

Introduction to Comparative Politics
Poli 2053
12-130pm T TH
228 Tureaud Hall

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- 4) Participation: Participation will be measured through participation in the class twitter feed. Students will be required to tweet approximately once a week @LSUPoli2053. Participation will make up 10 percent of the final grade.

Makeups will only be available for students who are unable to attend class due to military affiliated events with official notice provided in advance.

There will be several bonus opportunities will be presented throughout the semester. Further details as they emerge.

The grading for this class is on the 10 point scale (at bear minimum).
100-90= A 89-80=B 79-70=C 69-60=D 59-0 = F

Required Texts

There are two texts required for this class:

Essentials of Comparative Politics

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Schedule

Week 1: August 26 & 28: Introduction, What is Comparative Politics, What is the State?
(Wisconsin @ Reliant Stadium)

Readings: Red : Chapters 1 and 2

Week 2: September 2 & 4 : Leadership Selection (Sam Houston State)

Readings : Red : p 147-155, p 168-172

Week 3: September 9 & 11 : Democracies (UL-Monroe)

Readings : Red: Chapters 5 and 8

Week 4 : September 16th : Non- Democracy. No class September 18th. (Miss State)

Readings: Red: Chapter 6 and 9. BOOK SELECTIONS DUE BY NOW

Week 5: September 23&25: Political Culture and Ideology (New Mexico St)

Readings : Red : Chapter 3

Week 6: September 30: Political Economy, October 2: No Class, Fall Break

Readings : Red : Chapter 4 (@Auburn)

Week 7 : October 7 & 9 : Political Economy Continued (@ Florida)

Readings : Red : Chapters 10 and 11

Week 8 : October 14 & 16 : Midterm review and Midterm (Kentucky)

Readings: None, but do revise. Please.

Week 9: October 21 and 23: The (dis)United Kingdom (Ole Miss, Homecoming)

Readings : Blue: Chapter 2

Week 10: October 28 and 30: France (Bye)

Readings : Blue: Chapter 4

Week 11: November 4 & 6 : Germany (BAMA)

Readings : Blue : Chapter 5

Week 12: November 11 & 13: Russia (@Arkansas)

Readings : Blue : Chapter 7

Week 13: November 18 & 20: China (Bye)

Readings : Blue : Chapter 8

Week 14: November 25: Iran November 27: No class (Thanksgiving) (@TAMU)

Readings : Blue : Chapter 10

Week 15: December 2: Iran continued. December 4: Singapore? (SEC?)

Readings : TBD

Week 16: December 10th: Final Exam, 1230pm. In 228 Tureaud Hall

Exam Review: 2pm December 7th, meet outside Stubbs Hall, Quad-side