

Department of Political Science

Comparative Political Theory

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Course Description

This is an advanced foundational course, the goal of which is to introduce students generally to the comparative politics subfield. This course not only covers major concepts and theories in the study of comparative politics, but also offers empirical analyses of the government and politics in a select group of countries. The course covers a wide range of issues, starting with a history of the discipline and some of the relevant research traditions, namely rational choice, political culture, and structuralism. After covering these approaches in depth, we will cover a variety of conceptual material including the formation of the nation-state, political parties and elections, democratisation and regime change, comparative political economy, contentious politics and social movements, ethnic politics and social conflict, as well as critical approaches relevant to the subfield.

The course objective is to acquaint students with the major schools of thought, approaches, and concepts related to comparative politics and to serve as a practical guide through the related literature. By the end of this course, students will understand the main theoretical approaches and have the ability to conduct theory-driven, yet empirically substantive research in the field.

As such, several objectives and learning outcomes of the course become clear:

- Knowledge of the major theories and approaches in the discipline of comparative politics
- Ability to critically evaluate and apply such theories and approaches
- Knowledge of major substantive themes in comparative politics
- Ability to think critically about the relevance of mainstream theories of comparative politics and their relevance to experience and interests of actors in Asia, Africa and the Middle East
- Ability to analyse world politics from a variety of perspectives
- Ability to apply theories to case studies

Attendance and Participation (20%)

The first step to success in this course is attendance, and each student is expected to attend all classes. Obviously things come up-- whether sickness, personal issues, or something else. As such, you are allowed in accordance with AUC Registrar policy, the equivalence of three weeks of absences from a normal term (normally 20%), though I encourage you to minimise the number as much as possible. Please note that any absence counts towards this three-week limit, meaning that university-sanctioned activities (e.g MUN/MAL), sickness with medical clinic documentation, and any other such absence counts. Without documentation that I approve, missed assignments are calculated as zero toward the final course mark. Any student missing more than this equivalent of three weeks starting at midnight following the 'add/drop' period will automatically fail the course with no exceptions. After all, I am sure we can agree that missing that much time would call into question what you are able to get out of this course.

By far the easiest way to guarantee a strong participation assessment is with substantive contribution to class discussion in our weekly meetings; that means quality takes precedence over quantity. I realise that personalities vary and that some students may not feel comfortable speaking in a crowd; I suggest trying to overcome that reticence, but participation can also be maintained with visits to my office hours (by appointment) and e-mail contact which directly

discuss the course readings, topics, concepts and the like. In short: make your contributions count whichever way you feel most comfortable; the point is to engage with the class and its material and to demonstrate clearly that you are doing so.

Keep in mind that my calling on you is not out of spite, to be mean, or to make you feel 'put on the spot' as it were. As moderator of the discussion, I aim to maintain a balance throughout the time we have. If your contribution is not substantive, it will be clear to me and to everyone who has put in the time to complete their work. The best way to guarantee you are making a 'substantive contribution' is to cite required and further readings and/or directly relate that material to real-world examples (re: case studies). As this is an introductory course into how comparative politics is theorised, I will guide you in that direction with follow-up questions if need be.

Assignments & Responses/Moderation (50%)

There will be *three* assignments throughout the term, detailed below. The most strategic submissions will consider works that directly relate to the student's MA thesis.

Assignment	Percentage	Due Date
Case Study Assignment	20%	June 19 (11:59PM via email)
Response Paper/Moderation 1	15%	One day prior to choice
Response Paper/Moderation 2	15%	One day prior to choice

Case Study Assignment (20%)

Each student is to write a short paper (up to 1,500-2,000 words) applying one of the research traditions from the class (e.g. rational choice, political culture, or structuralism) to a particular case study of choice. The suggestion here is to select a case study (broadly defined) that will inform the MA thesis.

Response Paper/Moderation (15% each, 30% total)

Twice in the term, each student is to write a short response paper (1,500 words each) summarising, discussing, and critiquing the readings assigned for one class session. The paper (10%) will be combined with the moderation of the class discussion (5%). Each submission must be made in MS Word or Apple Pages format electronically to instructor <u>one day prior</u> to the class session/ discussion. It is highly recommended to consult additional material beyond the required texts.

In terms of the text, these critical responses should not simply summarise the readings; each paper should make an argument and convey a viewpoint in reference to the reviewed work(s). A critique is not necessarily negative. Whether or not you like an author's argument, you still must critique it: is the argument clearly stated? Is the evidence offered relevant to the argument and convincing, or is it biased in some way? Are alternative explanations ignored or addressed? Are the cases selected appropriate for the research question? Consult major journals in the discipline for examples of book reviews and similar work— in particular those which address several works in a single review.

In terms of the moderation, you are expected to summarise the readings and place in the context of the topic at large (by, for example, making reference to further readings), as well as lead the class discussion for the remainder of the session.

Exams (30%)

Final Exam (30%)

There will be a final exam, in class and in the form of two essay questions derived directly from weekly topic material. The essays will resemble comprehensive exam questions that require a detailed reading of two given weeks (topics) from the term. More information will be provided as we approach the end of the course.

Other Considerations

There will be <u>no extra credit assignments</u> under any circumstance.

Cut-Off Scoring						
Α	94	В	84	С	74	
A-	90	В-	80	С-	70	
B+	88	C+	78	F	Below 70	

Finally in terms of your time in this course, please note that plagiarism is not acceptable in any form, and it will result in immediate failure of the entire course and my submitting the case to all relevant administrative bodies: the Department, HUSS Dean, and Academic Integrity Committee. If you are unsure about citations or what constitutes plagiarism, refer to the AUC policies on Academic Integrity (available <u>HERE</u>), visit the Writing Centre (details <u>HERE</u>), and definitely feel free to ask.

And lastly, a note about Office Hours: come to see me. You will do better in this course, and getting into the habit of engaging and talking with your professors on a regular basis will lead you to do better in your academic career. With added individual attention, I can provide you with readings on various topics, clarify things that might not be clear to you, and overall help you to do well.

Course Website and Additional Resources

On the final page of this outline, you will find the general/detailed schedules we will follow throughout the term. For the readings themselves, everything is made available electronically via the course website, which requires you to log in with your AUC e-mail credentials:

https://sites.google.com/a/aucegypt.edu/pols-5201/

In addition to the Required Readings listed for each week, it is highly recommended to familiarise yourselves with the additional resources under each topic as they can help you to build your foundation in the discipline.

Please note that the website will be consistently updated throughout the term to include additional resources, based on topics of interest, class discussions, and the like.

General Reading Schedule

Getting Started: Introductory Session		
June 4, 9-11PM	Introduction to the Course & History of the Discipline	
Research Traditions		
June 6, 9-11PM	Rational Choice	
June 11, 9-11PM	Political Culture	
June 13, 9-11PM	Structure	
June 18	<i>Eid</i> Break (No class)	
June 19, 11:59PM	Case Study Assignment Due	
Subjects and Concepts		
June 20, 5-8PM	The State	
June 25, 5-8PM	The Regime (Video Conference)	
June 27, 5-8PM	Political Parties and Electoral Systems	
July 2, 5-8PM	Political Economy and Class Conflict	
July 4, 5-8PM	Contentious Politics	
July 9, 5-8PM	Ethnicity, Identity and the Social	
Critical Approaches		
July 11, 5-8PM	Genealogy, Deconstruction and Discourse Analysis	
July 16, 5-8PM	Final Exam	

Detailed Reading Schedule

I. GETTING STARTED: INTRODUCTORY SESSION

June 4 (9-11PM): Introduction to the Course & History of Discipline

➡ Required Readings

- Lichbach, Mark Irving and Alan S. Zuckerman. (2009) "Paradigms and Pragmatism: Comparative Politics during the Past Decade" in *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure,* edited by Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan S. Zuckerman. Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics. Second Edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 1-17.
- Schmitter, Philippe. (2009) "The Nature and Future of Comparative Politics" *European Political Science Review*, 1(1): 33-61.

- Backhouse, Roger E., and Philippe Fontaine, eds. (2010) *The History of the Social Sciences since* 1945. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Bates, Robert H. (2007) "From Case Studies to Social Science: A Strategy for Political Research" in *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*, edited by Carles Boix and Susan C. Stokes. Oxford: Oxford University Press: 172-85.
- Bill, James A. (1994) "Comparative Middle East Politics: Still in Search of Theory" in *PS: Political Science and Politics* 27(3): 518-19.
- Boix, Carles, and Susan C. Stokes. (2007) "Introduction" in *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*, edited by Carles Boix and Susan C. Stokes. Oxford: Oxford University Press: 3-23.
- Easton, David, John G. Gunnell, and Luigi Graziano, eds. (1991) *The Development of Political Science: A Comparative Survey*. London: Routledge.
- Gerring, John. (2007) "The Case Study: What It Is and What It Does" in *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*, edited by Carles Boix and Susan C. Stokes. Oxford: Oxford University Press: 90-122.
- Gordon, Scott. (1991) The History and Philosophy of Social Science. London: Routledge.
- Kahin, George Mct, Guy J. Pauker, and Lucian W. Pye. (1955) "Comparative Politics of Non-Western Countries" in *The American Political Science Review* 49(4): 1022-41.
- Neumann, Sigmund. (1957) "Comparative Politics: A Half-Century Appraisal" in *The Journal of Politics* 19(3): 369-90.
- Przeworski, Adam. (2007) "Is the Science of Comparative Politics Possible?" in *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*, edited by Carles Boix and Susan C. Stokes. Oxford: Oxford University Press: 147-71.
- Rustow, Dankwart A. (1957) "New Horizons for Comparative Politics" in *World Politics* 9(4): 530-49.
- Wiarda, Howard J. (1998) "Is Comparative Politics Dead? Rethinking the Field in the Post-Cold War Era" in *Third World Quarterly* 19(5): 935-49.
- Zuckerman, Alan S. (2009) "Advancing Explanation in Comparative Politics: Social Mechanisms, Endogenous Processes, and Empirical Rigor" in *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure,* edited by Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan S. Zuckerman. Second edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 72-95.

II. RESEARCH TRADITIONS

June 6 (9-11PM): Rational Choice

➡ Required Readings

- Levi, Margaret. (2009) "Reconsiderations of Rational Choice in Comparative and Historical Analysis" in *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure,* edited by Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan S. Zuckerman. Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics. Second Edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 117-133.
- Munck, Gerardo. (2001) "Game Theory and Comparative Politics: New Perspectives and Old Concerns" in *World Politics* 53(2): 173-204.

- Argo, Nichole. (2009) "Why Fight? Examining Self-Interested versus Communally-Oriented Motivations in Palestinian Resistance and Rebellion" in *Security Studies* 18(4): 651-80.
- Bermúdez, José Luis. (2009) Decision Theory and Rationality. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Coleman, James S., and Thomas J. Fararo, eds. (1992) *Rational Choice Theory: Advocacy and Critique*. Key Issues in Sociological Theory. London: SAGE Publications.
- Colomer, Josep. (2000) *Strategic Transitions: Game Theory and Democratization*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.
- Downs, Anthony. (1957) An Economic Theory of Democracy. New York: Harper.
- Elster, Jon, ed. (1986) Rational Choice: Readings in Social and Political Theory. Oxford: Blackwell.
- Fowler, James H., and Cindy D. Kam. (2007) "Beyond the Self: Social Identity, Altruism, and Political Participation" in *The Journal of Politics* 69(3): 813-27.
- Geddes, Barbara. (1995) "Uses and Limitations of Rational Choice" in *Latin America in Comparative Perspective*, edited by Peter Smith. Boulder: Westview Press.
- Gilboa, Itzhak. (2010) Rational Choice. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.
- Green, Donald and Ian Shapiro. (1996) *Pathologies of Rational Choice: A Critique of Applications in Political Science*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Hammond, Kenneth R. (2007) *Beyond Rationality: The Search for Wisdom in a Troubled Time*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Johnson, Chalmers. (1997) "Preconception vs. Observation, or the Contributions of Rational Choice Theory and Area Studies to Contemporary Political Science" in *PS: Political Science and Politics* 30(2): pp. 170-174.
- Lichbach, Mark Irving. (2006) Is Rational Choice Theory All of Social Science? Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.
- El-Mahdi, Rabab. (2011) "Labour Protests in Egypt: Causes and Meanings" in *Review of African Political Economy* 38(129): 387-402.
- Millar, Alan. (2004) *Understanding People: Normativity and Rationalizing Explanation*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Olson, Mancur. (1971) The Logic of Collective Action. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.
- Przeworski, Adam. 1988. "Democracy as a Contingent Outcome of Conflicts" in *Constitutionalism and Democracy*, ed. Jon Elster and Rune Slagstatt. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Searle, John R. (2001) Rationality in Action. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.
- Taylor, Michael. (2006) *Rationality and the Ideology of Disconnection*. Contemporary Political Theory. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Townley, Barbara. (2008) *Reason's Neglect: Rationality and Organizing*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

- Tsebelis, George. (1990) *Nested Games: Rational Choice in Comparative Politics*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Wintrobe, Ronald. (2006) *Rational Extremism: The Political Economy of Radicalism*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Zuckert, Catherine H. (1995) "On the 'Rationality' of Rational Choice" in *Political Psychology* 16(1): 179-98.

June 11 (9-11PM): Political Culture

➡ Required Readings

- Ekins, David J. and Richard E.B. Simeon. (1979) "A Cause in Search of Its Effect, or What Does Political Culture Explain?" in *Comparative Politics* 11(2): 127-45.
- Ross, Marc Howard. (2009) "Culture in Comparative Political Analysis" in *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure,* edited by Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan S. Zuckerman. Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics. Second Edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 134-161.
- Wedeen, Lisa. (2002) "Conceptualizing Culture: Possibilities for Political Science" in *The American Political Science Review* 96(4): 713–28.

- Almond, Gabriel. (1990) "The Study of Political Culture" in *A Discipline Divided: Schools and Sects in Political Science*, edited by Gabriel Almond. Newbury Park: SAGE Publications.
- Almond, Gabriel and Sidney Verba. (1989) *The Civic Culture: Political Attitudes and Democracy in Five Nations*. London: SAGE Publications.
- Anderson, Lisa. (1995) "Democracy in the Arab World: A Critique of the Political Culture Approach" in *Political Liberalization and Democratization in the Arab World, Volume 1: Theoretical Perspectives*, edited by Rex Brynen, Bahgat Korany, and Paul Noble. Boulder: Lynne Rienner.
- Berman, Sheri. (2001) "Ideas, Norms, and Culture in Political Analysis" in *Comparative Politics* 33(2): 231-250.
- Eckstein, Harry F. (1988) "A Culturalist Theory of Political Change" in *American Political Science Review* 82(3): 789-804.
- Geertz, Clifford. (1973) *The Interpretation of Cultures*. New York: Basic Books.
- Huntington, Samuel. (1993) "The Clash of Civilizations?" in Foreign Affairs 72(3): 22-49.
- Inglehart, Ronald. (1997) *Modernization and Postmodernization: Cultural, Economic, and Political Change in 43 Societies.* Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Putnam, Robert D. (1993) *Making Democracy Work: Civic Traditions in Modern Italy*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Swidler, Ann. (1986) "Culture in Action: Symbols and Strategies" in *American Sociological Review*, 51: 273-286.
- Wedeen, Lisa. (2008) *Peripheral Visions: Publics Power, and Performance in Yemen*. Chicago: Chicago University Press.
- Zuckerman, Alan S. (2009) "Advancing Explanation in Comparative Politics: Social Mechanisms, Endogenous Processes, and Empirical Rigor" in *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure*, edited by Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan S. Zuckerman. Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics. Second Edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 72-95.

June 13 (9-11PM): Structure

Required Readings

- Hall, Peter and Rosemary Taylor. (1996) "Political Science and the Three New Institutionalisms" in *Political Studies* 44 (4): 936-57.
- Katznelson, Ira. (2009) "Strong Theory, Complex History: Structure and Configuration in Comparative Politics Revisited" in *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure,* edited by Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan S. Zuckerman. Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics. Second Edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 96-116.
- Sturrock, John. (2003) "Social Sciences" in Structuralism. Second edition. Oxford: Blackwell: 48-73.

➡ Further Readings

- Apter, David. (1991) "Institutionalism Reconsidered" in *International Social Science Journal* 43(3): 463-81.
- Gandhi, Jennifer. (2008) *Political Institutions under Dictatorship*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Helmke, Gretchen and Steven Levitsky, eds. (2006) *Informal Institutions and Democracy: Lessons from Latin America*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.
- Lust-Okar, Ellen. (2005) *Structuring Conflict in the Arab World: Incumbents, Opponents, and Institutions*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- North, Douglass. (1990) *Institutions, Institutional Change, and Economic Performance*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Ostrom, Elinor. (1990) *Governing the Commons: The Evolution of Institutions for Collective Action*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Pierson, Paul. (2000) "Increasing Returns, Path Dependence, and the Study of Politics" in *American Political Science Review* 94(2): 251-68.
- Steinmo, Sven, Kathleen Thelen, and Frank Longstreth, eds. (1992) *Structuring Politics: Historical Institutionalism in Comparative Analysis*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Thelen, Kathleen. (2003) "How Institutions Evolve: Insights from Comparative Historical Analysis" in *Comparative Historical Analysis in the Social Sciences*, edited by James Mahoney and Dietrich Rueschemeyer. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

SUBJECTS & CONCEPTS

June 20 (5-8PM): The State

➡ Required Readings

- Migdal, Joel S. (2009). "Researching the State" in *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure,* edited by Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan S. Zuckerman. Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics. Second Edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 162-192.
- Mitchell, Timothy. (1991) "The Limits of the State: Beyond Statist Approaches and their Critics" in *American Political Science Review* 85(1): 77-96.

➡ Further Readings

- Barker, Rodney. (1990) Political Legitimacy and the State. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Eisenstadt, S.N. (1980) "Comparative Analysis of State Formation in Historical Contexts" in *International Social Science Journal* 32(4): 624-654.
- Geddes, Barbara. (1994) *Politician's Dilemma: Building State Capacity in Latin America*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Herbst, Jeffrey. (2000) *States and Power in Africa: Comparative Lessons in Authority and Control.* Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Krasner, Stephen. (1984) "Approaches to the State: Alternative Conceptions and Historical Dynamics" in *Comparative Politics* 16(2): 223-46.
- Migdal, Joel. (1988) Strong Societies and Weak States. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Migdal, Joel, Atul Kohli, and Vivienne Shue, eds. (1994) *State Power and Social Forces: Domination and Transformation in the Third World*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Scott, James. (1998) *Seeing Like a State: How Certain Schemes to Improve the Human Condition Have Failed*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Skocpol, Theda. (1985) "Introduction: Bringing the State Back In," in *Bringing the State Back In*, edited by Peter Evans et al. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Spruyt, Hendrik. (1994) *The Sovereign State and Its Competitors: An Analysis of System Change*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Tilly, Charles. (1985) "State Building as Organized Crime" in *Bringing the State Back In*, edited by Peter Evans et al. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Weber, Max. (1964) Theory of Social and Economic Organization. New York: Free Press.

June 25 (5-8PM): The Regime (Video Conference)

➡ Required Readings

- Albrecht, Holger and Oliver Schlumberger. (2004) "Waiting for Godot: Regime Change without Democratization in the Middle East" in *International Political Science Review* 25(4): 371-392.
- Tilly, Charles. (2006) "What Are Regimes?" in *Regimes and Repertoires*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press: 1-17.
- _____. (2006) "How Regimes Work" in *Regimes and Repertoires*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press: 18-29.

- Bunce, Valerie. (2000) "Comparative Democratization. Big and Bounded Generalizations" in *Comparative Political Studies* 33(6/7): 703-734.
- Carothers, Thomas. (2002) "The End of the Transition Paradigm" in *Journal of Democracy* 13(1): 5-21.
- Dahl, Robert. (1971) Polyarchy: Participation and Opposition. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Downs, Anthony. (1957) An Economic Theory of Democracy. New York: Harper & Row.
- Haggard, Stephan and Robert Kaufmann. (1995) *The Political Economy of Democratic Transitions*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Linz, Juan and Alfred Stepan. (1996) *Problems of Democratic Transition and Consolidation*. Part I: Theoretical Overview. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.
- Lipset, Seymour M. (1959) "Some Social Requisites of Democracy: Economic Development and Political Legitimacy" in *American Political Science Review* 53(1): 69-105.

- McFaul, Michael. (2002) "The Fourth Wave of Democracy and Dictatorship: Noncooperative Transitions in the Postcommunist World" in *World Politics* 54(2): 212-44.
- Moore, Barrington. (1966) *The Social Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy: Lord and Peasant in the Making of the Modern World*. Boston: Beacon Press.
- O'Donnell, Guillermo and Philippe Schmitter. (1986) *Transitions from Authoritarian Rule: Tentative Conclusions about Uncertain Democracies*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.
- Pridham, Geoffrey. (1995) *Transitions to Democracy: Comparative Perspectives from Southern Europe, Latin America and Eastern Europe.* Aldershot: Dartmouth.
- Przeworski, Adam. (1991) Democracy and the Market. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Rustow, Dankwart. (1970) "Transition to Democracy: Towards a Dynamic Model" in *Comparative Politics* 3(3): 337-63.
- Sartori, Giovanni. (1987) The Theory of Democracy Revisited. Chatham: Chatham House.
- Vanhanen, Tatu. (1990) *The Process of Democratization: A Comparative Study of 147 States, 1980-1988*. New York: Crane Russak.

June 27 (5-8PM): Political Parties and Electoral Systems

➡ Required Readings

- Gunther, Richard and Larry Diamond. (2003) "Species of Political Parties: A New Typology" in *Party Politics* 9(2): 167-199.
- McFaul, Michael. (2001) "Explaining Party Formation and Nonformation in Russia: Actors, Institutions, and Chance" in *Comparative Political Studies* 34(10): 1159-87.
- Schedler, Andreas. (2002) "The Nested Game of Democratization by Elections" in *International Political Science Review / Revue internationale de science politique* 23(1): 103–22.

- Berman, Sheri. (1997) "Life of the Party" in Comparative Politics 30(1): 101-22.
- Cox, Gary. (1997) *Making Votes Count: Strategic Coordination in the World's Electoral Systems*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Duverger, Maurice. (1954) Political Parties. London: Methuen.
- Huntington, Samuel P. and Clement H. Moore, eds. (1970) *Authoritarian Politics in Modern Society: The Dynamics of Established One-Party Systems*. New York: Basic Books.
- Kitschelt, Herbert et al. (1999) *Post-Communist Party Systems: Competition, Representation, and Inter-Party Cooperation.* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- LaPalombara, Joseph and Myron Weiner, eds. (1966) *Political Parties and Political Development*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Lijphart, Arend. (1994) Electoral Systems and Party Systems. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Sartori, Giovanni. (1976) Parties and Party Systems. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Sartori, Giovanni. (1990) "A Typology of Party Systems" in *The West European Party System*, edited by Peter Mair. Cambridge: Oxford University Press.

July 2 (5-8PM): Political Economy and Class Conflict

Required Readings

- Blyth, Mark. (2009) "An Approach to Comparative Analysis or a Subfield within a Subfield?" in *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure,* edited by Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan S. Zuckerman. Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics. Second Edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 193-219.
- Dworkin, Dennis. (2007) "Introduction" in Class Struggles. Harlow: Pearson: 1-12.
- ____. (2007) "The Making of Class" in *Class Struggles*. Harlow: Pearson: 15-35.
- ____. (2007) "Class and Class Consciousness" in *Class Struggles*. Harlow: Pearson: 36-60.

- Caraway, Teri L. (2009) Comparative Political Economy, Gender, and Labor Markets. Politics & Gender 5(4): 338-61.
- Mares, Isabela. (2009) "The Comparative Political Economy of the Welfare State" in *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure,* edited by Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan S. Zuckerman. Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics. Second Edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 358-75.
- Bates, Robert, ed. (1988) *Toward a Political Economy of Development*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Beblawi, Hazem and Giacomo Luciani. (1987) The Rentier State. London: Croom Helm.
- Deyo, Frederic, ed. (1987) *The Political Economy of the New Asian Industrialism*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.
- Evans, Peter. (1995) *Embedded Autonomy: States and Industrial Transformation*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Gershenkron, Alexander. (1966) *Economic Backwardness in Historical Perspective*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.
- Haggard, Stephen. (1990) *Pathways from the Periphery: The Politics of Growth in the Newly Industrializing Countries.* Ithaca: Cornell University Press.
- Hall, Peter and David Soskice. (2001) *Varieties of Capitalism: The Institutional Foundations of Comparative Advantage*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Katzenstein, Peter. (1985) *Small States in World Markets: Industrial Policy in Europe*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.
- Packenham, Robert. (1992) *The Dependency Movement: Scholarship and Politics in Development Studies*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.
- Ross, Michael. (2001) "Does Oil Hinder Democracy?" in World Politics 53(3): 325-61.
- Schamis, Hector. (1999) "Distributional Coalitions and the Politics of Economic Reform in Latin America" in *World Politics* 51(2): 236-68.
- Schumpeter, Joseph. (1942) Capitalism, Socialism, and Democracy. London: Allen & Unwin.
- Steinmo, Sven. (1993) *Taxation and Democracy: Swedish, British, and American Approaches to Financing the Modern State*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Wade, Robert. (1990) *Governing the Market: Economic Theory and the Role of Government in East Asian Industrialization*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

July 4 (5-8PM): Contentious Politics

➡ Required Readings

- Auyero, Javier. (2004) "When Everyday Life, Routine Politics, and Protest Meet" in *Theory and Society* 33(3/4): 417–441.
- Kuran, Timur. (1991) "Now Out of Never: The Element of Surprise in the East European Revolution of 1989" in *World Politics* 44 (1): 7-48.
- McAdam, Doug, Sidney Tarrow, and Charles Tilly. (2009) "Comparative Perspectives on Contentious Politics", edited by Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan S. Zuckerman. Second edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 260-90.

- Della Porta, Donatella. (1995) *Social Movements, Political Violence and the State: A Comparative Analysis of Italy and Germany.* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Goldstone, Jack A. (1991) *Revolution and Rebellion in the Early Modern World*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Gurr, Ted Robert. (1970) Why Men Rebel. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Hirschman, Albert. (1970) Exit, Voice and Loyalty. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.
- McAdam, Doug, John D. McCarthy and Mayer N. Zald, eds. (1996) *Comparative Perspectives on Social Movements: Political Opportunities, Mobilizing Structures, and Cultural Framings*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- McClintock, Cynthia. (1998) *Revolutionary Movements in Latin America*. Washington: United States Institute of Peace Press.
- Migdal, Joel. (1974) *Peasants, Politics, and Revolution: Pressures Toward Social and Political Change in the Third World.* Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- O'Brien, Kevin J. (1996) "Rightful Resistance" in World Politics 49(1): 31-55.
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