

Course Code- LAO-444	Geopolitics	L	T	P	S	C	CH
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Pre-requisites/							
Co-requisites	NA						

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. To upgrade the knowledge about the various issues pertaining to geopolitics and international relations.
2. To sensitize the students about the emerging trends in geopolitics in 21 st century.
3. To make students understand the theoretical perspectives of geopolitics.

COURSE OUTCOMES:

1. Students will understand the importance of geopolitical thinking on International Relations.
2. Students will be able to analyze various perspectives on Geopolitics.
3. Students will analyze the emerging geo-politics in 21 st century.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed to make the students analyze the relationship of Geopolitics and International relations. Students will evaluate theories of geopolitics and its various emerging issues in contemporary India.

COURSE SYLLABUS

Unit I:

15 Contact Hours

Conceptualizing Geopolitics: Critical Perspectives on Space–Place, Scale and Knowledge-Power. Origins, Evaluation and Legacies of Western Geopolitical Tradition: Rudolf Kjellen (Organic Theory of State), Friedrich Ratzel (Lebensraum), Karl Haushofer (German School of Geopolitics), Halford J. Mackinder (Heartland), Alfred Thayer Mahan (Sea Power), Nicholas J. Spykman (Rimland).

Unit II:

15 Contact Hours

Contours of Geopolitical Visions in the Contemporary World: End of Cold War; The New Militarism, Rise of Multi polarity in the Geopolitical Context; A Different Kind of Geopolitics; New Tensions in Geopolitical and Geostrategic Context. Anti-geopolitics: New Forms of Resistance, Gender and Geopolitics.

Emerging Geopolitics in the 21st Century: Popular Geopolitics in the Era of Globalization: Role of India in the Emerging World.

TEXT BOOKS

1. J. Agnew. 1998. *Geopolitics: Revisioning World Politics*. London and New York: Routledge
2. J. A. Hobson. 2015. *The Eurocentric Conception of World Politics, Western International Theory, 1761-2010*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

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1. G. O. Tuathail. 1996. *Critical Geopolitics: The Politics of Writing Global Space*. London and New York: Routledge.
2. Colin Flint. 2006. *Introduction to Geopolitics*. London: Routledge.
3. G. O. Tuathail, S. Dalby, and P. Routledge. 2006. (Ed.) *The Geopolitics Reader*. London and New York: Routledge.
4. Chaturvedi, S. and Doyle, T. 2015. *Climate Terror: A Critical Geopolitics of Climate Change*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.
5. R. D. Blackwill and J. M. Harris. 2016. *War by Other Means: Geo-economics and Statecraft*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.
6. Jean-Marc F. Blanchard and C. Flint. 2017. "The Geopolitics of China's Maritime Silk Road Initiative". *Geopolitics*. 22(2):223-245.
7. Y. Kumar. 2017. Ed. *Whither Indian Ocean Maritime Order? Contributions to the Seminar on Narendra Modi's Sagar Speech*. New Delhi: K W Publishers.
8. P. Routledge. 2003. "Anti-Geopolitics" in J. Agnew, K. Mitchell and G. Tuathail (eds.). *A Companion to Political Geography*. Oxford: Blackwell. (Chapter 16)

9. L. Dowle and J. Sharo. 2001. "A Feminist Geopolitics?". *Space & Polity*. 5(3):165-176