

POLITICAL SCIENCE

POLITICAL SCIENCE 2410 PHILOSOPHY 2210

CRISIS AND CONSENT: FOUNDATIONS OF POLITICAL THOUGHT I 1651-1762



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COURSE SUMMARY

Political Science 2410 is, along with Political Science 2420, an introduction to political philosophy, and to the development of moral and conceptual ideas underlying modern politics. Both classes will examine some of the most important normative issues in the history of modern western political thought, and will investigate how these questions underlie most of today's political debates. Specifically, they will trace the development of modern liberalism, the challenges to liberalism in the past three and a half centuries, and the roots of the contemporary contradictions within modern liberal thought.



ASSIGNMENTS

Midterm: October 25th (20%) **Paper:** due November 16th – see website for details (40%) **Final Exam:** scheduled exam period (40%)

*No alternative dates for exams will be set except for serious medical conditions. Exam dates are set well in advance: please keep them in mind when you make your travel arrangements *Grades for each assignment, as well as final grades, will be available on the class web site.

REQUIRED TEXTS

- 1. For primary readings, the text is **Stephen Cahn, ed.** *Classics of Political and Moral Philosophy, 2nd ed., also* available for purchase from the university bookstore (this does not include the Montesquieu reading, which is available online)
- 2. The secondary text (**David Boucher & Paul Kelly, eds.** *Political Thinkers*) is available either for purchase through the university bookstore, or on 2-hour loan at the Killam library reserve readings desk.

RECOMMENDED TEXTS

George Klosko, History of Political Theory, vol. II (available at Reserve Desk, Killam Library)



LECTURE OUTLINE

1. <u>RIGHTS AND THE INDIVIDUAL</u>

A. Required:

1. Thomas Hobbes, *Leviathan* (in Cahn), pp. 383-441 (**Pt I**: ch 1-3, 6, 10-15; **Pt II**: Ch.17-21, 29)

2. Boucher & Kelly, chapter 10 (Hobbes) **Recommended:** Klosko, chapter 2 (Hobbes).

B. Required:

John Locke, *The Second Treatise of Government* (in Cahn), pp. 456-505.
Boucher & Kelly, chapter 11 (Locke)
Recommended: Klosko, chapter 3 (Locke)

2. THE SCOTTISH ENLIGHTENMENT

A. Required:

1. David Hume, A Treatise of Human Nature and Of the Original Contract (in Cahn), pp. 567-607 and 611-620.

2. Boucher & Kelly, chapter 12 (Hume)

B. Required:

1. Adam Smith, *The Theory of Moral Sentiments* and *The Wealth of Nations* (in Cahn), pp. 620-651.

3. <u>CITIZENSHIP, LAW, AND DEMOCRACY</u>

A. Required:

1. Charles Louis de Montesquieu, *The Spirit of the Laws*, Book I, chapter 3; Book II, chapters 1-5; and Book III, chapters 1-9 (available online).

2. Boucher & Kelly, chapter 13 (Montesquieu)

Recommended: Klosko, chapter 5 (Montesquieu).

B. Required:

1. Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Discourse on the Origin and Foundations of Inequality Among Men and On the Social Contract (in Cahn), pp 513-566.

2. Boucher & Kelly, chapter 14 (Rousseau)

Recommended: Klosko, ch.6 (Rousseau)

THE COMMONWEALTH PRIZE

THE COMMONWEALTH PRIZE FOR POLITICAL THOUGHT IS A CASH PRIZE THAT WILL BE AWARDED TO THE STUDENT WHO HAS THE HIGHEST CUMULATIVE GRADE THIS YEAR IN BOTH POLI 2410/PHIL 2210 AND POLI 2420/PHIL 2220.

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STUDENTS MAY REQUEST ACCOMMODATION AS A RESULT OF BARRIERS RELATED TO DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OBLIGATION, OR ANY CHARACTERISTIC UNDER THE NOVA SCOTIA HUMAN RIGHTS ACT. STUDENTS WHO REQUIRE ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION FOR EITHER CLASSROOM PARTICIPATION OR THE WRITING OF TESTS, QUIZZES AND EXAMS SHOULD MAKE THEIR REQUEST TO THE OFFICE OF STUDENT ACCESSIBILITY & ACCOMMODATION

(OSAA) PRIOR TO OR AT THE OUTSET OF EACH ACADEMIC TERM (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF X/Y courses). Please see

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• DO NOT USE THE WORK OF ANOTHER FROM THE INTERNET OR ANY OTHER SOURCE AND SUBMIT IT AS YOUR OWN

• WHEN YOU USE THE IDEAS OF OTHER PEOPLE (PARAPHRASING), MAKE SURE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE SOURCE

• DO NOT SUBMIT WORK THAT HAS BEEN COMPLETED THROUGH COLLABORATION OR PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED FOR ANOTHER ASSIGNMENT WITHOUT PERMISSION FROM YOUR INSTRUCTOR (THESE EXAMPLES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ONLY AS A GUIDE AND NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST.)

WHERE CAN YOU TURN FOR HELP?

IF YOU ARE EVER UNSURE ABOUT ANY ASPECT OF YOUR ACADEMIC WORK, CONTACT ME (OR THE TA):

• ACADEMIC INTEGRITY WEBSITE (SEE *HTTP://ACADEMICINTEGRITY.DAL.CA/*) - LINKS TO POLICIES, DEFINITIONS, ONLINE TUTORIALS, TIPS ON CITING AND PARAPHRASING

• WRITING CENTRE (SEE *HTTP://WRITINGCENTRE.DAL.CA/*) - ASSISTANCE WITH LEARNING TO WRITE ACADEMIC DOCUMENTS, REVIEWING PAPERS FOR DISCIPLINE-SPECIFIC WRITING STANDARDS, ORGANIZATION, ARGUMENT, TRANSITITIONS, WRITING STYLES AND CITATIONS

• DALHOUSIE LIBRARIES (SEE *HTTP://WWW.LIBRARY.DAL.CA/*) - WORKSHOPS, ONLINE TUTORIALS, CITATION GUIDES, ASSIGNMENT CALCULATOR, REFWORKS

- DALHOUSIE STUDENT ADVOCACY SERVICE (SEE *HTTP://WWW.DSU.CA/SERVICES/ADVOCACY*) -ASSISTS STUDENTS WITH ACADEMIC APPEALS AND STUDENT DISCIPLINE PROCEDURES.
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• EACH FACULTY HAS AN ACADEMIC INTEGRITY OFFICER (AIO) WHO RECEIVES ALLEGATIONS FROM INSTRUCTORS

• BASED ON THE EVIDENCE PROVIDED, THE AIO DECIDES IF THERE IS EVIDENCE TO PROCEED WITH THE ALLEGATION AND YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THE PROCESS

• IF THE CASE PROCEEDS, YOU WILL RECEIVE A

PENDING GRADE UNTIL THE MATTER IS RESOLVED

• IF YOU ARE FOUND GUILTY OF AN OFFENCE, A

PENALTY WILL BE ASSIGNED RANGING FROM A WARNING, TO FAILURE OF THE ASSIGNMENT OR FAILURE OF THE CLASS, TO EXPULSION FROM THE UNIVERSITY. PENALTIES MAY ALSO INCLUDE A NOTATION ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT THAT INDICATES THAT YOU HAVE COMMITTED AN ACADEMIC OFFENCE.

