



# **Principles of Political Science**

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# Constitution

- A constitution is the aggregate of fundamental principles or established precedents that constitute the legal basis of a polity or other type of entity and commonly determine how that entity is to be governed.



# History and development

- Pre-modern constitutions
- Modern constitutions
- Democratic constitutions

# Bureaucracies

- Theories of bureaucracy
- Rational-administrative model
- Power-bloc model
- Bureaucratic oversupply model

# Role of bureaucracies

- Functions of bureaucracies
- Administration
- Policy advice
- Articulating interests
- Political stability
- Organization of bureaucracies

# Bureaucratic power: out of control?

- Sources of bureaucratic power
- How can bureaucrats be controlled?
- Political accountability
- Politicization
- Counter-bureaucracies

# Militaries and Police Forces

- The military and politics
- Role of the military
- Instrument of war
- Guarantee of domestic order
- Interest group
- Alternative to civilian rule