

American Government and Politics, Form IV

Course Description

American Government and Politics is an intensive study of the formal and informal structures of government and the processes of the American political system, with emphasis on policy-making and implementation.

Course Goals

Students should understand:

- Doctrines and historical background to the Constitution
- Key principles such as federalism and separation of powers
- The ideological and philosophical underpinnings of American government
- Theories informing interpretations of the Constitution including democratic theory, republicanism, pluralism and elitism