

POLS 0232: Caste and Politics in India

This course intends to provide the students with a basic understanding of caste politics in India and encourage them to think critically about the contemporary society and politics. It aims to introduce them to caste as sociological as well as political category. The theories explaining the origin of the caste system and its important features, the impact of colonialism on caste system, anti-caste movements, and politics of affirmative action in the post-independence India will be examined in the course.

Syllabus:

1. What is Caste: Origin and Features
2. Caste and Colonialism
3. Caste in Post-independence Indian Politics
4. Anti-Caste Movements

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