



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

Department of Political Science

Courses for Academic Year 2008-2009

V1013x-V1014y POLITICAL THEORY I AND II

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*Please note that this course may not fulfill the political theory introductory course requirement for undergraduate majors.

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. The course is divided into five thematic sections, each addressing an enduring political problem or issue and centered on a key text in the history of political thought: 1. Laws, Obligations, and the Question of Disobedience; Sophocles, *Antigone*; 2. Democratic Citizenship and the Capacities of Political Judgment; Plato, *Republic*; 3. Origins and Effects of (In)equality; John Locke, *Second Treatise of Civil Government*; 4. Paradoxes of Freedom; Jean Jacques Rousseau, *On the Social Contract*; 5. The Woman Question; John Stuart Mill, *The Subjection of Women*.

W1201x OR Y INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

Justin Phillips; Judith Russell

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.

V1501x OR Y INTRODUCTION TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS

Mona El-Ghobashy; John Huber

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.

V1601x OR Y INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Kimberly Marten; Robert Jervis

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

V3001x INTRODUCTION TO HUMAN RIGHTS

Andrew Nathan

Evolution of the theory and content of human rights; the ideology and impact of human rights movements; national and international human rights law and institutions; their application with attention to universality within states, including the U.S., and internationally.

V3020x DEMOCRACY AND ITS CRITICS

Nadia Urbinati

A historical overview and examination of significant philosophical attacks on and defenses of democracy: Plato, Marsilius, Savonarola, Hobbes, Locke, Mill, Lippman, Schumpeter, Hayek, Dahl, Walzer, Wollheim.

W3120y DEMOCRATIC THEORY

Melissa Schwartzberg

Focuses on the theory and practice of democracy, from the examination of its classic and modern foundations to the analysis of its transformations in advanced industrial societies facing class, gender, race, and regional differences.

W3140X ANIMAL RIGHTS: THEORY AND PRACTICE

Julian Franklin

The course will be divided into two parts. The first part of the course will deal with the moral theory of animal rights with special emphasis on Kant. The second part will take up animal issues in environmentalism, bio-medical research and practice, and jurisprudence.

W3208Y STATE POLITICS

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 of the course 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 section looks closely at various policy areas. Budgeting, welfare, education, gay marriage, and environmental policy are each considered.

W3210Y JUDICIAL POLITICS

Jeffrey Lax

W3215X OR Y WORKSHOP IN MEDIA & POLITICS

Kathleen Knight

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.

W3218 Y MASS MEDIA AND AMERICAN DEMOCRACY

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.

W3220X LOGIC OF COLLECTIVE CHOICE

Jeffrey Lax

Judicial Politics is the study of law and courts as political institutions and judges as political actors. Primary topics will include judicial behavior and decision-making, the internal politics of the Supreme Court, politics within the judicial hierarchy, politics between the judiciary and other branches, and the impact of courts.

W3245X RACE & ETHNICITY IN AMERICAN POLITICS

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.

W3260Y THE LATINO POLITICAL EXPERIENCE

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.

W3285X FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND PRESS

Lee Bollinger

Examines the constitutional right of freedom of speech and press in the United States. Examines, in depth, various areas of law, including extremist or seditious speech, obscenity, libel, fighting words, the public forum doctrine, and public access to the mass media. Follows the law school course model, with readings focused on actual judicial decisions.

W3290X VOTING AND AMERICAN POLITICS

Robert Erikson

Elections and public opinion; history of U.S. electoral politics; the problem of voter participation; partisanship and voting; accounting for voting decisions; explaining and forecasting election outcomes; elections and divided government; money and elections; electoral politics and representative democracy.

W3322X THE AMERICAN CONGRESS

Gregory Wawro

Inquiry into the dynamics, organization, and policy-making processes of the American Congress. Particular emphasis on the relationship of legislators to constituents, lobbyists, bureaucrats, the president, and with one another.

V3401Y DEMOCRACY & DICTATORSHIP IN EUROPE

Sheri Berman

This course will examine the development of democracies and dictatorships in Europe from the French Revolution to the present day. It will analyze the nature and dynamics of European political history and use the European experience as a foundation upon which to build a broader understanding of how different types of political regimes emerge, function and are sustained over time.

V3604X CIVIL WARS & INTERNATIONAL INTERVENTION IN AFRICA

Severine Autesserre

Why does violent conflict persist in post-independence Africa? Why do nearly half of the countries that emerge from war lapse back into violence after five years? Why do most international interventions fail to bring peace to affected populations? This class focuses on recent conflict and post-conflict situations in Africa as background against which to understand the distinct dynamics of violence and international interventions in civil wars.

V3615X GLOBALIZATION AND INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

Alexander Cooley

Explores how globalization affects the structures and functions of the international economy, state sovereignty, international security, and international civil society. Emphasis on problems of international governance, legitimacy and accountability, and the evolving organizational processes that characterize contemporary international politics.

W3619Y NATIONALISM & CONTEMPORARY WORLD POLITICS

Jack Snyder

Nationalism as a cause of conflict in contemporary world politics. Strategies for mitigating nationalist and ethnic conflict.

W3631Y AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY

Bruce Cronin

Introduction to American foreign policy since 1945 with an emphasis on post-cold war topics. Will cover major schools of American thought, the policy making process, and key policies and issues.

W3911X SEMINAR IN POLITICAL THEORY

Section 001: Marx; Jon Elster

The seminar will discuss the following works by Karl Marx: Economic-Philosophical Manuscripts; Theses on Feuerbach; Selections from The German Ideology; Preface to A Critique of Political Economy; Critique of the Gotha Program; The Class Struggles in France; The Eighteenth Brumaire of Louis Bonaparte; The Civil War in France; Capital (vol.I). The focus will be on a close reading of the texts and their relevance for social and political theory.

W3912Y SEMINAR IN POLITICAL THEORY

Section 001: Human Rights & Global Justice; Maria Kowalski

W3921X SEMINAR IN AMERICAN POLITICS

Section 001: Bill of Rights; Martha Zebrowski

Prerequisites: POLS W1201 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. This seminar is an investigation of the nature and importance of the federal Bill of Rights in the American federal and state constitutional systems. Common readings, class discussions, and student seminar papers consider the social, political, and legal significance of the Bill of Rights in historical and contemporary American discourse and analysis, along with constitutional case law regarding specific rights. The first part of the course is devoted to a discussion of common, required readings that consider the Bill of Rights in historical and contemporary perspective. The second part of the course is devoted to students' presentations, in class, of their own research on individual topics relating to a particular rights grounded in the American federal and state bills of rights.

Section 002: Issues that Divide America; Irwin Gertzog

Prerequisites: POLS W1201 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. 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 003: Policy Making; Judith Russell

Prerequisites: POLS W1201 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. This seminar directs readings and research on public policymaking in the American federal government.. It is designed to help students think analytically about the ways in which the structures, processes and actors at the heart of public policymaking interact. It examines how political institutions--the executive and legislative branches--are organized and motivated to produce policy, the politics of government organization, bureaucratic operation and survival, how the budget process drives policymaking processes, policy structures and relationships that have emerged out of custom and practice, theories and models of decision making, concepts of rationality and choice, agenda-setting, political innovation, interest groups' role in policy formation as well as that of the judiciary. Specific policy areas we will engage as case studies are: economic and employment policy, energy and environmental policy, and policy responses to terrorism and disaster. Some policy investigations we will engage are evolving as we study them during the semester.

Section 004: Equality and the Law; Robert Amdur

Section 005: 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.

Section 006: African-American Politics; Fredrick Harris

Prerequisites: POLS W1201 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. The course considers the struggle of African Americans for inclusion in the American political system. Primary topics will include the historical development of black activism, the role of black leadership, the transformation from protest to mainstream politics since the civil rights movement, and the consequences of blacks' incorporation into the channels of mainstream political institutions.

Section 007: Terrorism and Counterterrorism; Brigitte Nacos

Prerequisites: POLS W1201 or the equivalent, W3335, W4220 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. The seminar is designed to illuminate students' understanding of the most important aspects of domestic and international terrorism with an emphasis on the United States as target of and responder to this sort of political violence.

Section 008: Media and American Politics; Kathleen Knight

Both conventional wisdom and scholarly research about the role of the mass media in American politics have changed rapidly in a very short period of time. This course explores the influence of the mass media on politics with attention to changes in the relationship between the media and government. We will start with consideration of the historical role of the mass media and how it has changed. Then we will focus on the question of how much real influence the media have, and how it is exercised. This will involve examination of media treatment of substantive topics of current interest. These will include the fall political campaigns, the war, and additional topics chosen on the basis of student interest.

This is a research seminar in American politics. Students are expected to engage in original empirical research on one of several topics in mass media and politics and to contribute to group efforts on data collection, coding, fact checking, cross-verification and review. In the event of excess demand, an application process will take place at the first class meeting.

Section 009: Quantitative Analysis of American Politics; Shigeo Hirano

In this class we will examine how quantitative methods have been used to help us answer some of the big questions in American politics. Questions such as: Has politics become more polarized? Does the state of the economy affect presidential elections? Do Republican presidents increase economic inequality? Why do economically disadvantaged voters vote for Republican presidents? Do incumbents have an advantage in elections? Over the course of the seminar we will replicate some the quantitative analysis found in some recent research on these topics.

This course is designed for undergraduates who wish to use quantitative data in their own research or simply want to be able to critically evaluate scholarly articles that make use of quantitative data. One of the goals of the course is to learn how statistical methods are used to understand political phenomena and to be aware of the limits of these types of analyses. The course should be of particular interest to students who wish to use quantitative methods in their senior thesis or in some other substantial piece of research.

W3922Y SEMINAR IN AMERICAN POLITICS

Section 001: Executive Leadership; Martha Zebrowski

Prerequisites: POLS W1201 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. 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 002: First Amendment; Robert Amdur

Section 003: Issues that Divide America; Irwin Gertzog

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Section 004: Majority Rule and Minority Rights; Raymond Smith

Prerequisites: POLS W1201 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. This course will examine one of the central challenges to both the theory and the practice of democracy: the reconciliation of majority rule with minority rights in a way that neither sacrifices popular sovereignty nor oppresses small or disfavored groups. This course will draw upon both "classics" of political science regarding the role of minority groups in American politics as well as upon contemporary scholarship focused largely on ethnoracial and other minority groups.

Section 005: Direct Democracy; Justin Phillips

Section 006: The Aftermath of the 2008 Election; Robert Erikson

Section 007: The South in American Politics; Ira Katznelson

Section 008: Political Psychology; Kathleen Knight

Prerequisites: POLS W1201 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. 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 009: 20th Century African American Political Thought; Fredrick Harris

C3930x CONSTITUTIONAL LAW WORKSHOP

Jay Topklis and Sidney Rosdeitcher

Two-credit workshop; cannot be used to replace a 3-credit lecture course towards any POLS major or concentration. Preference given to seniors. Juniors will be permitted to register after the first class session if space permits. Using Supreme Court cases, this workshop studies the development of several areas of constitutional law, how our judicial system works, and how judges and lawyers think, argue and write.

W3951x SEMINAR IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS

Section 001: Latin American Political Economy; M. Victoria Murillo

Prerequisites: POLS V1501 or the equivalent, and instructors 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.

Section 002: Varieties of Capitalism; Isabela Mares

This course provides a theoretical framework for understanding the variation in economic and social institutions among advanced capitalist economies. Can we meaningfully talk of the German or Swedish model and, if so, what are their distinctive characteristics? In what ways do these economies differ from liberal market economies, such as the United States or the United Kingdom? Do these cross-national differences persist in the face of increased economic integration and globalization? We will explore these questions by examining institutional and policy differences in the following areas: (a) training and skill formation; (b) financial institutions and corporate governance, (c) the welfare state, (d) systems of industrial relations.

W3952Y SEMINAR IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS

Section 001: Religion and Secularism; Dmitri Glinski

This course addresses the role played by religions as complex social systems in changing societies, particularly in response to the global spread of capitalist markets and associated institutions. Was Calvinist teaching a major force behind the rise of capitalism in Western Europe, as posited by Max Weber? How do religious beliefs and doctrines impact economic activities and policies in developing countries? How have major religions dealt with poverty and inequality? How have they negotiated democratization? how and why did religion return as a powerful force to the political stage, nationally and internationally, in the 1970s and 1980s? How has doctrinal and cultural diversity within religions played out in their response to change? These and related questions will be examined within a broadly comparative context, on the basis of historical and contemporary material from countries of the former Soviet bloc, Latin America, India, Indonesia, Lebanon."

Section 002: Japanese Political Economy in Comparative Perspective; Kay Shimizu

Section 003: Israel Identity and the Middle East; Alberto Spektorowski

This is a course on Israel identity and its regional implications. Israelis probably are among the few peoples in the world who, even after several generations of independent existence, still question their national and cultural identity. The confrontation with the Palestinian question, with the fact that it is a country with no real border, composed of immigrants that settled at different stages of the country's development has opened a wide variety of questions which strike n ask: "who were we?," "who are we?," "who is we?," "what are we?," "where are we?," and "who will we become?" Attempting to show why this is so, this course introduces students to Israeli politics, society, institutions and political practice from the distinctive perspective of the development of Israeli identity (identities). Special attention will be given to the sources of Israeli identity, the main players involved in its politics, and the role of regional war and the peace process in its development and inner conflicts. In particular, the course will trace the construction of Israeli identity, starting from the early times of Zionism and ending with the contemporary identity conflicts over the Oslo peace process with the Palestinians. I will try to show that there is a direct connection between Zionist constituting ideologies, the nature of Israel's institutions and society, and the non-ending characteristics of the regional conflict.

W3961x SEMINAR IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

Section 001: National Security Policy; Richard Betts

The course explores the substance and process of U.S. national security policy, focusing on questions about values, the role of military power, overt and covert intervention, terrorism, weapons of mass destruction, legislative-executive relations, organizational behavior and bureaucratic politics, leadership and psychological influences on decision and implementation, and intelligence. There is a reading assignment for the first class meeting.

Section 002: Contemporary Issues in International Security; Jack Snyder

This course examines central issues in contemporary international security policy (American hegemony, multilateralism, terrorism, nuclear proliferation, civil war, genocide, ethnic conflict, the promotion of democratization and human rights, the problem of Iraq, etc.) and key concepts in the academic study of international relations (e.g., realist and liberal approaches; deterrence theory).

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.

Section 004: International Law and the Use of Force; Bruce Cronin

Interested students should contact instructor at bc14@columbia.edu to be put on the waiting list for the course. This seminar will cover issues, debates, and concepts in international law, particularly as it applies regulating the use of force and political violence by states. Recognizing that most of the seminar participants do not have a background in international law, the seminar will begin by covering some of its basic concepts including its underlying philosophy, sources, and applications, as well as how and why states comply with its provisions. In doing so, we will examine the various ways that political scientists, law scholars and political leaders understand the concept international "rules" and "laws" in international relations. We will then spend the bulk of the semester examining the various aspects of international law regarding armed conflict, the treatment of non-combatants, international aggression, military intervention, arms control, terrorism, genocide, torture, and military occupation.

Section 005: Political Economy of Trade and Investment; Pablo Pinto

Prerequisites: POLS V1601 or the equivalent, and instructor's permission. This seminar examines the politics of several major issues in international trade and direct investment. It analyzes the distributional impact of globalization, and explores why and how governments regulate the flow of goods and capital across national borders. The course is divided into four blocs that look at the patterns and distributive consequences of trade, the political economy of trade politics, the political economy of trade reform, and the political economy of investment, respectively. Students are required to actively participate in weekly discussions, to write two review papers during the course of the semester, and submit a final research paper on one of the topics of the seminar.

W3962Y SEMINAR IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

Section 001: Comparative National Security of Middle Eastern Countries; Charles Freilich

At the crossroads of three continents, the Middle East is home to many diverse peoples, with ancient and proud cultures, in varying stages of political and socio-economic development, often times in conflict. The Middle East, the primary source of the world's energy resources, is also the primary locus of the terror-WMD-fundamentalist nexus, which poses the greatest threat today to both regional and international security. In a state of historic flux, the region's internal sources of unrest and possible upheaval are of great consequence to the world economy and international security. This seminar surveys the national security challenges facing the region's primary players (Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Syria and Lebanon, Israel, the Palestinians, Turkey, Jordan and Iraq). Unlike regional players' perceptions of the threats and opportunities they face and on the strategies they have adopted to deal with them. It thus provides an essential vantage point for all those interested in gaining a deeper understanding of a region, which stands at the center of many of the foreign policy issues of our era. The course is designed for those with a general interest in the Middle East, especially those interested in national security issues, students of comparative politics and practitioners/future practitioners, with an interest in "real world" international relations and national security.

Section 002: International Relations of South Asia; Philip Oldenburg

South Asia (India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, and Nepal) has existed as a regional system since 1947-1948. There have been five major India-Pakistan wars or near-wars since, and two major civil wars (Pakistan 1971, and Sri Lanka, 1983--). India has faced significant insurgencies in Kashmir and in its northeast; and Nepal a revolutionary upsurge that has toppled its monarchy. Each country has had lesser internal conflicts, with international links. Nuclear-armed India and Pakistan were eyeball-to-eyeball from December 2001 to June (?) 2002. And arguably the region is now at the center point of the post 9-11 terrorism map. It is thus not surprising that in the last decade, Kashmir has been called "the most dangerous place on earth" (by President Clinton in 2000) and Pakistan "the most dangerous nation in the World" (Newsweek cover story, October 29, 2007). Our task in this seminar is to analyze international relations in South Asia in order to judge whether the "most dangerous" label is warranted. We will explore the history of conflict and cooperation in the region, with considerable attention paid to relations with neighboring states, particularly

Afghanistan, China, and the United States. But there will be several themes/foci that will be visited repeatedly, particularly for the most recent years, and on which individual students will focus, in order to make class presentations: the problem of Kashmir; the significance of the India-Pakistan nuclear balance; the issue of whether Pakistan is a "failed" state; the international dimensions of revolutionary violence and terrorism; the effect of global security and economic forces; and countervailing trends toward regional cooperation, in the context of India's "natural" dominant position.

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Section 004: International Intervention; Michael Doyle

This seminar offers an opportunity for students to explore the law, ethics and politics of international intervention. We will concentrate on humanitarian and preventive intervention. When should states or international organizations be permitted or required to intervene in order to rescue populations from a humanitarian emergency? When can states anticipate a potential attack and act so as to forestall it? Drawing on the literature and examining historical cases, the seminar aims to foster a discussion of what would be better procedural and substantive guidelines for making these difficult decisions.

C3998X-C3999Y SENIOR HONORS SEMINAR

Tanisha Fazal

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

G4133X POLITICAL THOUGHT: CLASSICAL & MEDIEVAL

Melissa Schwartzberg

Selected writers and doctrines in the tradition of Western political and social thought from Plato and Aristotle through Middle Age.

W4134Y MODERN POLITICAL THOUGHT

Nadia Urbinati

Interpretations of civil society and the foundations of political order according to the two main traditions of political thought--contractarian and Aristotelian. Readings include works by Hobbes, Spinoza, Locke, Montesquieu, Hume, Rousseau, Kant, Hegel, Saint-Simon, Tocqueville, Marx, and Mill.

W4209Y GAME THEORY AND POLITICAL THEORY

Macartan Humphreys

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.

W4210X RESEARCH TOPICS IN GAME THEORY

David Epstein

Advanced topics in game theory will cover the study of repeated games, games of incomplete information and principal-agent models with applications in the fields of voting, bargaining, lobbying and violent conflict. Results from the study of social choice theory, mechanism design and auction theory will also be treated. The course will concentrate on mathematical techniques for constructing and solving games. Students will be required to develop a topic relating political science and game theory and to write a formal research paper. Prerequisite: W4209 or instructor's permission.

W4226X AMERICAN POLITICS AND SOCIAL WELFARE POLICY

Robert Lieberman

The politics and development of the American welfare state. Study and analysis of the origins and growth of domestic social programs that provide income support (welfare and Social Security), employment opportunities, health care, and protection against poverty.

W4291X ADVANCED TOPICS IN QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH

Gregory Wawro

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.

W4316X THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY

Richard Pious

The growth of presidential power, the creation and use of the institutionalized presidency, presidential-congressional and presidential-bureaucratic relationships, and the presidency and the national security apparatus.

W4360X MATHEMATICAL METHODS FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE

John Huber

Provides students of political science with a basic set of tools needed to read, evaluate, and contribute in research areas that increasingly utilize sophisticated mathematical techniques.

W4426Y EUROPEAN UNION: POLITICS AND INSTITUTIONS

Lucy Goodhart

This course is intended to help you answer some of the questions posed by the existence of the EU. For example, how do we explain the process of European integration and what does this mean for national autonomy? What role do national governments, interest groups and citizens play in EU decision-making? Will the EU emerge as a potent, international actor? Finally, is the EU democratic and how can it respond to the stalemate on its constitutional construction and doubts over further enlargement?

To make headway on these questions, we will read a selection of the literature on the development of the EU and its current institutions, political actors, and policy-making processes. In addition, we will assess different theoretical approaches to explaining the events that have taken place and develop our own analysis of the viability and desirability of a united Europe.

W4445Y POLITICS OF THE MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

Mona El-Ghobashy

Comparative analysis of regime types, political development and political decay, nation-state building, and the role of political groups in the Middle East and North Africa. Global Core.

W4461X LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS

Scott Martin

Comparative theoretical and empirical analysis of political development and regime change in the region through close study of the interrelated nature of polity, society, and economy in selected cases.

W4471X CHINESE POLITICS

Kay Shimizu

Selected aspects of contemporary Chinese politics, including the causes and character of the Chinese revolution, the transformation worked in Chinese society by the revolutionary government, political conflict, and the goals of government policies and the policies of carrying them out.

G4472X JAPANESE POLITICS

Gerald Curtis

Surveys key features of the Japanese political system, with focus on political institutions and processes. Themes include party politics, bureaucratic power, the role of the Diet, voting behavior, the role of the state in the economy, and the domestic politics of foreign policy.

G4610Y RECENT CONTINENTAL POLITICAL THOUGHT

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.

G4626X GLOBAL JUSTICE & DEMOCRACY

Jean Cohen

Traditionally theories of justice and democracy have assumed the sovereign state as the relevant context and referent. Today many issues and claims of injustice transcend the sovereign state as do the regulatory responses to them. What is the appropriate context of justice today and how can claims to sovereignty, political autonomy, and self determination mesh with human rights claims and demands for global justice? Is it meaningful to speak of global democracy? How does the globalisation of law and politics affect domestic democracy? This course will consider the relevant literature on these questions.

W4871Y CHINESE FOREIGN POLICY

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.

W4895X WAR, PEACE AND STRATEGY

Richard Betts

Survey of the causes of war and peace, functions of military strategy, interaction of political ends and military means. Emphasis on 20th-century conflicts; nuclear deterrence; economic, technological, and moral aspects of strategy; crisis management; and institutional norms and mechanisms for promoting stability.

W4910X PRINCIPLES OF QUANTITATIVE POLITICAL RESEARCH

Robert Shapiro

Introduction to the use of quantitative techniques in political science and public policy. Topics include descriptive statistics and principles of statistical inference and probability through analysis of variance and ordinary least-squares regression. Computer applications are emphasized.

W4911Y ANALYSIS OF POLITICAL DATA

Robert Shapiro

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.

W4912Y MULTIVARIATE POLITICAL ANALYSIS

Shigeo Hirano

Prerequisite: basic data analysis through multiple regression (e.g., *POLS W4910*) and knowledge of basic calculus and matrix algebra. More mathematical treatment of topics covered in *POLS W4911*. Examines problems encountered in multivariate analysis of cross-sectional and time-series data.

G6101X STATISTICAL MODELING AND DATA ANALYSIS

Andrew Gelman

G6210X ISSUES AND DEBATES IN AMERICAN POLITICS

Robert Erikson and Jeffrey Lax

This graduate student field survey provides an overview of the scholarly study of American politics. The course has been designed for students who intend to specialize in American politics, as well as for those students whose primary interests are comparative politics, international relations, or political theory, but who desire an intensive introduction to the "American" style of political science. Instructor permission is required before registration. Please contact the instructors for more information.

G6403X ISSUES AND METHODS IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS

Isabela Mares and M. Victoria Murillo

A survey of the major issues and methods of comparative politics. In examining the major theoretical puzzles and approaches in the subfield, the course introduces students to major texts and contending theories in the field. Prerequisites: Instructor permission required.

G6601X ISSUES IN POLITICAL THEORY

David Johnston

A survey of selected issues and debates in political theory. Areas of the field discussed include normative political philosophy, history of political thought, and the design of political and social institutions. Prerequisites: Instructor permission required.

G6801X THEORIES OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Robert Jervis

Issues and problems in theory of international politics; systems theories and the current international system; the domestic sources of foreign policy and theories of decision making; transnational forces, the balance of power, and alliances. Prerequisites: Instructor permission required.

G8219Y ELECTIONS

Robert Erikson

Instructor permission required before registration.

G8223X LEGISLATIVE BEHAVIOR AND INSTITUTIONALISM

Sharyn O'Halloran

Instructor permission required before registration. Examination of the interactions between individual incentives and political institutions in shaping policy. The course presents an approach to the study of politics that emphasizes individual incentives in an electoral system, examines how reelection-minded legislators organize to solve collection dilemmas, and focuses on the effects of these political institutions on policy choice.

G8234X URBAN POLITICS

Justin Phillips

Instructor permission required before registration. This seminar is designed as an overview of the major debates in Urban 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. Methodological diversity will be emphasized.

G8236Y-G8237Y THEMES IN AMERICAN POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT

Ira Katznelson

Instructor permission required. 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.

G8247Y MASS MEDIATED AMERICAN AND GLOBAL POLITICS

Brigitte Nacos

Instructor permission required before registration. Readings and class discussions explore the domestic and global news media at the beginning of the 21st century as they relate to and impact on mass-mediated domestic and international politics. The focus is on post-World War II and post-9/11 conditions and changes in terms of ownership, audience, technology, organizational and individual values and imperatives, and, especial, on the media's role during conflicts--in particular the ongoing "war on terrorism."

G8281X POLITICAL PARTICIPATION

Fredrick Harris

Instructor permission required before registration.

G8432Y ISSUES IN COMPARATIVE SECULARISM AND DEMOCRACY

Alfred Stepan

Instructor permission required before registration. Empirical predictions and normative prescriptions about secularism once dominated many of the foundational works in social science, particularly in modernization theory. However, recently scholars as diverse as Jürgen Habermas and Charles Taylor in political theory, Peter Katzenstein in international relations, and Stathis Kalyvas, Ronald Inglehart, and José Casanova in their comparative work have been engaged in a fundamental rethinking of religion, secularism, and desecularization. Some of the issues we will explore in the seminar are the following. In a lecture series organized by Jack Snyder and myself in Lindsay Rodgers that immediately follows this seminar, five scholars over the course of the semester, will argue that some of the fundamental categories used in IR theory and in comparative politics make religion almost impossible to study. Are they right? If so, what new approaches might be called for? How can social science survey analysis help us explore issues of religion and politics? Most religions have been at times restrictive of full women's rights. What can we learn from successful patterns of contestation in this area? Can we identify, from the perspective of democratic theory, what the minimal degree of freedom democracy needs from religion to function, and the minimal degree of freedom that religion must be allowed if the polity is to be a democracy. If so, what do these "twin tolerations" say about secularism? Finally, just as we now understand that there are "multiple modernities" does it make more analytic sense to speak of the "multiple secularisms of modern democracies"? We will explore this last question by exploring at least four different patterns of state-society relations that actually exist in contemporary

democracies; “freedom of the state from religion separatism ” (France and Turkey), “freedom of religion from the state separatism” (USA), “ a state with an established religion” (most of the Scandinavian countries, UK, and Greece), and the under-theorized pattern that Rajeev Bhargava (who will participate in the seminar) calls the “ respect –all, support-all, principled distance” model for India. Are two of the more successful new democracies in Islamic majority states, Indonesia and Senegal, close to this model? For any given polity can we say anything about what conditions are most, and least, supportive for each model if the goal is democracy and relative peace in a specific polity? Do Holland, Germany, and Switzerland have more in common with the Indian model than they do with “separatist” or one “established religion”: model?

G8434Y LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

Robert Kaufman

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

G8492X COMPARING INSTITUTIONS

Timothy Frye

Instructor permission required before registration. Survey of the theoretical literature on the origin and structure of political and economic institutions. Special emphasis on the new institutional economics and other rational actor theories, with particular attention to the strengths and weaknesses of these approaches as tools for comparative analysis.

G8608X SOVEREIGNTY IN HISTORICAL AND COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVES

Jean Cohen

Instructor permission required before registration.

G8608Y THEORIES OF THE STATE

Jean Cohen

Instructor permission required before registration.

G8652X EMPIRICAL STUDIES OF JUSTICE

Jon Elster

Instructor permission required before registration. Twofold focus involves discussion of possible explanations of why people hold or profess specific ideas of justice and the role of justice and fairness motivations in explaining behavior. Examination of experimental studies of these issues as well as real-life case studies, most importantly the study of local justice and transitional justice.

G8826X POLITICAL ECONOMY OF TRADE AND INVESTMENT

Pablo Pinto

Instructor permission required before registration. This course examines the politics of several major issues in international trade and investment. It explores why and how governments regulate the flow of goods and capital across national borders. The course is divided into four blocs that look at the distributive consequences of trade, the political economy of trade politics, the political economy of trade reform, and the political economy of foreign direct investment and multinational corporations, respectively. The course presumes some familiarity with international economics. Economic theory will help us identify the welfare and distributional implications of alternative policies. We will also make extensive use of the insights from the positive political economy tradition to analyze how political actors (voters, interest groups, political parties, and politicians) interact within political institutions to shape policy outcomes. Students are required to actively participate in weekly discussions, write two review papers during the semester, and submit an original research paper on one of the topics of the seminar at the end of the semester.

G8833X LAW OF WAR

Tanisha Fazal

Instructor permission required before registration. This course focuses on issues surrounding the conduct of warfare. It is centered around a series of questions relating to jus in bello, or the international law governing use of force once hostilities have commenced. Why, for example, have some laws of war been created but not others? Under what conditions should we expect belligerents to observe the laws of war? Why even try to govern the conduct of war? Few of these questions have received systematic treatment from political scientists. Yet, as the law of war has become increasingly salient both domestically and internationally, it is critical to sharpen our understanding of this topic.

G8844x NATIONALISM**Jack Snyder**

Instructor permission required before registration. Theory and history of nationalism and international conflict. Nationalism as a cause of conflict in contemporary world politics, especially in Eastern Europe and the former USSR. Role of the international community in promoting or containing nationalism.

G8864x COOPERATION AND SECURITY**Virginia Page Fortna**

Instructor permission required before registration. Examines theoretical approaches to conflict and cooperation in international relations, including the obstacles to cooperation under anarchy and the possibility of surmounting those obstacles. Empirical focus on cooperation problems in peace and security among both friends and adversaries, including alliance politics, negotiations, maintaining peace.

G8865y UNITED STATES FOREIGN POLICY**Richard Betts**

Instructor permission required before registration. Survey of post-Cold War U.S. policy, relations with Europe, East Asia, and the Middle East, military and economic policy, political intervention (human rights policy and covert action), and environmental diplomacy.

G8870x US RELATIONS WITH EAST ASIA**Gerald Curtis**

Instructor permission required before registration. Examination of key developments in East Asian international relations and their implications for United States foreign policy. Students should have knowledge about at least one East Asian country (China, Japan, Korea and the countries in ASEAN).

G8990x-G8991y WORKSHOP IN QUANTITATIVE POLITICAL SCIENCE**Andrew Gelman and Shigeo Hirano**

Instructor permission required. 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.

G9801x SEMINAR IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS**Robert Jervis**

Instructor permission required before registration. Seminar on theories of international politics and various approaches to the study of international relations that make some theoretical claims. Structural, institutional, critical, and behavioral approaches.

G9802y SEMINAR IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS**Kenneth Waltz**

Instructor permission required before registration. Instruction in the design and execution of individual research projects on international politics. Class discussion on theories of decision making.

G9901x-G9902y DISSERTATION SEMINAR**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.