

Value Added Course



University of Kerala

Discipline	ECONOMICS				
Course Code	UK4VACECO200				
Course Title	Public Policy, Value, and Ethics.				
Type of Course	VAC				
Semester	IV				
Academic Level	200 - 299				
Course Details	Credit	Lecture per week	Tutorial per week	Practical per week	Total Hours/Week
	3	3 hours	-	-	3
Pre-requisites	None				
Course Summary	This course explores the intersection of public policy, values, and ethics. It examines the ethical dimensions of public policy formulation, implementation, and evaluation. The course aims to develop student's abilities to think reflectively and argue persuasively about the moral and ethical dimensions of politics, public policies, and careers in public affairs.				



Detailed Syllabus:

Module	Unit	Content	Hrs
I	Introduction		10
	1	Public policy and governance.	
	2	Principles of good governance- accountability, transparency, integrity, and public good.	
	3	Good Governance, Values and Ethics.	
II	Distributive Justice		10
	4	Distributive justice in tax, property, and welfare	
	5	Role of economy and government in providing distributive justice	
	6	Rawlsian, Nozick's, and Sen's theory of justice (Concepts only).	
III	Economics and Public Policy		12
	7	The economic foundations of Command Economy, Free market economy, Mixed market economies.	
	8	Neoclassical Economics and its Ethical and Value Foundation.	
	9	The role of public policymaking in attaining the common good, inclusive growth, Gender equality, and sustainability.	
IV	Globalization and Governance		8
	10	The need for value-based international policy-making, and international cooperation.	
	11	The role of inter-governmental organizations, regional blocks, and NGOs.	
	12	Challenges of value-based policy making in a globalized economy.	
V	Activity		5
		Assess the role of NGOs, women empowerment through public policy	

Reading List

1. A Guide to Ethics and Public Policy: Finding Our Way (2012), D. Don Welch, Routledge.
2. Political Ethics and Public Office (1990), Dennis Thompson, Harvard University Press.

Course Outcomes

No.	Upon completion of the course the graduate will be able to	Cognitive Level	PSO addressed
CO-1	Understanding public policy frameworks	R, U	PSO-1,2



CO-2	Critically analyze ethical dilemmas in public policy, considering diverse stakeholder perspectives, and propose ethically sound solutions	R, U, Ap, An, E	PSO-2,3
CO-3	Critical thinking and debate concerning the ethical implications of various policy choices	R, U, Ap, An, E, C	PSO-4,6
CO-4	Engage in civic activities and enhance their role as informed citizens in shaping public policies.	R, U, Ap, An, E, C	PSO-4.6

R-Remember, U-Understand, Ap-Apply, An-Analyse, E-Evaluate, C-Create

Note: 1 or 2 COs/module

Name of the Course: Credits: 4:0:0 (Lecture: Tutorial: Practical)

CO No.	CO	PO/PSO	Cognitive Level	Knowledge Category	Lecture (L)/Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)
CO-1	Understanding public policy frameworks	PO-1 PSO-1,2	R, U	F, C	L	
CO-2	Critically analyze ethical dilemmas in public policy, considering diverse stakeholder perspectives, and propose ethically sound solutions	PO-2,3 PSO-2,3	R, U, Ap, An, E	P, M	L	



CO-3	Critical thinking and debate concerning the ethical implications of various policy choices	PO-4,6 PSO-4,6	R, U, Ap, An, E, C	P, M	L	
CO-4	Engage in civic activities and enhance their role as informed citizens in shaping public policies.	PO-4,6 PSO-4,6	R, U, Ap, An, E, C	P, M	L	

F-Factual, C- Conceptual, P-Procedural, M-Metacognitive

Mapping of COs with PSOs and POs:

CO No.	PSO1	PSO2	PSO3	PSO4	PSO5	PSO6	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	Average
CO-1	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	2	-	-	-	-	2.75
CO-2	-	3	3	-	-	-	2	3	3	-	-	2	2.67
CO-3	-	-	-	3	2	3	2	2	3	3	2	3	2.55
CO-4	-	-	-	3	2	3	1	2	2	3	2	3	2.33
Average	3	3	3	3	2	3	2	2.25	2.67	3	2	2.67	

Correlation Levels:

Level	Correlation
-	Nil
1	Slightly / Low
2	Moderate / Medium
3	Substantial / High

Assessment Rubrics:

- Quiz / Assignment/ Quiz/ Discussion / Seminar
- Midterm Exam



- Programming Assignments
- Final Exam

Mapping of COs to Assessment Rubrics:

CO No.	Internal Exam	Assignment	Project Evaluation	End Semester Exam
CO-1	✓	✓	-	✓
CO-2	✓	✓	-	✓
CO-3	✓	✓	✓	✓
CO-4	-	✓	✓	✓

