procedural laws; etc.

PSY 1112: Introduction to Psychology (2 credit units)

A basic course in psychology dealing with the interplay between the person and his environment: emphasis on both personality and processes of interaction. Treatment of such topics as the development of human personality through socialization, social perception, motivation and learning, role playing and small group interaction, attitude formation and change, norms and social influences, human conflict, and collective behaviour.

PSD 1312: Organisation of Government: The Citizen and the State (2 credit units)

The various ways of organizing government into Legislature, Executive and Judiciary. The theory of the separation of powers. Forms of political Administration systems, i.e. Unitarism, Federalism, Confederalism. Forms of government like Presidentialism, Parliamentarianism. Instrumentalities of political interaction like political parties, pressure groups, interest groups, etc. The relationship of the citizen to the state in terms of the duties and obligations of the citizen to the state. The responsibility of the state to the citizen must also be investigated. The nature of strained relations and the processes of rectification. Political obligation, basis of freedom, loyalty and patriotism.

200 Level

First Semester

GES 2011 Peace and Conflict Resolution (2 credits)

Basic concepts in peace studies and conflict resolution. Peace as vehicle of unity and development, conflict issues, types of conflicts e.g. ethnic/religious/political/economic conflicts. Root causes of conflict and violence in Africa, elements of peace studies and conflict resolution, developing a culture of peace, peace meditation and peace keeping, alternative dispute Resolution, dialogue/Arbitration in conflict resolution, role of international organizations in conflict resolution, example ECOWAS, African Union, United Nations.

EDC 2021 Entrepreneurship and Innovation (2 credits)

This is an introductory course for studying entrepreneurship for the first time. The design and flow of the course are aimed at creating awareness, providing the knowledge and skills that are important to achieving success in all human endeavours.

THG 2711 Spiritual Theology and Catechesis (2 credits)

The course aims to lead the students into the nature of the spiritual life in a way that gives meaning and purpose to the spiritual exercises they perform. It studies the nature of theology as a systematic reflection on the meaning and content of Christian revelation and faith; various theological disciplines and their interconnectedness; meaning of spirituality; different aspect of spirituality- Biblical, Liturgical, Pastoral and African; rise and development of monasticism and modern Spirituality; Overview of the history of Christian spirituality; Christian virtues and universal application of charity, chastity, poverty and obedience, spiritual retreats. The emphasis on catechesis is to ensure the education of the human person to conversion and salvation taking

into account one's cultural heritage and the integral formation of the whole person. The role of liturgy in catechesis, pastoral anthropology, psychology and psychopathology and the religious education of adults and adolescents children are emphasized.

PSD 2111: Social Statistics (2 credit units)

Role of statistics in social science inquiry. Nature of measurement. Presentation of data. Central values. Measures of deviation, correlation nature of sampling. Probabilities and normal distribution. Inference hypothesis testing. Test of significance.

PSD 2422: Foundations of Political Economy (2 credit units)

Relationship between politics and economics. Economics and determinants of politics. Class analysis and political power relations. Production and politics with emphasis on the material basis of political action.

PSD 2521: Nigerian Government and Politics I (2 credit units)

Course exposes students to the general politics, economic and social frameworks within which Nigerian politics and the governmental institutions develop and function, treated within a historical perspective.

PSD 2621 History of Diplomacy (2 credit units)

The course examines the origin and practice of diplomacy as one of the defining elements of a state. It considers the practice of diplomacy since the formation of city-states and also looks at the modern diplomacy traced to the states of Northern Italy in the early Renaissance period.

PSD 2121: Introduction to Political Analysis (2 credit units)

The nature of politics, political systems, and the structure of government, political representation institutions of different regimes. The relationship between regimes type and political efficiency, citizen participation and political culture.

PSD 2131: Introduction to International Relations (2 credit units)

The organization of the International society. Theory of international relations Linkage politics, Theory of Coalition and Alliances, Balance, Theory, Impact of the Emergence of the third World.

PSD 2331: Introduction to Public Administration (2 credit units)

The rationale of administrations. The Ecology of Administration. The politics of Administration. The Administrative Actor, Delegation, Administrative Audit, and Control Elements of Administrative Law.

PSD 2411: Introduction to Comparative Politics (2 credit units)

Logic of Comparative Social Inquiry, Objectives of Comparative Inquiry. Approaches to the study of Comparative Politics, i.e. Single Country Approach, Multi-Country Approach, Synchronic Approach. Problems of Comparative Politics.

Second Semester

ECO 2452: Urban and Regional Economics (2 Credit Units)

Theories of urbanization, urbanization benefits, and challenges: Housing; transportation; rural urban migration; development of slums and shanties. Industrial clustering, economies of scale; structural unemployment and need retraining; gender issues; education facilities, water supply and sanitation, public waste management; health care; crime and reorientation, civil society and democratization.

EDC 2021 Business Creation and Growth

(2 credits)

The aim of this course is to develop students' competence and confidence in creating viable businesses with high potentials for new value addition and high income. The course is designed to enable students achieve economic independence after graduation. Its main goal is to help change students' mindset away from paid jobs and over-dependence on families and government. By the end of the course, students will be able to start and manage businesses at micro or family level. They will also be able to grow ventures capable of generating employment and better utilize resources.

THG 2722 Social Teachings of the Church

(2 credits)

Since theology does not restrict itself to spiritual matters alone but concerns itself with the entire human well being, the course, with reference to the social teaching of the Church, examines the efforts of the Church as also pastor of the material well being of the human persons, with special emphasis on human dignity and rights.

PSD 2132 Political Ideas (2 credit units)

Introduction to Major political ideas in their historical context, Emphasis should be placed on concepts like Monarchism, Liberalism, Democracy, Socialism, Fascism Anarchism, etc.

PSD 2342: Introduction to Local Government (2 credit units)

Theory, principles, and forms of local government, decentralization, delegation, decentralization principles. Local government mechanism for community mobilization and development at the grass roots.

PSD 2522: Nigerian Government and Politics II (2 credit units)

The Federal arrangement and division of powers, Critical issues in Nigeria Politics i.e. Census, Elections, Education, Representation and Representativeness, Ethnic Relations etc.

PSD 2532: Politics in Africa (2 credit units)

The nature of African Politics, Origins and Problems of African Politics, Problems of colonialism, Neo-Colonialism, Succession to Power, Military Rule, etc. African and the Colonial Metropolis, Africa in International Affairs.

PSD 2642: International Conflict and Security (2 credit units)

This course provides students with a substantial grounding in the theory and history of international conflict and of intra and inter-state disputes in the contemporary international system. It explores the multidisciplinary theoretical roots of international conflict, drawing on contributions from subjects such as international relations, politics, economics, sociology and history. This course also enables students examine and analyze the various issues and dynamics that shape and influence conflict in the modern world as well as explore the practical tools available to manage and resolve conflict.

300 Level

First Semester

PSD 3141: History of Political Thought I (2 credit units)

Examination of Selected Classical Political Thinkers beginning with Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes to Locke, with special emphasis on the germination and impact of their ideas.

PSD 3431: Politics of Development and Underdevelopment (2 credit units)

A systematic and theoretical study of the political and socio-economic context of the problems of development and under-development; dependency and international and internal economic structures; analysis of profound change; agents of change and constraints and problems contingent on rapid socio-economic change, with specific reference to post-colonial African states but also comparison with Latin American, and Asian countries among others.

PSD 3161: Logic and Method of Political Analysis (2 credit units)

Political Science and the Scientific Method. Introduction to Research Methods in Political Science; the Logic of Political Inquiry and the Language of Variables: Introduction to Problem Formulation.

PSD 3171: Contemporary Political Analysis (2 credit units)

Contending paradigms in contemporary political analysis, their philosophical and ideological roots, as well as evaluation: elite approach, group theory, functional system and communications theory, basic concepts and elements of game theory and political gaming, structural analysis, theories of political development; the new political economy.

PSD 3191: Research Methods (2 credit units)

The aim of the course is to introduce students to the important aspect of any research/project finding – reporting and presenting your results in an attractive manner. It is always important to know the art of presenting your findings to an audience. The course will cover the general introduction to technical writing (hints on planning, content, presentation, and conclusions). Report writing: progress reports, technical reports, proposals. Students project, thesis, dissertations and journal articles. Orals and visual presentation skills with special reference to layout: abstract, introduction, conclusions and different referencing techniques available to the scientist. Presenting a seminar, special projects, and research reports. Editing your own writing and responding to reviewed reports. Computer-aided technical writing presentation.

PSD 3221: Comparative Federalism (2 credit units)

The genesis of political dynamics of Comparative Federal Systems, with particular reference to such countries as U. S. A., Switzerland, Canada, Germany, India and Nigeria.

PSD 3441: Methodology of Comparative Politics (2 credit units)

Comparative Political Analysis: History of Comparative Politics, Concepts, the Scientific Method, and Logic of Comparison; Classification of Systems in Comparative Politics; Case Study Approach; Competing paradigms or orientations in comparative political analysis; the strategy of across-system theorizing; measurement problems in cross-national research.

PSD 3351: Theory and Practice of Administration (2 credit units)

Evolution of Administrative Organizational Theory from the Classical through the Neo-classical to the Modern; Relation of Administration to Politics and the Political Process; Administrative Behaviour in various Institutional Settings. Interplay of Political Institution and Administrative Patterns of Behaviour, Study of Personnel Administration, Decision-Making in Bureaucratic Organizations.

PSD 3651: Conflict Resolution: Theory and Practice (2 credit units)

This course will introduce students to the growing body of literature in the interdisciplinary field of conflict resolution. The course will analyze and explore ways to resolve conflicts in various settings from the home and workplace to the national and international arena. A case-study approach will be employed, starting with an analysis of conflicts involving questions of identity and difference as well as power disparities. Finally, the course will compare and contrast conventional conflict resolution approaches with more critical ones as we examine their applicability to the cases studied in the class.

PSD 3451: Theory and Practice of Marxism (2 credit units)

The examination of dialectical materialism, class analysis, means, and sources of production in society. An overview of revolutionary changes brought about by utilizing the Marxist-Leninist ideology, using the examples of USSR, China, Cuba, Vietnam etc.

Second Semester

PSD 3142: History of Political Thought II (2 credit units)

Examination of Selected Modern and contemporary Political Thinkers, such as Marx, Rousseau, Burke, Hume, More, Bentham and also contemporary African thinkers with special emphasis on the germination and impact of their ideas.

PSD 3632: Institutions of Global Governance (2 credit units)

Global governance or world governance focuses on the political interaction of transnational actors aimed at solving problems that affect more than one state or region when there is no power enforcing compliance. The modern question of world governance exists in the context of globalization. In response to the acceleration of interdependences on a worldwide scale, both between human societies and between humankind and the biosphere, world governance designates regulations intended for the global scale.

PSD 3152: Political Behaviour (2 credit units)

The study and measurements of various determinants of political behaviour; political socialization, political culture, political participation and apathy. Electoral behaviour, public opinion, and political communication.

PSD 3382: Public Policy Analysis (2 credit units)

Concepts and strategies of planning programming and budgeting system (PPBS): basic techniques of network construction and analysis examined descriptively and from the perspective of administrative system; cost-effectiveness and analysis and critique.

PSD 3232: Theories of International Relations (2 credit units)

An examination of basic concepts and theories that have been offered for the study of International Relations. Topics to be covered will include Power, Conflict, and Accommodation, systems Theories, Linkage Politics, the Theory of Coalition and Alliances, Models, Games and Simulation.

PSD 3242: Politics of International Economic Relations (2 credit units)

The course outlines the economic bases of some of the actions and reactions in international politics, drawing materials from International Trade, Commercial \policy, Capital Movements, etc; Role of IMF, World Bank, and such monetary agencies; Multinational Enterprises and National Power; Theory of unequal Exchange and the North South problem; finally the Economic Theory of National Boundaries, Customs, and Currency Areas.

PSD 3362: Public Administration in Nigeria (2 credit units)

Ecology of Nigerian Public Administration; the Civil Service, Field Administration, Public Corporation; Politics of Financial Administration.

PSD 3372: Government and Administration of Urban Systems (2 credit units)

The problems involved in planning and execution of major services in urban political systems, and an examination of the structure of political power operating in such systems.

THG 3532: Spiritual Theology (2 credit units)

The course aims to lead the students into the nature of the spiritual life in a way that gives meaning and purpose to the spiritual exercises they perform. It studies the nature of theology as a systematic reflection on the meaning and content of Christian revelation and faith; various theological disciplines and their interconnectedness; meaning of spirituality; different aspects of spirituality – Biblical, Liturgical, Pastoral and African; rise and development of monasticism and modern Spirituality; overview of the history of Christian Spirituality; Christian virtues and universal application of charity, chastity, poverty and obedience, spiritual retreats.

PSD 3582: Public Finance Administration (2 credit units)

A review of the elementary principles of public finance. The course will also examine the ways in which government raises revenue and effects financial control.

400 Level

First Semester

PSD 4461: Military and Politics (3 credit units)

Independence of civil and military types: military in the foundation of states; impact of social structures and ethnic or class conflicts upon military organizational procedures and behaviours; the problem of civilian control of the military; the role of armies in revolution; the phenomenon and definition of “military industrial complex”, ubiquity of military extractive tendency; explaining the stability or instability of civil-military relations in comparative setting.

PSD 4551: Nigerian Local Government (2 credit units)

Theories and types of local government/administration. Nigerian federalism and the local government systems. The operation of local government: reforms, causes, and consequences of such reforms in Nigeria. Local government as instrument for political communication; political mobilization, and community development; and local government finance and management. Examination of the theoretical bases of different local government systems (e.g. Nigerian, British, French, and American) and their relationship to structural organization of local government. Comparison of main features of “devolution”, and “de-concentration”, management, community power structures, finance, central-local relationships, etc.

PSD 4561: Political Sociology (2 credit units)

An examination of social and cultural contexts of Political activity and behaviour. Political organizations; trade unions, elite groups, the development of movements for political change.

PSD 4571: Revolution and Society (2 credit units)

Theories of revolution and counter-revolution, nationalist revolutions in Africa; comparative revolution: French, Russian, Chinese, Cuban, Ethiopian etc. The rise and demise of authoritarian regimes. Strategies and Tactics of Revolutions. Current Revolutionary Movements in the world.

PSD 4471: Development Administration (3 credit units)

An analytical study of development problems in the third world and administrative techniques and mechanism in the development process. The course assesses theories and quantitative changes in development administration from colonial times to the present. Particular attention is paid to the cases in Nigeria.

PSD 4491: Third World and Dependency (3 credit units)

The concept of dependency, colonialism and the integration of Africa and Third World into the mainstream of world capitalism; neo-capitalism and dependency. The role of multi-national corporations. The pattern of world trade and the movement of capital technology development and transfer; IMF, World Bank and WTO and Third World Dependency.

PSD 4541: Politics and Law in Africa (3 credit units)

The course is a comparative examination of the inter-relationships between law and politics in different African countries by studying the political significance of the judicial process during the colonial and independence periods. The first section of it deals with the concept of law; what it is, how law arises, and how it becomes institutionalized. Secondly, with the judicial process, specifically the systems of criminal justice that translates the abstract concerns of law into concrete institutions and policy are analyzed in terms of who benefits and who does not.

PSD 4691: Current Issues of International Relations. (3 credit units)

Constructivism, realism, liberalism, critical theory, security issues, trade issues, human rights, democracy and so on... any international relations theories and applications are developed along this line.

Second Semester

PSD 4252: Nigerian Foreign Policy (2 credit units)

This course proposes to cover the following topics: The internal setting of Nigeria's foreign policy – pressure groups, domestic schisms; consensus building process etc. Nigeria's neighbours and the wider African setting; and international environmental policy processes and issues during civilian and military regimes; the effect of the civil war on Nigeria's foreign policy; the changing pattern of Nigeria's non-aligned policy; Nigeria's foreign policy; issues and problem of foreign policy making since 1976 and Nigeria's pan-African role.

PSD 4262: International Law and Organization (3 credit units)

The course considers the origin and development of major global and regional International Organizations, League of Nations, U.N.O., O.A.U. (A.U.), Common Wealth, E.C.O.W.A.S. etc. The character and functions of International Law; territorial jurisdiction, diplomacy; and treaties.

PSD 4482: State and Economy (3 credit units)

The course attempts to examine the role of government in the Management of modern economy with special reference to Nigerian and other African countries: It deals with the relationship between government and private enterprise and examines some political issues such as the role of foreign capital in the domestic economy, the questions of foreign capital in the domestic economy, the questions of foreign aid, technology and expertise. A major part of the course examines the problem of development planning and administration of planning as well as the issue of balanced regional planning. Finally, the questions of indigenization of the economy and self-reliance are discussed in relation to the problem of dependency on the international economic system.

PSD 4612: Diplomatic Theory and Practice (3 credit units)

Diplomats are members of a profession developed over many centuries. But why do we still need them in a world transformed by electronic communications? This course examines the nature of diplomacy; when it is appropriate; the advantages and disadvantages of different diplomatic methods; and the lexicon of diplomacy. By the end of this course, participants should be able to: describe and explain with clarity the shape and functions of the contemporary world diplomatic system; identify and describe the different stages of negotiations, the objectives for each stage, and techniques for securing agreement, providing examples from diplomatic practice; compare and contrast the various missions, offices, conferences, techniques and procedures of bilateral and multilateral diplomacy; analyse what contributes to successful mediation; justify the role of summits and their place in the negotiating arena; and thereby be able to defend the value of diplomacy with authority and enthusiasm.

PSD 4272 Political Parties and Pressure Groups (2 credit units)

Political parties and pressure groups are the main organisations which allow for participation in the political system. Political Parties are crucial to understanding the realities of politics. Most members of Parliament represent political parties, and parties closely influence policy development and the operations of both Parliament and the Executive. Pressure group activity is an important feature of democracy. Unlike political parties, which seek public office, pressure groups seek to influence government policy by indirect means such as lobbying, public protests and media campaigns.

PSD 4282: Project (6 credit units)

This two-semester course provides the opportunity for undergraduates to work closely with members of staff in a supervised reading, library work, and experimental or theoretical project. Topics will be assigned near the end of third year and the student is required to present an original report on assigned project and defend the write up before external assessor. It is also envisaged that the student be made to present at least one seminar on the topic before the rest of the Department. The grade is awarded at the end of the two semesters.

PSD 4682: Intercultural Management (3 credit units)

The globalisation of the economy, with increased cross-border alliances, ventures and global relocations, as well as the advent of e-commerce, has brought about major changes in the field of international customer relations and intercultural diversity management. This has led to an increased appreciation by companies that managing cultural differences properly can be a key factor in getting things done effectively across borders. With increased contact of personnel and customers from diverse cultural backgrounds, there is a growing demand for businesses to understand and manage the diverse values, perceptions, business worldviews and behaviour of corporations, staff, and its customers. Intercultural communication and management is an interdisciplinary human resources field concerned with facilitating communication, management and effective interaction of personnel and customers across borders.

PSD 4392: Comparative Public Administration (2 credit units)

Comparative analysis of private large-scale organizations and public (state) administrative organizations: of public administration in federal and unitary states; of state bureaucracies and state parastatals; of public administration in selected countries: liberal democracies, communist systems, and Third World.