

Core Seminar in Comparative Politics
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Course time and location:

Mon. 5:00-7:40 PM Wehr Physics 138

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Attendance

The syllabus lists required readings, which all seminar participants must read. It also lists recommended readings that will be useful for exploring a topic further or for writing the longer seminar paper.

Additional sources and topics of interest

I encourage you to read a daily newspaper with coverage of comparative and international politics, such as _____ or _____. It is very useful to discuss current events and relate them to the theoretical approaches that we will be considering in class. These are in the library or available online through the Raynor Library website if not directly on the publication's site. You can also get a student-discounted rate for subscriptions.

If you are interested in getting perspectives on comparative politics and international affairs other than those of Ameri

Class Schedule and Readings

I. INTRODUCTION

Aug. 31: Course introduction. No reading assignment.

Sept. 7: No class; Labor Day

3: Sept. 14: Why compare? What to compare? Theoretical and methodological issues in comparative politics

Required:

B. Guy Peters, 1998,

, New York: New York

- Donald L. Horowitz, 1985, _____, Berkeley: University of California Press, chaps. 2, 14, 15.
- Kanchan Chandra, 2005, "Ethnic Parties and Democratic Stability," _____, 3 (2) (June), 235-252.
- Arend Lijphart, 2008, _____, London and New York: Routledge, chap. 2 (Consociational democracy) and chap. 5 (Constitutional design for divided societies).

Recommended for further reading:

- _____, 2004, _____, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- David Laitin, 1978, "Religion, Political Culture and the Weberian Tradition," _____, 30 (4) 563-592.
- Samuel Huntington, 2004, _____, New York: Simon and Schuster.

Oct. 5: Class analyses: Marxism and beyond

Required:

- Karl Marx, "The Communist Manifesto," in Lawrence H. Simon (ed.) _____, Indianapolis: Hackett, pp. 157-186.
- Ralph Miliband, 1983, "Marx and the State," in _____, London, pp. 3-25.
- Ellen Meiksins Wood, "Capitalism and Human Emancipation: Race, Gender and Democracy," in _____, Cambridge University Press, 1995, chap. 9, pp. 264-283.
- Gosta Esping-Anderson and Walter Korpi, 1984, "Social Policy as Class Politics in Post-War Capitalism: Scandinavia, Austria, and Germany," in John H. Goldthorpe, ed., _____, Oxford: Clarendon Press, pp. 179-208.
- Charles Lindblom, 1982, "The Market as Prison,"

Karl Marx

Robert D. Putnam, 1979,

Princeton: Princeton University Press, chaps. 1 and 6.

Steffan Kumlin and Bo Rothstein, "Making and Breaking Social Capital: The Impact of Welfare-State Institutions,"

38 (4) 2005, 329-365.

Recommended for further reading:

Wolfgang Streeck and Kathleen Thelen, 2005,

Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press. See

Sherri Berman, "Social Democracy's Past and Potential Future, in
James Cronin, George Ross, and James Shoch, eds., Durham and London: Duke
University Press, 2011, pp. 29-49.
Gerasimos Moschonas, "Historical Decline or Change of Scale?" in What's Left of the Left,
2011, pp. 50-85.

Recommended for further reading:

V. REGIME CHANGE: THE DIFFICULTIES OF DEMOCRATIZATION

Nov. 16: Modernization and democratization: is there a link?

Required:

Recommended for further reading:

- Zimmerman, Katherine, 1995, *Women's Movements in Latin America: A Comparative Study*, pp. 177-179.
- Peter Flora and Arnold J. Heidenheimer, Eds. 1981, *Gender and the Social Rights of Citizenship: The Comparative Analysis of State Policies and Gender Relations*, New Brunswick and London: Transaction Books. See esp. introduction, pp. 17-34, and Flora and Alber, pp. 37-80.
- Ann Shola Orloff, "Gender and the Social Rights of Citizenship: The Comparative Analysis of State Policies and Gender Relations," *Journal of Democracy*, 58 (3): 1993, 303-328.
- Theda Skocpol, 1992, *States and Social Movements in Modern World History*, Cambridge, MA: Belknap Press/Harvard University Press, Introduction.
- Peter A. Baldwin, *Gender and the Social Rights of Citizenship: The Comparative Analysis of State Policies and Gender Relations*, Cambridge University Press, 1990, Introduction and conclusion.
- Harold Wilensky, 1975, *Modernization and the Social Structure of Society*, Berkeley: University of California Press, chap. 2.

Dec. 7: Welfare regimes: adaptation and transformation in response to new challenges

Required:

- Paul Pierson, "Post Industrial Pressures on Mature Welfare States," in Paul Pierson, Ed. *Post Industrial Pressures on Mature Welfare States*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2000, pp. 80-104.
- Jonas Pontusson, 2011, "Once Again a Model: Nordic Social Democracy in a Globalized World," in James Cronin, George Ross, and Jaml Pr R (l) 6 [(s, (4 (2m) 24 0m) TJ 6)4 (2m) , EJ (s)(S) mIntPo (