

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO

**Political Science 200b**

Graduate Core Sequence: Democracy

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**Outline of Seminar**

- I. What is Democracy? How Do We Know It When We See It?
- II. Democratization
- III. Consequences: Survival and Economic Growth
- IV. Assessing Democracy: Consolidation and Quality
- V. How Institutions Shape Democratic Politics
- VI. Representation
- VII. Participation
- VIII. Democratic States and Societies
  - A. Civil Societies
  - B. Plural Societies

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**Readings:**

Many of the readings will be available on the course web-site (address to be announced in class). The books are available at the library, from your colleagues, or through on-line vendors. The books that we will be reading at some length include:

1. Gary W. Cox. *Making Votes Count*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1997.
2. Stephan Haggard and Robert R. Kaufman. *The Political Economy of Democratic Transitions*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1995.
3. Alexander Hamilton, John Jay and James Madison. *The Federalist*.
4. Samuel P. Huntington. *The Third Wave: Democratization in the Late Twentieth Century*. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1991.
5. Will Kymlicka. *Multicultural Citizenship*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995.
6. Arend Lijphart. *Democracy in Plural Societies: A Comparative Exploration*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1977.
7. Arend Lijphart. *Patterns of Democracy: Government Forms and Performance in Thirty-Six Countries*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1999.
8. Adam Przeworski et al. *Democracy and Development: Political Institutions and Well-Being in the World, 1950-1990*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2000.
9. Nancy Rosenblum. *Membership and Morals: The Personal Uses of Pluralism in America*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1998.
10. Alexis DeTocqueville. *Democracy in America*.
11. Gordon Wood. *The Creation of the American Republic*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1969.

**Requirements:**

1. *Reading and seminar participation.* Each week please read the assigned texts *prior to* the seminar meeting.
2. *Practice Comprehensive Examination.* At the end of the course you will be given a practice comprehensive examination, comprised of two short take-home essays. Topics will be given out on 10 March; essays are due by noon on Tuesday, 15 March.

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**Week 1 (January 6)**

**Introduction**

Arend Lijphart. *Patterns of Democracy: Government Forms and Performance in Thirty-Six Countries.* New Haven: Yale University Press, 1999. Read entire book.

Samuel P. Huntington. *Political Order in Changing Societies.* New Haven: Yale University Press, 1968. Read Chapter 2.

**Week 2 (January 13)**

**WHAT IS DEMOCRACY? HOW DO WE KNOW IT WHEN WE SEE IT?**

Joseph Schumpeter. *Capitalism, Socialism, and Democracy.* London: Allen and Unwin, 1976. Read Chapters 21 (parts 1-2), 22; and 23 (parts 1-2).

Adam Przeworski. *Democracy and the Market: Political and Economic Reforms in Eastern Europe and Latin America.* New York: Cambridge University Press, 1991. Read Chapter 1.

Robert A. Dahl. *Polyarchy: Participation and Opposition.* New Haven: Yale University Press, 1971. Read pages 1-16, 231-49.

“Is Russia a Democracy?”

Jim Nichol, coordinator. “Russian Political, Economic, and Security Issues and U. S. Interests.” Washington, DC: Congressional Research Service, November 4, 2010. Read pages 2-13.

**Week 3 (January 20)**

**DEMOCRATIZATION, I**

Samuel P. Huntington. *The Third Wave: Democratization in the Late Twentieth Century.* Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1991. Read Chapters 1-4.

Stephan Haggard and Robert R. Kaufman. *The Political Economy of Democratic Transitions.* Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1995. Read Chapters 1, 4-5, 9-11.

**Week 4 (January 27)**

**CONSEQUENCES: SURVIVAL AND ECONOMIC GROWTH**

Adam Przeworski et al. *Democracy and Development: Political Institutions and Well-Being in the World, 1950-1990*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2000.

**Week 5 (February 3)**

**ASSESSING DEMOCRACY: CONSOLIDATION AND QUALITY**

Juan J. Linz and Alfred Stepan. *Problems of Democratic Transition and Consolidation*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 1996. Read Chapter 1.

Guillermo O'Donnell. "Illusions about Consolidation." *Journal of Democracy* 7 (April 1996), 34-51.

Richard Gunther, P. Nikoforos Diamondouros, and Hans-Jurgen Puhle. "O'Donnell's 'Illusions': A Rejoinder." *Journal of Democracy* 7 (October 1996), 151-59.

Guillermo O'Donnell. "Illusions and Conceptual Flaws." *Journal of Democracy* 7 (October 1996), 160-68.

Adam Przeworski, Michael Alvarez, Jose Antonio Cheibub, and Fernando Limongi. "What Makes Democracies Endure?" *Journal of Democracy* 7 (January 1996), 39-55.

Andrew Roberts. *The Quality of Democracy in Eastern Europe: Public Preferences and Policy Reforms*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2010. Read Chapters 2 and 8.

**Week 6 (February 10)**

**HOW INSTITUTIONS SHAPE DEMOCRATIC POLITICS**

Gary W. Cox. *Making Votes Count*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1997. Read Chapters 1-3, 4 (pp. 69-80), 8, 10, 12-15.

**Week 7 (February 17)**

**REPRESENTATION**

Gordon Wood. *The Creation of the American Republic*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1969. Read pages 344-467.

*The Articles of Confederation*.

*Constitution of the United States of America*.

Alexander Hamilton, John Jay and James Madison. *The Federalist*. Read #1, 6, 9, 10, 23, 35, 37-39, 45-51, 62, 63, 68, 70, 78, 84.

Bernard Manin, Adam Przeworski, and Susan Stokes. "Elections and Representation." In *Democracy, Accountability and Representation*, ed. Przeworski, Stokes and Manin, 29-54. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1999.

Hanna Pitkin. *The Concept of Representation*. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1967. Read Chapter 7 (pp. 144-67).

### **Week 8 (February 24)**

#### **PARTICIPATION**

Jon Elster. "The Market and the Forum: Three Varieties of Political Theory." In *Foundations of Social Choice Theory*, ed. Jon Elster and Aanund Hyland, 103-32. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1986.

Bruce Ackerman and James Fishkin. "Deliberation Day." *Journal of Political Philosophy* 10 (2002): 129-52.

Bernard Manin. "On Legitimacy and Political Deliberation," *Political Theory* 15 (1987): 338-68.

Donald R. Kinder and Don Herzog. "Democratic Discussion." In *Reconsidering the Democratic Public*, ed. George Marcus and Russell Hanson, 347-77. University Park, PA: Pennsylvania State University Press, 1993.

Gabriel A. Almond and Sidney Verba. *The Civic Culture: Political Attitudes and Democracy in Five Nations*. Boston: Little, Brown, 1963. Read Chapter 13.

Samuel P. Huntington. "The Democratic Distemper," *The Public Interest* 41 (1975), 9-38.

### **Week 9 (March 3)**

#### **DEMOCRATIC STATES AND SOCIETIES, I: CIVIL SOCIETIES**

Alexis DeTocqueville. *Democracy in America*. Read Volume 1 (Introduction, Chs. 1-5, 9, 12-17), Volume 2 (Preface, Part I [chs. 1-5, 11, 13-14], Part II [chs. 1-8, 13, 14, 18-20], Part III [chs. 1, 2, 5, 7-13, 17, 19, 21], Part IV [chs. 1-4, 6-8])

Robert Putnam. "Bowling Alone: America's Declining Social Capital," *Journal of Democracy* 6 (January 1995), 65-78.

Nancy Rosenblum. *Membership and Morals: The Personal Uses of Pluralism in America*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1998. Read Introduction, Chapters 1, 3, 5 (pp. 3-46, 73-111, 158-90).

### **Week 10 (March 10)**

#### **DEMOCRATIC STATES AND SOCIETIES, II: PLURAL SOCIETIES**

Arend Lijphart. *Democracy in Plural Societies: A Comparative Exploration*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1977. Read Chapters 1, 2, and 7.

Will Kymlicka. *Multicultural Citizenship*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995. Read Chapters 2, 5-7, 9.

Philip G. Roeder. "Power Dividing." In *Conflict Resolution: Theories and Practice*, edited by Stefan Wolff and Christalla Yakinthou. London: Routledge, in progress.