Topic: Normative Approach to the Study of Politics GG2 Module 1

Distinction between method and approach:

•Approach
What to inquire?
(Criteria for selecting problems and relevant data)

Method

How to inquire?
 (Procedure for obtaining and utilizing data)

Types of approaches:

- 1. Traditional vs Contemporary
- 2. Empirical vs Normative

Normative approach to the study of politics:

Empirical	Normative
1. Based on facts	1. Based on values
2. Real	2. Ideal
3. Discoverable	3. Determined
4. Scientific and Descriptive	4. Critical and Prescriptive
5. Sense Experience and Logic	5. Speculation and Logic
6. Verifiable i.e., true or false	6. Debatable i.e., right and wrong