

## DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE

### **POL HE 5016 Human Rights**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

- To describe the basic concepts of human rights
- To comprehend different approaches regarding human rights
- To familiarise the role of UNO in the growth and development of human rights
- To describe different measures taken for the protection of human rights

#### **Unit I: Introduction to Human Rights (14 lectures)**

- Concept of Human Rights – meaning, nature, importance
- Growth and evolution of Human Rights
- Classification- three generation of Human Rights

#### **Unit II: Approaches and perspectives (13 lectures)**

- Universal Approach
- Cultural Relativist Approach
- Marxian Perspective

#### **Unit III: Human Rights and UNO (16 lectures)**

- International Bill of Rights – UDHR, ICCPR, ICESCR, Optional Protocols
- Conventions Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, Convention on Rights of the Child
- Human Rights Council

#### **Unit IV: Human rights and the role of NGOs (12 lectures)**

- Amnesty International
- Human Rights Watch
- International Committee of the Red Cross

#### **READING LIST**

- Chauhan, S.R., & N. S. Chauhan(ed): International Dimension of Human Rights(Vol. I,II,III), Global Vision Publishing House, New Delhi, 2006
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- Saksena, K. P.: Human Rights, Lancers Books, New Delhi, 1999
- Buzarbaruah, Bhupesh Malla and Ripima Buzarbaruah, Manav Adhikar, Bani Prakash,Guwahati, 2006
- Yasin, Adil-ul, and Archana Upaddhyay,: Human Rights, Akansha Publishing House, NewDelhi, 2004