

POLI 2053: Introduction to Comparative Politics
T/R: 12:00-1:20pm
Location: Stubbs 116

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Overview

This course introduces students to the comparative study of nation and governments throughout the world. The goal is to better understand how governments are organized, what roles they play

Grading Scale:

Final grades will be determined in accordance with the current plus/minus system of alphabetical grading utilized by LSU. Below are the possible grades and their numerical range.

Score

Week 5, Sept 19-23: A Survey of Political Ideologies and Parties

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http://www.chesdata.eu/Papers/PP_2015.pdf.

Week 6, Sept 26-30: Authoritarianism: Single Party Systems

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http://politics.as.nyu.edu/docs/IO/2800/cps_2007.pdf

Week 7, Oct 3 7:

Week 13, Nov 14 18: The Resource Curse

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