

**VAC 1: CONSTITUTIONAL VALUES AND FUNDAMENTAL DUTIES**

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Constitutional Values And Fundamental Duties	02	1	0	1	Pass in Class 12 <sup>th</sup>	NIL

**Learning Objectives**

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- Enrich students with knowledge and relevance of the Constitution.
- Develop awareness about Duties and Values.
- Inculcate a sense of Constitutionalism in thought and action.

**Learning outcomes**

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- Understand the Constitution and its relevance
- Appreciate the values and goals embedded in the Constitution.
- Recognise the importance of Fundamental Duties enshrined in the Constitution.
- Apply the spirit of fundamental values and duties in everyday national life.

**SYLLABUS OF CONSTITUTIONAL VALUES AND FUNDAMENTAL DUTIES****UNIT – I The Constitution of India – An Introduction (5 Weeks)**

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- Sovereignty, Socialism, Democracy
- Secularism and Sarva Dharma Sama Bhava

**UNIT – II Constitutional Values (5 Weeks)**

- Justice: Social, Political, Economic

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- Liberty: Thought, Expression, Belief, Faith, Worship
- Equality: Equality before law & equal application of laws
- Fraternity: Dignity, Unity and Integrity

**UNIT – III Fundamental Duties (5 Weeks)**

- Reflecting on the ancient Indian notions of righteousness and duty consciousness
- Fundamental Duties- Article 51A [(a) – (k)]
- Legal status of Fundamental Duties - Judicial approach

**Practical component (if any) – (15 Weeks)**

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**Essential/recommended readings**

- Preamble to the Constitution of India, 1950.
- The Constitution of India, Articles - 14, 19, 21.
- The Constitution of India, Fundamental Duties [Ar. 51 A (a) – (k)].

**Suggested readings**

- Durga Das Basu, et al., Introduction to the Constitution of India (LexisNexis, 26th edn, 2022).
- Leila Seth, We, the Children of India: The Preamble to Our Constitution (New Delhi, Puffin Books, Penguin Books India, 2010).
- Mahendra Pal Singh, V.N. Shukla's Constitution of India, (Eastern Book Company, Lucknow, 13th revised edn. 2017)
- B.R. Ambedkar Selected Speeches, (Prasar Bharati, New Delhi, 2019) available at: [https://prasarbharati.gov.in/whatsnew/whatsnew\\_653363.pdf](https://prasarbharati.gov.in/whatsnew/whatsnew_653363.pdf).

**Examination scheme and mode: Subject to directions from the Examination Branch/University of Delhi from time to time**

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