#### **PEOPLES' FRIENDSHIP UNIVERSITY OF RUSSIA NAMED AFTER PATRICE LUMUMBA RUDN University**

**Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences** 

(educational division (faculty/institute/academy) as programme developer)

**Department of the Comparative Politics** 

(department realizing the PhD program)

# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Political Institutions, Processes, Technologies** 

(course title)

Scientific specialty:

5.5.2 Political institutions, processes, technologies (scientific speciality code and title)

The course instruction is implemented within the PhD programmes: **Political Science: Russian and Comparative Studies** 

(PhD program title)

#### 1. DISCIPLINE (MODULE) GOAL

The objective of mastering the discipline «Political institutions, processes, technologies» is to acquire theoretical knowledge about the essence, content, features of the functioning and development trends of political institutions, processes and technologies with subsequent application in the professional sphere and practical skills (formation) in research, teaching activities in the field of political science, as well as in the field of public policy.

#### 2. REQUIREMENTS TO PHD-STUDENTS ON FINISHING THE COURSE

Mastering the discipline "Political Institutions, Processes, Technologies" is aimed at forming the following competencies (part of competencies) among students:

**To know** directions of scientific activity of Russian and international research teams in the field of political institutions, processes and technologies; features of the presentation of the results of scientific activity in oral and written form when working in Russian and international research teams, the main paradigms of political science, general scientific and alternative theories and approaches to the analysis of socio-political realities, conceptual and categorical apparatus of political science, basic methods of research activity

**To be able** to: identify and systematize the main ideas in scientific texts, critically evaluate any incoming information, regardless of the source, analyze alternative solutions to research and practical problems, evaluate the potential gains / losses of the implementation of these options.

**To possess:** the skills of collecting, processing, analyzing and systematizing information on the topic of research, the skills of choosing methods and means of solving research tasks.

## 3. WORKLOAD OF THE DISCIPLINE AND TYPES OF ACTIVITIES

The overall workload of the discipline «Political institutions, processes, technologies» is 3 credit units (108 academic hours).

Types of activities		Total ac. hrs.	Semesters 2
Classroom activities (total), including:			
в том числе:			
Lectures (LC)		30	30
Laboratory activities (LA)		—	—
Practical lessons/Seminars (PC)		30	30
Independent work		48	48
Intermediate certification (test with assessment/exam)		36	36
Overall workload	ac. hrs.	108	108
	credits	3	3

#### 4. CONTENT OF THE DISCIPLINE

Name of the discipline section	Contents of the section (topic)	Type of study work
Section 1. Political Institutions and Actors	Theme 1.1. Politics as a sphere of public life: structure and functions of politics	LC, IW
	Theme 1.2. Ontological, morphological and procedural parameters of politics, current trends in its evolution.	LC, IW
	Theme 1.3. Political power: nature, essence and functions, legitimacy. The power process and political institutions.	LC, IW

	Theme 1.4. Mechanisms and technologies of	LC, IW
	traditional and digital politics: forms and levels of	
	organization	
	Theme 1.5. Political institutions: formation,	LC, IW
	development and modern transformations.	
	Theme 1.6. Political system and political regimes:	LC, IW
	structure, functions, types and varieties	
	Theme 1.7. Civil society: trends of evolution,	LC, IW
	development prospects and national models	
Section 2. Political	Theme 2.1. The State as a political institution:	LC, IW
processes and factors	structure, functions, types and varieties.	
determining them	Territorial and political forms of the organization	
	of the state. Regional dimension of politics and	
	political governance.	
	Theme 2.2. Evolution of party and electoral	LC, IW
	systems: modern models of political	
	representation. Election campaigns, electoral	
	cycles and electoral technologies	
	Theme 2.3. Political process: essence, sources,	LC, IW
	structure, social foundations and environmental	)
	factors	
	Theme 2.4. Political behavior and participation:	LC, IW
	articulation, aggregation of interests, forms of	20,10
	mobilization	
	Theme 2.5. Political consciousness.	LC, IW
	Psychological aspects of political processes.	10,10
	Processes and mechanisms of political perception.	
	Theme 2.6. Political changes and development.	LC, IW
	Political reforms and revolutions	LC, 1W
	Theme 2.7. Models of political modernization	LC, IW
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	Theme 2.8. Globalization, networking and digitalization: political aspects	LC, IW
	Theme 2.9. Mechanisms and technologies of	LC, IW
	political change management	,
	Theme 2.10. Ethnopolitical processes and	LC, IW
	conflicts	,
	Theme 2.11. National-state, national-	LC, IW
	territorial, national-cultural self-	)
	determination.	
	Theme 2.12. Political class and political elite:	LC, IW
	structure, properties, functions and dynamics	20,10
	Theme 3.1. The role and functions of	LC, IW
	political leadership. Psychological	L~, I !!
	profiles of leaders.	
	Theme 3.2. Political archetypes, symbols and	LC, IW
Section 3.	myths. National mentality and political culture.	LC, IW
Political processes	Theme 3.3. Political socialization: institutions,	LC, IW
and technologies		LC, IW
C	factors and agents.	
	Theme 3.4. Social and political conflicts: causes,	LC, IW
	factors, types and technologies of regulation.	
	Theme 3.5. Directions and forms of	LC, IW

transformation of political ideologies.	
Theme 3.6. Political identity: essence, types, structure. Mechanisms of political identification of individuals and social groups	LC, IW
Theme 3.7. Information processes and management of political communications: traditional QMS, social media and networks.	LC, IW
Theme 3.8. Political technologies and the specifics of their application.	LC, IW
Theme 3.9. Stages, mechanisms and technologies of political decision-making, criteria for their effectiveness.	LC, IW
Theme 3.10. Political risks: management models and technologies	LC, IW
Theme 3.11. Strategic management, political forecasting and design of political institutions	LC, IW

## 5. EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS

Room Type	Room Equipment	Specialized educational / laboratory equipment, software and materials for mastering the discipline
Class for Seminars	Room for seminar-type classes, equipped with	Not necessary
	a set of specialized furniture, board (screen)	
	and technical / multimedia gadgets	
Self-Work Class	Room for self-working (can be used for lecture and seminars activities), equipped with a set of specialized furniture, board (screen) and technical / multimedia gadgets and computers with an access to EIPES	Not necessary

# **6. METHODOLOGICAL SUPPORT AND LEARNING MATERIALS** *Main readings:*

- 1. Fischer F., Miller G. J. (ed.). Handbook of public policy analysis: theory, politics, and methods. Routledge, 2017.
- 2. Moran M., Rein M., Goodin R. E. (ed.). The Oxford handbook of public policy. Oxford University Press, 2008.
- 3. Van Vliet L, Törnberg P, Uitermark J (2020) The Twitter parliamentarian database: Analyzing Twitter politics across 26 countries. PLoS ONE 15(9): e0237073. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0237073
- 4. "Prelims", Visvizi, A. and Lytras, M.D. (Ed.) (2019). Politics and Technology in the Post-Truth Era (Emerald Studies in Politics and Technology), Emerald Publishing Limited, Bingley, pp. i-xix.
- 5. White, Philip L. (2006). "Globalization and the Mythology of the Nation State" In A.G. Hopkins, (ed.) Global History: Interactions Between the Universal and the Local (Basingstoke), pp. 257-284.

Additional readings:

1. Rhodes R. A. W., Binder S. A., Rockman B. A. The Oxford handbook of political institutions. – OUP Oxford, 2008.

2. Colomer, Josep M.; Beale, Ashley L. (July 13, 2020). Democracy and Globalization: Anger, Fear, and Hope (1st ed.). Routledge. ISBN 9780367461928.

3. Colomer, Josep. "Great Empires, Small Nations: The Uncertain Future of the Sovereign State" (1st (e-Book) ed.). Routledge.

4. Immergut E. M. Political institutions //The Oxford Handbook of The Welfare State. – 2010. – C. 227-240.

5. Victor J. N., Montgomery A. H., Lubell M. (ed.). The Oxford handbook of political networks. – Oxford University Press, 2017.

6. March J. G., Olsen J. P. Elaborating the "new institutionalism" //The Oxford handbook of political institutions. – 2005.

7. Norris P. et al. Oxford handbook of political behavior. – Oxford Handbooks, 2007.

8. Svolik M. W. Equilibrium analysis of political institutions //Routledge handbook of comparative political institutions. – 2015. – C. 70-83.

9. Mamanovich R. K. Components of political culture in political processes //Academicia: an international multidisciplinary research journal.  $-2021. - T. 11. - N_{\odot}. 2. - C.$ 953-959.

102. Kenski K., Jamieson K. H. (ed.). The Oxford handbook of political communication. – 2017.

11. Kaid L. L., Holtz-Bacha C. The Sage handbook of political advertising. – Sage Publications, 2006.

12. Coleman S., Freelon D. (ed.). Handbook of digital politics. – Edward Elgar Publishing, 2015.

Internet sourses:

ELS RUDN University and third party EBS, to which university students have accessbased signed contracts:

- RUDN Electronic Library System, http://lib.rudn.ru/MegaPro/Web;
- ELS University Library Online, http://www.biblioclub.ru;
- EBS Urayt, http://www.biblio-online.ru;
- ELS Student Consultant, http://www.studentlibrary.ru;
- EBS Lan, http://e.lanbook.com;
- EBS Trinity Bridge http://www.trmost.ru Databases and search engines:
- Electronic fund of legal and normative-technical documentation, http://docs.cntd.ru;
- Yandex search system https:// www .yandex.ru ;
- Google search system https://www.google.com ;
- Reference database Scopus, http://www.elsevierscience.ru/products/scopus

*Educational and methodological materials for students' self-work studying the discipline / module:* 

A course of lectures on the discipline «[название дисциплины]».

#### 7. ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT AND GRADING SYSTEM FOR MIDTERM ATTESTATION OF STUDENTS IN THE DISCIPLINE (MODULE)

Assessment toolkit and a grading system to evaluate the level of competences (competences in part) formation as the course results are specified on the TUIS platform.

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