



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY  
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# SPRING 2013 COURSES IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

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## **POLS V1013 POLITICAL THEORY (PT)**

**MICHELLE SMITH (BARNARD)**

What is the relationship between law and justice? Are capacities of political judgment shared by the many or reserved for the few? What does human equality consist of and what are its implications? Can individual freedom be reconciled with the demands of political community? What are the origins and effects of persistent gender inequalities? These are some of the crucial questions that we will address in this introductory course in political theory. Discussion Section Required.

## **POLS W1201 INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN POLITICS (AP)**

**JUDITH RUSSELL (SEC. 001)**

**SCOTT MINKOFF (BARNARD; SEC. 002)**

Lecture and discussion. Dynamics of political institutions and processes, chiefly of the national government. Emphasis on the actual exercise of political power by interest groups, elites, political parties, and public opinion.

## **POLS V1501 INTRODUCTION TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS (CP)**

**KIMULI KASARA (SEC. 001)**

**MONA EL-GHOBASHY (BARNARD; SEC. 002)**

Lecture and discussion. Introduction to some of the major approaches and issues in the contemporary study of politics within nations, including the causes of revolution, the roots of democracy, and the nature of nationalism, through systematic study of politics in selected countries.

## **POLS V1601 INTERNATIONAL POLITICS (IR)**

**ROBERT JERVIS**

Lecture and discussion. The basic setting and dynamics of global politics, with emphasis on contemporary problems and processes.

## **POLS W3100 JUSTICE (PT)**

**DAVID JOHNSTON**

An inquiry into the nature and implications of justice, including examinations of selected cases and issues such as *Roe v. Wade*, the *O.J. Simpson* case, the *Pinochet* case, affirmative action, recent tobacco litigation, and the international distribution of income and wealth.

## **POLS W3170 NATIONALISM, REPUBLICANISM & COSMOPOLITANISM (PT)**

**JESSICA KIMPELL**

Do we have obligations to our co-nationals that we do not owe to others? Might our loyalties or obligations to our fellow citizens be based on a commitment to shared political principles and common public life rather than national identity? Do we have basic duties that are owed equally to human beings everywhere, regardless of national or political affiliation? Do our commitments to co-nationals or compatriots conflict with those duties we might owe to others, and if so, to what extent? Is cosmopolitanism based on rationality and patriotism based on passion? This course will explore these questions from the perspectives of nationalism, republicanism and cosmopolitanism. We will consider historical works from Herder, Rousseau, Kant, Fichte, Mill, Mazzini and Renan; and more contemporary contributions from Berlin, Miller, Canovan, MacIntyre, Viroli, Sandel, Pettit, Habermas, Nussbaum, Appiah, and Pogge, among others.

## **POLS W3208 STATE POLITICS (AP)**

**JUSTIN PHILLIPS**

This course is intended to provide students with a detailed understanding of politics in the American states. The topics covered are divided into four broad sections. The first explores the role of the states in America's federal system of government. Attention is given to the basic features of intergovernmental relations as well as the historic evolution of American federalism. The second part focuses on state-level political institutions. The organization and processes associated with the legislative, executive, and judicial branches are discussed in depth. The third part examines state elections, political parties, and interest groups. Finally, the fourth part looks closely at various policy areas. Budgeting, welfare, education, gay marriage, and environmental policy are each considered.

**POLS V3212 ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS (AP)****RICHARD PIOUS (BARNARD)**

The political setting in which environmental policy-making occurs. The course will focus on grassroots and top-down policy-making in the United States with some comparative examples. Topics include the conservation movement and national agenda politics, pollution control and iron triangle politics, alternative energy policy and subsidy politics, climate change and issue networks, and transnational environmental issues and negotiation of international policy regimes.

**POLS W3210 JUDICIAL POLITICS (AP)****JEFFREY LAX**

This course provides an introduction to the study of law and courts as political institutions and judges as political actors. The topics we will consider include: what courts do; different legal systems; the operation of legal norms; the U.S. judicial system; the power of courts and constraints on judicial power; judicial review; the origin of judicial institutions; how and why Supreme Court justices make decisions; case selection; conflict between the Court and the other branches of government; decision making and conflict within the judicial hierarchy; trials and juries; plea-bargaining and pre-trial settlement; the impact and implementation of court decisions; courts as agents of social change; the place of courts in American political history; and judicial appointments. Our main focus will be U.S. courts, but we will discuss other courts as well.

**POLS W3215 WORKSHOP IN MEDIA & POLITICS (AP)****KATHLEEN KNIGHT****NO CLASS SCHEDULE; STUDENTS MEET INDEPENDENTLY WITH INSTRUCTOR.**

2-credit workshop. Permission of the instructor is required before signing up for this course. Interested should contact instructor by email. The Workshop in Media and Politics is the academic component of a media internship, and is available to both Barnard and Columbia students. Through it the student receives two units of academic credit while working in a media-related job. The internships themselves must be pre-arranged independently or through the Office of Career Services. Any kind of media-related internship (radio, television, magazines, the music industry, public relations firms, government agencies, political campaigns, and so on) is potentially acceptable, but only if the student can relate the internship to larger issues of the role/impact of the mass media in contemporary politics. It is advised that students download the application form, fill it out, and bring it with them to the first meeting with the professor. An appointment for the first meeting should be arranged with the professor via email, or during office hours.

**POLS W3218 MASS MEDIA & AMERICAN DEMOCRACY (AP)****KATHLEEN KNIGHT**

The course considers the development and current practices of the mass media in the United States in terms of the expectations of democratic government.

**POLS W3245 RACE-ETHNICITY IN AMERICAN POLITICS (AP)****RAYMOND SMITH**

Historical and contemporary roles of various racial and ethnic groups; initiation, demands, leadership and organizational styles, orientation, benefits, and impact on the structures and outputs of governance in the United States.

**POLS W3260 POLITICS OF LATINO IMMIGRATION (AP)****CARLOS VARGAS-RAMOS**

This course focuses on the political incorporation of Latinos into the American polity. Among the topics to be discussed are patterns of historical exclusion, the impact of the Voting Rights Act, organizational and electoral behavior, and the effects of immigration on the Latino national political agenda.

**POLS W3616 GLOBAL ORDER: CIVILIZATIONS & SOCIETY IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (IR)****ERIC BLANCHARD**

“Global Order” is a course designed to help students make sense of one of the fundamental questions we can ask about international relations and politics in general: how is order established, maintained, or destroyed? In an important sense, order is what the “study of politics seeks to discern and the practice of politics seeks to achieve” (Zartman 2009: 3). A focus on order in world politics can help us answer several interesting questions: Are we seeing the modern era of world politics ending and a new postmodern era beginning? What do these changes mean for the current period of American international political dominance?

**POLS W3620 INTRODUCTION TO CONTEMPORARY CHINESE POLITICS (CP)****XIAOBO LU (BARNARD)**

Introduction to some basic aspects and major events in Chinese political life under the communists since 1949, focusing on the post-Mao reform period since 1978. Examination of economic and political development in China in a broader context of global transition from authoritarianism and state socialism.

**POLS W3626 GENDER & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (IR)****ERIC BLANCHARD**

This course is designed as a comprehensive introduction to a way of analyzing and researching global politics and international relations that takes gender seriously as a category of analysis. The course is particularly concerned with the ways in which gender is implicated in the construction of international relations, how this impacts the foreign policies of states, and what this means for the actions of other actors in world politics, such as non-governmental organizations (NGOs), international organizations (IOs), and social movements.

**POLS W3690 INTERNATIONAL LAW (IR)****TONYA PUTNAM**

What is public international law, and what does it influence the behavior of states, corporations, and individuals in the international system? This introductory course engages these questions as well as the politics of applying and enforcing public international law in various contexts and issue areas. An understanding of basic international legal principles, institutions, and processes is developed through exploration of foundational cases, and by means of (required) participation in a multi-week group simulation of an international legal dispute.

**POLS W3704 DATA ANALYSIS & STATISTICS FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE (M)****DONALD P. GREEN**

This course examines the basic methods data analysis and statistics that political scientists use in quantitative research that attempts to make causal inferences about how the political world works. The same methods apply to other kinds of problems about cause and effect relationships more generally. The course will provide students with extensive experience in analyzing data and in writing (and thus reading) research papers about testable theories and hypotheses. It will cover basic data analysis and statistical methods, from univariate and bivariate descriptive and inferential statistics through multivariate regression analysis. Computer applications will be emphasized. The course will focus largely on observational data used in cross-sectional statistical analysis, but it will consider issues of research design more broadly as well. It will assume that students have no mathematical background beyond high school algebra and no experience using computers for data analysis.

**POLS W3720 SCOPE AND METHODS (M)****DORIAN WARREN & SHIGEO HIRANO**

Why do citizens vote? Do Get-Out-the-Vote campaigns work to increase turnout? Does campaign spending increase the likelihood of electoral success? How do electoral rules affect the political representation of the poor? What determines the success of ethnic insurgencies? Why do some civil wars last longer than others? Do international laws protect civilians during military conflict? How we go about answering these questions (and other important questions about politics and our world) determines the quality of our answers. This course is about evaluating the quality of answers to political and social science research questions, and introduces fundamental topics in research design, choice of method, and data analysis. Although the material introduces concepts that are relevant to both quantitative and qualitative research methods, this course emphasizes quantitative research and provides an introduction to basic statistical analysis. At the successful completion of the course, students will be well-prepared to conduct independent research, including senior honor theses.

**POLS W3912 SEMINAR IN POLITICAL THEORY: TBA (PT)****POLS W3922 SEMINAR IN AMERICAN POLITICS (AP)****SECTION 001: 20<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY AFRICAN AMERICAN POLITICAL THOUGHT, FREDRICK HARRIS**

This course surveys the political and social thought of African-Americans during the 20th century. It will consider the social, political, and historical context of political ideologies in black communities, from the standpoint of early thinkers and activists such as W.E.B. Du Bois, Booker T. Washington, and Ida B. Wells-Barnett to post-World War II thinkers such as Malcolm X, Martin Luther King, bell hooks, Cornel West, among others. The course will critically assess such perspectives as liberalism, nationalism, feminism, conservatism, and Marxism as considered by important black thinkers of the era. The course approaches the study of African Americans political and social thought from theoretical and historical perspectives.

**SECTION 002: POLITICAL PSYCHOLOGY, KATHLEEN KNIGHT**

The seminar is designed to examine some major psychological concept useful in politics. These include: rationality & emotion, socialization, ideology, persuasion, tolerance, authoritarianism, racism & terrorism.

**SECTION 003: EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP, MARTHA ZEBROWSKI**

This seminar is an examination of the nature and practice of executive leadership in public, private (i.e., for profit, business), and non-profit institutions in the US. The course does not begin with a theory of executive leadership. Rather, the goal of the course is to develop such a theory, a theory that takes into account the similarities and differences among the very different institutional sectors in American life, and a theory that distinguishes authentic leadership from three related matters, the effective exercise of power,

effective management, and celebrity. The first half of the term is devoted to a discussion of common, required readings that consider the nature and practice of executive leadership in public, private, and non-profit institutions, and to a discussion of problems associated with research and with organizing and analyzing data on leadership. During the first half of the term, each student prepares a research prospectus (approximately 12 pages) for a major research paper (approximately 35 pages) on a particular public, private, or non-profit executive leader or problem in executive leadership. The second half of the term is devoted to students' oral presentations, in class, of their own research and to class discussions of their research (each presentation approximately 50 minutes). The seminar research paper is due at the beginning of exam week; there is also a final quiz during exam week.

**SECTION 004: FIRST AMENDMENT, ROBERT AMDUR**

**SECTION 005: ISSUES THAT DIVIDE AMERICA, IRWIN GERTZOG**

Seminar focuses on four political issues so contentious that they have produced enduring cultural, socio-economic, and political divisions throughout the United States. The four issues are slavery and efforts to end it; the use of alcoholic beverages and the struggle to curtail it; abortion and attempts to prohibit it; and lesbian and gay rights and the battle to impede them.

**SECTION 006: COMMUNICATION, POWER & POPULISM, BRIGITTE NACOS**

The course examines the role of media and communication in the emergence and success or failure of social and populist movements throughout American history with a special focus on the modern-day Tea Party and the Occupy Wall Street movement.

**SECTION 007: BUREAUCRATIC POLITICS, MICHAEL TING**

Prerequisites: POLS W1201 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. This course is a comprehensive, high-level introduction to American bureaucracies and their study. It is appropriate for any student with an interest in American political institutions and a background in political science and economics. Topics include the working environment of bureaucrats, the external institutional environment, and the roles played by various agencies in the American political system.

**POLS W3952 SEMINAR IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS (CP)**

**SECTION 001: CORRUPTION, TIMOTHY FRYE**

Over the past 15 years scholars, policymakers, and academics have devoted increasing attention to the rule of law and corruption as obstacles to economic development. This body of research has raised many interesting questions. What do we mean by "corruption" and the "rule of law" How can we study "illegal" activity? Why do people obey the law? Can anything be done about it? These questions will be at the center of our attention. We will examine debates about the sources and consequences of corruption and the rule of law. We will also explore theories of corruption and legal development rooted in culture, institutions, economic endowments, and social structures. One goal is to assess different theories of the rule and law and corruption. Another goal is to design policies based on these arguments.

**SECTION 002: EAST ASIA, KAY SHIMIZU**

This seminar introduces students to many of the questions and challenges shared by the countries of East Asia. Over the past several decades, this region has experienced explosive economic growth, led first by Japan, then the East Asian Tigers, and now by China. Their growth strategies have included, among others, rapid industrialization, export led growth, and state financing, but each country's unique features have resulted in diverse outcomes. The class will explore how the countries of East Asia have confronted common challenges, and how the region has contributed to the development of broader social science theories. Topics covered by this course include the role of the state in industrial policy, immigration and its challenges, the political effects of demographic change, and the limits of export led growth.

**SECTION 003: LATIN AMERICAN POLITICAL ECONOMY, M. VICTORIA MURILLO**

Prerequisites: POLS V1501 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. This class focuses on the transformation of Latin American Political Economy since the 1980s as a result of the processes of democratization and economic liberalization. The class reviews the debates on the relationship between both processes, focusing on the impact of political dynamics on economic policymaking in the first part of the course and on the political consequences of these economic reforms in the second part of the course. The seminar assumes a basic background on Latin American politics and history. Class discussion will combine theoretical concepts and their application to Latin American politics since the 1980s. Additionally, the seminar provides a forum to develop your writing skills in presenting cogent arguments within the framework of social science.

**POLS W3962 SEMINAR IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (IR)**

**SECTION 001: LEFT-RIGHT DIVIDE IN A GLOBALIZING ECONOMY, YOTAM MARGALIT**

Also counts as a comparative politics seminar. Most voters share similar goals of wanting the economy to grow and their country's citizenry to prosper. Why then do we often see such heated policy disagreements between politicians on the left and the right? Are these disagreements about what policies "work" best to achieve these agreed goals, or are they a result of moral differences

regarding the goals that should be pursued? Furthermore, how have these disagreements been affected by the pressures stemming from an increasingly integrated international economy? This course will review some of the major normative and positive issues dividing the left and right on social-economic policy. Students will learn about the ideological foundations of the debates and engage the empirical literature on key political issues currently contested in advanced economies worldwide.

**SECTION 002: GLOBALIZATION & INTERNATIONAL POLITICS, PABLO PINTO**

Prerequisites: POLS V1601 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. Globalization involves the increasing integration of economic, social and political processes across international borders. Workers in Bangalore man telephones in the middle of the night to provide technical support to customers in the US and Europe. Farmers in Chiapas and college students in Nice demonstrate against the World Bank. Multinational corporations and backyard business clamor for greater access to markets. Governments in Asia find that they are beholden to panic by investors a world away. To some degree, these processes (or ones like them) have always been with us. However, international politics, which has traditionally been organized around the physical control of geography by sovereign governments, increasingly poses tensions or contradictions as the scope of the world that defies boundaries increases. While globalization means many things to many different people, this course will begin to map some of the most obvious examples where sovereignty and the global society collide. Globalization defies easy definition in part because these processes are dynamic and ongoing. We will explore the economics, politics and conflict processes associated with a globalizing world.

**SECTION 003: FOREIGN POLICY & DECISION MAKING, BARBARA FARNHAM**

Prerequisites: POLS V1601 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. How can we account for the foreign policies of states in the international system? Why do they behave the way they do? This seminar focuses on a critical examination of the major explanations for foreign policy outcomes. Our main emphasis is on decision-making. However, we will begin with explanations operating at other levels of analysis, such as the international system and domestic politics. We then explore decision-making explanations, including those derived from cognitive and social psychology, theories of motivation and personality, the impact of the political context, and the role of group dynamics. Throughout, we will be looking at these different approaches in the light of actual episodes taken largely, but not exclusively, from American foreign policy.

**POLS C3999 SENIOR HONORS SEMINAR**

**TANISHA FAZAL**

Prerequisite: admission to the departmental honors program. A two-term seminar for students writing the senior honors thesis.

**POLS G4133 POLITICAL THOUGHT: CLASSICAL & MEDIEVAL (PT)**

**MELISSA SCHWARTZBERG**

Prerequisite: One course on the history of political theory (this is an advanced undergraduate/introductory graduate level course, not meant for students with no prior knowledge of political theory). Selected writers and doctrines in the tradition of Western political and social thought from Plato and Aristotle through Middle Age.

**POLS W4209 GAME THEORY & POLITICAL THEORY (M)**

**MASSIMO MORELLI**

Instructor approval required before registration. Application of noncooperative game theory to strategic situations in politics. Solution concepts, asymmetric information, incomplete information, signaling, repeated games, and folk theorems. Models drawn from elections, legislative strategy, interest group politics, regulation, nuclear deterrence, international relations, and tariff policy.

**POLS W4291 ADVANCED TOPICS IN QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH (M)**

**GREGORY WAWRO**

Instructor approval required before registration. Instruction in methods for models that have dependent variables that are not continuous, including dichotomous and polychotomous response models, models for censored and truncated data, sample selection models and duration models.

**POLS W4321 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW OF PRESIDENTIAL-CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS (AP)**

**RICHARD PIOUS (BARNARD)**

Examines the constitutional issues involved in presidential-congressional relations, including assertions of presidential emergency powers, control of the administrative agencies, congressional investigations and the independent counsel, and the constitutional law of presidential diplomatic and war powers.

**POLS W4365 DESIGN & ANALYSIS OF SAMPLE SURVEYS (M)**

**ANDREW GELMAN**

Survey sampling is central to modern social science. We discuss how to design, conduct, and analyze surveys, with a particular focus on public opinion surveys in the United States.

**POLS W4368 EXPERIMENTAL RESEARCH: DESIGN, ANALYSIS & INTERPRETATION (M)**

**DONALD P. GREEN**

In this course, we will discuss the logic of experimentation, its strengths and weaknesses compared to other methodologies, and the ways in which experimentation has been -- and could be -- used to investigate social phenomena. Students will learn how to interpret, design, and execute experiments.

**POLS W4401 EUROPE AFTER LISBON (CP)**

**LUCY GOODHART**

This course takes as its starting point the latest constitutional "statement" from the European Union, the Lisbon Treaty which took effect in December 2009, and is designed to give qualified undergraduates and Master's students an understanding of contemporary politics and institutions as they are experienced within Europe today. Because scholarship on both Europe and the European Union is constantly evolving, the course is marked by a focus on readings from the contemporary literature and by references to online information data sets that will permit you to undertake your own research.

**POLS G4610 RECENT CONTINENTAL POLITICAL THOUGHT (CP)**

**JEAN COHEN**

This course will compare and contrast the theories of the political, the state, freedom, democracy, sovereignty and law, in the works of the following key 20th and 21st century continental theorists: Arendt, Castoriadis, Foucault, Habermas, Kelsen, Lefort, Schmitt, and Weber. It will be taught in seminar format.

**POLS W4808 WEAPONS, STRATEGY & WAR (IR)**

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An examination of how the interrelationships among military technology, strategy, foreign policy, and the cultural ethos have shaped warfare from the introduction of gunpowder to the present; special attention to selected cases from World Wars I and II and the development of US strategy for nuclear weapons.

**POLS W4871 CHINESE FOREIGN POLICY (IR)**

**ANDREW NATHAN**

The international politics of China--its foreign relations; its intentions, capabilities, and strategies in world affairs; and the major instruments of its foreign policy--with primary emphasis on the People's Republic.

**POLS W4911 ANALYSIS OF POLITICAL DATA (M)**

**DAVID K. PARK**

Instructor approval required before registration. Prerequisite: *POLS W4910* or the equivalent. Multivariate and time-series analysis of political data. Topics include time-series regression, structural equation models, factor analysis, and other special topics. Computer applications are emphasized.

**POLS G6412 COMPARATIVE POLITICS SURVEY II (CP)**

**TIMOTHY FRYE**

This graduate level seminar is designed to introduce students to many of the main questions motivating research in comparative politics. This course and its counterpart offered in the fall (G6411) are not designed as exercises in intellectual history, although some "classics" are included. They are also not designed to teach particular approaches or methods in the study of comparative politics, although many such approaches and methods are included in the readings. Instead, they are designed to give students a sense of what we "know" today about the answers to some major questions that animate the subfield and to encourage students to develop the analytical skills, substantive knowledge, and theoretical insights necessary to make their own contributions to comparative politics and political science. Comparative Politics Survey II builds on the topics developed Comparative Politics Survey I, but can easily be taken before taking Comparative Politics Survey I. Topics to be covered in the surveys include among others, institutions, culture, parties, violence, collective action, economic development, bureaucracy, regimes and regime change, the welfare state, corruption and political behavior. Instructor permission is required before registration. Please contact the instructor for more information.

**POLS G8203 STATE POLITICS (AP)**

**JUSTIN PHILLIPS**

This seminar is designed as an overview of the major debates in the comparative study of U.S. state politics. The primary goals of the course are to familiarize students with the principal questions being asked by scholars in this subfield, the methodological approaches employed, and the avenues available for future research. Students will be asked to critically evaluate the existing literature. Throughout the course, special emphasis will be placed on states as laboratories for the empirical examination of political institutions, behavior, and the policy-making process.

**POLS G8231 MINORITY POLITICS IN THE UNITED STATES (AP)****FREDRICK HARRIS**

Instructor Permission Required. This seminar is designed to introduce graduate students to major themes in the politics of minority communities in the United States. The course will survey the effects of the formation of racial and ethnic identities on political attitudes, the interaction between race and political representation in legislative and advocacy politics, the impact of the party system on the choices and options of minority groups' influence in the polity, and the dynamics that shape the political activism of minority groups. At least half of the course will be devoted to readings on African-American Politics and the rest of the readings will focus on Latino Politics and Asian-American Politics. Most of the major paradigms on minority politics in the United States have evolved out the historic and temporary experience of black Americans. Students will be required as individuals or as part of a group to lead discussions at least once during the semester. In addition to active participation during seminar sessions and leading at least one seminar discussion, students will be required to write an original research paper based on one or more themes that emerge from the seminar readings and discussions.

**POLS G8236 THEMES IN AMERICAN POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT (AP)****IRA KATZNELSON**

Instructor permission required before registration. The colloquium audits work achieved under the rubric of 'American Political Development' and looks ahead to possibilities for future research. APD's concepts, premises, substantive themes, and silences will be considered, including the subfield's engagement with history and temporality, its attempts to place the United States in comparative and international perspective, and its approaches to ideas, institutions, regimes, interests, and preferences.

**POLS G8412 POLITICAL ECONOMY OF DEVELOPMENT (CP)****CHRIS BLATTMAN**

This class provides an introduction to contemporary research on the political economy of development. The major questions to be addressed by the course are: How central is politics to economic development? How do political institutions determine policy choices? How do economic structures in turn impact on politics? Why do governments employ policies that hinder development? Why do seemingly inefficient institutions survive? What accounts for political accountability? How important are international effects relative to domestic features? One of the aims of the discussion in the class will be to test abstract theories of development using in-depth knowledge of cases, and to further our understanding of cases by applying lessons from theoretical and statistical work.

**POLS G8428 DEMOCRACY, AUTOCRACY & REGIME CHANGE (CP)****KIMULI KASARA****POLS G8434 LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE (CP)****ROBERT KAUFMAN**

Political structures, conflict and change in the region including discussion of selected countries, patterns of regime change and the involvement of the U.S.

**POLS G8471 CHINESE POLITICS IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE (CP)****KAY SHIMIZU**

The major issues in the secondary literature, together with identification of problems of, and approaches to, research.

**POLS G8640 COMMERCE & CIVIC VIRTUE (PT)****TURKULER ISIKSEL****POLS G8804 INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY (IR)****YOTAM MARGALIT & PABLO PINTO**

Analysis of theories in international political economy, examining the relationship between politics of economics globally and the causes of the rise and decline of states. Instructor permission required before registration.

**POLS G8811 CIVIL WARS (IR)****TANISHA FAZAL**

Instructor permission required before registration. This course is a graduate-level survey of recent literature on civil wars. It will focus particularly on: developing an operational definition of civil war; understanding causes of civil war, with a focus on secessionism; examining strategies of violence employed in civil war; and, civil war termination.

**POLS G8821 TOPICS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & RATIONAL CHOICE(IR)****MASSIMO MORELLI**

The first part of the course will be on the rationalist explanations of bargaining breakdown and bilateral conflict, including the analysis of leaders' selection, strategic militarization, and other variables at the boundary between domestic and international

choices. The second part of the course will focus on alliance formation and multilateral conflict. Then we will bring the insights from bilateral and multilateral conflict together and will study the open problems in conflict resolution mechanism design. The final part will be on cooperation, as opposed to conflict. We will present models and useful frameworks to study the functioning of international organizations and their development in an anarchic system.

**POLS G8843 INTERNATIONAL LAW & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (IR)**

**TONYA PUTNAM**

Instructor permission required before registration. The central question around which this course is organized is: Under what circumstances, and how, do international legal rules influence political outcomes? International law has been for decades dismissed by IR scholars as utopian, disconnected from political reality, or (at best) epiphenomenal to the interests and preferences of powerful states. Consequently, it has been viewed as the 'wrong' place to look when seeking to explain the past actions of states and governments, or to predict their future behavior. Nevertheless, states-including great powers-have invested, and continue to invest, enormous resources, in elaborating and maintaining international treaties and conventions, customary rules, and other types of international legal doctrine. This suggests that international law 'matters' somehow to relations between states-although perhaps not in ways we conventionally associate with domestic legal systems.

**POLS G8866 POLITICS OF DIPLOMATIC COMMUNICATION (IR)**

**ROBERT JERVIS**

This course will delve into how states infer what others are likely to do in the future and how they try to project desired images of how they will behave. This involves both purposeful or intended communication, as in diplomacy, and the ways in which perceivers try to discern others' capabilities and intentions from attributes and behaviors that the senders cannot readily manipulate. Substantive areas to be covered--or at least touched on--include how states try to open negotiations without appearing weak, how promises and threats can be orchestrated, and the use of peace feelers.

**POLS G8876 US-JAPAN RELATIONS: WWII TO PRESENT (IR)**

**GEORGE PACKARD**

**PSST G8991 RESEARCH IN QUANTITATIVE POLITICAL SCIENCE (M)**

**SHIGEO HIRANO & ROBERT ERIKSON**

Research in quantitative methods in political science and in social science in general. Application areas include American politics, comparative politics, social networks, law and public policy.

**POLS G9610 DEMOCRACY IN THEORY & PRACTICE (PT)**

**MELISSA SCHWARTZBERG**

Key issues on the interface between political theory and the empirical study of democracy, focus is on production of original research. Topics include the definition and measurement of democracy; democracy and the distribution of political influence; the notion of education for democracy; party organization and democracy; the relation between participation and democracy; deliberative polling; social and economic preconditions of democracy; consequences of democracy; representation and the role of representatives; political parties and democracy; forms of democracy (e.g. presidential vs. parliamentary systems); the significance of electoral systems; constitutional limits and democracy.

**POLS G9902 DISSERTATION SEMINAR**

**SECTION 001: DAVID JOHNSTON**

**SECTION 002: DORIAN WARREN & SHIGEO HIRANO**

Provides students the opportunity to present draft dissertation proposals and draft dissertation chapters. Enrollment limited to advanced students in the Political Science Ph.D. program except by permission of the instructor.