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Scope of Political Science

Politics

Government

Political
system

Power

Scope of Political Science

- *Scope of political science is to study the past things that happened and use it correctly in the present and determine what the future will say about.*



Scope of Political Science

- *Normally, a lay man associate politics with the party politics. But we should know that politics is much larger than that.*
- *The scope of political science implies its area of study.*

Scope of Political Science

It is classified into four zones:

- *Political theory*
- *Political institution*



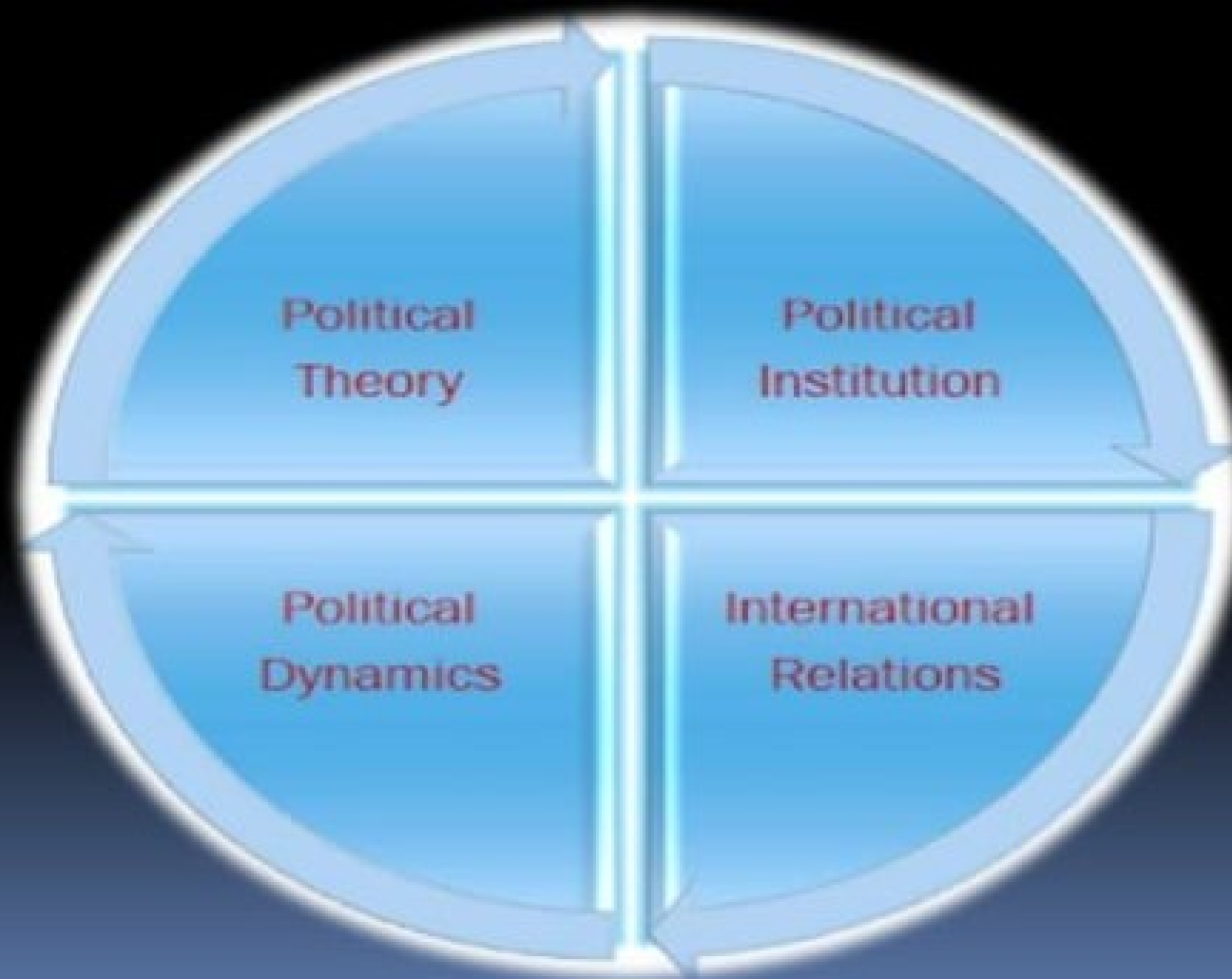
Scope of Political Science

➤ *Political dynamics*

➤ *International relation*



The Four Zones



Political Theory

- *It deals with the definition and fundamental concepts of political science like state, government, law, liberty, equality, justice and sovereignty.*





Political Institution

- *It is concerned with a study of formal political institution such as the state and instrument through which it runs the government.*

Political Dynamics

- *The term refers to the forces and process at work in government and politics. They influence and explain political action. They include the study of political parties.*



International Relations

- *International Relations (IR) is the study of relationships among countries.*
- *International relations draw intellectual materials from the fields of technology, engineering, economics and history.*



Elements of State

The state consists of four elements:

- *The people.*
- *The territory.*
- *The government.*
- *The sovereignty.*



People

They are the people who make a state.

Population or people are essential for the state.

According to Aristotle, “the number should neither be too large nor too small. It should be large enough to be self-sufficient and small enough to be well governed.”



➤ *Sovereignty has two aspects:*

- ***Internal Sovereignty***

Means that the state is supreme over all its citizens and associations.

- ***External Sovereignty***

Means that the state is independent and free from foreign or outside control.

Scope concerning with State

Scope of political science concerns with the state as :

- *Present Form of the state.*
- *Historical Form.*
- *Ideal Form of the state.*



Ideal State

The state should act as 'trustee' of the people means that it should hold people power as a trust for welfare of people. It should not consider people as helpless subject, but as co-rulers in its governance.



Thank you!

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