PSCI 321 Syllabus: Fall 2005

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I. Course Requirements

First, do the reading; second, come to class having done the reading (of which there is a fair amount). I’ll lecture some but there will be lots of discussion, so you need to know what we’re talking about. There will be two short (5 page) papers, a long paper (12 pages) and a final (2 hour).

II. Grading

Your grade will be determined as follows: 25% the final, 25% the long paper, 12.5% each short paper, 25% class participation. Extensions will not be granted lightly and need to be sought before the paper is due. Late papers will be graded down at a rate of a grade a day (i.e. A to A- etc.) A wholly undone paper gets a double F; not taking the final gets an F in the course. Late papers also affect the class participation grade. In other words: GET YOUR PAPERS IN ON TIME! THE NECK YOU SAVE WILL BE YOUR OWN!

III. Texts

Syme, *The Roman Revolution*
Neale, *Queen Elizabeth I*
Ellis, *His Excellency: George Washington*
Aron, *Thinking Politically*
Gaddis, *Surprise, Security and the American Experience*
Aristotle, *The Politics* (Simpson translation)*
Burke, *Reflections on the Revolution in France*
Marx, *Selected Writings*
Ceaser, *Liberal Democracy and Political Science*

* If you are not using the Simpson translation, please check with me; the order of books is different in Simpson’s.

IV. Class Schedule

August   29   Introduction

          31   Syme, chs. 1-6

September 2   Class canceled (to be made up)

          5   Syme, chs. 6-17 (includes the reading that would have been assigned for September 2
7  Syme, chs. 18-20

September 9  Syme, chs. 21-23
12  Syme, chs. 24-28
14  Syme, chs. 28-33
16  Neale, chs. 1-5
19  Neale, chs. 6-10
21  Neale, chs. 11-15
23  Neale, chs. 16-19
26  Neale, chs. 20-22
28  Ellis, chs. 1-2
30  Ellis, chs. 3-4

October 3  Ellis, chs. 5-6
5  Ellis, ch. 7

7  Aron, Introduction (Mahoney and Anderson), Part I, pp. 3-61

OCTOBER BREAK

12  Aron, pp. 62-114
14  Aron, pp. 117-179
17  Aron, pp. 180-248
19  Aron, pp. 249-267; pp. 291-322
21  Aron, pp. 325-347
24  Aristotle, Book VI, chs. 1-4
26  Aristotle, Book VI, chs. 5-13
28  Aristotle, Book VI, chs. 14-16; Book VII, chs. 1-3
31 Aristotle, Book VII, chs. 4-7

November
2 Aristotle, Book VII, chs. 8-12
4 Burke, pp. 84-122
7 Burke, pp. 141-154; pp. 170-184
9 Burke, pp. 186-218; pp. 274-287
11 Burke, pp. 299-333
14 Marx, pp. 63-73
16 Marx, pp. 156-158; pp. 172-185
18 Marx, pp. 300-324

THANKSGIVING BREAK

28 Gaddis, chs. 1-4
30 Gaddis, ch. 5

December
2 Ceaser, Introduction and chs. 1-2
5 Ceaser, ch. 3
7 Ceaser, chs. 4-5
9 Ceaser, chs. 6-8
12 Concluding Discussion

FINAL EXAMINATION: DECEMBER 19, 6:30 P.M. IN S. MATHER 215