COURSE SYLLABUS

Course No. : Pol Sci 2
Course Title : POLITICS AND GOVERNANCE (with New Philippine Constitution)
Credit Units : Three (3) units
Teacher : 

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is designed to give basic knowledge about the Philippine politics and government with discussions on the salient provisions of the new constitution.

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES

At the end of the course, the students should be able to:

A. COGNITIVE
   1. Identify the form of government that Philippines have adopted.
   2. Discuss the basic functions/duties of the major branches of the government.
   3. Relate the provision of the Constitution with the cases decided by the Supreme Court.

B. AFFECTIVE
   1. Recognize the importance of people's participation for a better government.

C. PSYCHOMOTOR
   1. Act out the political development of the country from Pre-Spanish up to the present.
III. COURSE CONTENT

MODULE 1: Introduction: The Study of Political Science
   a. Political Science Defined
   b. Scope of Political Science
   c. Interrelationship with Other Branches of Learning
   d. Function and Importance of Political Science
   e. Goal in the Study of Political Science Courses

Research on the different forms of government and briefly define them. A minimum of 20 forms of government is required.

MODULE 2: Concepts of State and Government
   a. State Defined
   b. Elements of State
   c. Origin of States
   d. State Distinguish from Nation
   e. State Distinguish from Government
   f. Purpose and Necessity of Government
   g. Forms and Classification of Government

Research on the fundamental rights of the state and its inherent powers. Explain or discuss them.

MODULE 3: Concept of Constitution
   a. Constitution Defined
   b. Nature and Purpose or Function of Constitution
   c. Classification and Kinds of Constitution
   d. Essential Parts of a Good Written Constitution
   e. The Preamble
   f. Object and Value of Preamble
   g. National Purposes and Aims in Adopting the Constitution

Research on the parts of a constitution and briefly define them.

Research at least 10 preambles of different countries and write your observation with regard to our country’s preamble.
MODULE 4: Bill of Rights
   a. Concept of a Bill of Rights
   b. Classes of Rights
   c. Classification of Constitutional Rights
      - Political Rights
      - Civil Rights
      - Socio-Economic Rights
      - Rights of the accused
   d. The Concept of Social Justice and Human Rights

Research and give at least 10 examples of social injustice.

MODULE 5: The Philippine Government
   a. Structure of Government
      - Legislative Department
      - Executive Department
      - Judicial Department
      - The Constitutional Commissions
      - The Local Governments
      - Public Accountability

Research and list down the current names of our country’s government officials from our President to Senate down to Congress. In congress, include the provinces they are representing.

MODULE 6: Citizenship and Suffrage
   a. Citizenship and Citizen Defined
   b. General ways of acquiring Citizenship
   c. Meaning, Nature and Scope of Suffrage
   d. Qualifications of Voters

Research on the process, system or act in qualifying for an absentee voting.

IV. INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN/METHODOLOGY
   • Lecture (on-line or face-to-face)
   • Projects
   • Case Analysis
   • Applications
V. LEARNING TASKS

• Reading for references
• Cases Analyses
• Written examinations

VI. EVALUATIVE MEASURES

• Quizzes/Exercises - 25%
• Research - 25%
• Post-Test - 50%

Total 100%

VII. REFERENCES/BIBLIOGRAPHIES


Nolledo, Jose N. The Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines
