

POL 595A
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Social Science 332

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American Politics Seminar

Requirements:

Each student must be fully prepared to discuss each week's readings.

1. Two-page summary of each week's readings **due at class time on Monday**. Bring paper copy to class for submission and grading. These are integrative analyses of the theory, methodology, findings, strengths and weaknesses of the week's readings.
2. Once during the semester, each student will present an oral report on a book listed on the syllabus. In addition, the student will complete a three-page written report.

Along with participation in class discussions, these two assignments account for 10% of final grades.

Take-home midterm on first seven weeks readings (Sept. 8 – October 20). **Due October 27** (30% of final grades). Bring paper copy to class for submission.

Extended literature review on one week's topic **due December 8**. Maximum length is 10 typed pages (double spaced). Must review a minimum of 10 articles beyond the required readings. Must be organized around theoretical or methodological questions and not around separate articles. (30% of final grades).

Take-home final **due December 17, 4 p.m. (in my mailbox in Social Science 315)** (30% of final grades).

No late weekly summaries will be accepted. Late papers and exams will be penalized 10 percent per day. In an emergency, papers may be submitted to the class DROPBOX on the D2L webpage. **Do not send them as e-mail attachments.**

September 8: Public Opinion

Required Readings:

- Claassen, Ryan L, and Benjamin Highton. 2006. "Does Policy Debate Reduce Information Effects in Public Opinion?: Analyzing the Evolution of Public Opinion on Health Care." *Journal of Politics* 68 (May): 410-420.
- Jackman, Simon, and Paul M. Sniderman. 2006. "The Limits of Deliberative Discussion: A Model of Everyday Political Arguments." *Journal of Politics* 68 (May): 272-283.
- Davis, Darren W., and Brian D. Silver. 2004. "Civil Liberties vs. Security: Public Opinion in the Context of the Terrorist Attacks on America." *American Journal of Political Science* 48 (January): 28-46.
- Huddy, Leonie, Stanley Feldman, Charles Taber, and Gallya Lahav. 2005. "Threat, Anxiety, and Support of Antiterrorism Policies." *American Journal of Political Science* 49 (July): 593-608.
- Huddy, Leonie, and Nadia Khatib 2007. "American Patriotism Redefined as American Identity" *American Journal of Political Science* (January): 63-77.

Book Report:

- Berinsky, Adam. 2005. *Silent Voices: Public Opinion and Participation in America*. Princeton University Press.

Optional Readings:

- Branton, Regina P., and Bradford S. Jones. 2005. "Reexamining Racial Attitudes: The Conditional Relationship Between Diversity and Socioeconomic Environment." *American Journal of Political Science* 49 (April): 359-372.
- Fiorina, Morris P., Samuel J. Abrams and Jeremy C. Pope. 2006. *Culture War?: The Myth of a Polarized America*. New York: Pearson Longman.
- Key, V. O., Jr. 1961. *Public Opinion and American Democracy*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf.
- Lupia, Arthur, and Matthew D. McCubbins. 1998. *The Democratic Dilemma: Can Citizens Learn What They Need to Know?* Cambridge: Cambridge University press.
- Page, Benjamin I. and Robert Y. Shapiro. 1992. *The Rational Public*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Stimson, James A. 1999. *Public Opinion in America: Moods, Cycles, and Swings, 2nd edition*. Boulder, Co: Westview.
- Zaller, John R. 1992. *The Nature and Origins of Mass Opinion*. Cambridge University Press.

September 15: Structure in Public Opinion

Required Readings:

- Alvarez, R. Michael and J. Brehm. 1997. "Are Americans Ambivalent towards Racial Policies?" *American Journal of Political Science* 41 (April): 345-374.
- Huckfeldt, Robert, Jeffrey Levine, William Morgan, and John Sprague. 1999. "Accessibility and the Political Utility of Partisan and Ideological Orientations." *American Journal of Political Science* 43(July): 888-911.
- Jacoby, William G. 2006. "Value Choices and American Public Opinion." *American Journal*

of Political Science 50 (July): 706-723.
Goren, Paul. 2004. "Political Sophistication and Policy Reasoning: A Reconsideration."
American Journal of Political Science 48 (July): 462-478.

Book Report:

Erikson, Robert S. Michael B. MacKuen, and James A. Stimson. 2002. *The Macro Polity*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Optional Readings:

- Carmines, Edward G., and Geoffrey C. Layman. 1997. "Value Priorities, Partisanship, and Electoral Choice: The Neglected Case of the United States." *Political Behavior* 19 (December): 283-316.
- Converse, Philip E. 1964. "The Nature of Belief Systems in Mass Publics." In *Ideology and Discontent*, ed. David Apter. New York: Free Press, pp. 206-61.
- Conover, Pamela and Stanley Feldman. 1981. "The Origins and Meaning of Liberal/Conservative Self-Identification." *American Journal of Political Science* 25: 617-45.
- Feldman, Stanley. 1988. "Structure and Consistency in Public Opinion: The Role of Core Beliefs and Values." *American Journal of Political Science* 32: 416-40.
- Feldman, Stanley, and John Zaller. 1992. "The Political Culture of Ambivalence: Ideological Responses to the welfare State." *American Journal of Political Science* 36: 268-307.
- Feldman, Stanley and Leonie Huddy. 2005. "Racial Resentment and White Opposition to Race-Conscious Programs: Principles or Prejudice?" *American Journal of Political Science* (January): 168-183.
- Jacoby, William G. 2000. "Issue Framing and Public Opinion on Government Spending." *American Journal of Political Science* 44(October): 750-67.
- Nie, Norman H, Sidney Verba, and John R. Petrocik. 1976. *The Changing American Voter*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.
- Sullivan, John L., James E. Piereson, and George E. Marcus. 1978. "Ideological Constraint in the Mass Public: A Methodological Critique and Some New Findings" *American Journal of Political Science* 23: 233-49.

September 18 Partisanship

Required Readings:

- Abramowitz, Alan I., and Kyle L. Saunders. 1998. "Ideological Realignment in the U.S. Electorate." *Journal of Politics* 60 (August): 634-52.
- Carsey, Thomas M., and Geoffrey C. Layman. 2006. "Changing Sides or Changing Minds?: Party Identification and Policy Preferences in the American Electorate." *American Journal of Political Science* 50 (April): 464-477.
- Bowler, Shaun, Stephen P. Nicholson, and Gary M. Segura. 2006. "Earthquakes and Aftershocks: Race, Direct Democracy, and Partisan Change." *American Journal of Political Science* 50 (January): 146-159.
- Valentino, Nicholas A., and David O. Sears. 2005. "Old Times There Are Not Forgotten: Race

and Partisan Realignment in the Contemporary South.” *American Journal of Political Science* 49: 672-688.

Burden, Barry C., and Casey A. Klofstad. 2005. “Affect and Cognition in Party Identification.” *Political Psychology* 26 (no. 6): 869-886.

Book Report:

Green, Donald, Bradley Palmquist, and Eric Schickler. 2002. *Partisan Hearts and Minds: Political Parties and the Social Identities of Voters*. New Haven: Yale University Press.

Optional Readings:

Abramowitz, Alan I. 1994. “Issue Evolution Reconsidered: Racial Attitudes and Partisanship in the U.S. Electorate.” *American Journal of Political Science* 38 (February): 1 - 24.

Abramson, Paul R. and Charles W. Ostrom. 1994. “Question Wording and Partisanship: Change and Continuity in Party Loyalties in the 1992 Election Campaign.” *Public Opinion Quarterly* 58 (Spring): 21 - 48.

Box-Steffensmeier, Janet and Renee M. Smith. 1996. “The Dynamics of Aggregate Partisanship.” *American Political Science Review* 90 (September): 567-580.

Campbell, Angus, Philip E. Converse, Warren E. Miller, and Donald E. Stokes. 1960. *The American Voter*. New York: Wiley, ch. 6 & 7.

Carmines, Edward B., and James A. Stimson. 1989. *Issue Evolution: Race and the Transformation of American Politics*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1989.

Erikson, Robert S., Michael B. MacKuen, and James A. Stimson. 1998. “What Moves Macropartisanship?: A Response to Green, Palmquist, and Schickler.” *American Political Science Review* 92 (December): 901-12.

Green, Donald Philip and Bradley Palmquist. 1990. “Of Artifacts and Partisan Instability.” *American Journal of Political Science* 34: 872-902.

Green, Donald, Bradley Palmquist, and Eric Schickler. 1998. “Macropartisanship: A Replication and Critique.” *American Political Science Review* 92(December): 883-900.

Keith, Bruce E., et al. 1992. *The Myth of the Independent Voter*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

MacKuen, Michael B. Robert S. Erikson, and James A. Stimson. 1989. “Macropartisanship.” *American Political Science Review* 83: 1125-42.

Miller, Warren E. 1991. “Party Identification, Realignment, and Party Voting: Back to the Basics.” *American Political Science Review* 85: 557-68.

Nadeau, Richard and Harold W. Stanley. 1993. “Class Polarization in Partisanship among Native Southern Whites, 1952 - 90.” *American Journal of Political Science* 37 (August): 900-19.

Norrander, Barbara. 1999. “Evolution of the Gender Gap.” *Public Opinion Quarterly* 63 (Winter): 566-576.

Norrander, Barbara. 1997. “The Independence Gap and the Gender Gap.” *Public Opinion Quarterly* 61 (Fall): 464-76.

Petrocik, John R. 1974. “An Analysis of the Intransitivities in the Index of Party Identification.” *Political Methodology* 1:31-47.

Rapoport, Ronald B. 1997. “Partisanship Change in a Candidate-Centered Era.” *Journal of*

- Politics* 59 (February): 185-99.
- Rice, Tom W., and Tracey A. Hilton. 1996. "Partisanship Over Time: A Comparison of United States Panel Data." *Political Research Quarterly* 49 (March): 191-201.
- Weisberg, Herbert F. 1980. "A Multidimensional Conceptualization of Party Identification," *Political Behavior* 2(1980): 33-60.

September 25 Participation

Required Reading:

- Abramson, Paul R. and John H. Aldrich. 1982. "The Decline of Electoral Participation in America." *American Political Science Review* 76: 502-21.
- Putnam, Robert D. 1995. "Bowling Alone: America's Declining Social Capitalism," *Journal of Democracy* (January), 65-78.
- Gerber, Alan S., Donald P. Green, and Ron Shachar. 2003. "Voting May be Habit-Forming: Evidence from a Randomized Field Experiment." *American Journal of Political Science* 47 (July): 540-550.
- Leighley, Jan E., and Jonathan Nagler. 2007. "Unions, Voter Turnout, and Class bias in the U.S. Electorate, 1964-2004." *Journal of Politics* 69 (May): 430-441.
- Fraga, Luis R., John A. Garcia, Rodney E. Hero, Michael Jones-Correa, Valerie Martinez-Ebers and Gary M. Segura. 2007. "Su Cases Es Nuestra Casa: Latino Politics Research and the Development of American Political Science." *American Political Science Review* 4 (November): 515-522.

Book Report:

- Burns, Nancy, Kay Lehman Schlozman, and Sidney Verba. 2001. *The Private Roots of Public Action: Gender, Equality, and Political Participation*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.

Optional Readings:

- Brady, Henry E., Sidney Verba and Kay Schlozman. 1995. "Beyond SES: A Resource Model of Political Participation." *American Political Science Review* 89 (June): 271-94.
- Burnham, Walter Dean. 1965. "The Changing Shape of the American Political Universe." *American Political Science Review* 59: 7 -28.
- Citrin, Jack, Eric Schickler, and John Sides. 2003. "What if Everyone Voted?: Simulating the Impact of Increased Turnout in Senate Elections." *American Journal of Political Science* 47 (January): 75-90.
- Gerber, Alan S. and Donald P. Green. 2000. "The Effects of Canvassing, Telephone Calls, and Direct Mail on Voter Turnout: A Field Experiment." *American Political Science Review* 94: 653-63.
- Kim, Jae-On, John R. Petrocik, and Stephen N. Enokson. 1975. "Voter Turnout among the American States: Systemic and Individual Components." *American Political Science Review* 69: 107-123.
- Leighley, Jan E. 1996. "Attitudes, Opportunities and Incentives: A Filed Essay on Political Participation." *Political Research Quarterly* 48 (March): 181-210.

- Hill, Kim Quaile, and Jan E. Leighley. 1992. "The Policy Consequences of Class Bias in State Electorates." *American Journal of Political Science* 36 (May): 351-65.
- Leighley, Jan and Jonathan Nagler. 1992. "Socioeconomic Class Bias in Turnout, 1972-1988: The Voters Remain the Same." *American Political Science Review* 86 (September 1992): 725-36.
- Morton, Rebecca B. 1991. "Groups in Rational Turnout Models." *American Journal of Political Science* 35 (August): 758-76.
- Paxton, P. 1999. "Is Social Capitalism Declining in the United States?: A Multiple Indicator Assessment." *American Journal of Sociology* 105 (July): 88 - 127.
- Powell, G. Bingham, Jr. 1986. "American Voter Turnout in Comparative Perspective." *American Political Science Review* 80: 17-44.
- Ragsdale, Lyn and Jerrold Rusk. 1993. "Who Are the Nonvoters?" *American Journal of Political Science* 37 (August): 721-746.
- Timpone, Richard J. 1998. "Structure, Behavior, and Voter Turnout in the United States." 1998. *American Political Science Review* 92(March): 145-58.
- Verba, Sidney and Norman H. Nie. 1972. *Participation in America*. New York: Harper and Row.
- Verba, Sidney, Kay Lehman Schlozman, and Henry E. Brady. 1995. *Voice and Equality: Civic Voluntarism in American Politics*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
- Wolfinger, Raymond E. and Steven J. Rosenstone. 1982. *Who Votes?* New Haven: Yale University Press.

October 2 Social Psychological Model of Voting

Required Readings:

- Rahn, Wendy M. 1993. "The Role of Partisan Stereotypes in Information Processing about Political Candidates." *American Journal of Political Science* 37: 472-96.
- Abramowitz, Alan I. 1995. "It's Abortion, Stupid: Policy Voting in the 1992 Presidential Election." *Journal of Politics* 57 (February): 176 - 86.
- Hayes, Danny. 2005. "Candidate Qualities through a Partisan Lens: A Theory of Trait Ownership." *American Journal of Political Science* 49 (October): 908-923.
- Huber, Gregory A., and Kevin Arceneaux. 2007. "Identifying the Persuasive Effects of Presidential Advertising." *American Journal of Political Science* 51 (October): 957-977.
- Converse, Philip E. 2006. "Researching Electoral Politics." *American Political Science Review* 100 (November): 605-612.

Book Report:

- Campbell, Angus, Philip E. Converse, Warren E. Miller, and Donald E. Stokes. 1960. *The American Voter*. New York: Wiley.

Optional Readings:

- Aldrich, John H., John L. Sullivan and Eugene Borgida. 1989. "Foreign Affairs and Issue Voting: Do Presidential Candidates 'Waltz' Before a Blind Audience?". *American Political Science Review* 83: 123-42.
- Axelrod, Robert. 1972. "Where the Votes Come From: An Analysis of Electoral Coalitions,

- 1952 - 68.” *American Political Science Review* 66 (March): 11 - 20.
- Bartels, Larry M. 2000. “Partisanship and Voting Behavior, 1952-1996.” *American Journal of Political Science* 44: 35-50.
- Beck, Paul Allen, Lawrence Baum, Aage Clausen and Charles E. Smith Jr. 1992. “Patterns and Sources of Split-Ticket Voting.” *American Political Science Review* 86: 916-35.
- Carmines, Edward G., and James A. Stimson. 1980. “The Two Faces of Issue Voting.” *American Political Science Review* 74: 78-91.
- Conover, Pamela J. and Stanley Feldman. 1989. “Candidate Perceptions in an Ambiguous World: Campaigns, Cues, and Inference Processes.” *American Journal of Political Science* 33: 912-40
- Converse, Philip E. 1966. “The Concept of a Normal Vote.” In Angus Campbell, Philip E. Converse, Warren E. Miller and Donald E. Stokes, eds., *Elections and the Political Order*. New York: Wiley, pp. 9-39.
- Hillygus, D. Sunshine, and Simon Jackman. 2003. “Voter Decision Making in 2000: Campaign Effects, Partisan Activation, and the Clinton Legacy.” *American Journal of Political Science* 47 (October): 583-596.
- Page, Benjamin I. and Calvin C. Jones. 1970. “Reciprocal Effects of Policy Preferences, Party Loyalties and the Vote.” *American Political Science Review* 73: 1071-89.
- Stokes, Donald E. 1966. “Some Dynamic Elements of Contests for the Presidency,” *American Political Science Review* 60:.

October 9 Rational Choice and Spatial Models of Elections

Required Readings:

- Riker, William and Peter C. Ordeshook. 1968. “A Theory of the Calculus of Voting.” *American Political Science Review* 62(March): 25-42.
- Aldrich, John H. 1993. “Rational Choice and Turnout.” *American Journal of Political Science* 37: 246-78.
- Fowler, James H. 2006. “Altruism and Turnout.” *Journal of Politics* 68 (August): 674-683.
- Burden, Barry C. 2004. “Candidate Positioning in US Congressional Elections.” *British Journal of Political Science* 34(2): 211-227.

Book Report:

- Downs, Anthony. 1960. *An Economic Theory of Democracy*. New York: Harper & Row

Optional Readings:

- Bender, Jonathan, Daniel Diermeier, and Michael Ting. 2003. “A Behavioral Model of Turnout.” *American Political Science Review* 97(May): 261-280.
- Fiorina, Morris. 1981. *Retrospective Voting in American National Elections*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Moore, Will H. 1995. “Rational Rebels: Overcoming the Free-Rider Problem.” *Political Research Quarterly* 48 (June): 417-454. (Field Essay)
- Warneryd, Karl. 1994. “Partisanship as Information.” *Public Choice* 80 (September): 371-80.
- Whiteley, Paul F. 1995. “Rational Choice and Political Participation -- Evaluating the Debate.” *Political Research Quarterly* 48 (March): 211-234. (Field Essay)

October 20 Congressional Elections

Required Reading:

- Jacobson, Gary. 1989. "Strategic Politicians and the Dynamics of U.S. House Elections, 1946-86." *American Political Science Review* 83: 773-93.
- Ansolabehere, Stephen, James J. Snyder, and Charles I. Stewart. 2000. "Old Voters, New Voters, and the Personal Vote: Using Redistricting to Measure the Incumbency Advantage." *American Journal of Political Science* 44(January): 17-34.
- Stone, Walter J., L. Sandy Maisel, and Cherie D. Maestas. 2004. "Quality Counts: Extending the Strategic Political Model of Incumbent Deterrence." *American Journal of Political Science* 48 (July): 479-495.
- Fox, Richard L, and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2004. "Entering the Arena?: Gender and the Decision to Run for Office." *American Journal of Political Science* 48 (April): 264-280.
- Basinger, Scott J., and Howard Lavine. 2005. "Ambivalence, Information and Electoral Choice." *American Political Science Review* 99 (May): 169-184.

Optional Reading:

- Abramowitz, Alan I. 1991. "Incumbency, Campaign Spending, and the Decline of Competition in the U.S. House Elections." *Journal of Politics* 53(February): 34-56.
- Born, Richard. 1990. "Surge and Decline, Negative Voting, and the Midterm Loss Phenomenon: A Simultaneous Choice Analysis." *American Journal of Political Science* 34: 615-45.
- Campbell, Angus. 1966. "Surge and Decline: A Study of Electoral Change." In *Elections and the Political Order*, ed. Angus Campbell, Philip E. Converse, Warren E. Miller and Donald E. Stokes. New York: Wiley.
- Erikson, Robert S. and Thomas R. Palfrey. 2000. "Equilibria in Campaign Spending Games: Theory and Data." *American Political Science Review* 94:595-609.
- Gerber, Alan. 1998. "Estimating the Effect of Campaign Spending on Senate Election Outcomes Using Instrumental Variables." *American Political Science Review* 92 (June): 401-12.
- Green, Donald P., and Jonathan S. Krasno. 1988. "Salvation for the Spendthrift Incumbent: Re-estimating the Effects of Campaign Spending in House Elections." *American Journal of Political Science* 32(November:): 884-907.
- Jacobson, Gary. 1978. "The Effect of Campaign Spending in Congressional Elections." *American Political Science Review* 72: 469-91.
- Kernell, Samuel. 1977. "Presidential Popularity and Negative Voting: An Alternative Explanation of the Midterm Congressional Decline of the President's Party." *American Political Science Review* 71: 44-66.
- Ragsdale, Lyn. 1994. "Old Approaches and New Challenges for Legislative Election Research." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 28 (November): 537-82.
- Ragsdale, Lyn. 1987. "Campaigns for Campaigners: A Review Essay on Congressional Election Campaigns." *Western Political Quarterly* 40 (December): 735-48.
- Tufte, Edward R. 1973. "The Relationship Between Seats and Votes in Two-Party Systems." *American Political Science Review* 67: 540-54.

October 27 Political Parties

Required Readings:

- Schlesinger, Joseph A. 1975. "The Primary Goals of Political Parties: A Clarification of Positive Theory." *American Political Science Review* 69: 840-49.
- Miller, Gary and Norman Schofield. 2003. "Activists and Partisan Realignment in the United States." *American Political Science Review* 97 (May): 245-260.
- Merrill, Samuel III, Bernard Grofman, and Thomas L. Brunell. 2008. "Cycles in American National Electoral Politics, 1854-2006: Statistical Evidence and an Explanatory Model." *American Political Science Review* 102 (February): 1-18.
- Nardulli, Peter. 1995. "The Concept of a Critical Realignment, Electoral Behavior, and Political Change." *American Political Science Review* 89(1): 10-22.
- Reiter, Howard L. 2006. "The Study of Political Parties, 1906-2005: The View from the Journals." *American Political Science Review* 100 (November): 613-618.

Book Report:

- Aldrich, John H. 1995. *Why Parties?: The Origin and Transformation of Party Politics in America*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Optional Readings:

- Bruce, John M., John A. Clark and John H. Kessel. 1991. "Advocacy Politics in Presidential Parties." *American Political Science Review* 85 (December): 1089-105.
- Budge, Ian and Richard I. Hofferbert. 1990. "Mandates and Policy Outputs: U.S. Party Platforms and Federal Expenditures." *American Political Science Review* 84 (March): 111-32.
- Gibson, James L, Cornelius P. Cotter, John F. Bibby and Robert Huckshorn. 1985. "Whither the Local Parties?: A Cross-Sectional and Longitudinal Analysis of the Strength of Party Organization." *American Journal of Political Science* 29 (February): 139-60.
- Green, John C. and Rick Farmer. 2003. *The State of the Parties: The Changing Role of Contemporary American Parties, 4th edition*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.
- Herrnson, Paul S. 1986. "Do Parties Make a Difference: The Role of Party Organizations in Congressional Elections." *Journal of Politics* 48 (August): 589-615.
- Wattenberg, Martin P. 1998. *The Decline of American Political Parties, 1952 – 1996*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.

November 3: Presidential Nominations

Required Readings

- Barker, David C. 2005. "Values, Frames, and Persuasion in Presidential Nomination Campaigns." *Political Behavior*, 27 (Dec, Issue 4): 375-394
- Haynes, Audrey A., Paul-Henri Gurian and Stephen M. Nichols. 1997. "The Role of Candidate Spending in Presidential Nomination Campaigns." *Journal of Politics* 59 (February): 213-25.
- Morton, Rebecca B., and Kenneth C. Williams. 1999. "Information Asymmetries and

- Simultaneous Versus Sequential Voting.” *American Political Science Review* 93 (March): 51-67.
- Norrander, Barbara. 2006. “The Attrition Game: Initial Resources, Initial Contests and the Exit of Candidates During the US Presidential Primary Season.” *British Journal of Political Science* 36 (July, 2006): 487-507
- Steger, Wayne P. 2007. “Who Wins Nominations and Why?: An Updated Forecast of the Presidential Nomination Vote.” *Political Research Quarterly* 60 (March): 91-99.
- Stone, Walter J., Lonna Rae Atkeson, and Ronald B. Rapoport. 1992. "Turnout On or Turning Off? Mobilization and Demobilization Effects of Participation in Presidential Nomination Campaigns." *American Journal of Political Science* 36:665-91.

Optional Readings:

See bibliography at <http://www.u.arizona.edu/~norrande>

November 10 Congress

Required Readings:

- Krutz, Glen S. 2005. “Issues and Institutions: “Winnowing” in the U.S. Congress.” *American Journal of Political Science* 49 (April): 313-326.
- Finocchiaro, Charles J. and Rohde, David W. 2008. “War for the Floor: Partisan Theory and Agenda Control in the U.S. House of Representatives.” *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 33 (February): 35-61.
- Polsby, Nelson W. 1968. “The Institutionalization of the U.S. House of Representatives.” *American Political Science Review* 62 (March): 144-168.
- Miller, Warren E., and Donald E. Stokes. 1963. “Constituency Influence in Congress.” *American Political Science Review* 57 (March): 45-56.
- Carroll, Royce, and Henry A. Kim. 2007. “Party Government and the Cohesive Power of Public Plunder.” Manuscript posted on class D2L webpage.

Book Report:

Cox, Gary W., and Matthew D. McCubbins. 2005. *Setting the Agenda: Responsible Party Government in the U.S. House of Representatives*. Cambridge University Press.

Optional Readings:

- Brunell, Thomas L., and Bernard Grofman. 1998. “Explaining Divided U.S. Senate Delegations, 1788-1996: A Realignment Approach.” *American Political Science Review* 92 (June): 391-399.
- Dodd, Lawrence C., and Bruce I. Oppenheimer. Various years. *Congress Reconsidered*. Washington, D.C.: CQ Press.
- Fenno, Richard F., Jr. 1973. *Congressmen in Committees*. Boston: Little Brown.
- Fenno, Richard F., Jr. 1978. *Home Style: House Members in Their Districts*. Boston: Little, Brown.

- Fiorina, Morris. 1992. *Divided Government*. New York: Macmillan.
- Lee, Frances E. 2003. "Geographic Politics in the U.S. House of Representatives: Coalition Building and Distribution of Benefits." *American Journal of Political Science* 47 (October): 714-728.
- Mayhew, David R. 1974. *Congress: The Electoral Connection*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Oleszek, Walter J. *Congressional Procedures and the Policy Process*. Washington, D.C.: CQ Press.
- Rohde, David. 1991. *Parties and Leaders in the Post-Reform Congress*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Schlesinger, Joseph A. 1966. *Ambition and Politics: Political Careers in the United States*. Chicago: Rand McNally.

November 17 Roll Call Voting and Representation

Required Readings:

- Krehbiel, Keith. 1993. "Where's the Party?" *British Journal of Political Science* 23: 235-66.
- Poole, Keith T., and Howard Rosenthal. 1985. "Patterns of Congressional Voting." *American Journal of Political Science* 29: 357-84.
- James M. Snyder, Jr. and Time Groseclose. 2000. "Estimating Party Influence In Congressional Roll-Call Voting." *American Journal of Political Science* 44 (April): 187-205.
- Peterson, David A. M., Lawrence J. Grossback, James A. Stimson, and Amy Gangl. 2003. "Congressional Response to Mandate Elections." *American Journal of Political Science* 47 (July): 411-727.
- Dovi, Suzanne. 2002. "Preferable Descriptive Representatives: Will Just Any Woman, Black, or Latino Do?" *American Political Science Review* 96 (December): 729-743.
- Schwindt-Bayer, Leslie A., and Renato Corbetta. 2004. "Gender Turnover and Roll-Call Voting in the U.S. House of Representatives." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 24 (May): 215-229.

Optional Readings:

- Anderson, Lee, Meredith W. Watts, Jr., and Allen R. Wilcox. 1966. *Legislative Roll-Call Analysis*. Evanston, IL: Northwestern University Press.
- Clausen, Aage. 1973. *How Congressmen Decide*. New York: St. Martin's.
- Kingdon, John W. 1973. *Congressmen's Voting Decisions*. New York: Harper and Row.
- Krehbiel, Keth. 2000. "Party Discipline and Measures of Partisanship." *American Journal of Political Science* 44(April): 206-11.
- Miller, Warren E. and Donald E. Stokes. 1963. "Constituency Influence in Congress." *American Political Science Review* 57: 45-57.
- Patterson, Samuel C. and Gregory A. Caldeira. 1988. "Party Voting in the United States Congress." *British Journal of Political Science* 18: 111-31.
- Poole, Keith T. 1988. "Recent Developments in Analytical Models of Voting in the U.S. Congress." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 13: 117-33.
- Stratmann, Thomas. 2000. "Congressional Voting over Legislative Careers: Shifting Positions

- and Changing Constraints.” *American Political Science Review* 94: 665-76.
- Weisberg, Herbert. 1978. “Evaluating Theories of Congressional Roll Call Voting.” *American Journal of Political Science* 22 (August): 554-53.
- Wilcox, Clyde and Aage Clausen. 1991. “The Dimensionality of Roll Call Voting Reconsidered.” *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 16: 393-406.

November 24 Presidential Behavior

Required Readings:

- Eshbaugh-Soha, Matthew. 2005. “The Politics of Presidential Agendas.” *Political Research Quarterly* 58 (June): 257-268.
- Cranes-Wrone, Brandice and Kenneth W. Shotts. 2004. “The Conditional Nature of Presidential Responsiveness to Public Opinion.” *American Journal of Political Science* 48 (October): 690-706.
- Fleisher, Richard, and Jon R. Bond. 1996. “The President in a More Partisan legislative Arena.” *Political Research Quarterly* 49 (December): 729-748.
- Canes-Wrone, Brandice. 2001. “The President’s Legislative Influence from Public Appeals.” *American Journal of Political Science* 45 (April): 313-329.
- Barrett, Andrew W. 2004. “Gone Public: The Impact of Going Public on Presidential Legislative Success.” *American Politics Research* 43 (May): 338-370.

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