

**CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF THE AMERICAS  
SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**

Course	: Ph.D.
Course No.	: AW648
Course Title	: Foreign Policy of Canada
Course Type (Core/Optional)	: Optional
Course Teacher	: Dr. Sneha Bhagat
Credits	: 4 (Four)
Semester	: Monsoon Semester
Contact Hours	: 4 per week

**Course Objectives:**

The course objective is to understand the approaches, issues and discourses in Canadian foreign policy analysis. It also gives special attention to the historical processes and incidents that defined Canada's capabilities as a global actor along with its foreign policy interests and values. The course examines the major perspectives which helps to locate Canada in the world. This course will also make an attempt to assess Canada's relations with major powers with special focus on India. It will also examine impacts of Covid 19 Pandemic which has added new challenges in the International arena.

**Learning Outcomes:**

At the end of the course students would be able to explore the structure and dynamics of foreign policy of Canada. They would also be able to describe the key goals and determinants to understand the Canadian Foreign Policy. The course would also help to acknowledge the role of Canada in global order. The students will also be able to assess Canada's relations with major powers including Canada- India relations.

**Evaluation Methods:**

Class Participation (10%); Sessional Work (Term Paper and Mid-term Examination (40%) End-term Examination (50%)

**Course Content:**

**1. Understanding Foreign Policy of Canada**

- a. Background
- b. Concepts
- c. Determinants of Foreign Policy

**2. Canadian Foreign Policy-Making Process**

- a. Prime Minister & Cabinet
- b. Parliament and Parliamentary Committees
- c. Political Parties, Non-Governmental Actors, Interest Groups, the Media and Public Opinion

### **3. Major Perspectives on Canadian Foreign Policy**

- a. Internationalist Perspective and Canada as a Middle Power
- b. Economic Nationalist Perspective and Canada as a Satellite Economy
- c. 'Complex Neo-Realism' and Canada as a Principal Power

### **4. Canada and Multilateralism**

- a. UN and International Agencies
- b. International Peace-keeping and Peace-making
- c. International Development Assistance Programme—Competing Perspectives

### **5. Stretching the Boundaries of Security and Nuclear Politics**

- a. NATO and its Enlargement
- b. European Union, Security in the Western Hemisphere
- c. History of Canada's nuclear policy, Canada and non-proliferation regimes

### **6. Canada, Hemispheric Governance and Regionalism**

- a. Canada's bilateral relations with major powers: US, China and India
- b. Regional Relations with Latin America & Caribbean, Africa and Indo-Pacific
- c. Hemispheric Governance
- d. Canada in COVID 19 pandemic

### **Readings:**

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