Tuesday - September 04, 2007
Introduction

Tuesday - September 11, 2007
The Mandeville Paradox: Private Vices, Public Benefits (1)
Required Readings:
— Bernard Mandeville, The Fable of the Bees (1732), edited by F.B Kaye (Liberty Fund, 2 vols.), vol. 1, pp. vii-cxlvi and 1-181 :

Tuesday - September 18, 2007
The Mandeville Paradox: Private Vices, Public Benefits (2)
Required Readings:
— The Fable of the Bees, vol. 2, pp. 100-193 :
Recommended Readings:
— E.J. Hundert, The Enlightenment's Fable (Cambridge University Press, 1994) :

Tuesday - September 25, 2007
Commerce as a Civilizing Force (1)
Required Readings:
— Charles-Louis de Montesquieu, The Spirit of the Laws (1748), Cambridge Texts in the History of Political Thought, pp. 21-40 and 337-353 :

Tuesday - October 02, 2007
Commerce as a Civilizing Force (2)
Required Readings:
— The Spirit of the Laws, Book 21-22 (p. 354-456) :

Tuesday - October 09, 2007
Commerce as a Civilizing Force (3)
Required Readings:
— David Hume, Political Essays (1752), Cambridge Texts in the History of Political Thought, pp. 4-92 :

Tuesday - October 16, 2007
Commerce as a Civilizing Force (4)
Required Readings:
— Political Essays, pp. 93-160 :

Tuesday - October 23, 2007
The Republican Critique of Commerce (1)
Required Readings:
— Jean-Jacques Rousseau, The Basic Political Writings (Hackett); Second Discourse (1755), pp. 25-109 :

Tuesday - October 30, 2007
The Republican Critique of Commerce (2)
Required Readings:
— Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Discourse on Political Economy (1755), pp. 111-138 :

Tuesday - November 06, 2007
Election Day - University Holiday

Tuesday - November 13, 2007
Adam Smith's Political Economy (1)
Required Readings:
— Hirschman, The Passions and the Interests, pp. 93-135 :

Tuesday - November 20, 2007
Adam Smith's Political Economy (2)
Required Readings:
— The Wealth of Nations, vol. 1, pp. 376-498 :
Recommended Readings:
— Donald Winch, Adam Smith's Politics, Cambridge University Press, 1978. :

Tuesday - November 27, 2007
Adam Smith's Political Economy (3)
Required Readings:
— The Wealth of Nations, vol. 2 pp. 689-816 :
Recommended Readings:
— Emma Rothschild, Economic Sentiments. Adam Smith, Condorcet and the Enlightenment, Harvard University Press, 2000 :

Tuesday - December 04, 2007
Economics as an Autonomous Field of Knowledge
Required Readings:
— Jean-Baptiste Say, Treatise on Political Economy (1803), reprint of the 1832 American edition, Michigan Historical Reprint Series, pp. xiii-lx and 61-203 :
Recommended Readings:

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