

POLS 3

## POLITICAL SCIENCE SYLLABUS

### An Introduction to American Government

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#### Text and Term Paper Reference

Schmidt, Steffen; Shelley, II, Mack C.; Bardes, Barbara A.  
American Government and Politics Today. St. Paul, MN: West  
Publishing Company, 1993.

Goldstein, Eleanor, ed. What Citizens Need to Know About World  
Affairs. Boca Raton, Florida: Social Issues Resources  
Series, Inc., 1990. (Part V, Regions of the World: A  
Historical Sketch.)

Campbell, William Giles et alii. Form and Style. Palo Alto:  
Houghton Mifflin Company, 1990.

SUBSTITUTE FOR ABOVE WORK: Hacker, Dianna. A Potket Style Manual.  
Boston: bedford Books fo St. Martin's Press, 1993.

#### Optional Readings for Papers:

Ashe, Arthur. Days of Grace. N.Y.: Alfred A Knopf, 1993. (Chapt. 5)

Brimelow, Peter. Alien Nation. N.Y.: Random House, 1995.

Chavez, Linda. Out of the Barrio. N.Y.: Basic Books, 1991.

D'Souza, Dinesh. The End of Racism. N.Y.: The Free Press, 1995.

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Sowell, Thomas. Inside American Educaton. N.Y.: The Free Press,  
1993.

\_\_\_\_\_. Race and Culture. N.Y.: Basic Books, 1994.

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1995.

Schlesinger, Arthur M., Jr. The Disuniting of America. N.Y.: W.W.  
Norton & Company, 1992.

Cold War.

2. North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) What for?
3. American Immigration Policy - Cost to Taxpayers
4. The United Nations...goals and realities
5. Racism: What is it?
6. Slavery: What was and is it?
7. Nuclear Weapons....why and results given the "no war" period from 1945 to 1993
8. Civil Rights in the '50's and '60's...meaning and results.
9. Aids and the '60's ... any connection?
10. Affirmative Action and the Civil Rights acts of 1964 and 1991....are they the same?
11. The War on Poverty, the oil imbargo, COLAS.....effect on inflation in the late '60's and '70's.
12. The Theology of Abortion - Significance
13. What is the philosophical and theological definition of "human."

The instructor, at his discretion, reserves the right to change the paper or topic, in any way and at any time.

The format of the Paper should be as follows: All papers will be typed and double spaced. Bibliographies will follow the APA style to be found in Campbell.

#### Grades

Grades will be assessed as on a total points basis, with points distributed as follows:

- (1) Tests count 50 points each...total points 150
- (2) Term Paper counts 150 points
- (3) Map Test Counts 30 points

Total points possible for the semester 330.

In Percentage Terms: A=90; B=80; C=70; D=60; F=59 or lower

**Attendance Policy:** Students missing three consecutive (in a row) class periods will be dropped from the class. After the final drop date no student can be dropped and will receive a final grade.