

POLD53H3F Political Disagreement in Canada

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1 Course Description

This course investigates the main theories of political disagreement and applies these theories to an analysis of perennial and contemporary manifestations of political disagreement in Canada. At the end of this course, students will be familiar with the main lines of political disagreement in Canada, as well as the major social science concepts and theories that situate these lines of disagreement in a broader comparative framework.

2 Course Codes and Passwords

Turnitin:

course id: 10649554
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3 Assessment

3.1 Schedule and Weighting

Participation	10%	
Midterm	25%	October 21st
Research Paper	35%	Due November 18th.
Final Exam	30%	Final Exam Period

3.2 Participation

This is a seminar class. The quality of everybody's experience in the class depends on your participation, i.e., your active engagement with class discussions and the course readings. Thus, participation is weighted heavily and evaluated seriously. Showing up for class is a necessary but insufficient condition of succeeding in your participation grade. The participation component of your grade is based on the quality of your contributions to in-class discussion. By the time of your class, you are expected to understand the readings and the key concepts so that you may participate in the class discussion.

3.2.1 Essay Late Penalties

The essay assignment is due to turnitin.com by midnight on its due date. The late penalty is 5% of the assignment value for each day, or part thereof, that the work is late (including weekends). My expectation is that you will submit your work on-time, but see the next item.

3.2.2 Extensions for Illness

Students who are ill, or who have dependents who are ill, are entitled to 7 days of undocumented extension. Please notify me that your work will be late. This is an 'honour system. I do not require a letter from a doctor or nurse to substantiate an illness.

3.2.3 Extensions for Personal Distress

Students who are dealing with exceptional personal circumstances may be granted an undocumented seven day grace period for assignment due dates. Please contact me to inform me of your situation.

3.2.4 Statement on Academic Integrity

Students who work hard and play by the rules should not come out of this course with a lower grade than someone who cheats. As the University Handbook on Student Rights and Responsibilities points out:

Honesty and fairness are considered fundamental values shared by students, staff and faculty at the University of Toronto. The University's policies and procedures that deal with cases of cheating, plagiarism and other forms of academic misconduct, are designed to protect the integrity of the institution and to maintain a community where competition is fair. As a result, U of T treats cases of academic misconduct very seriously. If it has been alleged that you committed an academic offense, you will find that the allegation is dealt with formally and seriously, and that the penalties can be severe if it is determined that you did cheat. All of the policies and procedures surrounding academic offenses are dealt within one policy: The Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters (the 'Code'). This booklet on Academic Integrity is intended to supplement the Code, but not to take its place as the official document on these matters. Nor does this booklet take the place of legal counsel. The full text of the Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters can be found in your Faculty Calendar or online at www.utoronto.ca/govcncl/pap/policies/behaveac.html... **Ignorance of the rules does not excuse cheating or plagiarism.**

All instances of academic misconduct will be forwarded to the University for further review and discipline. For more information, please visit the website of the Center for Teaching Support and Innovation at the University of Toronto: Academic Integrity at the University of Toronto. If you have any questions about what constitutes plagiarism, please do not hesitate to ask me. For your benefit, however, here is just one example of an academic offence:

- A student includes word-for-word a sentence or a part of a sentence from a source, and although they cite the source as a reference at the end of the sentence and in the bibliography, they do not include the relevant passage within quotation marks. This is an example of plagiarism (see The Code) because it is tantamount to a claim that the words and the writing are your own. Changing a few words in a sentence does not resolve this problem. If the writing is from a source, and not from you, it belongs in quotation marks (i.e., “ ”).

3.2.5 Statement on the Use of *Turnitin*

To deter and detect academic misconduct, and to protect the integrity of the grades for the vast majority of students who are honest and careful, this course uses, among other things, *turnitin.com*, a tool which facilitates an analysis of textual similarities between sources. Thus,

students agree that by taking this course all required papers may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to Turnitin.com for the detection of plagiarism. All submitted papers will be included as source documents in the Turnitin.com reference database solely for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of such papers. The terms that apply to the University's use of the Turnitin.com service are described on the Turnitin.com web site.

3.3 Exam

The examinations in this class will be comprised of short answer and essay questions.

3.3.1 Missing the Midterm

There will be a make-up midterm scheduled for two weeks after the original midterm. If you miss the midterm, it is your responsibility to attend the makeup midterm.

4 Texts and Materials

- Haidt, J. (2012). *The Righteous Mind: Why Good People are Divided by Politics and Religion*. New York, NY: Pantheon Books.
- Doxiadis, A., C. Papadimitriou, A. Papadatos, and A. Donna (2009). *Logicomix: An Epic Search for Truth*. New York, NY: Bloomsbury.
- The course books are available at just about any bookstore and also online. All supplemental readings will be made available online via Blackboard.

5 Class Schedule

Class Attendance: Class attendance is expected, except in cases of illness or other unforeseeable circumstances. If you have to miss a class, please let me know in advance, if possible.

5.1 September 9: Introduction

5.1.1 Readings

- POLD53 Course Syllabus.

Part I

Foundations

5.2 September 16: Reason and Emotion

5.3 Readings

- Doxiadis, A., C. Papadimitriou, A. Papadatos, and A. Donna (2009). *Logicomix: An Epic Search for Truth*. New York, NY: Bloomsbury.
- Hardin, Garrett. 1968. "The Tragedy of the Commons." *Science* 162(3859): 1243-1248.
- R Tsebelis, George. *Nested Games: Rational Choice in Comparative Politics*. Berkeley and Los Angeles, CA: University of California Press (Chapter 2).
- R Plato. *The Republic of Plato*. Book IV.
- R Darwin, C [1872] (1998). *The Expression of Emotions in Man and Animals*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press. (Chapters 1-3) (Skim)
- R Izard, C. E. (2009). Emotion theory and research: Highlights, unanswered questions, and emerging issues. *Annual Review of Psychology*, 60, 1-25.
- R Nummenmaa, Lauri, Enrico Glerean, Riitta Hari, and Jari K. Hietanen. 2013. "Bodily Maps of Emotions." *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. Available online: <http://www.pnas.org/content/early/2013/12/26/1321664111.full.pdf>

5.4 September 23: Morality and Hivishness

5.4.1 Readings

- Haidt, J. (2012). *The Righteous Mind: Why Good People are Divided by Politics and Religion*. New York, NY: Pantheon Books.
- R Haidt, J. (2001). The emotional dog and its rational tail: a social intuitionist approach to moral judgment. *Psychological review*, 108(4), 814.
- R Pizarro, D. A., Bloom, P. (2003). The intelligence of the moral intuitions: A comment on Haidt (2001). [available online]

5.5 September 30: Personality and Genetics

5.5.1 Readings

- McCrae, R. R. and P. T. Costa (1999). A five-factor theory of personality. In *A Handbook of Personality: Theory and Research*, 2nd Edition, pp. 102-138. New York, NY: The Guilford Press.
- Alford, J. R., C. L. Funk, and J. R. Hibbing (2005). Are political orientations genetically transmitted? *American Political Science Review* 99(2), 153-167.
- Buchen, L. (2012). "Biology and Ideology: The Anatomy of Politics." *Nature*. 490(October): 466-468.

- R Pratto, F., Sidanius, J., Stallworth, L. M., Malle, B. F. (1994). Social dominance orientation: A personality variable predicting social and political attitudes. *Journal of personality and social psychology*, 67(4), 741.
- R Carney, D. R., J. T. Jost, S. D. Gosling, and J. Potter (2008). "The secret lives of liberals and conservatives: Personality profiles, interaction styles, and the things they leave behind." *Political Psychology* 29(6), 807840.
- R Bell, Edward, Julie Aitken Schermer, and Philip A. Vernon. 2009. "The Origins of Political Attitudes and Behaviours: An Analysis Using Twins." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 42(4): 855-879.
- R Charney, Evan. 2008. "Politics, Genetics, and 'Greedy Reductionism.'" *Perspectives on Politics* 6(June): 337-343.

5.6 October 7: Social Context

5.6.1 Readings

- Zaller, John R. 1992. *The Nature and Origins of Mass Opinion*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 6-22.
 - Iyengar, Shanto, and Donald R. Kinder. 1987. *News that Matters: Television and American Opinion*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1-5, 16-33, 63-72, 90-97.
 - Druckman, James N., and Kjersten R. Nelson. 2003. Framing and Deliberation: How Citizens. Conversations Limit Elite Influence. *American Journal of Political Science*. 47(October): 729-745.
- R Tversky, Amos, and Daniel Kahneman. The Framing of Decisions and the Psychology of Choice. *Science* 211(January): 453-458.
- R Inglehart, Ronald. 1971. The Silent Revolution in Europe: Intergenerational Change in Post-Industrial Societies. *The American Political Science Review* 63(December): 991-1017.
- R Lipset, Seymour Martin, and Stein Rokkan. 1967. *Party Systems and Voter Alignments: Cross-National Perspectives*. New York, NY: Free Press (pp.1-67).
- R Huckfeldt, Robert, and John Sprague. 1987. "Networks in Context: The Social Flow of Political Information." *American Political Science Review* 81(December): 1197-1216.

5.7 October 14: Reading Week

5.8 October 21: Midterm Exam

Part II

Canadian Political Disagreement

5.9 October 28: French and English

5.10 Readings

- Levesque, Rene. 1976. "For an Independent Quebec." *Foreign Affairs*. Available online.

- Dunton, A. Davison and Andre Laurendeau. 1967. Report of the Royal Commission on Bilingualism and Biculturalism (esp. Book I, “General Introduction,” pp. xix-li). Ottawa, ON: Government of Canada.
 - Noel, Alain. 2010. ”Canada: Love it or don’t Leave it,” in Peter H. Russell et al., eds., Essential Readings in Canadian Government and Politics, pp.277-280. Toronto, ON: Edmond Montgomery Publications.
 - McRoberts, Kenneth. 1997. “Trudeau and the New Federal Orthodoxy,” in Misconceiving Canada, Chapter 3. Toronto, ON: Oxford University Press.
- R Siegfried, André. 1907. The Race Question in Canada. London, UK: Eveleigh Nash. [available online].
- R Trudeau, Pierre. 1968. “New Treason of the Intellectuals” in Federalism and the French Canadians, pp.151-181. Toronto, ON: Macmillan.

5.11 November 4: Settlers and Aboriginals

5.12 Readings

- The Oka Crisis (online search, see especially raw footage).
 - Alan Gregg and Taiaiake Alfred. “Taiaiake Alfred on His Indigenous Manifesto.” Interview. Youtube Video. (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fT9WKzZgB9I&redirect=1>).
 - Flanagan, Thomas. 2000. First Nations? Second Thoughts (esp. ch.1-4). Montreal, PQ: McGill-Queen’s University Press.
- R Alfred, Taiaiake. 2008. Peace, Power, Righteousness: An Indigenous Manifesto. Toronto, ON: Oxford University Press.
- R Flanagan, Thomas, Christopher Alcantara, and André Le Dressay. 2011. Beyond the Indian Act: Restoring Aboriginal Property Rights. Montreal, PQ: McGill-Queen’s University Press (pp.1-30).

5.13 November 11: Immigration and Diversity

5.14 Readings

- Trudeau, Pierre. 1971. Statement on Multiculturalism. Hansard (October 8, 1971). Available online at <http://www.canadahistory.com/sections/documents/Primeministers/trudeau/docs-onmulticulturalism.htm>.
- Kymlicka, Will. 1998. Finding Our Way: Rethinking Ethnocultural Relations in Canada. Toronto, ON: Oxford University Press (esp. pp. 15-127).
- Huntington, Samuel P. 1993. “The Clash of Civilizations.” Foreign Affairs 72(Summer): 22-49.
- Barber, Benjamin R. 1995. Jihad vs. McWorld. The Atlantic 269(March): 53-59.
- Engelhart, Katie. 2013. “The Rise of the Far Right in Europe.” Maclean’s (November 30, 2013).
- Bisoodath, Neil. 2002 [1994]. Selling Illusions: The Cult of Multiculturalism in Canada. Toronto, ON: Penguin Books.

- Bouchard, Gérard, and Charles Taylor. 2008. Building the Future: A Time for Reconciliation. Commission de Consultation sur les Pratiques D'Accommodement Reliée aux Différences Culturelles. Quebec, PQ: Gouvernement du Québec (available online: <http://www.accommodements-quebec.ca/documentation/rapports/rapport-final-integral-en.pdf>)
- R Forbes, H.D. 1997. Ethnic Conflict: Commerce, Culture, and the Contact Hypothesis. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.

5.15 November 18: 'Masses' and 'Elites'

5.16 Readings

- Panich, Leo V. 2010. "Elites, Classes, and Power in Canada," in Peter H. Russell et al., eds., Essential Readings in Canadian Government and Politics, pp.453-459. Toronto, ON: Edmond Montgomery Publications.
 - O'Connor, James. 2009. The Fiscal Crisis of the State. New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction Publishers (Chapter 6).
 - Graeber, David. 2012. Debt: The First 5000 Years. Brooklyn, NY: Melville House Publishing, ch.2.
- R Porter, John. 1965. The Vertical Mosaic: An Analysis of Social Class and Power in Canada. Toronto, ON: University of Toronto Press.
- R Alford, Robert R. 1963. Party and Society. Chicago, IL: Rand McNally (Chapter 9).
- R Esping-Andersen, G{osta. 1990. The Three Worlds of Welfare Capitalism. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press., pp.1-34.

5.17 November 25: Regionalism

5.18 Readings

- Manning, Preston. 2010. "The West wants In," in Peter H. Russell et al., eds., Essential Readings in Canadian Government and Politics, pp.440-448. Toronto, ON: Edmond Montgomery Publications.
 - Cochrane, Christopher, and Andrea Perrella. 2013. "Regions, Regionalism, and Regional Differences in Canada." Canadian Journal of Political Science 45: 829-53.
 - Bilodeau, Antoine, Stephen White and Neil Nevitte. 2010. "The Development of Dual Loyalties: Immigrants Integration to Regional Canadian Dynamics." Canadian Journal of Political Science 43: 515-44.
- R Laselva, Samuel. 1996. The Moral Foundations of Canadian Federalism: Paradoxes, Achievements, and Tragedies of Nationhood. Montreal: McGillQueens University (pp.17-30 and pp.81-98).
- R Simeon, Richard and David J. Elkins. 1974. "Regional Political Cultures in Canada." Canadian Journal of Political Science 7: 397-437.
- R Schwartz, Mildred A. 1974. Politics and Territory: The Sociology of Regional Persistence in Canada. Montreal: McGillQueens University Press.

5.19 December 2: Ideology

5.19.1 Readings

- Leacock, S. (1965 [1911]). “The Election of Mariposa,” in *Sunshine Sketches of a Little Town*. Toronto, ON: McClelland and Stewart.
 - Clarke, H. D., J. Jenson, L. LeDuc, and J. H. Pammet. 1984. *Absent Mandate: The Politics of Discontent in Canada*. Toronto, ON: Gage.
 - Brodie, J. and J. Jenson 1996. “Piercing the smokescreen: Stability and change in brokerage politics.” In A. B. Tanguay and A.-G. Gagnon (Eds.), *Canadian Parties in Transition*, Second Edition. Toronto, ON: Nelson.
 - Carty, R. Kenneth. 2013. “Has Brokerage Politics Ended?” in A. Bittner and R. Koop eds. *Parties, Elections, and the Future of Canadian Politics*, pp. 10-23. Vancouver, BC: UBC Press.
 - Cochrane, Christopher. 2013. *Left and Right: The Small World of Political Ideas*. Manuscript. Chapter 7.
- R Eagles, Munroe. 2013. “Constituency and Personal Determinants of MPs Positions on Social Conservative Issues in the 37th and 38th Parliaments” in A. Bittner and R. Koop eds. *Parties, Elections, and the Future of Canadian Politics*, pp. 10-23. Vancouver, BC: UBC Press.
- R Johnston, Richard. 1988. “The ideological structure of opinion on policy.” In G. Perlin (Ed.), *Party Democracy in Canada: The Politics of National Party Conventions*, pp. 5470. Scarborough, ON: Prentice-Hall Canada.