

POLI 730 – Comparative Political Research and the Analysis of Advanced Industrial Societies

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Class Information

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Course Website

The course website is on Canvas: <https://uncch.instructure.com/courses/97165>.

Course Description

This course provides an overview of major topics in the comparative politics of Western democracies. It is designed for graduate students in political science or closely associated disciplines. The course introduces students to classic works as well as recent contributions. After laying the groundwork (state formation, economic development, democratization), we study the nuts and bolts of democracy. To do so, we cover all important aspects of democracy and the democratic state, such as voters and voter decisions, political parties, institutions, governments, and bureaucracy. In the final part of the course, we cover various topics relevant to contemporary research in comparative politics. In addition, I want to help you develop professional skills that are integral to being a political scientist. Most sessions, we'll therefore devote some time to an important professional skill and/or the “hidden curriculum” of academia.

Course Expectations and Requirements

- *Class Participation (30%)*: The quality of the seminar depends heavily on student participation. There will be some parts where I will lecture, but most of the class will be conducted seminar-style, that is heavily discussion-based. You are therefore expected to come to class having completed *all* the required readings and be prepared to talk about them.

To ensure this, please prepare half a page or so of questions and discussion points related to the week's readings. They should not be a summary of the readings. Instead, for example, you can raise questions about the papers' theory, research designs, the connection between the two, connections or conflicts between different readings or readings from prior weeks, and so on. You can also raise specific questions about things you did not understand. The comments can focus on all papers, a few, or just one. Upload the questions to the course Canvas site under the “Discussions” tab by **6 PM the day before class**. Please also read what your classmates wrote, and be prepared to discuss their comments in class.

- *2 Discussion Papers (20%)*: You will choose two weeks for which you write a short (3 page) paper in reaction to the readings. This paper will form the basis for a more active role for the student in

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leading the week's discussion. The paper and resulting discussion might critique some aspect of the readings, discuss extensions, critical case studies, or potential empirical applications, entertain alternative assumptions or approaches, or explore related questions that are left unaddressed by the readings. Again, you should not summarize the readings in those papers.

Please send me a list of three weeks you would like to write a discussion paper for by **August 22**. I will assign you two of them. The papers are due via Canvas by **6 PM the day before class**. During the weeks you are writing a discussion paper, you do not have to submit the half-page questions and discussion points.

- *Final Exam (30%)*: The final exam for this class is designed to be a mock comprehensive exam. It will assess your ability to synthesize and critically evaluate the literature on topics of broad theoretical importance in the field. The exam day will be sometime after our last class (December 2) and the end of the exam period (December 12) and will be determined in consultation with the course participants. Questions for the exam will be distributed at 8 AM and answers will be due by 5 PM.
- *Mock Conference Presentation (10%)*: You will do one mock-conference presentation (12 minutes) in which you present one of the readings as if you did the research yourself, and respond as author in a Q&A session. Readings appropriate for this assignment are starred (*) in the syllabus. Please send me a list of 3 papers you would like to present by **August 22**. I will assign you one of them.
- *Book Review (10%)*: Because this is an overview course, we will cover a lot of ground and only scratch the surface of many topics. Therefore, we will only read a few chapters of many books. To give you the opportunity to engage with a book in more depth, you will write a book review during the week of November 25. You can read any book listed in the supplementary readings. If you would like to read a book that is not listed in the syllabus, you need my approval in advance. The review should briefly summarize the main argument of the book, examine its strengths and weaknesses, and discuss how it connects to the broader literature. The review should be no longer than 1,000 words, and is due via Canvas on **December 1**.

Course Schedule and Assigned Readings

Note: The order in which you read the mandatory reading matters most of the time, so please read them in the order they are listed. The supplementary readings are not required, and the lists are quite extensive. You may want to consult some of them in the weeks in which you are writing response papers. Otherwise, they can serve as a guide for comprehensive exams, and as a starting point in case your own research interests relate to them.

• **August 19 – Approaches to Comparative Politics**

- Przeworski, Adam. 2009. “Is the Science of Comparative Politics Possible?” In *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*, eds. Carles Boix and Susan C. Stokes, 147–171. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Huber, John. 2013. “Is Theory Getting Lost in the ‘Identification Revolution’?” *The Political Economist: Newsletter of the APSA Political Economy Section* 10 (1) (Summer): 1–3.
- Samii, Cyrus. 2016. “Causal Empiricism in Quantitative Research.” *Journal of Politics* 78 (3): 941–955.
- Pepinsky, Thomas B. 2019. “The Return of the Single–Country Study.” *Annual Review of Political Science* 22: 187–203.

Supplementary Readings on Research Design and Approaches to Comparative Politics:

- Abadie, Alberto, Alexis Diamond, and Jens Hainmueller. 2015. “Comparative Politics and the Synthetic Control Method.” *American Journal of Political Science* 59 (2): 495–510.
- Ahram, Ariel I. 2011. “The Theory and Method of Comparative Area Studies.” *Qualitative Research* 11 (1): 69–90.
- Bates, Robert. 2007. “From Case Studies to Social Science: A Strategy for Political Research.” In *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*, eds. Carles Boix and Susan Stokes, 172–85. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Blair, Graeme, Jasper Cooper, Alexander Coppock, and Macartan Humphreys. 2019. “Declaring and Diagnosing Research Designs.” *American Political Science Review* 113 (3): 838–59.
- Brady, Henry, and David Collier. 2010. *Rethinking Social Inquiry: Diverse Tools, Shared Standards*. 2nd ed. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers.
- Brady, Henry E. 2019. “The Challenge of Big Data and Data Science.” *Annual Review of Political Science* 22: 297–323.
- Clarke, Kevin, and David M. Primo. 2012. *A Model Discipline: Political Science and the Logic of Representations*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Dunning, Thad. 2012. *Natural Experiments in the Social Sciences: A Design-Based Approach*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Dunning, Thad, Guy Grossman, Macartan Humphreys, Susan Hyde, Craig McIntosh, and Gareth Nellis, eds. 2019. *Information, Accountability, and Cumulative Learning: Lessons from Metaketa I*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Elster, Jon. 2007. *Explaining Social Behavior: More Nuts and Bolts for the Social Sciences*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Friedman, Milton. 1966. “The Methodology of Positive Economics.” In *Essays in Positive Economics*, 3–16, 30–43. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Geddes, Barbara. 2003. *Paradigms and Sand Castles: Theory Building and Research Design in Comparative Politics*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.
- Gerring, John. 2007. “The Case Study: What It Is and What It Does.” In *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*, eds. Carles Boix and Susan Stokes, 90–122. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

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- Gerring, John. 2007. *Case Study Research*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Gerring, John. 2008. “Case Selection Techniques in Case Study Research: A Menu of Qualitative and Quantitative Options.” *Political Research Quarterly* 61 (2): 294–308.
- Gerring, John. 2011. *Social Science Methodology: A Criterial Framework*. 2nd ed. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Gustafsson, Karl, and Linus Hagström. 2017. “What Is the Point? Teaching Graduate Students How to Construct Political Science Research Puzzles.” *European Political Science* 17 (4): 634–48.
- Heckman, James J. 2005. “The Scientific Model of Causality.” *Sociological Methodology* 35 (1): 1–97.
- Heckman, James J., and Edward Vytlačil. 2001. “Policy-Relevant Treatment Effects.” *American Economic Review* 91 (2): 107–11.
- Hooghe, Liesbet, Gary Marks, Arjan H. Schakel, Sara Niedzwiecki, Sandra Chapman Osterkatz, and Sarah Shair-Rosenfield. 2016. “Chapter 1: Transparency in Measurement.” In *Measuring Regional Authority: A Postfunctionalist Theory of Governance*, Vol. I. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Humphreys, Macartan, and Alan S. Jacobs. 2015. “Mixing Methods: A Bayesian Approach.” *American Political Science Review* 109 (4): 653–73.
- Keele, Luke. 2015. “The Statistics of Causal Inference: A View from Political Methodology.” *Political Analysis* 23 (3): 313–35.
- Keohane, Robert O. 2009. “Political Science as a Vocation.” *PS: Political Science and Politics* 42 (2): 359–63.
- King, Gary, Robert O. Keohane, and Sidney Verba. 1994. *Designing Social Inquiry: Scientific Inference in Qualitative Research*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- Krause, Peter, and Ora Szekeley, eds. 2020. *Stories from the Field: A Guide to Navigating Fieldwork in Political Science*. New York: Columbia University.
- Lakatos, Imre. 1970. “Falsification and the Methodology of Scientific Research Programmes.” In *Criticism and the Growth of Knowledge*, edited by Imre Lakatos and Alan Musgrave, 91–138. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Lijphart, Arend. 1971. “Comparative Politics and the Comparative Method.” *American Political Science Review* 65 (3): 682–93.
- Lupia, Arthur, and Colin Elman. 2014. “Openness in Political Science: Data Access and Research Transparency.” *PS: Political Science & Politics* 47 (1): 19–42.
- Mahoney, James, and Gary Goertz. 2006. “A Tale of Two Cultures: Contrasting Quantitative and Qualitative Research.” *Political Analysis* 14 (3): 227–49.
- Morgan, Stephen L., and Christopher Winship. 2007. *Counterfactuals and Causal Inference: Methods and Principles for Social Research*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Olken, Benjamin. 2015. “Promises and Perils of Pre-Analysis Plans.” *Journal of Economic Perspectives* 29 (3): 61–80.
- Przeworski, Adam, and Henry Teune. 1970. *The Logic of Comparative Social Inquiry*. New York: Wiley-Interscience.
- Ragin, Charles C. 1987. *The Comparative Method*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Sartori, Giovanni. 1970. “Concept Misformation in Comparative Politics.” *American Political Science Review* 64 (4): 1033–53.
- Teele, Dawn L., ed. 2014. *Field Experiments and Their Critics*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.
- Tirole, Jean. 2017. *Economics for the Common Good*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

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• August 26 – State Formation, Economic Development, Democratization

- Tilly, Charles. 1992. *Coercion, Capital, and European States: AD 990–1990*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers. Ch. 1.
- Acemoglu, Daron, Simon Johnson, and James Robinson. 2002. “Reversal of Fortune: Geography and Institutions in the Making of the Modern World Income Distribution.” *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 117 (4): 1231–94.
- North, Douglass, and Barry Weingast. 1989. “Constitutions and Commitment: The Evolution of Institutions Governing Public Choice in Seventeenth-Century England.” *Journal of Economic History* 49 (4): 803–32.
- Acemoglu, Daron, and James Robinson. 2006. *Economic Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. Ch. 2.
- Ziblatt, Daniel. 2017. *Conservative Parties and the Birth of Democracy*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. Ch. 1–2.

Professional Development Topic: Conference Presentations

Supplementary Readings on State Formation:

- Abramson, Scott F. 2017. “The Economic Origins of the Territorial State.” *International Organization* 71(1): 97–130.
- Alesina, Alberto, and Enrico Spolaore. 1997. “On the Number and Size of Nations.” *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 112 (4): 1027–56.
- Barkey, Karen. 1994. *Bandits and Bureaucrats: The Ottoman Route to State Centralization*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press.
- Besley, Timothy, and Torsten Persson. 2009. “The Origins of State Capacity: Property Rights, Taxation, and Politics.” *American Economic Review* 99(4): 1218–1244.
- Boix, Carles. 2015. *Political Order and Inequality*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Grzymala-Busse, Anna. 2007. *Rebuilding Leviathan: Party Competition and State Exploitation in Post-Communist Democracies*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Grzymala-Busse, Anna. 2020. “Beyond War and Contracts: The Medieval and Religious Roots of the European State.” *Annual Review of Political Science* 23: 19–36.
- Herbst, Jeffrey. 2000. *States and Power in Africa: Comparative Lessons in Authority and Control*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- Huntington, Samuel P. 1968. *Political Order in Changing Societies*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.
- Levi, Margaret. 1988. *Of Rule and Revenue*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Levi, Margaret. 2002. “The State of the Study of the State,” and Kahler, Miles. “The State of the State in World Politics.” In Ira Katznelson and Helen V. Milner, eds., *Political Science: The State of the Discipline*, Centennial Edition. New York: W.W. Norton, pp. 33–83.
- Mann, Michael. 1984. “The Autonomous Power of the State: Its Origins, Mechanisms, and Results.” *European Journal of Sociology* 25(2): 185–213.
- Mares, Isabela, and Didac Queralt. 2015. “The Non-Democratic Origins of Income Taxation.” *Comparative Political Studies* 48(14): 1974–2009.
- North, Douglass C., John Joseph Wallis, and Barry R. Weingast. 2009. *Violence and Social Orders: A Conceptual Framework for Interpreting Recorded Human History*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Olson, Mancur. 1982. *The Rise and Decline of Nations: Economic Growth, Stagflation, and Social Rigidities*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.

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- Olson, Mancur. 1993. "Dictatorship, Democracy, and Development." *American Political Science Review* 87(3): 567–576.
- Queralt, Didac. 2022. *Pawned States: State Building in the Era of International Finance*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- Scott, James C. 1998. *Seeing Like a State: How Certain Schemes to Improve the Human Condition Have Failed*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.
- Skocpol, Theda. 1979. *States and Social Revolutions: A Comparative Analysis of France, Russia, and China*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Skocpol, Theda. 1985. "Bringing the State Back In." In *Bringing the State Back In*, eds. Peter Evans, Dietrich Rueschemeyer, and Theda Skocpol. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 3–37.
- Slater, Dan. 2010. *Ordering Power: Contentious Politics and Authoritarian Leviathans in Southeast Asia*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Spruyt, Hendrik. 1994. *The Sovereign State and Its Competitors*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- Stasavage, David. 2011. *States of Credit: Size, Power, and the Development of European Polities*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- Wedeen, Lisa. 1999. *Ambiguities of Domination: Politics, Rhetoric, and Symbols in Contemporary Syria*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Supplementary Readings on Economic Development:

- Acemoglu, Daron, and James A. Robinson. 2012. *Why Nations Fail: The Origins of Power, Prosperity, and Poverty*. New York: Crown Publishers.
- Banerjee, Abhijit, and Lakshmi Iyer. 2005. "History, Institutions, and Economic Performance: The Legacy of Colonial Land Tenure Systems in India." *American Economic Review* 95 (4): 1190–1213.
- Blaydes, Lisa, and Eric Chaney. 2013. "The Feudal Revolution and Europe's Rise: Political Divergence of the Christian West and the Muslim World before 1500 CE." *American Political Science Review* 107 (1): 16–34.
- Dell, Melissa. 2010. "The Persistent Effects of Peru's Mining Mita." *Econometrica* 78 (6): 1863–1903.
- Diamond, Jared. 1997. *Guns, Germs, and Steel: The Fates of Human Societies*. New York: W.W. Norton & Company.
- Engerman, Stanley L., and Kenneth L. Sokoloff. 2012. *Economic Development in the Americas Since 1500: Endowments and Institutions*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Greif, Avner. 1994. "Cultural Beliefs and the Organization of Society: A Historical and Theoretical Reflection on Collectivist and Individualist Societies." *Journal of Political Economy* 102 (5): 912–50.
- Przeworski, Adam, Michael E. Alvarez, José Antonio Cheibub, and Fernando Limongi. 2000. *Democracy and Development: Political Institutions and Well-Being in the World, 1950–1990*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Supplementary Readings on Democratization:

- Albertus, Michael, and Victor Gay. 2017. "Unlikely Democrats: Economic Elite Uncertainty under Dictatorship and Support for Democratization." *American Journal of Political Science* 61 (3): 624–461.
- Ansell, Ben, and David Samuels. 2014. *Inequality and Democratization: An Elite Competition Approach*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Boix, Carles. 2003. *Democracy and Redistribution*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Boix, Carles, and Susan C. Stokes. 2003. "Endogenous Democratization." *World Politics* 55 (4): 517–49.
- Dahl, Robert. 1972. *Polyarchy: Participation and Opposition*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.
- Fearon, James. 2011. "Self-Enforcing Democracy." *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 126 (4): 1661–1708.
- Frye, Timothy. 2007. "Economic Transformation and Comparative Politics." In *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*, edited by Carles Boix and Susan C. Stokes, 940–68. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

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- Geddes, Barbara. 1999. "What Do We Know about Democratization after Twenty Years?" *Annual Review of Political Science* 2: 115–44.
- Geddes, Barbara. 2007. "What Causes Democratization?" In *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*, edited by Carles Boix and Susan C. Stokes, 317–39. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Haggard, Stephan, and Robert R. Kaufman. 2012. "Inequality and Regime Change: Democratic Transitions and the Stability of Democratic Rule." *American Political Science Review* 106 (3): 495–516.
- Huntington, Samuel P. 1968. *Political Order in Changing Societies*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.
- Kuran, Timur. 1991. "Now Out of Never: The Element of Surprise in the East European Revolution of 1989." *World Politics* 44 (1): 7–48.
- Linz, Juan J., and Alfred Stepan. 1996. *Problems of Democratic Transition and Consolidation: Southern Europe, South America, and Post-Communist Europe*. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press.
- Lipset, Seymour Martin. 1959. "Some Social Requisites of Democracy: Economic Development and Political Legitimacy." *American Political Science Review* 53 (1): 69–105.
- Luebbert, Gregory M. 1987. "Social Foundations of Political Order in Interwar Europe." *World Politics* 39 (4): 449–78.
- Mares, Isabela. 2015. *From Open Secrets to Secret Voting: Democratic Electoral Reforms and Voter Autonomy*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Moore, Barrington. 1993. *Social Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy: Lord and Peasant in the Making of the Modern World*. Boston: Beacon Press.
- O'Donnell, Guillermo, and Philippe C. Schmitter. 1986. *Transitions from Authoritarian Rule: Tentative Conclusions about Uncertain Democracies*. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press.
- Przeworski, Adam, and Fernando Limongi. 1997. "Modernization: Theories and Facts." *World Politics* 49 (2): 155–83.
- Przeworski, Adam. 1999. "Minimalist Conception of Democracy: A Defense." In *Democracy's Value*, edited by Ian Shapiro and Casiano Hacker-Cordón, 23–55. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Przeworski, Adam, Michael E. Alvarez, José Antonio Cheibub, and Fernando Limongi. 2000. *Democracy and Development: Political Institutions and Well-Being in the World, 1950–1990*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Putnam, Robert D. 1993. *Making Democracy Work: Civic Traditions in Modern Italy*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- Ross, Michael L. 2001. "Does Oil Hinder Democracy?" *World Politics* 53 (April): 325–61.
- Rueschemeyer, Dietrich, Evelyn Huber Stephens, and John D. Stephens. 1992. *Capitalist Development and Democracy*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Schmitter, Philippe C., and Terry Lynn Karl. 1991. "What Democracy Is... And Is Not." *Journal of Democracy* 2 (3): 3–16.
- Stasavage, David. 2010. "When Distance Mattered: Geographic Scale and the Development of European Representative Assemblies." *American Political Science Review* 104 (4): 625–43.
- Weingast, Barry R. 1997. "The Political Foundations of Democracy and the Rule of Law." *American Political Science Review* 91 (2): 245–63.

• **September 2 – Programmatic Competition and the Spatial Model of Elections**

- Manin, Bernard, Adam Przeworski, and Susan C. Stokes. 1999. “Elections and Representation.” In *Democracy, Accountability, and Representation*, eds. Bernard Manin, Adam Przeworski, and Susan C. Stokes. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Gehlbach, Scott. 2013. *Formal Models of Domestic Politics*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Ch. 1.
- Tomz, Michael, and Robert P. Van Houweling. 2008. “Candidate Positioning and Voter Choice.” *American Political Science Review* 102(3): 303–318.
- * Adams, James, Lawrence Ezrow, and Zeynep Somer-Topcu. 2011. “Is Anybody Listening? Evidence That Voters Do Not Respond to European Parties’ Policy Statements During Elections.” *American Journal of Political Science* 55(2): 370–382.
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- Abou-Chadi, Tarik, and Werner Krause. 2020. “The Causal Effect of Radical Right Success on Mainstream Parties’ Policy Positions: A Regression Discontinuity Approach.” *British Journal of Political Science* 50(3): 829–847.
- Achen, Christopher H., and Larry M. Bartels. 2017. *Democracy for Realists: Why Elections Do Not Produce Responsive Government*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Adams, James, and Zeynep Somer-Topcu. 2009. “Policy Adjustments by Parties in Response to Rival Parties’ Policy Shifts.” *British Journal of Political Science* 39(4): 825–846.
- Adams, James. 2012. “Causes and Electoral Consequences of Party Policy Shifts in Multiparty Elections: Theoretical Results and Empirical Evidence.” *Annual Review of Political Science* 15: 401–419.
- Adams, James, Simon Weschle, and Christopher Wlezien. 2021. “Elite Interactions and Voters’ Perceptions of Parties’ Policy Positions.” *American Journal of Political Science* 65(1): 101–114.
- Ansolabehere, Stephen, James M. Snyder Jr., and Charles Stewart III. 2001. “Candidate Positioning in U.S. House Elections.” *American Journal of Political Science* 45(1): 136–159.
- Bakker, Ryan, Catherine De Vries, Erica Edwards, Liesbet Hooghe, Seth Jolly, Gary Marks, Jonathan Polk, Jan Rovny, Marco Steenbergen, and Milada Anna Vachudova. 2015. “Measuring Party Positions in Europe: The Chapel Hill Expert Survey Trend File, 1999–2010.” *Party Politics* 21(1): 143–152.
- Calvert, Randall. 1985. “Robustness of the Multidimensional Voting Model: Candidate Motivations, Uncertainty, and Convergence.” *American Journal of Political Science* 29(1): 69–95.
- Chou, Winston, Rafaela Dancygier, Naoki Egami, and Amaney A. Jamal. 2021. “Competing for Loyalists? How Party Positioning Affects Populist Radical Right Voting.” *Comparative Political Studies* 54(12): 2226–2260.
- De Sio, Leonardo, and Tim Weber. 2014. “Issue Yield: A Model of Party Strategy in Multidimensional Space.” *American Political Science Review* 108(4): 870–885.
- Downs, Anthony. 1957. *An Economic Theory of Democracy*. New York: Harper Collins.
- Downs, Anthony. 1957. “An Economic Theory of Political Action in a Democracy.” *Journal of Political Economy* 65(2): 135–150.
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- Jessee, Stephen A. 2009. "Spatial Voting in the 2004 Presidential Election." *American Political Science Review* 103(1): 59–81.
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- Rabinowitz, George, and Stuart Elaine Macdonald. 1989. "A Directional Theory of Voting." *American Political Science Review* 83(1): 93–121.
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- Stimson, James A., Michael B. MacKuen, and Robert S. Erikson. 1995. "Dynamic Representation." *American Political Science Review* 89(3): 543–565.
- Strøm, Kaare. 1990. "A Behavioral Theory of Competitive Political Parties." *American Journal of Political Science* 34(2): 565–598.
- Tomz, Michael, and Robert P. Van Houweling. 2009. "The Electoral Implications of Candidate Ambiguity." *American Political Science Review* 103(1): 83–98.

- **September 9 – No Class (APSA)**
- **September 16 – Non-Programmatic Considerations: Valence, Retrospective Evaluations, Identity-Based Voting**
 - Kitschelt, Herbert. 2000. "Linkages between Citizens and Politicians in Democratic Polities." *Comparative Political Studies* 33(6/7): 845–879.
 - Fearon, James D. 1999. "Electoral Accountability and the Control of Politicians: Selecting Good Types versus Sanctioning Poor Performance." In Bernard Manin, Adam Przeworski, and Susan C. Stokes (Eds.), *Democracy, Accountability, and Representation*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
 - Bechtel, Michael M., and Jens Hainmueller. 2011. "How Lasting Is Voter Gratitude? An Analysis of the Short- and Long-Term Electoral Returns to Beneficial Policy." *American Journal of Political Science* 55(4): 852–868.
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Professional Development Topic: Discussants

Supplementary Readings on Non-Programmatic Considerations (Broadly):

- Adams, James F., Samuel Merrill, and Bernard Grofman. 2005. *A Unified Theory of Party Competition: A Cross-National Analysis Integrating Spatial and Behavioral Factors*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Kitschelt, Herbert, and Steven I. Wilkinson (Eds.). 2007. *Patrons, Clients, and Policies: Patterns of Democratic Accountability and Political Competition*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Mansbridge, Jane. 2003. "Rethinking Representation." *American Political Science Review* 97(4): 515–528.
- Pitkin, Hanna. 1967. *The Concept of Representation*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Supplementary Readings on Valence:

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- **November 25 – Book Review Week**

Read any book listed in the supplementary readings (or a book approved by me) and write a book review (see Course Requirements).

- **December 2 – Nationalism**

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: ACADEMIC AND POLICY STATEMENTS

Talk to Me!

Struggling and having a difficult time is a normal part of graduate school (and of life in general). If you feel, at any point, worried, depressed, panicked, or anything the like, please come talk to me. You don't have to reveal any details that you don't want to, and I will not judge you in any way. There's always something that can be done to help you and to make sure you are in a position to complete the course. I'm happy to help, but I cannot read your mind or otherwise intuit what is going on in your life. So, come talk to me as early as possible. If you find yourself asking whether you should come talk to me about something, come talk to me.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) Use Policy

You are training to be professional political scientists and your goal is to get to the point where you can expand the research frontier in the discipline. You cannot acquire these skills if you rely heavily on AI tools in classes. If you read AI summaries of articles instead of the articles themselves, you will not gain a sufficiently deep understanding to be able to meaningfully contribute in class. Similarly, if you rely on AI tools for your assignments, your analyses will not be at the level that is required to produce work that will eventually get you a PhD. So it is in your own best interest to avoid AI tools for the substantive work required in this class.

That being said, there is no AI ban in this class. There are ways in which these tools can be useful to enhance your work. But the key word in the previous sentence is *enhance*. This is reflected in the course expectation that students' work goes well *beyond* whatever AI offers. If your work does not do this, you won't pass the class, and you definitely won't be a successful political scientists.

Attendance Policy

As stated in the University's Class Attendance Policy, no right or privilege exists that permits a student to be absent from any class meetings, except for these University Approved Absences:

- Authorized University activities: University Approved Absence Office (UAAO) website provides information and FAQs for students and FAQs for faculty related to University Approved Absences
- Disability/religious observance/pregnancy, as required by law and approved by the (EOC)
- Significant health condition and/or personal/family emergency as approved by the Office of the Dean of Students, Gender Violence Service Coordinators, and/or the Equal Opportunity and Compliance Office (EOC).

Code of Conduct

I expect all students to adhere to University policy and to follow the guidelines of the UNC Code of Conduct. In particular, students are expected to aware of policies related to academic integrity. You can read more about the Code of Conduct at studentconduct.unc.edu.

Syllabus Changes

The instructor reserves the right to make changes to the syllabus including project due dates and test dates. These changes will be announced as early as possible.

Acceptable Use Policy

By attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, you agree to abide by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill policies related to the acceptable use of IT systems and services. The Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) sets the expectation that you will use the University's technology resources responsibly, consistent with the University's mission. In the context of a class, it is quite likely you will participate in online activities that could include personal information about you or your peers, and the AUP addresses your obligations to protect the privacy of class participants. In addition, the AUP addresses matters of others' intellectual property, including copyright. These are only a couple of typical examples, so you should consult the full Information Technology Acceptable Use Policy, which covers topics related to using digital resources, such as privacy, confidentiality and intellectual property. Additionally, consult the Safe Computing at UNC website for information about data security policies, updates, and tips on keeping your identity, information, and devices safe.

Data Security and Privacy

UNC-Chapel Hill is committed to fulfilling its responsibilities of transparency as a state-sponsored institution of higher learning, protecting certain types of information, and using information Carolina collects only for appropriate purposes. Consult the UNC-Chapel Hill Privacy Statement for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: SERVICES AND STUDENT SUPPORT STATEMENTS

Equal Opportunity and Compliance Accommodations

Equal Opportunity and Compliance Accommodations Team (Accommodations – UNC Equal Opportunity and Compliance) receives requests for accommodations for disability, pregnancy and related conditions, and sincerely held religious beliefs and practices through the University's Policy on Accommodations. EOC Accommodations team determines eligibility and reasonable accommodations consistent with state and federal laws.

Counseling and Psychological Services

UNC-Chapel Hill is strongly committed to addressing the mental health needs of a diverse student body. The Heels Care Network website is a place to access the many mental health resources at Carolina. CAPS is the primary mental health provider for students, offering timely access to consultation and connection to clinically appropriate services. Go to the CAPS website or visit their facilities on the third floor of the Campus Health building for an initial evaluation to learn more. Students can also call CAPS 24/7 at 919-966-3658 for immediate assistance.

Title IX and Related Resources

Any student who is impacted by discrimination, harassment, interpersonal (relationship) violence, sexual violence, sexual exploitation, or stalking is encouraged to seek resources on campus or in the community. Reports can be made online to the EOC or by contacting the University's Title IX Coordinator, Elizabeth Hall, or the Report and Response Managers in the Equal Opportunity and Compliance Office. Please note that I am designated as a Responsible Employee, which means I must report to the EOC any information I receive about the forms of misconduct listed in this paragraph. If you'd like to speak with a

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confidential resource, those include Counseling and Psychological Services, the University's Ombuds Office, and the Gender Violence Services Coordinators. Additional resources are available at safe.unc.edu.

Policy on Non-Discrimination

The University is committed to providing an inclusive and welcoming environment for all members of our community and to ensuring that educational and employment decisions are based on individuals' abilities and qualifications. Consistent with this principle and applicable laws, the University's Policy Statement on Non-Discrimination offers access to its educational programs and activities as well as employment terms and conditions without respect to race, color, gender, national origin, age, religion, sex, genetic information, disability, veteran's status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. Such a policy ensures that only relevant factors are considered, and that equitable and consistent standards of conduct and performance are applied. If you are experiencing harassment or discrimination, you can seek assistance and file a report through the Report and Response Coordinators (email reportandresponse@unc.edu or see additional contact info at safe.unc.edu) or the Equal Opportunity and Compliance Office. Please note that I am designated as a Responsible Employee, which means that I must report to the EOC any information I receive about harassment or discrimination. If you'd like to speak with a confidential resource, those include Counseling and Psychological Services and the University's Ombuds Office.