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**Politics** Oxford University Press, USA  
 What Is Political Theory? provides students with a comprehensive overview of the current state of the discipline. Eleven substantive chapters address the most pressing topics in political theory today, including: - what resources do the classic texts still provide for political theorists? - what areas will political theorists focus on in the future? - can western political theory alone continue to provide a framework for responding to the challenges of modern political life? The authors assess the intellectual challenges to conventional political theory, such as post-structuralism and the scientific study of politics, that have revitalized the field in the last 30 years. They also broaden the perspective to take in non-western ideas and to reconceptualize political theory in the light of specifically global challenges. Students and teachers of political theory and political philosophy will find this book invaluable in understanding the factors that have shaped current political theory and which will guide its future development.

*A History of International Political Theory* Pearson Education India

The new third edition of the highly successful text has been revised and updated throughout to take account of new issues such as identity and difference, globalization and multiculturalism. The book provides a clear and accessible introduction to political theory and key concepts in political analysis. Each chapter discusses a cluster of interrelated terms, examines how they have been used by different thinkers and in the various political traditions, and explores related debates and controversies.

*Political Thought* John Wiley & Sons

Your conceptual toolkit for the study of political thought Praise for the first edition 'This seems really to have been written with the first-year student in mind. The editors write in a way that is clear, intelligent and engaging without being at all condescending.' Politics Studies Review New for this edition\* Brand new chapter on international political thought, reflecting one of the most striking developments in contemporary political theory This textbook gives you all the vocabulary you need - political, conceptual and historical - to engage confidently and deeply with political thought and the moral and political worlds in which we live. It traces the history of political thought from Plato

and Aristotle to Kymlicka and Rorty, following a unique dual structure that introduces key thinkers and core concepts together, making it suitable for any course structure.

**Applying Political Theory** Oxford University Press

An introduction to social and political theory, discussing such topics as freedom, citizenship and rights; social justice and equality; and constitutionalism and democracy. The authors show how people view these concepts in different ways. They also offer solutions for resolving disputes.

**An Introduction to Political Theory** Macmillan

First published in 1953, this seminal introduction to political philosophy is intended for both the student of political theory and for the general reader. After an introduction which explains the nature and purpose of philosophy, Dr Murray provides a critical examination of the principle theories advanced by political philosophers from Plato to Marx, paying special attention to contemporary issues. The book also makes an attempt to define the essential issues of philosophical significance in contemporary politics, with special reference to the conflict between political authority and individual rights, and to show how the different moral assumptions underlying authoritarian and democratic systems of government are ultimately based upon

different theories of logic.

[Introduction To Political Ideologies](#) Political Theory

Bringing political philosophy out of the ivory tower and within the reach of all, this book provides us with the tools to cut through the complexity of modern politics.

[Introduction to Political Theory](#) Cognella Academic Publishing

*Strategy and Politics: An Introduction to Game Theory* is designed to introduce students with no background in formal theory to the application of game theory to modeling political processes. This accessible text covers the essential aspects of game theory while keeping the reader constantly in touch with why political science as a whole would benefit from considering this method. Examining the very phenomena that power political machineries—elections, legislative and committee processes, and international conflict, the book attempts to answer fundamental questions about their nature and function in a clear, accessible manner. Included at the end of each chapter is a set of exercises designed to allow students to practice the construction and analysis of political models. Although the text assumes only an elementary-level training in algebra, students who complete a course around this text will be equipped to read nearly all of the professional literature that makes use of game theoretic analysis.

**History of Political Theory: An Introduction** Springer

This new edition of *An Introduction to Political Theory* examines a fairly wide range of issues on political theory as identified at the beginning of the new millennium. It elaborates the nature and significance of political theory, concept of ideology, wi

[An Introduction to Political Theory](#) Edinburgh University Press

Donald Lutz begins *A Preface to American Political Theory* by explaining what the book doesn't do. It doesn't begin with a panegyric to the American founding. It doesn't answer the following questions: "What are the basic principles in the U.S. Constitution? What were the intentions of the founders with respect to (fill in your own topic)? What is the meaning of pluralism, or separation of powers, or democracy, or (fill in your own concept)?" In short, it doesn't provide an overview of the content, development, or major conclusions of American political theory. What it does do is provide "a pre-theoretical analysis of how to go about studying questions like the ones above—how to conceptualize the project, how to proceed in looking for answers, how to avoid the logical traps peculiar to the study of American political theory." Lutz sets out to emancipate American political theorists from empiricism and inappropriate European theories and methodologies. The end result is to establish the foundation for the systematic study of American behavior, institutions, and ideas; to provide a general introduction to the study of American political theory; and to illustrate how textual analysis, history, empirical research, and analytic philosophy are all part of the enterprise. Designed for students and scholars in all disciplines, including political science, history, and legal studies, *A Preface to American Political Theory* doesn't provide answers to central continuing issues in American political theory. Rather, it provides an effective, sophisticated entree into the study of American political theory. Readers will be armed with the intellectual tools to engage in systematic study and makes them aware of the pitfalls they will inevitably encounter. *What is Political Theory?* Cambridge University Press

Political theorists focus on the nature of justice, liberty, and equality while ignoring the institutions through which these ideals are achieved. Political scientists keep institutions in view but deploy a meager set of value-conceptions in analyzing them. A more political political theory is needed to address this gap, Jeremy Waldron argues.

[An Introduction to Modern Political Theory](#) SAGE

*A Comprehensive Introduction to Political Thought: Western and Non-Western Traditions* familiarizes students with global political theories and perspectives. The book addresses Western and non-Western traditions of political thought, including a traditional emphasis on modern

ideology such as liberal democracy. It also includes diverse traditions such as Confucianism in modern China, feminist political thought, and pan-African political thought. This book demonstrates how political theories have emerged from evolving conditions and historical circumstances that continue to influence modern politics. Dedicated chapters explore the ideological principles of conservatism, liberalism, liberal democracy, Marxism, and social democracy. Additional chapters examine the political thought of Buddhism, Hinduism, Taoism, ancient Roman republicanism, feudalism, Indigenous political thought, Machiavelli, modern republicanism, and the range of ideas that have defined the general science of politics. Students read about the origins of ideology, the political ideals of the Enlightenment, the emergence of democratic norms, and utilitarian methods, plus principles that have contributed to the introduction of socialism, populism, modernism, progressivism, postmodernism, and other critical ideas that influence politics today. Developed to provide students with a diverse, expansive overview, *A Comprehensive Introduction to Political Thought* is an exemplary resource for courses and programs in political science and the overall study of politics, public policy, and government.

**History of Political Theory: An Introduction** University Press of Kansas

Contemporary theory of international politics faces a twofold problem: the critical engagement with legacies of national power politics in connection to 20th Century International Relations and the regeneration of notions of humanity. This book contributes to this engagement by a genealogy of thoughts on war, peace, and ethics.

[An Introduction to Political Philosophy](#) Columbia University Press

Fully revised and extended, the new edition of this innovative and engaging textbook introduces the central elements of political theory from an applied perspective. Focusing on 12 high-profile contemporary social and political case studies, both domestic and global, this text shows how political theory illuminates and helps makes sense of important debates in public life. This is the perfect introduction for students interested in how political theory can be used to help us solve the political questions of our time, whether at a beginner's level, or building upon an introduction to theories and concepts. New to this Edition: - Draws on an even wider range of contemporary and historical political thinkers from different philosophical traditions - Updated to take recent important cases and controversies into account - Includes a new chapter which examines leaking classified information

**Aristotle's Political Theory** Routledge

*Oxford Handbooks of Political Science* are the essential guide to the state of political science today. With engaging contributions from 51 major international scholars, the *Oxford Handbook of Political Theory* provides the key point of reference for anyone working in political theory and beyond.

[An Introduction to Positive Political Theory](#) Palgrave Macmillan

Beginning with an overview of Rousseau's life & works, Dent assesses the central ideas & arguments of Rousseau's philosophy, including the corruption of modern civilization, the state of nature, his theories of amour de soi & amour propre, & his theories of education.

[Introduction to Modern Political Theory](#) Routledge

*Political Game Theory* is a self-contained introduction to game theory and its applications to political science. The book presents choice theory, social choice theory, static and dynamic games of complete information, static and dynamic games of incomplete information, repeated games, bargaining theory, mechanism design and a mathematical appendix covering, logic, real analysis, calculus and probability theory. The methods employed have many applications in various disciplines including comparative politics, international relations and American politics. *Political Game Theory* is tailored to students without extensive backgrounds in mathematics, and traditional economics, however there are also many special sections that present technical material that will appeal to more advanced students. A large number of exercises are also

provided to practice the skills and techniques discussed.

[The Political Theory of Recognition](#) SAGE

This book provides an accessible and comprehensive introduction to the major political thinkers of modern Germany. It includes chapters on the works of Max Weber, Carl Schmitt, Franz Neumann, Otto Kirchheimer, Jurgen Habermas and Niklas Luhmann. These works are examined in their social and historical contexts, ranging from the period of Bismarck to the present day. A clear picture is presented of the connections between individual theoretical positions and the general political conditions of modern Germany. Areas of political history covered in particular depth include nineteenth-century legal and parliamentary history, aspects of German liberalism, Weimar social democracy, political Catholicism, Adenauer and Erhard, Brandt's reforms and the Tendenzwende of the late 1970s. By closely linking intellectual and political history, this work examines how recent German political theory has developed as a set of varying responses to recurring aspects and problems of political life in modern Germany. At the same time, it addresses the philosophical and political implications of the works which it treats, and it critically examines how modern German political theory has contributed to broader attempts to theorize political legitimacy and politics itself. This book will be of interest to students of political theory, German studies and European political history.

**An Introduction to Political Philosophy (Routledge Revivals)** SAGE

*History of Political Theory: An Introduction* is an engaging introduction to the main figures in the history of Western Political Theory and their most important works. The second volume traces the origin and development of liberal political theory, and so the foundations for contemporary views.

**Political Philosophy** Routledge

"This book provides an engaging and intellectually challenging introduction to political ideologies, while at the same time giving an accessible route into the subject for those new to politics.

Supported by an outstanding companion website, it has strong claims to be the best undergraduate textbook on ideologies on the market." Dr. Mike Gough, University of East Anglia  
*Introduction to Political Theory* is a text for the 21st century. It shows students why an understanding of theory is crucial to an understanding of issues and events in a rapidly shifting global political landscape. Bringing together classic and contemporary political concepts and ideologies into one book, this new text introduces the major approaches to political issues that have shaped the modern world, and the ideas that form the currency of political debate.

*Introduction to Political Theory* relates political ideas to political realities through effective use of examples and cases studies making theory lively, contentious and relevant. This thoroughly revised and updated second edition contains new chapters on global justice and political violence, as well as an expanded treatment of globalisation and the state. A wide range of pedagogical features helps to clarify, extend and apply students' understanding of the fundamental ideologies and concepts. This is comprised of: · Case studies demonstrate how political ideas, concepts and issues manifest in the real world · 'Focus' boxes encourage students to appreciate alternative viewpoints · A range of thought provoking photographs challenge students to examine concepts from a different angle · Suggestions for further reading and weblinks are also provided to help students to further their understanding  
*Introduction to Political Theory* is accompanied by an innovative website with multiple choice questions, biographies of key figures in political theory, further case studies and an innovative 'how to read' feature which helps students get to grips with difficult primary texts.

**Political Theory** Pearson Education India

Colin Farrelly's central objective in writing this introductory text is to demonstrate to students the practical relevance of contemporary theoretical debates to everyday issues in policy creation and implementation and politics.

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