

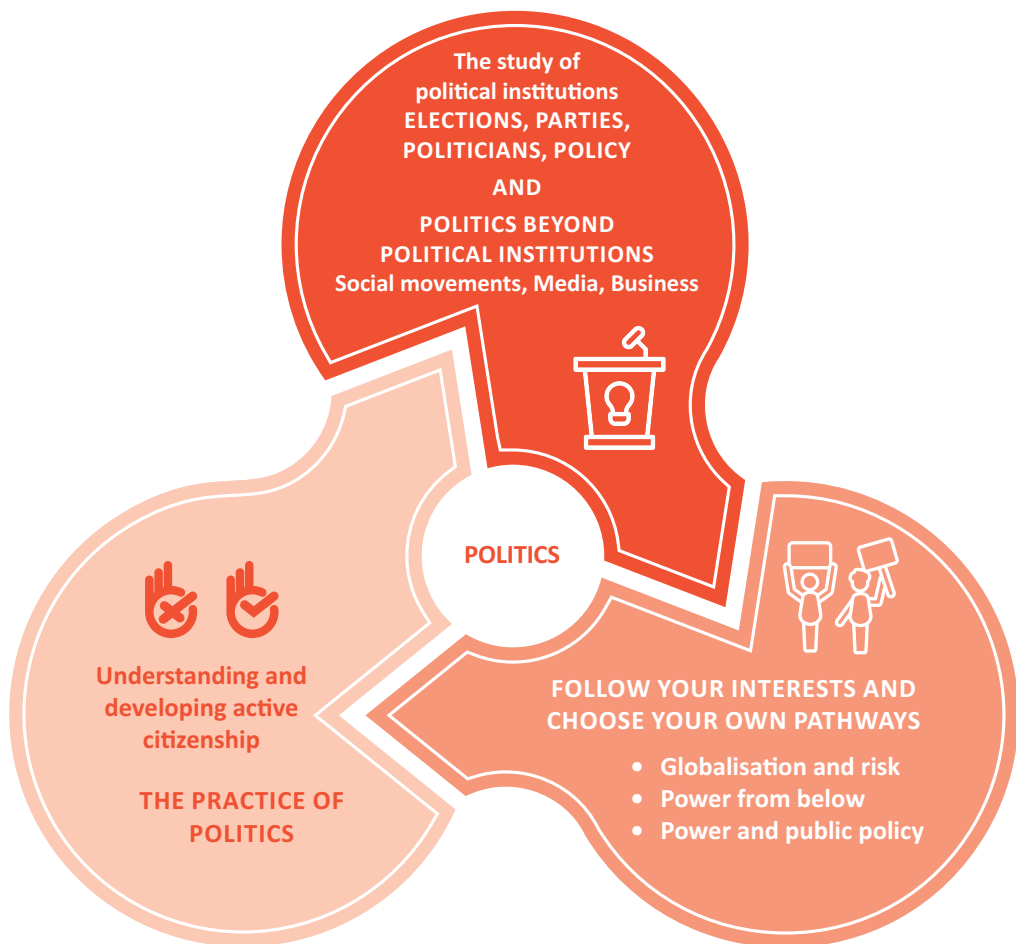


WHAT IS POLITICS?

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"Politics is the study of who gets what, where and how." (Laswell 1965). Maynooth politics goes beyond the usual – to explore power from below.



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