

## Comparative Politics Core Seminar

PLCP 7000

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Mondays 2:00-4:30 PM

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**Overview.** This seminar provides an introduction to salient questions and themes in the study of comparative politics. The first several weeks of our course address major approaches to research in comparative politics. We then survey recent scholarship on questions of major significance in the field, paying particular attention to publications that build upon or challenge one another in addressing their topics of interest. The works we read together in one way or another mark important steps in the evolution of prominent research areas of the literature in comparative politics. Even so, our wide-ranging inquiry is illustrative, not exhaustive: no semester-long seminar can encompass the entirety of the field of comparative politics.

**Goals.** This course pursues six chief goals. Most pragmatically, the course is designed to help you:

- prepare for this graduate program's comprehensive exam in comparative politics, whether you intend to establish a major or minor in that field; and
- acquire a relatively advanced survey of the subfield of comparative politics, whatever your major subfield might be.
- Gain an appreciation of how successful research articles address and extend scholarly debates in the subfield of comparative politics

Moreover, the course will enable you to:

- hone your critical and analytical skills;
- gain a scientific perspective on political behavior and phenomena; and
- broaden and deepen your understanding of political science as a discipline and a profession.

**Requirements.** All class members are expected to complete the assigned readings before the class meeting for which the particular readings are assigned. That basic requirement will permit students to complete the following categories of work.

*In-class participation.* Students' thoughtful comments on course readings, along with their careful consideration of others' remarks, form an essential part of our seminar. Keep

in mind that good questions contribute just as much to discussion as do affirmations and answers. Class participation is worth **20%** of the course grade.

*LLB Seminar Participation:* For Ph.D. students, part of the in-class participation grade will be participation in the Lansing Lee/Bankard (LLB) Seminar in Global Politics. The LLB seminar is a year-long speaker series that features leading scholars in Comparative Politics and International Relations. The seminar meets 5 to 6 times each semester on Mondays from 12:00-1:30 PM. If you attend, *you must ask a question during Q&A!* Come talk to us if you have a scheduling conflict and cannot make the seminar.

*Discussion Questions.* In the evening prior to each class meeting (Sunday evening), all participants should post to the Discussion of our course Collab webpage at least one discussion question. These questions should pose interesting issues that are central to the readings and that you would like to discuss further or issues that you feel are in need of clarification. Your questions will help motivate the classroom discussion. Please post your questions by no later than 8pm on Sunday. Your cumulative questions are worth **10%** of the course grade.

*Mid-term critical review essay, open book.* Students will select the readings assigned for one of our weekly readings that they find of particular interest. They will write a critical essay of four to eight pages in length (double-spaced, 12pt font) that critically reviews the important issues raised by the readings. In addition to demonstrating their critical understanding of the assigned readings, students may also incorporate insights from the recommended readings, relevant readings assigned in other weeks, and/or readings not assigned in the course. Essays should present and defend a clear thesis. The best essays will develop a cogent, convincing, and well-articulated argument in support of their thesis statements. They will be transparently and logically organized. Note that essays that stake out a creative or original approach will be rewarded. Overall, the essays will demonstrate a firm command of the issues addressed. You must **pledge** your essay. It is due by no later than the beginning of class on **October 24**, but can be submitted at any time earlier in the semester. Your essay is worth **30%** of the course grade.

*Take-home final exam, open book.* Your final exam will consist of an essay which focuses on themes from both the required readings and the class discussions. We will present students with a choice of topics from which to select in preparing their final essays. The essay should be from five to ten pages in length (double-spaced, 12pt font). Persuasive essays on the final exam will share the traits of persuasive essays on the midterm. The final exam will be cumulative and will challenge you to synthesize insights gained over the course of the semester. You must **pledge** your final essay. Essay topics will be distributed in class on **December 5**. They should be submitted to the assignments section of our course Collab page by no later than 11:59pm on **December 12**. The final essay is worth **40%** of the course grade.

*Late Grade Policy:* Students are expected to submit their assignments by the course deadlines. This is an essential part of your training as a social science professional. Students should contact the instructors prior to the deadline to receive extensions for legitimate health and family reasons. Assignments submitted after the deadline but on

the same day will be penalized one-half grade. Students submitting assignments on the day after the deadline will be penalized one grade. Students will be penalized an additional grade for each additional day an assignment is submitted after the deadline. It is always best to contact your instructors at any time if you are having problems completing your assignments in a timely manner.

### **Readings.**

- All readings are available at our course Collab site.
- Recommended readings are just that: not required. Nonetheless, they give you part of the context for appraising required readings, along with the ability to observe part of the evolution of research in the particular corner of the field. You may wish to return to some of the recommended readings if, e.g., you do a major in CP and/or your dissertation project turns out to be related to that research area.
- Note that the CP exam will include questions that cover the following themes: 1) Comparative Institutions; 2) Identity in CP; 3) Comparative Political Economy; and 4) Democracy and Authoritarianism. Keep in mind that many topics fall under multiple categories! The readings below provide broad coverage of these four themes.

## **Course Outline and Required Readings**

### August 29: Approaches and Units of Comparative Politics

- Lijphart, Arend. 1971. Comparative Politics and the Comparative Method. *American Political Science Review* 65(3), pp.682-693.
- Bates, Robert. 1997. Area Studies and the Discipline: A Useful Controversy? *PS: Political Science and Politics* 30(2), pp.166-169.
- Levi, Margaret. 2000. The Economic Turn in Comparative Politics. *Comparative Political Studies* 33 (67), pp. 822-844.
- Snyder R. 2001. Scaling down: the subnational comparative method. *Studies in Comparative International Development* 36 (1), pp.93–110.
- Pepinsky, T.B., 2019. The return of the single-country study. *Annual Review of Political Science*, 22, pp.187-203.
- Roberts, A. 2020. Consensus and dissensus in comparative politics: Do comparativists agree on the goals, methods, and results of the field? *International Political Science Review*, 41(4), pp.490-506.

### September 5: Rational Choice and Comparative Historical Analysis

- Geddes, B. 2003. How the Approach You Choose Affects the Answers You Get: Rational Choice and Its Uses in Comparative Politics. In *Paradigms and Sand Castles*, Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, pp. 175-211.
- Hall, P. and Taylor, R. 1996. "Political Science and the Three New Institutionalisms." *Political Studies* 44: 936-957.
- North, D. 1990. "A Transaction Cost Theory of Politics." *Journal of Theoretical Politics*. 2(4): 355-367.

- Thelen, K. and Mahoney, J. 2015. Comparative-historical Analysis in Contemporary Political Science. In Mahoney, J. and Thelen, K. (eds.) *Advances in Comparative Historical Analysis*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2015, pp. 3-36
- Collier, D. and Munck, G.L., 2017. Building blocks and methodological challenges: A framework for studying critical junctures. *Qualitative and Multi-Method Research*, 15, pp.2-9..
- Pierson, P. 2000. “Increasing Returns, Path Dependence, and the Study of Politics.” *American Political Science Review* 94(2): 251-267.

#### September 12: Historical Political Economy

- Acemoglu, D., Johnson, S. and Robinson, J.A., 2001. The colonial origins of comparative development: An empirical investigation. *American Economic Review*, 91(5), pp.1369-1401.
- Nunn, N., and Wantchekon, L. 2011. The Slave Trade and the Origins of Mistrust in Africa. *American Economic Review* 101 (7), pp.3221-3252.
- Giuliano, P. and Nunn, N., 2013. The Transmission of Democracy: From the Village to the Nation-State. *American Economic Review*, 103(3), pp.86-92.
- Acharya, A., Blackwell, M. and Sen, M., 2016. The political legacy of American slavery. *The Journal of Politics*, 78(3), pp.621-641.
- Gingerich, D., & Vogler, J. 2021. Pandemics and Political Development: The Electoral Legacy of the Black Death in Germany. *World Politics*, 73(3), 393-440.
- Cirone, A., & Pepinsky, T. B. (2022). Historical persistence. *Annual Review of Political Science*, 25, 241-259.

#### September 19: The State and State Building

- Skocpol, T. 1979. *States and Social Revolutions: A Comparative Analysis of France, Russia, and China*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1.
- Tilly, C. 1992. *Coercion, Capital, and European States: AD 990-1992*. Cambridge: Blackwell. Chapters 1 and 3.
- Jeffrey Herbst. 2000. *States and Power in Africa: Comparative Lessons in Authority and Control*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Chapters 1 and 2.
- Thies, C. 2005. “War, Rivalry, and State Building in Latin America.” *American Journal of Political Science* 49(3): 451-465
- Lee, M. and Zhang, N. 2017. “Legibility and the Informational Foundations of State Capacity.” *Journal of Politics* 79(1): 118-132.
- Lee, M. 2022. “International Statebuilding and the Domestic Politics of State Development.” *Annual Review of Political Science* 25.

#### September 26: Regime Change (Democratization and Autocratization)

- Geddes. 1999. “What Do We Know about Democratization After Twenty Years?” *Annual Review of Political Science* 2:115-144.

- Boix, C. 2003. *Democracy and Redistribution*. New York: Cambridge University Press, ch. 1-2.
- Ansell, B.W. and Samuels, D.J., 2014. *Inequality and democratization*. Cambridge University Press, ch. 4-5.
- Rosenfeld, B. 2021. *The Autocratic Middle Class: How State Dependency Reduces the Demand for Democracy*. Princeton University Press. Chapters 1-2.
- Gingerich, D.W., 2019. Ballot Reform as Suffrage Restriction: Evidence from Brazil's Second Republic. *American Journal of Political Science*, 63(4), pp.920-935.
- Waldner, D. and Lust, E. 2018. "Unwelcome change: Coming to terms with democratic backsliding." *Annual Review of Political Science* 21: 93-113.

October 3: Fall break – No Class!

October 10: Authoritarianism

- Meng, A. 2020. *Constraining Democracy: From Personalized Rule to Institutionalized Regimes*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, Chapter 1-3
- Meng, A. 2021. "Winning the Game of Thrones: Leadership Succession in Modern Autocracies." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 65(5): 950-981.
- Knutsen, Carl Henrik, Håvard Møkleiv Nygård, and Tore Wig. "Autocratic Elections: Stabilizing Tool or Force for Change?" *World Politics* 69, no. 1 (2017): 98–143.
- Sheena Greitens. 2016. *Dictators and Their Secret Police: Coercive Institutions and State Violence*. Cambridge University Press. Chapters 1-2.
- Fiona Shen-Bayh. 2018. "Strategies of Repression: Judicial and Extrajudicial Methods of Autocratic Survival." *World Politics*. 70(3): 321-357
- Naunihal Singh. 2014. *Seizing Power*. Chapters 1-2

October 17: Electoral Systems and Rules

- Cox, Gary W. 1997. *Making Votes Count: Strategic Coordination in the World's Electoral Systems*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Chs. 1, 3-5, 10. (If you have never heard of Duverger's Law, skim Ch. 2)
- Carey, J and MS Shugart. 1995. Incentives to Cultivate a Personal Vote: A Rank Ordering of Electoral Formulas. *Electoral Studies* 14 (4), pp. 417-439.
- Cheibub, J.A. and Sin, G., 2020. Preference vote and intra-party competition in open list PR systems. *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 32(1), pp.70-95.
- Boix, C., 1999. Setting the rules of the game: the choice of electoral systems in advanced democracies. *American political science review*, 93(3), pp.609-624.
- Trebbi, F P Aghion, and A Alesina. 2008. Electoral Rules and Minority Representation in US Cities. *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 123 (1): 325-357.
- Gingerich, D.W. and Medeiros, D., 2020. Vote Secrecy With Diverse Voters. *Comparative Political Studies*, 53(3-4), pp.567-600.

#### October 24: Voters, Parties, and Party Systems

- Herbert Kitschelt. 2007. "Party Systems," in Carles Boix and Susan Stokes (eds.) *Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 522-554.
- Lupu, N., 2014. Brand dilution and the breakdown of political parties in Latin America. *World Politics*, 66(4), pp.561-602.
- Margit Tavits and Joshua D. Potter, "The Effect of Inequality and Social Identity on Party Strategies," *American Journal of Political Science* (July 2015) pp. 774-58.
- Cirone, A., Cox, G. W., & Fiva, J. H. (2021). Seniority-based nominations and political careers. *American Political Science Review*, 115(1), 234-251.
- Meng, A. 2021. "Ruling Parties in Authoritarian Regimes: Rethinking Institutional Strength." *British Journal of Political Science* 51(2): 526-540.
- Riedl, R. 2014. *Authoritarian Origins of Democratic Party Systems in Africa*. Cambridge University Press. Chapters 1 and 5.

#### October 31: Accountability, Corruption, and the Prospects for Good Government

- Golden, MA and ECC Chang. 2001. Competitive Corruption: Factional Conflict and Political Malfeasance in Postwar Italian Christian Democracy. *World Politics* 53, pp.588-622.
- Ferraz, C and F Finan. 2008. Exposing Corrupt Politicians: The Effects of Brazil's Publicly Released Audits on Electoral Outcomes. *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 123(2), pp.703-745.
- Gingerich, DW. 2013. *Political Institutions and Party-Directed Corruption in South America: Stealing for the Team*. New York: Cambridge University Press, ch1, ch.3, ch.4 (skim), ch.5-6.
- Winters, M. and Weitz-Shapiro, R. 2013. Lacking Information or Condoning Corruption: When Do Voters Support Corrupt Politicians? *Comparative Politics* 45(4), pp.418-436.
- Corbacho, A., Gingerich, D. W., Oliveros, V., & Ruiz-Vega, M. 2016. Corruption as a Self-Fulfilling Prophecy: Evidence from a Survey Experiment in Costa Rica. *American Journal of Political Science*, 60(4), pp. 1077-1092.
- Boas, T. Hidalgo, FD and Melo, MA. 2019. Norms versus Action: Why Voters Fail to Sanction Malfeasance in Brazil. *American Journal of Political Science* 63(2), pp. 385-400.

#### November 7: Redistribution, Welfare, and Public Goods Provision

- Iversen T and D Soskice. 2006. Electoral Institutions and the Politics of Coalitions: Why Some Democracies Redistribute More than Others. *American Political Science Review* 100: 165-181.

- Hall, P.A. and Gingerich, D.W., 2009. Varieties of capitalism and institutional complementarities in the political economy: An empirical analysis. *British Journal of Political Science*, 39(3), pp.449-482.
- Holland, A. and Schneider, BR. 2017. Easy and Hard Redistribution: The Political Economy of Welfare States in Latin America. *Perspectives on Politics* 15(4), pp. 988-1006.
- Kruks-Wisner, G. 2018. "The Pursuit Of Social Welfare: Citizen Claim-Making In Rural India," *World Politics*, 70, no. 1 (January), pp. 122–63.
- Cruz, C., Labonne, J., & Querubín, P. (2020). Social Network Structures and the Politics of Public Goods Provision: Evidence from the Philippines. *American Political Science Review*, 114(2), pp. 486-501.
- Wiedemann, A. 2021. *Indebted Societies: Credit and Welfare in Rich Democracies*. Cambridge University Press. Chapters 1-2.

#### November 14: Clientelism, Brokerage, and Electoral Coercion

- Stokes, S.C., 2005. Perverse accountability: A formal model of machine politics with evidence from Argentina. *American political science review*, 99(3), pp.315-325.
- Nichter, S., 2008. Vote buying or turnout buying? Machine politics and the secret ballot. *American political science review*, 102(1), pp.19-31.
- Finan, F. and Schechter, L., 2012. Vote-buying and reciprocity. *Econometrica*, 80(2), pp.863-881.
- Larreguy, H., Marshall, J. and Querubin, P., 2016. Parties, brokers, and voter mobilization: How turnout buying depends upon the party's capacity to monitor brokers. *American Political Science Review*, 110(1), pp.160-179.
- Mares, I. and Young, L.E., 2018. The core voter's curse: Clientelistic threats and promises in Hungarian elections. *Comparative Political Studies*, 51(11), pp.1441-1471.
- Gingerich, D.W., 2020. Buying Power: Electoral Strategy before the Secret Vote. *American Political Science Review*, 114(4), pp.1086-1102.

#### November 21: Identity I (Race and Ethnicity)

- Anderson, B. 1983. *Imagined Communities*. London: Verso. Chapter 1
- Chandra, K. 2004. *Why Ethnic Parties Succeed: Patronage and Ethnic Head Counts In India*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1.
- Eifert, Benn, Edward Miguel, and Daniel N. Posner. 2010. "Political Competition and Ethnic Identification in Africa." *AJPS* 54 (2), pp. 494-510.
- Roessler, P. 2011. "The Enemy Within: Personal Rule, Coups, and Civil War in Africa." *World Politics* 63(2): 300-346.
- Bueno, N.S. and Dunning, T., 2017. Race, resources, and representation: evidence from Brazilian politicians. *World Politics*, 69(2), pp.327-365.

- Ang, D. 2020. The Birth of a Nation: Media and Racial Hate. Working Paper, Harvard University (available at: [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=3740907](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3740907))

#### November 28: Identity II (Gender and Religion)

- Abdelal, R., Herrera, Y., Johnston, A., McDermott, R. 2006. "Identity as a Variable." *Perspectives on Politics* 4(4): 695-711.
- O'Brien, Diana Z. and Johanna Rickne. 2016. Gender Quotas and Women's Political Leadership. *American Political Science Review* 110(1), pp.112-126.
- Prillaman, S. A. 2021. Strength in Numbers: How Women's Groups Close India's Political Gender Gap. *American Journal of Political Science* (firstview).
- Green, Donald P, Anna M. Wilke, and Jasper Cooper, 2020. "Countering Violence Against Women by Encouraging Disclosure: A Mass Media Experiment in Rural Uganda," *Comparative Political Studies* Vol. 53(14) 2283 –2320.
- Choi, D. D., Poertner, M., & Sambanis, N. 2021. "The hijab penalty: Feminist backlash to Muslim immigrants." *American Journal of Political Science* (firstview).
- Grzymala-Busse, A. 2016. "Weapons of the Meek: How Churches Influence Public Policy." *World Politics* 68(1): 1-36.

#### December 5: Conflict, Social Movements, and Citizen Security

- Fearon, J. and Laitin, D. 2003. "Ethnicity, Insurgency, and Civil War." *American Political Science Review* 97(1): 75-90.
- Meng, A. and Paine, J. 2022. "Power Sharing and Authoritarian Stability: How Rebel Regimes Solve the Guardianship Dilemma." *American Political Science Review*
- Kuran, T. 1991. "Now out of Never: The Element of Surprise in the East European Revolution of 1989." *World Politics* 44(1): 7-48.
- Pearlman, W. 2013. "Emotions and the Microfoundations of the Arab Uprisings." *Perspectives on Politics* 11(20): 387-409.
- Trejo, Guillermo, and Sandra Ley. "Why did drug cartels go to war in Mexico? Subnational party alternation, the breakdown of criminal protection, and the onset of large-scale violence." *Comparative Political Studies* 51, no. 7 (2018): 900-937.
- Magaloni, Beatriz, Edgar Franco-Vivanco, and Vanessa Melo. "Killing in the slums: Social order, criminal governance, and police violence in Rio de Janeiro." *American Political Science Review* 114, no. 2 (2020): 552-572.

### Recommended Readings

Approaches and Units of Comparative Politics



- Munck, G.L. and Snyder, R., 2007. Debating the direction of comparative politics: An analysis of leading journals. *Comparative Political Studies*, 40(1), pp.5-31.
- Wilson, M.C., 2017. Trends in political science research and the progress of comparative politics. *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 50(4), pp.979-984.
- Sellers, J.M., 2019. From within to between nations: subnational comparison across borders. *Perspectives on Politics*, 17(1), pp.85-105
- Wilson, M.C. and Knutsen, C.H., 2020. Geographical coverage in political science research. *Perspectives on Politics*, pp.1-16.

#### Rational Choice and Comparative Historical Analysis

- Orfeo Fioretos, Tulai G. Falletti, and Adam Sheingate (eds.) 2016. *The Oxford Handbook of Historical Institutionalism*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- James Mahoney and Kathleen Thelen (eds.) *Advances in Comparative Historical Analysis*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2015
- James Mahoney, *Colonialism and Postcolonial Development: Spanish American in Comparative Perspective*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. 2010.
- James Mahoney and Kathleen Thelen (eds.) 2010. *Explaining Institutional Change*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Kathleen Thelen and Wolfgang Streeck (eds.) 2005. *Beyond Continuity: Institutional Change in Advanced Political Economies*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005.
- Paul Pierson. *Politics in Time*. Princeton: Princeton University, 2004.
- James Mahoney and Dietrich Rueschemeyer (eds.) *Comparative Historical Analysis in the Social Sciences*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2003.
- Paul Pierson. 2000. "Increasing Returns, Path Dependence, and the Study of Politics," *American Political Science Review* 94:2 (June) pp. 251-67.
- Kathleen Thelen and Sven Steinmo (eds.) 1992. *Structuring Politics: Historical Institutionalism in Comparative Analysis*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Ruth Berins Collier and David Collier. *Shaping the Political Arena*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1991.
- Gregory Luebbert, "Social Foundations of Political Order in Interwar Europe," *World Politics* 39 (1987) pp. 449-78.
- Friedman, M. 1968 [1953]. The Methodology of Positive Economics. In M Brodbeck, ed. *Readings in the Philosophy of the Social Sciences*. New York, Macmillan, pp. 508-528.
- Riker, William H. 1984. The Heresthetics of Constitution-Making: The Presidency in 1787, with Comments on Determinism and Rational Choice. *American Political Science Review* 78(1), pp.1-16.
- Elster, J. 1994. The Nature and Scope of Rational-Choice Explanation. In M Martin and LC McIntyre, eds. *Readings in the Philosophy of Social Science*. Cambridge: MIT Press, pp. 311-322.
- Shepsle, Kenneth A., and Barry R. Weingast. 1994. Positive Theories of Congressional Institutions. *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 19 (2), pp.149-179.

- Shepsle, K.A., 2006. Rational choice institutionalism. In Rhodes, RAW, Binder, SA, and Rockman, BA eds, *The Oxford handbook of political institutions*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 23–38.
- Diermeier, D., 2015. Institutionalism and the normative study of politics: From rational choice to behavioralism. *The Good Society*, 24(1), pp.15-29.
- Gerschewski, J. (2021). Explanations of Institutional Change: Reflecting on a “Missing Diagonal”. *American Political Science Review*, 115(1), 218-233. doi:10.1017/S0003055420000751
- Hall, P.A. 2016. Politics as a Process Structured in Space and Time. In Fioretos, O, Falleti, T, and Sheingate, A. (eds.) *The Oxford Handbook of Historical Institutionalism*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 31-50.
- Levi, Margaret. 2009. Reconsiderations of Rational Choice in Comparative and Historical Analysis. In Lichbach, Mark Irving, and Alan S. Zuckerman, eds., *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 117-133.
- Mahoney, J. and Thelen, K. 2010. A Theory of Gradual Institutional Change. In Mahoney, J. and Thelen, K. (eds.) *Explaining Institutional Change*. New York: Cambridge University Press, pp. 1-37.
- Pierson, P. 2015. Power and Path Dependence. In Mahoney, J. and Thelen, K. (eds.) *Advances in Comparative Historical Analysis*, pp. 123-46.
- Miller, Gary J. 2005. The Political Evolution of Principal-Agent Models. *Annual Review Political Science* 8, pp. 203-225.
- Ashworth, S., 2012. Electoral accountability: Recent theoretical and empirical work. *Annual Review of Political Science*, 15, pp.183-201.

#### Historical Political Economy

- Guiso, L., Sapienza, P. and Zingales, L., 2016. Long-term persistence. *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 14(6), pp.1401-1436.
- Dell, M., 2010. The persistent effects of Peru's mining mita. *Econometrica*, 78(6), pp.1863-1903.
- Blaydes, L. and Chaney, E., 2013. The feudal revolution and Europe's rise: Political divergence of the Christian west and the Muslim world before 1500 CE. *American Political Science Review*, 107(1), pp.16-34.
- Michalopoulos, S. and Papaioannou, E., 2016. The long-run effects of the scramble for Africa. *American Economic Review*, 106(7), pp.1802-48.
- Lupu, N. and Peisakhin, L., 2017. The legacy of political violence across generations. *American Journal of Political Science*, 61(4), pp.836-851.
- Lowes, S., Nunn, N., Robinson, J.A. and Weigel, J.L., 2017. The evolution of culture and institutions: Evidence from the Kuba Kingdom. *Econometrica*, 85(4), pp.1065-1091.
- \*Simpser, A., Slater, D. and Wittenberg, J., 2018. Dead but not gone: Contemporary legacies of communism, imperialism, and authoritarianism. *Annual Review of Political Science*, 21, pp.419-439.

- Sellars, E.A. and Alix-Garcia, J., 2018. Labor scarcity, land tenure, and historical legacy: Evidence from Mexico. *Journal of Development Economics*, 135, pp.504-516.
- Guardado, J., 2018. Office-selling, corruption, and long-term development in Peru. *American Political Science Review*, 112(4), pp.971-995.
- Vogler, J.P., 2019. Imperial rule, the imposition of bureaucratic institutions, and their long-term legacies. *World Politics*, 71(4), pp.806-863.
- Bazzi, S., Fiszbein, M. and Gebresilasse, M., 2020. Frontier culture: The roots and persistence of “rugged individualism” in the United States. *Econometrica*, 88(6), pp.2329-2368.
- Homola, J., Pereira, M. M., & Tavits, M. (2020). Legacies of the Third Reich: Concentration camps and out-group intolerance. *American Political Science Review*, 114(2), 573-590.
- Ahmed, A.T. and Stasavage, D., 2020. Origins of early democracy. *American Political Science Review*, 114(2), pp.502-518.
- Wang, Y., 2021. The political legacy of violence during China's cultural revolution. *British Journal of Political Science*, 51(2), pp.463-487.
- Cirone, A. and Spirling, A. 2021. “Turning History into Data: Data Collection, Measurement, and Inference in HPE.” *Journal of Historical Political Economy*, 1(1): 127-154.

#### The State and State Building

- Michael Mann. 1984. “The autonomous power of the state: its origins, mechanisms and results.” *European Journal of Sociology* 25(2): 185-213.
- Theda Skocpol. 1985. “Bringing the State Back In,” in Peter Evans, Dietrich Rueschemeyer, and Theda Skocpol (eds.) *Bringing the State Back In*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Miguel Centeno. 1997. “Blood and Debt: War and Taxation in Nineteenth Century Latin America,” *American Journal of Sociology* 102(6): 1565-1605
- Lisa Blaydes. “Middle Eastern State Building,” *Annual Review of Political Science*, 20 (2017).
- Anna Grzymala-Busse. 2007. *Rebuilding Leviathan: Party Competition and State Exploitation*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Margaret Levi. 1988. *Of Rule and Revenue*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Joel Migdal. 1988. *Strong Societies and Weak States: State-Society Relations and State Capabilities in the Third World*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Robert Jackson and Carl Rosberg. 1982. “Why Africa’s Weak States Persist,” *World Politics* 35(1): 1-24.
- William Reno. 1997. War, Markets, and the Reconfiguration of West Africa's Weak States. *Comparative Politics* 29 (4):493-510.
- Nicholas Sambanis, Stergios Skaperdas, and William C. Wohlforth. 2015. “Nation-Building through War.” *American Political Science Review* 109(2): 279-296.

- Dan Slater. 2010. *Ordering Power: Contentious Politics and Authoritarian Leviathans in Southeast Asia*. Cambridge University Press.
- Daniel Ziblatt. 2006. *Structuring the State: The Formation of Italy and Germany and the Puzzle of Federalism*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

#### Regime Change (Democratization and Autocratization)

- Ziblatt, D., 2008. Does landholding inequality block democratization?: A test of the “bread and democracy” thesis and the case of Prussia. *World Politics*, 60(4), pp.610-641.
- Albertus, M. and Menaldo, V. “Authoritarianism and the Elite Origins of Democracy.” Chapters 1-2.
- Helmke, G., Kroeger, M. and Paine, J. 2022. “Democracy by Deterrence: Norms, Constitutions, and Electoral Tilting.” *American Journal of Political Science* 66(2): 434-450.
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## APPENDIX

### Helpful resources at UVa and in the Charlottesville/Albemarle community

- The best resource available to you for writing in this course is the [UVa Writing Center](#)
- Students who feel unsafe may contact:  
[http://uvaemergency.virginia.edu/sites/emergency.virginia.edu/files/StudentSafety\\_Guide\\_Online\\_2016.pdf](http://uvaemergency.virginia.edu/sites/emergency.virginia.edu/files/StudentSafety_Guide_Online_2016.pdf)
- Students experiencing psychological distress may contact:
  - [Counseling and Psychological Services](#) (daytime: 434-243-5150; after hours: 434-297-4261), located in the Student Health building on Brandon Avenue;
  - [Office of the Dean of Students](#) (434-924-7133), located in Peabody Hall, including [ODOS Multicultural Student Services](#) staff (434-924-9250), located on the lower level of Newcomb Hall
- If you or someone you know is struggling with [gender, sexual, or domestic violence](#), there are many community and University of Virginia resources available [including Just Report It](#),
  - the [UVA Women's Center](#): 435-982-2361,
  - [Sexual Assault Resources Agency](#) (SARA) hotline: 434-977-7273 (24/7),
  - [Shelter for Help in Emergency](#) (SHE) hotline: 434-293-8509 (24/7)
  - If you prefer to speak anonymously and confidentially over the phone to UVa student volunteers, call [Madison House's HELP Line](#) (24/7): 434-295-8255.
- If you or someone you know is a target of a hate crime, there are also many community and University of Virginia resources available [including Just Report It](#),
  - [Office for Equal Opportunity and Civil Rights](#) (434-924-7179), located on the East Range;
  - [Office of African-American Affairs](#) (434-924-7923), located on Dawson's Row;
  - and Madison House's student-led "HelpLine": 434-295-TALK
  - [The Office of the Dean of Students](#): 434-924-7133 (after hours and weekends ask them to refer the issue to the Dean on Call)
  - 434-924-7166 for the University Police Department