

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI**COURSE PLAN (June - November 2026)**

Department : Interntional Studies
Name/s of the Faculty : Dr.Priya Suresh & Dr.Angelin Archana
Course Title : Research Methodlogy
Course Code : 23IS/PC/RM34
Shift : II

COURSE OUTCOMES (COs)

COs	Description						CL
CO1	Recognize the fundamental tenets in research						K1
CO2	Articulate the importance of methodology and data collection						K2
CO3	Demonstrate the Application of Research Techniques						K3
CO4	Compare & contrast the different methods of research						K4
CO5	Formulate well-grounded research						K5-K6
Week	Unit No.	Content	Cognitive Level	Teaching Hours	COs	Teaching Learning Methodology	Assessment Methods
Jun 15 – 22, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1	Introduction to Research in International Relations	K1-K4	13	CO 1-4		Written assignment

Jun 23 – July 1, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		1.1 International Relations as a Social Science: Positivist & Post Positivist Approach 1.2 Epistemology and Ontology of research in International Relations				Interactive Lectures & guided discussions Case Based Learning (Analyze Published IR Research to illustrate how research is conducted from start to finish) Philosophical Dialogues	Oral Presentation
July 2 – July 8, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		1.3. Developing Research Questions, Importance of Research Questions 1.4. Sources of Data: Primary, Secondary Teritiary, Internet, websites 1.5. Types of Documents, Archives, Chronology				Workshop Based Learning Peer Review Sessions Heuristic Exercise: Puzzle and gap spotting activities to help students move from broad interests to focused researchable questions Document analysis Chronology Building Exercises	

July 9 – 16, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	2	Review of Literature 2.1. Meaning of Review of Literature 2.2. Objectives of Review of Literature	K1-K5	13	CO1-4	Direct Instruction with Examples Visual Aids	3 rd component Literature Review & Draft
July 17 – 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		2.3 Sources of Literature 2.4 Methods of Conducting Literature Review				Goal Oriented Lecture (clearly outline the objectives such as identifying gaps, contextualizing research problem.	Annotated Bibliography
July 25 – 28, 2026 (Day Order 1- 3)		2.5. Writing a review of Literature for a proposal				Hands on workshop & Database training	Oral presentation & defense
July 29 – Aug 3, 2026	C.A. Test - I						
Aug 4 - 6, 2026 (Day Order 4 - 6)	3	Methods of Data Collection 3.1. Case Study and Survey Methods	K1-K5	12	CO1-5	Discussion based learning Project based learning	3 rd Component Case analysis reports: Students analyze real-world or simulated cases using structured framework

							Survey design projects: Students create, pilot, and analyze a survey on an international issue.
Aug 7 – 14, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	3	3.2 Phenomenology 3.3 Questionnaire & Interview				Experiential Assignment Simulation Exercise	Reflective journals: Documenting and analyzing personal or participant experience Instrument design: Students develop and pilot questionnaires/interview guides.
Aug 17 - 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		3.4 Grounded theory & Feminism				Seminar Based Learning & Critical Reflection	3 rd component Critical reflection papers:

Sep 24 - 28, 2026 (Day 4 – 6)		4.5Hypothesis Construction				Hands on Workshop. Teacher Feedback	
Sep 29 – Oct 7, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 6)		Writing A Research Proposal- Proposal Submission -Practical Component					
Oct 8 - 14, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 6)							
Oct 15 - 21, 2026 (Day Order 1- 4)	REVISION						

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COURSE PLAN (June - November 2026)

Department : INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Name/s of the Faculty : DR. AARTI.S

Course Title : INTERNATIONAL LAW II

Course Code : 23IS/PC/IL34

Shift : II

COURSE OUTCOMES (COs)

COs	Description	CL
CO1	Describe the evolution of International Humanitarian Law difference between International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law	K1
CO2	Demonstrate an understanding of the new developments under UNCLOS III	K2
CO3	Examine the new developments in Outer Space and IPR regimes	K3
CO4	Analyse the evolution of Soft Law Principles and their impact	K4
CO5	Hypothesise and apply the precedents to resolve contentious issues in the international system	K5, K6

Week	Unit No.	Content	Cognitive Level	Teaching Hours	COs	Teaching Learning Methodology	Assessment Methods
Jun 15 – 22, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1	Laws of war and armed conflicts and humanitarian law 1.1 Hague conventions and conduct of hostilities-Jus in bello and jus ad bellum 1.2 Emergence of International Humanitarian Law-Geneva Conventions	K1-K4	5	CO 1-4	Lectures and documentaries	Case studies of ICRC
Jun 23 – July 1, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		1.3 Geneva convention III and the Treatment of Prisoners of War 1.4 Illegality of Nuclear warfare - Advisory opinion of the ICJ	K1-K4	5	CO1-4	Lectures and documentaries	Case studies of ICRC WHO and UN documentary Movie screening “Oppenheimer”
July 2 – July 8, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	2	1.5 Neutral States – Rights and Duties Laws of the Sea	K1-K4		CO 1-4	Lectures and PPT	Discussion and Quiz

Aug 4 - 6, 2026 (Day Order 4 - 6)	3	3.2 Outer space treaty and fundamental principles of Space Law				Lectures	Discussions
Aug 7 – 14, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		3.3 UN and other outer space conventions - Rescue Agreement, Liability Convention, Registration Convention, Moon Agreement 3.4 Demilitarization of Outer space	K1-K5		CO 1- CO 5	Lectures and documentaries ON Outer Space	Class test and Quiz on Space Law
Aug 17 - 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	4	3.5 Uses and benefits of Outer space and space technologY International Environmental Law 4.1 History and evolution of International Environmental Law	K1-K5		CO 3-CO 5	Lectures and classroom exercises on Treaty Success Ranking Students evaluate treaties based on: Effectiveness, Compliance, Participation Environmental outcomes Then create a ranking.	Discussions on the various uses of Outer Space and making posters
Aug 25 – Sep 2, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		4.2 Guiding Principles of International Environmental Law	K2-5		CO 3-CO5	PPT and Lectures	PPT presentations III component Principle Matching Game

		4.3 Major International Environmental Legislations					Prepare cards containing Principles: And separate cards with scenarios. Students match principles to real-life situations.
Sep 3 – 11, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		4.4 The Marine environment and International law 4.5 State responsibility in Environmental Law	K2-5		CO3- CO 5	PPT and Lectures	Mock International Maritime Dispute
Sep 15-17, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 3)		Intellectual Property Rights and Cyber law 5.1 The Intellectual Property Rights Regime	K1-5		CO 3-CO 5	PPT and Lectures	Discussions and Quiz
Sep 18 –23, 2026	C.A. Test - II						
Sep 24 - 28, 2026 (Day 4 – 6)	5	5.2 WIPO and its treaty base	K1-K5		CO3-CO 5		Discussion

Sep 29 – Oct 7, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 6)		5.3 Copyright and Patents Trademarks and Service Marks	K1-5		CO3-CO 5		Test distinguishing different Trade Marks
Oct 8 - 14, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 6)		5.4 Geographical Indications and Industrial Design 5.5 Data Protection Cyber Security	K1-K5				MCQ and Quiz Matching GIs and their place of origin
Oct 15 - 21, 2026 (Day Order 1- 4)	REVISION						

Third components

Case study analysis as per Geneva Conventions III on Prisoners of War-10 marks

PPT on Principles of Environmental Law and Environmental Conventions - 15 marks

IPR – Patent and copyright sample filing applications 10 marks

Class test/ assignment – 15 marks

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COURSE PLAN (June - November 2026)

Department : Department of International Studies
Name/s of the Faculty : Ms. P Harini Sha
Course Title : Foreign Policy of Major Powers: USA and Russia
Course Code : 23IS/PC/UR34
Shift : II

COURSE OUTCOMES (COs)

COs	Description	CL
CO1	Describe the historical evolution of US and Russian foreign policies	K1
CO2	Discuss the key drivers of US and Russian foreign policies	K2
CO3	Interpret the contemporary foreign policy issues and challenges	K3
CO4	Compare and contrast US and Russian Foreign policy strategies	K4

CO5	Evaluate the impact of US and Russian foreign policy						K5,K6
Week	Unit No.	Content	Cognitive Level	Teaching Hours	COs	Teaching Learning Methodology	Assessment Methods
Jun 15 – 22, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1.1 1.2	Theoretical approaches to foreign policy Realism, Neo-realism	K1-K4	5	CO1-4	Lecture	Recalling Quiz
Jun 23 – July 1, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1.3 1.4	Liberalism, Neo-liberalism Constructivism	K1-K4	6	CO1-4	Lecture, concept mapping	Online quiz
July 2 – July 8, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1.5 2.1	Foreign Policy Decision Making Historical context and future of American foreign policy	K1-K4 K1-K5	2 3	CO1-4 CO1-5	Lecture and tracing the timeline	Short essays
July 9 – 16, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	2.2	Foreign policy making institutions – President, Congress, Public Opinion, media and Interest Groups	K1-K5	5	CO1-5	Lecture	Case study Analysis

	2.3	US Presidents and Foreign Policy – Cold War and Post-Cold War					
July 17 – 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	2.4	The US military and Revolution in Military Affairs	K1-K5	5	CO1-5	Presentations	Classroom Discussion
	2.5	The Intelligence Community – NSC, CIA, Homeland Security					
July 25 – 28, 2026 (Day Order 1- 3)	3	The United States Foreign Relations	K1-K5	2	CO1-5	Lecture	Policy briefings
July 29 – Aug 3, 2026	C.A. Test - I						
Aug 4 - 6, 2026 (Day Order 4 - 6)	3.1	US – Europe	K1-K5	2	CO1-5	Presentation	Simulation
	3.2	US – Middle East					3 rd componen
Aug 7 – 14, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	3.3	US – China	K1-K5	6	CO1-5	Chalk and Talk	Role Play
	3.4	US – Indo Pacific					

Aug 17 - 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	3.5	US - India	K1-K5	3	CO1-5	Lecture	Classroom discussion
	4.1	Understanding Post-Soviet Russian Foreign Policy Making		2	CO3-5		
Aug 25 – Sep 2, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	4.2	Drivers of Russia’s foreign policy	K3-K5	5	CO3-5	Lecture	Long essays 3 rd component
	4.3	Key actors in Russian Foreign Policy					
Sep 3 – 11, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	4.4	Russia’s Military and Nuclear Posture	K3-K5	6	CO3-5	Presentation	Case study analysis
	4.5	Russian Security Doctrine					
Sep 15-17, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 3)	5.1	Russia – China	K3-K5	2	CO3-5	Chalk and Talk	Short quiz
Sep 18 –23, 2026	C.A. Test - II						
Sep 24 - 28, 2026 (Day 4 – 6)	5.2	Russia – West	K3-K5	2	CO3-5	Presentation	Long Essays
Sep 29 – Oct 7, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 6)	5.3	Russia – India	K3-K5	5	CO3-5	Lecture	Simulation

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI**COURSE PLAN (June - November 2026)**

Department : International Studies
Name/s of the Faculty : Dr. A R Angelin Archana
Course Title : Contemporary Issues in the Middle East
Course Code : 23IS/PE/ME15
Shift : Shift-II

COURSE OUTCOMES (COs)

COs	Description	CL
CO1	Demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the historical, political, economic, and cultural complexities of the Middle East region	K1, K2
CO2	Analyse the various forms of governance in the Middle East, and assess their implications for stability, governance, and human rights.	K2, K3, K4
CO3	Evaluate the roles and interests of extra-regional actors and their impact on regional dynamics.	K3, K4, K5
CO4	Assess conflicts and peace processes in the Middle East, relating historical events and contemporary challenges.	K4, K5
CO5	Evaluate the prospects and challenges of stability and change in the Middle East interplay between democratisation, social movements, religion, and economic development in the region.	K5, K6

Week	Unit No.	Content	Cognitive Level	Teaching Hours	COs	Teaching Learning Methodology	Assessment Methods
Jun 15 – 22, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1.1	Emergence of the Modern Middle East - geopolitical and geostrategic significance	K1 – K5	5	CO1 – CO5	Lecture Classes & group discussions.	1-minute summary (oral)
Jun 23 – July 1, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1.2 & 1.3	The Authoritarian State vs Democracy The Society, Culture and Religion in the Middle East	K1 – K5	5	CO1-CO5	Lecture Classes & group discussions	3 rd Component on (Reflection Paper) society, culture and religion in the Middle East.
July 2 – July 8, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1.4 1.5	The Economy in the Middle East – Oil Politics and OPEC and GCC Emergence of Arab Nationalism	K1 – K5	5	CO1-CO5	Lecture Classes, PowerPoint Presentations	Infographics on Oil
July 9 – 16, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	2.1	Egypt -Nationalisation and Politics of Modernisation	K1 – K5	5	CO1-CO5	Lecture Classes, Game Theory.	Debate the cause-and-effect diagram.
July 17 – 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	2.2 & 2.3	Iran and Theocracy Saudi Arabia and Wahhabism	K1 – K5	5	CO1-CO5	Lecture Classes, Narrative-Mapping.	Concept map

July 25 – 28, 2026 (Day Order 1- 3)	2.4 & 2.5	Israel and Modernisation Syria and Islamic extremism	K1 – K5	3	CO1-CO5	Lecture Classes, Group Discussion.	Group Quiz
July 29 – Aug 3, 2026	C.A. Test - I						
Aug 4 - 6, 2026 (Day Order 4 - 6)	3.1	Interests in the Middle East	K1 – K5	2	CO1-CO5	Lecture Classes & case analysis.	Rubrics to understand each institution
Aug 7 – 14, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	3.2 & 3.3	US engagement in the Middle East Russian involvement in the Middle East	K1 – K5	5	CO1-CO5	Lecture Classes & Class Analysis	Interactive Slides using the AI tool Mentimeter
Aug 17 - 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	3.4 & 3.5	India and the Middle East Chinese engagement in the Middle East	K1 – K5	5	CO1-CO5	Lecture Classes & Class Analysis	Spider diagram
Aug 25 – Sep 2, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	4.1	Conflicts of the Middle East -Arab-Israeli Wars	K1 – K5	5	CO1-CO5	Lecture Classes, Game-based teaching.	Simulation (3 rd Component)
Sep 3 – 11, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	4.2 & 4.3	Iran-Iraq War Gulf War I & II	K1 – K5	5	CO1-CO5	Lecture Classes, Inquiry-based learning.	Kahoot Quiz

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI**COURSE PLAN (June - November 2026)**

Department : International Studies
Name/s of the Faculty : Dr. Priya Suresh
Course Title : Latin America Polity, Society & Economy
Course Code : 23IS/PE/LA15
Shift : II

COURSE OUTCOMES (COs)

COs	Description						CL
CO1	Identify the historical, political, economic and cultural dynamics that shape the Latin American Society						K1
CO2	explain the economic challenges and opportunities in Latin America						K2
CO3	interpret key social, economic and cultural issues in Latin America						K3
CO4	analyze and compare the governance structures and political models in Latin America						K4
CO5	evaluate the impact of economic policies and reforms in Latin America						K5-K6
Week	Unit No.	Content	Cognitive Level	Teaching Hours	COs	Teaching Learning Methodology	Assessment Methods

Jun 15 – 22, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1	The Idea of Latin America 1.1 Historical Background of Latin America 1.2 Modern History: Colonization and Imperialism	K1-K4	13	C01-4	Comparative Theoretical Debates Case based Historical analysis	Diagnostic Assessment (Establishes prior knowledge and perspective before the starting the unit)
Jun 23 – July 1, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		1.3 Independence and State Formation 1.4 Latin America in the 21st Century: Problems and Potential				Workshop on Post Colonial Theory Timeline and Mapping Exercise	Case study analysis
July 2 – July 8, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	2	Revolution & regimes 2.1. Revolution in Latin America 1750-1914 2.2.Marxism/Communist revolution and the rise of leftism in Cuba	K1-K5	13	CO1-5	Comparative case studies Theoretical Seminars Lecture	Research essays
July 9 – 16, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		2.3. Nationalism and Revolution: Mexico 2.4. Autocracy & military dictatorship: Chile				Connecting Theory to practice-How Marxism has influenced real world policies and movements	Oral Debates, 3rd Component Presentation

July 17 – 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		2.5 Transition to democracy: Brazil and Venezuela				Policy analysis	Policy Briefs discussion
July 25 – 28, 2026 (Day Order 1- 3)		Economy Of Latin America. 3.1 Natural Resources, human resource and development	K1-K5	13	CO1-5	Interactive lecture	In-class presentation
July 29 – Aug 3, 2026	C.A. Test - I						
Aug 4 - 6, 2026 (Day Order 4 - 6)		3.2 Globalization Liberalization and Market reforms				Empirical case study	Short test
Aug 7 – 14, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		3.3 Economic crisis-Argentina				Comparative & Chronological Analysis	3 rd component presentation Research Project
Aug 17 - 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	4	Society in Latin America 4.1 Demography and social structure	K3-K5	13	CO3-5	Dialogic Learning-open ended discussion Community and identity case	In-class Presentation quiz

		4.2 Women and society- socio religious factors				studies-Social Movements	
Aug 25 – Sep 2, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		4.3 Crime and corruption 4.4 Popular culture				Group research	Debates
Sep 3 – 11, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)		Latin America and the World 5.1 Regional and transcontinental linkages: IBSA, BRICS	K3-K5	13	C03-5	Thematic Seminars	3 rd component Case study analysis
Sep 15-17, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 3)		5.2 Latin America and USA				Case Study	
Sep 18 –23, 2026	C.A. Test - II						
Sep 24 - 28, 2026 (Day 4 – 6)		5.3 Latin America and China				Group Project and Peer teaching	Short Test
Sep 29 – Oct 7, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 6)		5.4 Latin America and India				Lecture	Quiz
Oct 8 - 14, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 6)		Discussion Discussion					

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COURSE PLAN (June - November 2026)

Department : Department of International Studies
Name/s of the Faculty : Ms. P Harini Sha
Course Title : Indian Polity and Politics for Competitive Exam
Course Code : 23IS/PE/PP23
Shift : II

COURSE OUTCOMES (COs)

COs	Description	CL
CO1	Identify key concepts related to Indian polity	K1
CO2	Understand the origins of Indian nationalism, from its constitutional origins to mass movements, and its impact on India's struggle for independence.	K2
CO3	Develop a clear grasp of foundational political concepts in the Indian context, such as federalism, democracy, secularism, and socialism.	K3
CO4	Relate the various political parties to their ideological foundations	K4
CO5	Evaluate and critique the issues in Indian politics based on the robust foundation in Indian politics and nationalism, providing them with the essential knowledge and analytical skills necessary to excel in civil service examinations	K5,K6

Week	Unit No.	Content	Cognitive Level	Teaching Hours	COs	Teaching Learning Methodology	Assessment Methods
Jun 15 – 22, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1.1	Constitutionalism to mass Satyagraha	K1-K4	3	CO1-5	Lecture	Short answer questions
Jun 23 – July 1, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	1.2	Non-cooperation, Civil Disobedience	K1-K4	4	CO1-5	Lecture, concept mapping	Short answer questions
	1.3	Militant and Revolutionary Movements					
July 2 – July 8, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	2.1	Making of the Indian Constitution: Legacies of the British Rule	K1-K5	3	CO1-5	Lecture	3rd Component (15 Marks) Objective-type questions
	2.2	Salient Features of the Indian Constitution: The Preamble, Fundamental Rights & Duties					
July 9 – 16, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	2.2	Salient Features of the Indian Constitution: The Preamble, Fundamental	K1-K5	3	CO1-5	Presentations	Long Essays

	2.3	Rights & Duties Directive Principles of State Policy					
July 17 – 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	2.3	Directive Principles of State Policy	K1-K5	3	CO1-5	Lecture	Case study Analysis
	2.4	Parliamentary System and Amendment Procedure					
July 25 – 28, 2026 (Day Order 1- 3)	2.5	Judicial Review and Basic Structure Doctrine	K1-K5	1	CO1-5	Presentations	Qiz
July 29 – Aug 3, 2026	C.A. Test - I						
Aug 4 - 6, 2026 (Day Order 4 - 6)	3.1	Federalism	K1-K5	3	CO1-5	Lecture	Short essays
Aug 7 – 14, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	3.2	Democracy	K1-K5	4	CO1-5	Concept mapping	Comparative case analysis
	3.3	Secularism and Socialism					
Aug 17 - 24, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	4.1	Party System: National parties (Congress and BJP)	K1-K5	3	CO1-5	Presentations	3rd Component (10 Marks) Poster Making
	4.2	Rise and growth of regional political parties (Dravidian					

		parties)					
Aug 25 – Sep 2, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	4.3	Ideological and social bases of parties (Communist Party of India)	K1-K5	3	CO1-5	Lecture	Timeline charting
	4.4	Coalition Politics					
Sep 3 – 11, 2026 (Day Order 1- 6)	4.4	Coalition Politics	K1-K5	2	CO1-5	Presentations	Case study
	4.5	Pressure groups and trends in electoral behaviour					analysis
Sep 15-17, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 3)	5.1	Caste and Politics in India	K1-K5	1	CO1-5	Lecture	Group discussion
Sep 18 –23, 2026	C.A. Test - II						
Sep 24 - 28, 2026 (Day 4 – 6)	5.1	Caste and Politics in India	K1-K5	2	CO1-5	Group discussion	Short essays
Sep 29 – Oct 7, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 6)	5.2	Religion and Politics in India	K1-K5	2	CO1-5	Lecture	Think-pair review
Oct 8 - 14, 2026 (Day Order 1 - 6)	5.3	Criminalisation of Politics in India	K1-K5	2	CO1-5	Case Study Analysis	Case Study Analysis

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