
Principles of American Government

Political Science 100

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2. Accurate explanation of course concepts
 - Have you explained major concepts accurately and thoroughly?
 - Are the facts presented accurately?
 - Are arguments made in class and in the readings recounted accurately?
 - Where you disagree with prominent interpretations, have you explained your position persuasively?
 - Are your arguments appropriately documented; that is, have you attributed credit to all sources from which you have taken ideas?

3. Original thought that addresses substantive questions raised in class, but that also

news, but it is designed to help you identify specific articles that bear on subjects discussed in class.

Scheduled Events:

September 23	Agrippa, "Letter 4" (Blackboard) Federalist 16, 17, 39 (Review Federalist 47-51)
September 26	<i>McCulloch v. Maryland</i> (Blackboard) <i>U.S. v. Lopez</i> (Blackboard) Plotz, "The New New New New Federalism" (Blackboard) Ford, "The New Blue Federalists" (Blackboard) Wilson, ch. 3
September 28	Paper I Due: The Founding and American Constitutionalism Samuel Huntington, "The Clash of Civilizations?" (Blackboard) Niall Ferguson, "America: An Empire in Denial" (Blackboard)
September 30	<i>Government's End</i> , chas. 1, 2 Wilson, ch. 5
October 3	<i>Government's End</i> , chas. 3, 4, 5 Wilson, ch. 5
October 5	<i>Government's End</i> , chas. 6, 7 Wilson, ch. 5
October 7	<i>Government's End</i> , chas. 8, 9, 10 Wilson, ch. 5
October 10	<i>COLUMBUS DAY – No Class</i>
October 12	Federalist 52, 57, 62, 65 US Constitution, Article I Jeffrey Toobin, "Blowing Up the Senate," (Blackboard) Wilson, ch. 7
October 14	<i>Showdown at Gucci Gulch</i>

October 21 *Showdown at Gucci Gulch*, chas. 10, 11, epilogue

November 18	Theodore Lowi, "Toward a Responsible Three-Party System: Prospects and Obstacles," (Blackboard) Jeffrey Toobin, "The Great Election Grab," (Blackboard) Ralph Nader, "Open Reply to the Democratic Party" (Blackboard) Wilson, ch. 5
November 21	Federalist 84 The Bill of Rights Wilson, chas. 4 & 11
November 23	<i>THANKSGIVING BREAK – No Class</i>
November 25	<i>THANKSGIVING BREAK – No Class</i>
November 28	Paper II Due: The Roberts Confirmation <i>republic.com</i> Louis D. Brandeis, <i>Whitney v. California</i> , (Blackboard) Oliver Wendell Holmes, <i>Abrams v. United States</i> (Blackboard) Edward T. Sanford, <i>Gitlow v. New York</i> , (Blackboard) Wilson, chas. 4 & 11
November 30	<i>republic.com</i> Wilson, chas. 4 & 11
December 2	<i>republic.com</i> Wilson, chas. 4 & 11
December 5	<i>TBA</i>