

FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES OF POLITICS

Political Science 1001
Section 1

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Part I: The Origins of Political Consciousness

Topics: The Principle of Subjectivity & the Homeless Spirit
 Political Consciousness: The Transit

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Part VII: Democratic Republics

Topics: Characteristics of Democratic Regimes
Majority Rule and Minority Rights
Conflict Resolution in a Democracy
The Discourse of Democratic Politics

Readings: Euripides, *Hecuba* (Revisited)
**"Defining Democracy"
<http://www.ait.org.tw/infousa/zhtw/docs/whatsdem/whatdm2.htm>
**"Politics and the English Language," by George Orwell
(<http://www.resort.com/~prime8/Orwell/patee.html>)
**"Bowling Alone: America's Declining Social Capital," by Robert D. Putnam

Part VIII: Freedom, Identity, and the Needs of Strangers

Topics: Identity and Politics
Freedom and Ambiguity
The Needs of Strangers
Pathos and Community

Readings: Sophocles, *Oedipus Rex*
**J. S. Mill, *On Liberty* (Chapters I, II, & III) (

COURSE OBJECTIVES: As the title of the course indicates, we are going to examine the **FUNDAMENTAL** issues of politics. We will begin with the origins of political consciousness. Thereafter, we

