

- To explore the mechanisms operating in the major political institutions and agencies for the creation and implementation of public policies.
- To be familiar with the social forces that affect the creation of public policies.
- To examine the predominant political, economic, and social actors that actively engage in the policymaking process, including expert communities, interest groups, the media, agency bureaucrats, and elected officials.
- To examine the dominant ideas presently used in the social sciences for understanding the impetus for the creation of public policy and the means for its successful implementation.
- Then department will be able to apply this understanding of the various components of social policy making to effectively introduce new aspects to the existing consideration of a specific area of recent public policy interest.