

PSCI 5610: Comparative Field Seminar Spring 2015

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Description

In this class, you will be introduced to a broad cross-section of research in comparative politics. There are two major goals for this course. First, this course is designed to provide you with a foundation for taking advanced classes in comparative politics and an understanding of the intersection of comparative politics with other sub-fields. Second, this course will help you prepare for the comparative politics comprehensive exam. We will focus both on the classics and on recent debates in the literature. Each week will focus on a broad topic. I have selected several required readings for each week. There are also suggested readings listed if you wish to explore the topic further (and will also be useful when studying for the comprehensive exam).

Course Materials

The following five books are required for the course. Make sure you purchase the right edition. Used and new copies are all available on your favorite Internet sites. If available, I have also put a copy of each book on reserve at the library (Eagle Commons). The remaining readings are available either on-line (articles) or on Blackboard (BB) (book chapters or articles not available on line).

Geddes, Barbara. 2003. *Paradigms and Sand Castles. Theory Building and Research Design in Comparative Politics*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

Hirschman, Albert. 1970. *Exit, Voice, and Loyalty*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.

Mair, Peter, ed. 1990. *The West European Party System*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Putnam, Robert, Robert Leonardi, and Raffaella Y. Nanetti. 1993. *Making Democracy Work. Civic Traditions in Modern Italy*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

Tarrow, Sidney. 2011. *Power in Movement. Social Movements and Contentious Politics*. 3rd ed. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Assessments

Reading and Participation. Do the readings and come to class prepared to discuss, debate, ask questions. See handout for how to read, skim, etc. Participation is 20% of your grade, which includes leading discussion once. There is no excuse for not participating and I expect everyone to contribute to the weekly discussions. On your discussion day, please post your questions in the Discussion area of Blackboard by **Wednesday at midnight**. Please make sure you look at the posted questions before class on Thursday. We will determine the discussion schedule on the first day of class.

Four Response Papers. These are to be 3-4 double-spaced pages. You must incorporate at least 3 of the week's readings in your paper. These are to be literature reviews with a "spin". You should provide a brief summary of each reading and then a brief analysis, where you synthesize that week's readings, discuss/highlight an interesting question in the readings, etc. These are not meant to be merely "book/article reports". See handout for more specifics on the papers. By the second week of the class, turn in a schedule of which weeks you are going to do (2 must be done by Week 8 and 2 must be done after Week 8). Please turn in your papers on BB and bring a hard copy with you to class the day it is due. The papers will be worth 20% of your grade (5% each).

Research Design. You will choose one of the weekly topics and develop a research question and research design for how you would test this. You should provide a brief literature review to motivate and ground your question and discuss the method(s), cases, and data you'd use. The literature review must draw on at least **5 readings** beyond the required readings for that week. These can come from the list of recommended readings and your own research and they must be referred articles or university press books (or chapters from university press books). Be creative with the research design. Since you will not actually be conducting the empirical research for this class, consider experiments, field research, etc. The paper is to be 10-12 double-spaced pages of text. If you choose a topic from a later week, you may want to at least skim the readings in developing your research question. A brief overview of your research question, which must be in a form that makes clear what the testable hypothesis will be, will be due on **Feb. 26th**. The final paper will be due on **May 4th at 5pm**. Please turn in your paper on BB and turn in a hard copy to me. On **May 7th**, you will present your research designs in panels of 3 followed by discussion. The research design will be worth 20% and the oral presentation will be worth 10% of your final grade. We may need to schedule additional time on May 7th depending on the number of students in the class.

Take Home Final Exam. The final exam will consist of several questions and require you to both cite and engage with the material we have covered during the semester. You will only be required to be familiar with the required readings. The exam will be distributed the last day of class (May 7th) and will be due **May 13th at 5pm**. The final exam will be worth 30% of your grade.

Important Info & Policies

Attendance. I expect you to attend *all* classes. Should something come up that will prevent you from attending class, please let me know in advance.

Readings. You will need to bring the readings to class, either in hardcopy or electronic form. You thus may bring your laptop/tablet to class to refer to readings, take notes, etc. However, if I find you doing things that are not class-related, I will no longer allow you to bring your laptop/tablet to class.

Extensions. I will not allow extensions on assignments, papers, or exams. However, should you find yourself in a situation where you will not be able to turn an assignment, paper, exam in on-time, etc. please advise me of this as soon as you can, and not the day the assignment is due. We will work together to come up with a solution.

Late Policy. A late assignment will be penalized 1/3 of a grade for each day it is late. After 1 week, I will no longer accept it.

Grade Appeals. Should you want to appeal a grade you've received, it must be in writing. You will need to explain why you believe you deserve a grade different than what you received. However, if you'd like to discuss a grade you've received, how you can improve, etc., I'm happy to meet with you.

Academic Integrity. The Political Science Department adheres to and enforces UNT's policy on academic integrity (cheating, plagiarism, forgery, fabrication, facilitating academic dishonesty and sabotage). Students should review the policy (UNT Policy Manual Sec. 18.1.16), located at http://policy.unt.edu/sites/default/files/untpolicy/pdf/7-Student_AffairsAcademic_Integrity.pdf. Violations of academic integrity in this course will be addressed in compliance with the penalties and procedures laid out in this policy. If you have questions about what constitutes any of these, please ask.

Accommodations. Should you need any special accommodations, please let me know ASAP.

Syllabus

Week 1 (Jan. 22): What is Comparative Politics and How Do We Study Comparative Politics?

Lijphart, Arend. 1971. "Comparative Politics and Comparative Method." *American Political Science Review*. 65.3: 682-693.

Przeworski Adam and Henry Teune. 1970. *The Logic of Comparative Social Inquiry*. Malebar, FL: Krieger. Pgs 1-47. [BB]

Gerring, John. 2004. "What is a Case Study and What Is It Good For?" *American Political Science Review*. 98: 341-354.

Coppedge, Michael. 1999. "Thickening Thin Concepts and Theories: Combining Large N and Small in Comparative Politics." *Comparative Politics* 31.4: 465-476.

Week 2 (Jan. 29): Research Design in Comparative Politics

Geddes, Barbara. 2003. *Paradigms and Sand Castles: Theory Building and Research Design in Comparative Politics*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

Suggested Readings

Geddes, Barbara. 1990. "How the Cases You Choose Affect the Answers You Get: Selection Bias in Comparative Politics." *Political Analysis* 2.1.

Mill, John Stuart. 1846. "How We Compare." In *A System of Logic*, Book VI, Chapter 10. New York: Harper.

Frendreis, John. 1983. "Explanation of Variation and Direction of Covariation." *Comparative Political Studies*. 16.2: 255-272.

Meckstroth, Theodore W. 1975. "'Most Different Systems' and 'Most Similar Systems': A Study in the Logic of Comparative Inquiry." *Comparative Politics*. 8: 132-157.

King, Gary, Robert Keohane, and Sidney Verba. 1994. *Designing Social Inquiry: Scientific Inference in Qualitative Research*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

Brady, Henry E. and David Collier, eds. 2004. *Rethinking Social Inquiry: Diverse Tools, Shared Standards*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.

Ragin, Charles C. 1987. *The Comparative Method: Moving Beyond Qualitative and Quantitative Strategies*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Eckstein, Harry. 1975. "Case Study and Theory in Political Science," in *Handbook of Political Science*, vol. 7, eds. Fred Greenstein and Nelson Polsby. Reading, MA: Addison-Wesley, 79-137.

Bates, Robert et al. 1998. *Analytic Narratives*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

Bates, Robert. 1997. "Area Studies and the Discipline: A Useful Controversy?" *PS: Political Science and Politics*. Pg. 166-169.

Dion, Douglas. 1998. "Evidence and Inference in the Comparative Case Study," *Comparative Politics*. 30.2. 127-145.

Skocpol, Theda and Margaret Somers. 1980. "The Uses of Comparative History in Macrosocial Inquiry." *Comparative Studies in Society and History*. 22.2: 174-197.

Week 3 (Feb. 5): State Building and Bringing the State Back In

Skocpol, Theda. 1985. "Bringing the State Back In: Strategies of Analysis in Current Research." In Peter B. Evans, Dietrich Rueschemeyer, and Theda Skocpol, eds. *Bringing the State Back In*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 3-37. [BB]

Tilly, Charles. 1992. *Coercion, Capital, and European States*. Cambridge, MA: Blackwell. Ch. 1. [BB]

Tilly, Charles. 1985. "War Making and State Making as Organized Crime." In Peter B. Evans, Dietrich Rueschemeyer, and Theda Skocpol, eds. *Bringing the State Back In*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 169-191. [BB]

Spruyt, Hendrick. 2002. "The Origins, Development, and Possible Decline of the Modern State." *Annual Review of Political Science*. 5: 127-149.

Grzymala-Busse, Anna and Pauline Jones Luong. 2002. "Re-Conceptualizing the State: Lessons from Post-Communism." *Politics and Society*. 30.4: 529-554.

Suggested Readings

Ertman, Thomas. 1997. *Birth of Leviathan: Building States and Regimes in Medieval and Early Modern Europe*. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.

Evans, Peter B., Dietrich Rueschemeyer, and Theda Skocpol, eds. 1985. *Bringing the State Back In*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Levi, Margaret. 1989. *Of Rule and Revenue*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press.

North, Douglass. 1981. *Structure and Change in Economic History*. New York, NY: W.W. Norton & Company.

Migdal, Joel. 1988. *Strong Societies and Weak States*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

Spruyt, Hendrick. 1994. *The Sovereign State and Its Competitors*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
Porter, Bruce. 2002. *War and the Rise of the State: The Military Foundations of Modern Politics*. New York, NY: Free Press.

Skocpol, Theda. 1979. *States and Social Revolutions: A Comparative Analysis of France, Russia, and China*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Focus on chapters 1, 4-7, Conclusion.

Thies, Cameron. 2005. "War, Rivalry, and State Building in Latin America." *American Journal of Political Science*. 49.3: 451-65.

Roeder, Phil. 2007. *Where Nation-States Come From: Institutional Change in the Age of Nationalism*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

Centeno, Miguel. 2003. *Blood and Debt: War and the Nation State in Latin America*. University Park, PA: Pennsylvania State University Press.

Lopez-Alvez, Fernando. 2000. *State Formation and Democracy in Latin America, 1810-1900*. Durham, NC: Duke University Press.

Herbst, Jeffrey. 2000. *States and Power in Africa*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

Tilly, Charles. 1992. *Coercion, Capital, and European States*. Cambridge, MA: Blackwell.

Shapiro, Ian, Stephen Skowronek, Daniel Galvin. 2006. *Rethinking Political Institutions: The Art of the State*. New York, NY: New York University Press.

Bates, Robert. 2008. *When Things Fell Apart: State Failure in Late Century Africa*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Grzymala-Busse, Anna. 2007. *Rebuilding Leviathan: Party Competition and State Exploitation in Post Communist Democracies*. New York: Cambridge UP.

Week 4 (Feb. 12): Modernization Theory and Political Development

Deutsch, Karl W. 1961. "Social Mobilization and Political Development." *American Political Science Review* 55: 493-514.

Huntington, Samuel. 1965. "Political Development and Political Decay." *World Politics*. 17.3. 386-430.

Przeworski, Adam and Fernando Limongi. 1997. "Modernization: Theories and Facts." *World Politics*. 49.2: 155-183.

Boix, Carles and Susan Stokes. 2003. "Endogenous Democratization." *World Politics*. 55.4: 517-549.

(Critique/Debates) Valenzuela, J. Samuel and Arturo Valenzuela. 1978. "Modernization and Dependency: Alternative Perspectives in the Study of Latin American Underdevelopment." *Comparative Politics*. 10: 535-557.

Suggested Readings

Lipset, Seymour M. [1960, 1963] 1981. *Political Man: The Social Bases for Politics*. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press.

Lerner, Daniel. 1958. *The Passing of Traditional Society*. Glencoe, IL: Free Press.

Weber, Eugen. 1976. *Peasants into Frenchmen: The Modernization of Rural France 1870-1914*. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press.

Huntington, Samuel. 1968. *Political Order in Changing Societies*. New Haven: Yale University Press.

Bates, Robert H. 2014. *Markets and States in Tropical Africa*. 3rd ed. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press.

Przeworski, Adam and Fernando Limongi. 1993. "Political Regimes and Economic Growth." *The Journal of Economic Perspectives*. 7.3: 51-69.

Olson, Mancur. *The Rise and Decline of Nations: Economic Growth, Stagflation and Social Rigidities*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.

Popkin, Samuel. 1980. *The Rational Peasant*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Gerschenkron, Alexander. 1962. *Economic Backwardness in Historical Perspective*. New York: Cambridge University Press, ch. 1.

Week 5 (Feb. 19): Democratization and Democratic Consolidation

Dahl, Robert. 1971. *Polyarchy: Participation and Opposition*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press. Chapters 1 and 2. [BB]

Huntington, Samuel. 1991. "Democracy's Third Wave." *Journal of Democracy*. 2.2: 12-34.

Przeworski, Adam. 1991. *Democracy and the Market: Political and Economic Reforms in Eastern Europe and Latin America*. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press. Chapters 1, 2, and 4. [BB]

Przeworski, Adam, Michael Alvarez, José Antonio Cheibub and Fernando Limongi. 1996. "What Makes Democracies Endure?" *Journal of Democracy*. 7.1: 39-55

Ross, Michael. 2001. "Does Oil Hinder Democracy." *World Politics*. 53.3. 325-361.

Lijphart, Arend. 2012. *Patterns of Democracy: Government Forms and Performance in Thirty-Six Countries*. 2nd ed. New Have, CT: Yale UP. Chapters 1-3. [BB]

Suggested Readings

Barrington Moore. 1966. *Social Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy. Lord and Peasant in the Making of the Modern World*. Boston, MA: Beacon Press.

Skocpol, Theda. 1994. "A Critical Review of Barrington Moore's *Social Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy*." In *Social Revolutions in the Modern World*, Theda Skocpol, ed. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.

Fish, M. Steven. 2002. "Islam and Authoritarianism" *World Politics*. 55.1. 4-37.

Pevehouse, Jon. 2002. "Democracy from the Outside-In? International Organizations and Democratization" *International Organization*. 56.3. 515-549.

Przeworski, Adam. 1991. *Democracy and the Market: Political and Economic Reforms in Eastern Europe and Latin America*. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.

Dahl, Robert. 1971. *Polyarchy: Participation and Opposition*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.

Grabbe, Heather. 2006. *The EU's Transformative Power: Europeanization Through Conditionality in Central and Eastern Europe*. New York, NY: Palgrave.

Samuel Huntington. 1991. *The Third Wave: Democratization in the Late Twentieth Century*. Norman, OK: University of Oklahoma Press.

Lijphart, Arend. 2012. *Patterns of Democracy: Government Forms and Performance in Thirty-Six Countries*. 2nd ed. New Have, CT: Yale UP.

Linz, Juan and Alfred Stepan. 1996. *Problems of Democratic Transition and Consolidation: Southern Europe, South America, and Post-Communist Europe*. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press.

Maeda, Ko. 2010. "Two Modes of Democratic Breakdown: A Competing Risks Analysis of Democratic Durability." *Journal of Politics*. 72.4: 1129-1143.

Beaulieu, Emily and Susan D. Hyde. 2009. "In the Shadow of Democracy Promotion: Strategic Manipulation, International Observers, and Election Boycotts." *Comparative Political Studies*. 42.3: 392-415.

Week 6 (Feb. 26): Political Culture and Political Attitudes

Almond, Gabriel and Sidney Verba. 1965. *The Civic Culture. Political Attitudes and Democracy in Five Nations*. Boston, MA: Little Brown and Company. Chapters 1, 12, 13. [BB]

Inglehart, Ronald and Christian Welzel. 2005. *Modernization, Cultural Change, and Democracy: The Human Development Sequence*. Cambridge: Cambridge UP. Chapters 1-6.

Frederic Schaffer. 1998. *Democracy in Translation: Understanding Politics in an Unfamiliar Culture*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press. Ch 1-2.

Elkins, David J. and Richard E.B. Simeon. 1979. "A Cause in Search of Its Effects, or What Does Political Culture Explain?" *Comparative Politics*. 11: 127-146.

Suggested Readings

Almond, Gabriel and Sidney Verba. 1965. *The Civic Culture. Political Attitudes and Democracy in Five Nations*. Boston, MA: Little Brown and Company.

Almond, Gabriel and Sidney Verba, eds. 1980. *The Civic Culture Revisited*. Newbury Park, CA: Sage Publications. Chapters 1, 2, 10.

Geertz, Clifford . 1973. "Ideology as a Cultural System." In Clifford Geertz, ed. *The Interpretation of Cultures*. New York: Harper.

Inglehart, Ronald and Christian Welzel. 2005. *Modernization, Cultural Change, and Democracy: The Human Development Sequence*. Cambridge: Cambridge UP. Chapters 7-13.

Inglehart, Ronald. 1994. "Economic Security and Value Change." *American Political Science Review*. 88.2: 336-54.

Norris, Pippa and Ronald Inglehart. 2004. *Sacred and Secular: Religion and Politics Worldwide*. Cambridge: Cambridge UP.

Pharr, Susan. 1992. *Losing Face: Status Politics in Japan*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press.

Schaeffer, Frederic. 2000. *Democracy in Translation: Understanding Politics in an Unfamiliar Culture*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press.

Swidler, Ann. 1986. "Culture in Action: Symbols and Strategies." *American Sociological Review*. 51: 273-286.

Week 7 (March 5): Civil Society

Putnam, Robert, Robert Leonardi, and Raffaella Y. Nanetti. 1993. *Making Democracy Work. Civic Traditions in Modern Italy*. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Chapters 1-4.

Berman, Sheri. 1997. "Civil Society and the Collapse of the Weimar Republic." *World Politics*. 49.3: 401-429.

Booth, John and Patricia Beyer Richard. 1998. "Civil Society, Political Capital, and Democratization in Central America." *Journal of Politics*. 60.3: 780-800.

Foley, Michael W. and Bob Edwards. 1996. "The Paradox of Civil Society." *Journal of Democracy*. 7.3: 38-52.

Suggested Readings

- Fish, M. Steven. 1995. *Democracy from Scratch: Opposition and Regime in the New Russian Revolution*. Princeton: Princeton UP.
- Putnam, Robert. 1995. "Bowling Alone: America's Declining Social Capital." *Journal of Democracy*. 6.1: 65-78.
- Putnam, Robert, ed. 2002. *Democracy in Flux: The Evolution of Social Capital in Contemporary Society*. New York: Oxford UP.
- Varshney, Ashutosh. 2001. "Ethnic Conflict and Civil Society: India and Beyond." *World Politics*. 53.3: 362-398.
- Tocqueville, Alexis. 1839. *Democracy in America*. Any version.

Week 8 (March 12): Identity, Ethnicity, and Ethnic Politics

- Hale, Henry. 2004. "Explaining Ethnicity." *Comparative Political Studies*. 37.4: 458-485.
- Chandra, Kanchan. 2006. "What is Ethnic Identity and Does it Matter?" *Annual Review of Political Science*. 9: 397-424.
- Anderson, Benedict. 1991. *Imagined Communities: Reflections of the Origin and Spread of Nationalism*. New York: Verso. Pgs. 36-46. [BB]
- Horowitz, Donald. 1993. "The Challenge of Ethnic Conflict: Democracy in Divided Societies." *Journal of Democracy*. 4.4: 18-38.
- Fearon, James D. and David D. Laitin. 1996. "Explaining Interethnic Cooperation." *American Political Science Review*. 90.4: 715-35.

Suggested Readings

- Deutsch, Karl W. 1966. *Nationalism and Social Communications: An Inquiry into the Foundation of Nationalism*, 2nd ed. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.
- Gellner, Ernest. 1983. *Nations and Nationalism*. Oxford: Basil Blackwell.
- Lijphart, Arend. 2004. "Constitutional Design for Divided Societies." *Journal of Democracy*. 13.3: 96-109.
- Lijphart, Arend. 1977. *Democracy in Plural Societies: A Comparative Exploration*, New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Smith, Anthony D. 1986. *The Ethnic Origins of Nations*. Oxford: Basil Blackwell.
- Posner, Daniel. 2004. "Measuring Ethnic Fractionalization in Africa." *American Journal of Political Science*. 48.4:849-863.
- Posner, Daniel N. 2005. *Institutions and Ethnic Politics in Africa*. New York, NY Cambridge University Press.
- Birnir, Jóhanna Kristin. 2006. *Ethnicity and Ethnic Politics*. New York, NY Cambridge University Press.
- Horowitz, Donald. 1985. *Ethnic Groups in Conflict*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Smith, Anthony D. 1991. *National Identity*. Reno, NV: University of Nevada Press.

****SPRING BREAK—NO CLASS MARCH 19****

Week 9 (March 26): Participation, Collective Action and Common Pool Problems

Olson, Mancur. 1965. *Logic of Collective Action*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press. Chapters I, II. [BB]

Hirschman, Albert. 1970. *Exit, Voice, and Loyalty*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press. Chapters 1-4, 7, 9.

Hardin, Garrett. 1968. "The Tragedy of the Commons." *Science*. 162: 1243-1248.

Ostrom, Elinor. 1990. *Governing the Commons: The Evolution of Institutions for Collective Action*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Chaps. 1-2. [BB]

Suggested Readings

Participation

Huntington, Samuel and Joan M. Nelson. 1976. *No Easy Choice: Political Participation in Developing Countries*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.

Barnes, Samuel, Kaase, Max, et al. 1979. *Political Action: Mass Participation in Five Western Democracies*. Beverly Hills, CA: Sage Publications.

Verba, Sydney, Norman H. Nie, and Jae-On Kim. 1978. *Participation and Political Equality: A Seven-Nation Comparison*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Lewis-Beck, Michael. 1988. *Economics and Elections* Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.

Lijphart, Arend. 1997. "Unequal Participation: Democracy's Unresolved Dilemma." *American Political Science Review* 91:1-14.

Dalton, Robert. 2008. *Citizen Politics: Public Opinion and Political Parties in Advanced Industrial Democracies*, 5th ed. Washington, DC: CQ Press.

LeDuc, Lawrence, Richard Niemi, and Pippa Norris, eds. 2002. *Comparing Democracies 2*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications. Chapters 7-8.

Collective Action

Marwell, Gerald and Pamela Oliver. 1993. *The Critical Mass in Collective Action: A Microsocial Theory*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Wilson, James Q. 1973. *Political Organizations*. 1995. Princeton: Princeton UP. Ch. 3.

Ostrom, Elinor. 1990. *Governing the Commons: The Evolution of Institutions for Collective Action*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Chong, Dennis. 1991. *Collective Action and the Civil Rights Movement*. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press.

Week 10 (April 2): Resistance, Protest, Social Movements

Tarrow, Sidney. 2011. *Power in Movement. Social Movements and Contentious Politics*. 3rd ed. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Jenkins, Craig. 1983. "Resource Mobilization Theory and the Study of Social Movements." *Annual Review of Sociology*. 9: 527-553.

Lohmann, Susanne. 1994. "The Dynamics of Informational Cascades: The Monday Demonstrations in Leipzig, East Germany, 1989-1991." *World Politics*. 47.1: 42-101.

Suggested Readings

Moore, Barrington. 1966. *Social Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy. Lord and Peasant in the Making of the Modern World*. Boston, MA: Beacon Press.

Gurr, Ted Robert. 1970. *Why Men Rebel*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

DeNardo, James. 1985. *Power in Numbers: The Political Strategy of Protest and Rebellion*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

Scott, James. 1985. *Weapons of the Week*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.

Lipsky, Michael. 1968. "Protest as a Political Resource." *American Political Science Review*. 62: 1114-58.

Piven, Francis Fox and Richard Cloward. 1977. *Poor People's Movements: Why They Succeed, How They Fail*. New York: Pantheon Books.

McAdam, Doug, Sidney Tarrow, and Charles Tilly. 2001. *Dynamics of Contention*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

McAdam, Doug, John D. McCarthy, and Mayer N. Zald. 1996. *Comparative Perspectives on Social Movements: Political Opportunities, Mobilizing Structures, and Cultural Framings*. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.

Mason, T. David. 2004. *Caught in the Crossfire: Revolution, Repression and the Rational Peasant*. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.

Hendrix, Cullen S. and Idean Salehyan. 2012. "Climate Change, Rainfall, and Social Conflict in Africa." *Journal of Peace Research*. 49.1: 35-50.

Week 11: Political Parties and Party Systems—MPSA-RE-SCHEDULE

Mair, Peter ed. 1990. *The West European Party System*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Chapters 1, 3, 5, 9, 11-22, 24 (excerpts from classic articles).

Katz, Richard and Peter Mair. 1995. "Changing Models of Party Organization: The Emergence of the Cartel Party." *Party Politics*. 1.1:5-28.

Downs, Anthony. 1957. *An Economic Theory of Democracy*. Boston: Harper Collins. Chapters 7-8. [BB]

Meguid, Bonnie. 2005. "Competition between Unequals: The Role of Mainstream Party Strategy in Niche Party Success." *APSR*: 99.3: 347-359.

Klüver, Heike and Jae-Jae Spoon. 2014. "Who Responds? Voters, Parties, and Issue Attention." *British Journal of Political Science*. Forthcoming.

Suggested Readings

- Hug, Simon. 2001. *Altering Party Systems: Strategic Behavior and the Emergence of New Political Parties in Western Democracies*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.
- Kitschelt, Herbert. 1988. "Left-Libertarian Parties: Explaining Innovation in Competitive Party Systems." *World Politics*. 40: 194-234.
- Kitschelt, Herbert. 1994. *The Transformation of European Social Democracy*. New York: Cambridge UP.
- Dalton, Russell and Martin Wattenberg. 2000. *Parties without Partisans*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Przeworski, Adam and John Sprague. 1986. *Paper Stones: A History of Electoral Socialism*. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press. Chapters 1-4.
- Strøm, Kaare and Wolfgang Mueller. 2000. *Policy, Office, or Votes? How Political Parties in Western Europe Make Hard Decisions*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Gunther, Richard, Jose Ramon Montero, and Juan Linz, eds. 2002. *Political Parties: Old Concepts and New Challenges*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Sartori, Giovanni. 2005. *Parties and Party Systems: A Framework for Analysis*. ECPR Press.
- Ishiyama, John and Marijke Breuning. 2011. "What's in a Name? Ethnic Party Identity and Democratic Development in Post-Communist Politics." *Party Politics*. 17.2: 223-241.
- Chandra, Kanchan. 2008. *Why Ethnic Parties Succeed: Patronage and Ethnic Head Counts in India*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Greene, Kenneth. 2007. *Why Dominant Parties Lose: Mexico's Democratization in Comparative Perspective*. New York: Cambridge UP.
- Adams, James, Samuel Merrill III, Bernard Grofman. *A Unified Theory of Party Competition: A Cross National Analysis Integrating Spatial and Behavioral Factors*. New York. Cambridge UP.
- Spoon, Jae-Jae. 2011. *Political Survival of Small Parties in Europe*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.
- West, Karleen Jones and Jae-Jae Spoon. 2014. "Credibility versus Competition: The Impact of Party Size on Decisions to Enter Presidential Elections in Europe and South America." *Comparative Political Studies*. 46.4: 513-539.
- Ishiyama, John and Anna Batta. 2011. "Swords into Plowshares: The Organizational Transformation of Rebel Groups into Political Parties." *Communist and Post-Communist Studies*. 44: 369-379.
- Heller, William B. and Carol Mershon. 2008. "Dealing in Discipline: Party Switching and Legislative Voting in the Italian Chamber of Deputies, 1988-2000." *AJPS*. 52.4: 910-925.
- Hicken, Allen. 2009. *Building Party Systems in Developing Democracies*. New York: Cambridge UP.

Week 12 (April 16): Electoral Systems and How Rules Affect Who Wins

Blais, André and Louis Massicotte. 2002. "Electoral Systems." In *Comparing Democracies 2*, LeDuc, Lawrence, Richard Niemi, and Pippa Norris, eds. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications. Pgs. 40-69. [BB] [BACKGROUND IF NEEDED]

Cox, Gary. 1997. *Making Votes Count*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Chaps. 2-3.

Clark, William and Matt Golder. 2006. "Rehabilitating Duverger's Theory: Testing the Mechanical and Strategic Modifying Effects of Electoral Laws." *Comparative Political Studies*. 39.6: 679-708.

Kedar, Orit. 2005. "When Moderate Voters Prefer Extreme Parties: Policy Balancing in Parliamentary Elections." *APSR*. 99.2: 185-199.

McElwain, Kenneth Mori. 2008. "Manipulating Electoral Rules to Manufacture Single Party Dominance." *AJPS*. 52.1: 32-47.

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