



# DPI-415

# COMPARATIVE POLITICS

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**CONTACT DETAILS:**

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Class time: Mondays and Wednesdays 11:45-1.00pm  
Class place: Littauer 382  
Shopping: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2017  
First class: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
Last class: Wednesday 29th November 2017  
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Assessment: Course assignments, no exam

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**COURSE SYNOPSIS:**

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*Aims and objectives of DPI-415:*

This course provides the analytical knowledge and practical skills to understand comparative politics worldwide.

It addresses a wide range of policy-relevant issues: What are the key features of democracies and autocracies, and how can regimes best be classified, such as those in South Africa, Nigeria and Iran? How can backsliding on human rights be prevented in states like Hungary, Poland, and Russia? What are the challenges for building stable and peaceful multi-ethnic states and democratic governance in countries such as Myanmar, Mali, and Afghanistan? What fuels populism in Western democracies such as the U.S., UK, and France? What is the appropriate constitutional balance of powers between the president and the legislature in states such as Venezuela, Russia, and Mexico? How does governance shape the delivery of economic and welfare policies in developing societies such as India and China?

The course covers these questions and many others by utilizing the methods and techniques of comparative politics. You will learn about states and regimes worldwide – as well as deepening your understanding of your own society. The orientation is problem and reform focused. DPI-415 analyzes (i) the nature of comparative politics (ii) processes of state formation and the classification of regimes types, (iii) the structure of political institutions, (iv) the role of political actors, and (v) processes of governance performance. DPI-415 reviews the leading research literature to understand the theoretical concepts and empirical literature on each topic. Some hands-on class workshops will develop practical skills and familiarity with some essential online resources. Assessment involves classroom participation and two written reports.

The course will provide invaluable skills and knowledge for anyone seeking to develop familiarity with the major issues in comparative politics and the practical skills in analyzing countries around the globe. In the age of globalization, cross-national insights into politics are invaluable for a wide range of potential careers, whether working for international agencies, multilateral organizations, non-profit NGOs, international corporations, or national governments.

**CLASS SCHEDULE 2017:**

Class	Date	Topic	Due dates (i)
<b>INTRODUCTION</b>			
1	W 6 Sept	Overview: Roadmap of the class	
2	M 11 Sept	What is comparative politics?	
3	W 13 Sept	Comparative methods: case studies & large-N analysis	
<b>STATES AND REGIMES</b>			
4	M 18 Sept	The nation state	
5	W 20 Sept	Regimes: Varieties of democracy	
6	M 25 Sept	Regimes: Varieties of autocracy	
7	W 27 Sept	<i>Hands-on class workshop: Varieties of Democracy (V-Dem)</i>	
<b>INSTITUTIONS</b>			
8	M 2 Oct	Institutions: Constitutions	
9	W 4 Oct	Institutions: Electoral systems	
10	W 11 Oct	Institutions: Executives & bureaucracies	
11	M 16 Oct	Institutions: Legislatures	
12	W 18 Oct	Institutions: Federalism and decentralization	Report 1
13	M 23 Oct	<i>Hands-on class workshop: Using the Comparative Constitutions Project and QoG</i>	
<b>ACTORS</b>			
14	W 25 Oct	Political parties & party systems	
15	M 30 Oct	Interest groups & social movements	
16	W 1 Nov	Political culture	
17	M 6 Nov	Political activism	
18	W 8 Nov	Political communication	
19	M 13 Nov	<i>Hand-on class workshop: Using the World Values Survey</i>	
<b>POLICIES</b>			
20	W 15 Nov	Policymaking processes	
21	M 20 Nov	Governance performance: Economic growth & welfare states	
22	M 27 Nov	<i>Workgroup report presentations and discussion</i>	
23	W 29 Nov	Conclusion & wrap up	Report 2

**Note:** Official Harvard University holidays are as follows: Labor day: 4 Sept; Columbus Day: Oct 9; Veteran's Day: Nov 10 (Observed); Thanksgiving: Nov 22-24. End of semester, 1 Dec. Please note that there are no class on Friday 1 Sept, due to APSA. Guest speakers may also be arranged on several topics. Assignments are due to be handed in *at the start of the class* on these dates.

## ASSIGNMENTS AND EVALUATION

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General points for all assignments:

- Participants are expected to keep up with the required readings and to attend classes every Monday and Wednesday.
- Late policy: Barring an extraordinary excuse, all late assignments will be marked down a third of a grade (such as from A to A-) for each day following the due date.
- Your assignments are designed to be crafted as evidence-based policy analysis, reflecting the leading academic research on each topic. Your work needs to be carefully written and supported by direct evidence derived from the available data and from citations to existing research.
- Use effective endnote references citing sources from the peer-reviewed research literature, as suggested from the extensive readings listed in the syllabi and others related publications. Use endnotes to support any contentious claims and to acknowledge any data sources.

### 1. RESEARCH REPORTS CHOSEN FROM DISCUSSION TOPICS LISTED IN CLASSES 1-12.

#### SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 18 OCTOBER (40%)

Choose ONE of the discussion questions listed in the syllabus in classes 1-9. The literature review should *draw upon the recommended readings and research literature* on the selected topic listed in the syllabus, as well as upon any online resources and publications. Your report should be structured with subheadings to cover the following topics:

- I. The executive summary of the plan of your report and the major conclusions;
- II. Summary of the core topic;
- III. Review of the research literature organized thematically and any new evidence;
- IV. Conclusions and implications;
- V. Technical appendix (including longer tables, larger graphs/figures, definition of indicators and sources, if used.)
- VI. Endnotes: comprehensive list of literature and references used in the report.

The discussions during class will provide some ideas on these topics and you are encouraged to work collaboratively with others, but each student should submit his or her own report for an individual grade. The report should be about 2,500-3,000 words in length in professional format. More details will be given out in class nearer the deadline.

### 2. RESEARCH **OR** POLICY CONSULTANCY REPORT CHOSEN FROM DISCUSSION TOPICS LISTED IN CLASSES 13-22. SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 29 NOVEMBER (40%)

Choose ONE of the discussion questions listed in the syllabus in classes 10-15. The literature review should *draw upon the recommended readings and research literature* on the selected topic listed in the syllabus, as well as upon any online resources and publications. Your report should be structured with subheadings to cover the following topics:

- I. The executive summary of the plan of your report and the major conclusions (key recommendations for a policy report);
- II. Summary of the core topic;
- III. Review of the research literature organized thematically and any new evidence;
- IV. Conclusions and implications; (Recommendations for a policy report)
- V. Technical appendix (including longer tables, larger graphs/figures, definition of indicators and sources, if used.)
- VI. Endnotes: comprehensive list of literature and references used in the report.

The discussions during class will provide some ideas on these topics and you are encouraged to work collaboratively with others, but each student should submit his or her own report for an individual grade. The report should be about 2,500-3,000 words in length in professional format. More details will be given out in class nearer the deadline.

### 3. CLASS PARTICIPATION (20%)

Lastly, everyone will be expected to participate in class, including through brief class exercises. Sessions will involve discussing the readings, group exercises, hand-on practical online sessions, report presentations, case studies, and debates about controversial issues.

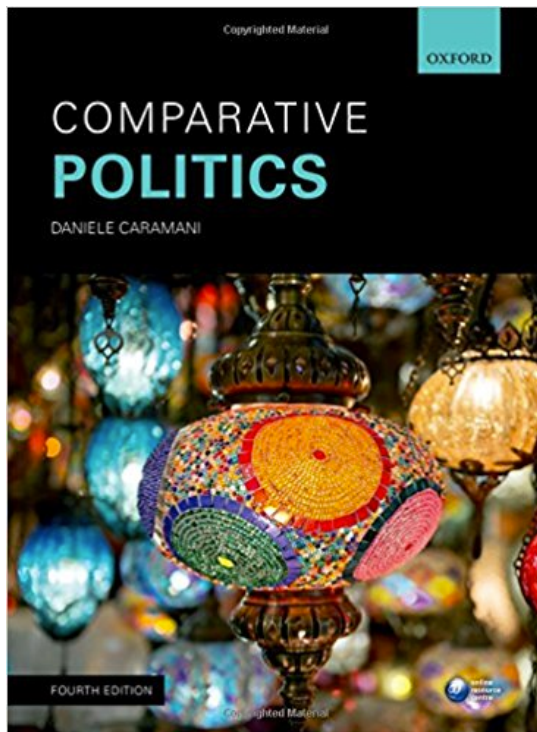
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#### REQUIRED BOOK:

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You should plan to purchase the following textbook available from Amazon, the Harvard Coop, and other bookshops. All other materials can be downloaded from the class website and journals available at Harvard. You will need to go through the Hollis security screen to download these.

- Daniele Caramani. Ed. 2017. **Comparative Politics**. 4th edition. Oxford: Oxford University Press. \$35.95. 9780198737421. [Amazon](#) Buy p/b \$33.98
- <https://global.oup.com/academic/product/comparative-politics-9780198737421?q=caramani&lang=en&cc=gb>
- Companion website: <http://global.oup.com/uk/orc/politics/comparative/caramani/>



**Contents:****Section I: Theories and methods**

- 1: The relevance of comparative politics, *Bo Rothstein*
- 2: Approaches in comparative politics, *B. Guy Peters*
- 3: Comparative research methods, *Hans Keman and Paul Pennings*

**Section II: The historical context**

- 4: The nation-state, *Gianfranco Poggi*
- 5: Democracies, *Aníbal Pérez-Liñán*
- 6: Authoritarian regimes, *Paul Brooker*

**Section III: Structures and institutions**

- 7: Legislatures, *Amie Kreppel*
- 8: Governments and bureaucracies, *Wolfgang C. Müller*
- 9: Constitutions and courts, *Alec Stone Sweet*
- 10: Elections and referendums, *Michael Gallagher*
- 11: Unitary, federal, and local government institutions, *John Loughlin*

**Section IV: Actors and processes**

- 12: Political parties, *Richard S. Katz*
- 13: Party systems, *Daniele Caramani*
- 14: Interest groups, *Roland Erne*
- 15: Regions, *James Bickerton and Alain-G. Gagnon*
- 16: Social movements, *Hanspeter Kriesi*
- 17: Political culture, *Christian Welzel and Ronald Inglehart*
- 18: Political participation, *Herbert Kitschelt and Philipp Rehm*
- 19: Political communication, *Frank Esser and Barbara Pfetsch*

**Section V: Public policies**

- 20: Policy making, *Christoph Knill and Jale Tosun*
- 21: The welfare state, *Kees van Kersbergen and Philip Manow*
- 22: The impact of public policies, *Jørgen Goul Andersen*

**Section VI: Beyond the Nation-State**

- 23: The EU as a new political system, *Simon Hix*
- 24: Globalization and the nation-state, *Georg Sørensen*
- 25: Promoting democracy, *Peter Burnell*

To find other journal literature, use the SSCI Web of Science index. A guide to using this for effective literature reviews will be given in class. You can get access here:

<http://eresearch.lib.harvard.edu/V/1MRP6QDQ83C7MHEPFH9CGT7JUBR25SFETH5EJ62DIL3KARRGYH-26745?func=native-link&resource=HVD02803>

For book searches, use Harvard's Hollis catalogue <http://lib.harvard.edu/> which links to Google books.

The recommended readings and supplementary resources allow you to follow up with research on particular topics for your two reports.

## DETAILED READINGS, SCHEDULE AND TOPICS

PART I: INTRODUCTION:	
<b>1</b>	<b>Overview: Roadmap of the class</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>What is comparative politics?</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is a science of comparative politics possible?</li> <li>Which is preferable and why, large-N quantitative cross-national studies or qualitative ethnographic case-studies?</li> </ul>
Required readings	<p>Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i> Oxford: Oxford University Press. Introduction and Ch 1</p> <p>David Collier. 'The Comparative Method' In Ada Finifter. Ed. 1993. <i>Political Science: The State of the Discipline II</i>. APSA. <a href="http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/Papers.cfm?abstract_id=1540884">Download</a> from SSRN</p> <p><a href="http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/Papers.cfm?abstract_id=1540884">http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/Papers.cfm?abstract_id=1540884</a></p>
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Almond, Gabriel G. Bingham Powell, Russell Dalton, and Kaare Strom. Eds. 2010. <i>Comparative Politics Today: A World View</i>. 9<sup>th</sup> Edition. New York: Longman/Pearson.</p> <p>Boix, Carles and Susan C. Stokes. Eds. 2007. <i>The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics</i>. New York: Oxford University Press. Part I</p> <p>Collier, David. 'The comparative method'. In <i>Political Science: The State of the Discipline</i> ed A. W. Finifter. Washington DC: APSA.</p> <p>van Deth, Jan. (ed.) (1998) <i>Comparative Politics: The Problem of Equivalence</i>. London: Routledge.</p>
Online resources	<a href="http://www.oxfordtextbooks.co.uk/orc/caramani/">www.oxfordtextbooks.co.uk/orc/caramani/</a>
<b>3</b>	<b>Comparative methods</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What are the main criteria recommended in selecting cases and why?</li> <li>What are the advantages and disadvantages of the 'most similar' and the 'most different' research designs?</li> </ul>
Required readings	<p>Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 2 &amp; 3</p> <p>John Geering. 2004. 'What is a case study and what is it good for?' <i>APSR</i>. 98(2): 341-354. WOS:000221903700009</p>
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Boix, Carles and Susan Stokes. Eds. 2007. <i>The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics</i>. Oxford University Press. Part I</p> <p>Brady, Henry and David Collier. 2004. <i>Rethinking social inquiry: Diverse tools, shared standards</i>. New York: Rowman &amp; Littlefield Publishers.</p> <p>Collier, David, James Mahoney and Jason Seawright. 2004. 'Claiming too much: Warnings about selection bias.' In <i>Rethinking Social Inquiry: Diverse Tools, Shared Standards</i>. Ed. Henry E. Brady and David Collier. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.</p> <p>Geddes, Barbara. 2003. <i>Paradigms and Sand Castles: Theory building and research design in comparative politics</i>. Chapter 3. Ann Arbor, MI: The University of Michigan Press.</p> <p>George, Alexander L. and Andrew Bennett. 2004. <i>Case Studies and Theory Development</i>. Cambridge, MA: The MIT Press.</p> <p>Geering, John. 2007. <i>Case Study research: Principles and Practices</i>. Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>King, Gary, Robert Keohane et al. 1994. <i>Designing Social Inquiry</i>. Princeton: Princeton University Press.</p> <p>Landman, Todd. 2007. <i>Issues and Methods in Comparative Politics</i>. London: Routledge.</p>



	<p>Munck, Geraldo and R. Snyder. Eds. 2007. <i>Passion, Craft and Method in Comparative Politics</i>. Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins Press.</p> <p>Przeworski, Adam and H. Teune. 1970. <i>The Logic of Comparative Social Inquiry</i>. R.E.Kreiger.</p> <p>Pennings, Paul, Hans Keman and J. Kleinnijenhuis. 2006. <i>Doing Research in Political Science: An introduction to comparative methods and statistics</i>. London: Sage.</p> <p>Ragin, Charles C. 2000. <i>Fuzzy-Set Social Science</i>. Chicago: University of Chicago.</p>
Online resources	<a href="http://www.oxfordtextbooks.co.uk/orc/caramani/">www.oxfordtextbooks.co.uk/orc/caramani/</a>
<b>PART II: STATES AND REGIMES</b>	
<b>4</b>	<b>The nation state</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What explains the proliferation of states around the world?</li> <li>• Is nationalism eroding due to globalization – or strengthening?</li> <li>• Do nations create states – or vice versa?</li> <li>• What conditions facilitate state-building and nation-building?</li> </ul>
Required readings	Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 4 and 24
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Bates, Robert H. 2009. <i>When Things Fall Apart: State Failure in Late-Century Africa</i>. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Call, Charles T. and Vanessa Wyeth. 2008. <i>Building States to Build Peace</i>. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner.</p> <p>Dobbin, James et al. 2005. <i>The UN's Role in Nation-Building: From the Congo to Iraq</i>. Rand Corp.</p> <p>Dunleavy, Patrick and Brendan O'Leary. 1987. <i>Theories of the State</i> Basingstoke: Macmillan.</p> <p>Fukuyama, Francis. 2004. <i>State-Building: Governance and World Order in the 21st Century</i>. Cornell University Press.</p> <p>Ghani, Ashraf and Claire Lockhart. 2008. <i>Fixing Failed States: A Framework for Rebuilding a Fractured World</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Gill, Graeme. 2003. <i>The Nature and Development of the Modern State</i>. Basingstoke: Palgrave.</p> <p>Held, David, Anthony McGrew, David Goldblatt and Jonathan Perraton. 1999. <i>Global Transformations</i>. Stanford: Stanford University Press.</p> <p>Kaplan, Seth. 2008. <i>Fixing Fragile States: A New Paradigm for Development</i>. New York: Praeger.</p> <p>McGrew, Anthony and David Held. Eds. 2007. <i>Globalization Theory: Approaches and Controversies</i>. Cambridge: Polity.</p> <p>Ohmae, K. 1995. <i>The End of the Nation State</i>. NY: Free Press.</p> <p>Posner, Daniel. 2005. <i>Institutions and Ethnic Politics in Africa</i>. Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Rotberg, Robert. Ed. 2003. <i>When States Fail: Causes and Consequences</i>. Princeton University Press.</p> <p>Vincent, Andrew. 1987. <i>Theories of the State</i>. Oxford: Blackwell.</p>

	<p>Varshney, Ashutosh. 2003. <i>Ethnic Conflict and Civil Life: Hindus and Muslims in India</i>. Yale University Press.</p> <p>Zartman, I. William. Ed. 1995. <i>Collapsed States: The Disintegration and Restoration of Legitimate Authority</i>. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner.</p>
Online resources	<p>List of U.N. member states: <a href="http://www.un.org/en/members/index.shtml">http://www.un.org/en/members/index.shtml</a></p> <p>CIA World Fact-book: <a href="https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html">https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html</a></p>
<b>5</b>	<b>Regimes: Varieties of democracy</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is there a universal meaning to the concept of democracy or are understandings relativistic?</li> <li>• What are the pros and cons of dichotomous or continuous regime classifications?</li> </ul>
Required readings	Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 5 and 235
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Dahl, Robert A. 1956. <i>A Preface to Democratic Theory</i>. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.</p> <p>Dahl, Robert A. 1989. <i>Democracy and its Critics</i>. New Haven: Yale University Press.</p> <p>Dahl, Robert A. 2000. <i>On Democracy</i>. New Haven: Yale University Press.</p> <p>Diamond, Larry and Marc Plattner. Eds. 2015. <i>Democracy in Decline?</i> Johns Hopkins Press.</p> <p>Dryzek, John. 2000. <i>Deliberative Democracy and Beyond: Liberals, Critics, Contestations</i>. Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Elkins, Zachary. 2000. <a href="#"><u>Gradations of Democracy? Empirical tests of alternative conceptualizations</u></a> _ <i>American Journal Of Political Science</i> 44 (2): 293-300.</p> <p>Gastil, John and Peter Levine. Eds. 2005. <i>The deliberative democracy handbook: strategies for effective civic engagement in the twenty-first century</i>. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass.</p> <p>Geddes, Barbara. 1999. 'What Do We Know About Democratization After Twenty Years?' <i>Annual Review of Political Science</i>, 2:115-44.</p> <p>Goodin, Robert E. 2008. <i>Innovating democracy: democratic theory and practice after the deliberative turn</i>. Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Held, David. 2006. <i>Models of Democracy</i>. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed. Cambridge: Polity.</p> <p>Huntington, Samuel P. 1993. <i>The Third Wave</i>. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press.</p> <p>Jon, Elster. Ed. 1998. <i>Deliberative Democracy</i>. Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Lijphart, Arendt. 1999. <i>Patterns of Democracy</i> New Haven: Yale.</p> <p>Norris, Pippa. 2008. <i>Driving Democracy: Do Power-sharing Institutions Work?</i> Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Munck, Geraldo L., and Jay Verkuilen. 2002. 'Conceptualizing and Measuring Democracy: Evaluating Alternative Indices.' <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> 35: 5-34.</p> <p>Przeworski, Adam, Michael E. Alvarez, Jose Antonio Cheibub and Fernando Limongi. 2000. <i>Democracy and Development: Political Institutions and Well-Being in the World, 1950-1990</i>. Chapter 1.</p> <p>Rosenberg, Shawn W. Ed. 2007. <i>Deliberation, participation and democracy: can the people govern?</i> Palgrave Macmillan.</p> <p>Schumpeter, Joseph. 1994. <i>Capitalism, Socialism and Democracy</i>, Routledge.</p>
Online resources	Quality of Governance <a href="#"><u>dataset</u></a> (The QoG Data under 'Data')

	<p>Freedom House <i>'Freedom in the World' (under Publications)</i>. Read especially 'Essays', 'Tables and Charts' and 'Methodology'. (latest year available)</p> <p>Marshall, Monty G. and Keith Jaggers. 2002. <i>Polity IV Project: Political Regime Characteristics and Transitions, 1800-2002: Dataset Users' Manual</i>. Maryland: University of Maryland.</p> <p>Vanhanen, Tatu. 2000. 'A new dataset for measuring democracy, 1810-1998.' <i>Journal of Peace Research</i> 37 (2): 251-265</p> <p>Varieties of Democracy (VDem) <a href="https://www.v-dem.net/">https://www.v-dem.net/</a></p>
<b>6</b>	<b>Regimes: Varieties of autocracy</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is meant by the concepts of 'electoral democracy', 'electoral autocracy', 'competitive authoritarianism', and 'illiberal democracy'? Which concept is most useful and valid for comparative purposes? How would you propose to measure each?</li> <li>• What has caused the growth of electoral autocracies worldwide?</li> <li>• Critically assess Levitsky and Way's theory of competitive authoritarianism.</li> </ul>
Required readings	<p>Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 6</p> <p>Steven Levitsky and Lucan A. Way. 2002. 'The Rise of Competitive Authoritarianism.' <i>Journal of Democracy</i> 13: 51-65.</p>
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Armony, Ariel C., and Hector E. Schamis. 2005. 'Babel in Democratization Studies.' <i>Journal of Democracy</i> 16: 113-28.</p> <p>Carothers, Thomas. 2002. 'The End of the Transition Paradigm.' <i>Journal of Democracy</i> 13: 5-21.</p> <p>Collier, David and Robert Adcock. 1999. <i>'Democracy and dichotomies: A pragmatic approach to choices about concepts.'</i> <i>Annual Review of Political Science</i> 1: 537-565.</p> <p>Diamond, Larry. 2002. 'Thinking about Hybrid Regimes.' <i>Journal of Democracy</i> 13: 21-35</p> <p>Elkins, Zachary. 2000. 'Gradations of Democracy? Empirical Tests of Alternative Conceptualizations.' <i>American Journal of Political Science</i> 44: 293-300.</p> <p>Lindburg, Staffan. 2006. <i>Democracy and Elections in Africa</i>. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins Press.</p> <p>Lindburg, Staffan. Ed., 2009. <i>Democratization by Elections - A New Mode of Transition</i>. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins Press.</p> <p>Linz, Juan. 2000. <i>Totalitarian and Authoritarian Regimes</i>. Boulder: Lynne Rienner.</p> <p>Przeworski, Adam, Michael E. Alvarez, Jose Antonio Cheibub, and Fernando Limongi. 2000. <i>Democracy and Development: Political Institutions and Well-Being in the World, 1950-1990</i>. New York: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Rotberg, Robert. 2007. <i>Worst of the Worst</i>. World Peace Foundation.</p> <p>Zakaria, Fareed. 1997. 'The Rise of Illiberal Democracy.' <i>Foreign Affairs</i> 76: 22-41.</p> <p>Zakaria, Fareed. 2003. <i>The Future of Freedom: Illiberal Democracy at Home and Abroad</i>. New York: Norton.</p>
Online resources	<p>Amnesty International <a href="http://www.amnesty.org">www.amnesty.org</a></p> <p>Human Rights Watch <a href="http://www.hrw.org">www.hrw.org</a></p>

	Freedom House <a href="http://www.freedomhouse.org">www.freedomhouse.org</a> Varieties of Democracy (VDem) <a href="https://www.v-dem.net/">https://www.v-dem.net/</a>
<b>7</b>	<b>Hand-on class workshop: Using V-dem (Bring laptops to class)</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How would you use V-Dem online to analyze patterns of regimes in one global region, selecting West Africa, MENA, Latin America, SE Asia or Central Europe?</li> </ul>
Required readings	See Varieties of Democracy (VDem) <a href="https://www.v-dem.net/">https://www.v-dem.net/</a>
<b>PART III: INSTITUTIONS</b>	
<b>8</b>	<b>Constitutions</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a single best set of democratic institutions?</li> <li>What are the key contrasts between 'consensus' or 'majoritarian' democracies; compare and contrast two developing countries exemplifying each type.</li> <li>Do we know enough about the impact of political institutions to engage in successful 'constitutional engineering'? Compare the outcome of constitutional peace settlements in two societies to consider these issues.</li> </ul>
Required readings	Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 9
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Arjomand, Said Amir. Ed. 2007. <i>Constitutionalism and political reconstruction</i>. Boston: Brill.</p> <p>Banting, Keith and Richard Simeon (Ed.) 1985. <i>Redesigning the State</i>. Toronto: Univ. of Toronto Press.</p> <p>Buchanan, James M. and Gordon Tullock. 1962. <i>The Calculus of Consent</i>. Indianapolis, IN: Liberty Fund.</p> <p>Carothers, Thomas. 1999. <i>Aiding Democracy Abroad</i>. Chapter 7. Washington DC: Carnegie.</p> <p>Elster, Jon. 1995. 'Forces and Mechanisms in the Constitution-Making Process.' <i>Duke Law Journal</i> 45, (November), 364-396</p> <p>Jones, Mark P. 1995. <i>Electoral Laws and the Survival of Presidential Democracies</i>. Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press.</p> <p>Lijphart, Arend. 1999. <i>Patterns of Democracy: Government Forms and Performance in 36 Countries</i>. Yale: Yale University Press.</p> <p>Linz, Juan J and Arturo Valenzuela. Eds. 1994. <i>The Failure of Presidential Democracy</i>. The Johns Hopkins Press.</p> <p>Mainwaring, Scott and Matthew Soberg Shugart. 1997. <i>Presidentialism and Democracy in Latin America</i>. New York: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Persson T. and Tabellini G. 2005. <i>The Economic Effect of Constitutions</i>. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.</p> <p>Prempeh HK. 2007. 'Africa's "constitutionalism revival": False start or new dawn?' <i>Icon-International Journal Of Constitutional Law</i> 5 (3): 469-506.</p> <p>Reynolds, Andrew. Ed. 2002. <i>The Architecture of Democracy: Constitutional Design, Conflict Management and Democracy</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Sartori, Giovanni. 1994. <i>Comparative Constitutional Engineering: An Inquiry Into Structures, Incentives, and Outcomes</i>. New York: Columbia University Press.</p>

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Online resources	<p>International IDEA Constitutions Building Project  <a href="http://www.idea.int/cbp/index.cfm">http://www.idea.int/cbp/index.cfm</a>          Constitution Finder: <a href="http://confinder.richmond.edu/">http://confinder.richmond.edu/</a></p>
<b>9</b>	<b>Electoral systems</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In considering debates about electoral reform, list the five most important normative values that any electoral system should meet, and give detailed reasons justifying your choices.</li> <li>• What are the major distinctions between plurality first-past the-post, the alternative vote, the single transferable vote, combined/ mixed, and party list electoral systems? Discuss with illustrations of recent elections held under each type of rules.</li> <li>• Are mixed member (combined) electoral systems the best of all possible worlds?</li> </ul>
Required readings	Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 10
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Benoit, Kenneth. 2007. 'Electoral Laws as Political Consequences: Explaining the Origins and Change of Electoral Institutions.' <i>Annual Review of Political Science</i> 10: 363-90.</p> <p>Birch, Sarah et al. Ed. 2002. <i>Embodying Democracy: Electoral System Design in Post-Communist Europe</i>. New York: Palgrave.</p> <p>Birch, Sarah. 2002. <i>Electoral systems and Political Transformation in Post-Communist Europe</i>. New York: Palgrave.</p> <p>Colomer, Joseph M. 2004. <i>Handbook of Electoral System Choice</i>. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.</p> <p>Cox, Gary. 1997. <i>Making Votes Count</i>. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Gallagher, Michael and Paul Mitchell. Eds. 2005. <i>The Politics of Electoral Systems</i>. Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Katz, Richard S. 1997. <i>Democracy and Elections</i>. New York: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Lijphart, Arend. 1994. <i>Electoral Systems and Party Systems: A Study of Twenty-Seven Democracies, 1945-1990</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p>

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Online resources	<p>Reynolds, Andrew, Ben Reilly and Andrew Ellis. 2005. <a href="#"><i>The International IDEA Handbook of Electoral System Design</i></a>. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Stockholm: International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance.</p> <p><a href="#">ACE Electoral Knowledge Network</a></p> <p>Pintor, Rafael Lopez and Maria Gratschew. <a href="#"><i>Voter Turnout Since 1945: A Global Report</i></a>. Stockholm, International IDEA.</p> <p><a href="#">International Foundation for Electoral Systems</a> (IFES)</p>
<b>10</b>	<b>Executives and bureaucracies</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are presidential regimes inherently unstable?</li> <li>• How far has the new public management transformed public sector bureaucracies?</li> </ul>
Required readings	Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 8
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Blais, André, Louis Massicotte and Agnieszka Dobrynska. 1997. 'Direct presidential elections: A world summary.' <i>Electoral Studies</i> 16(4): 441-455.</p> <p>Cheibub, José. 2002. 'Minority governments, deadlock situations, and the survival of presidential democracies.' <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> 35: 284;</p> <p>Cheibub, José. 2007. <i>Presidentialism, Parliamentarism, and Democracy</i>. New York: Cambridge University Press</p> <p>Jones, Mark 1995. <i>Electoral laws and the survival of presidential democracies</i>. Paris: University of Notre-Dame Press.</p> <p>Lijphart, Arendt. 1996. Ed. <i>Presidential v. Parliamentary Government</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p>

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Online resources	<p>CIA World Leaders: List of Head of State and Cabinet Ministers  <a href="https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/world-leaders-1/index.html">https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/world-leaders-1/index.html</a></p>
<b>11</b>	<b>Legislatures</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does descriptive representation in parliamentary bodies influence legislative priorities and activities?</li> <li>How can parliamentary accountability, transparency, and oversight be strengthened?</li> </ul>
Required readings	Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 7
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Carey, John. 2008. <i>Legislative Voting and Accountability</i>. Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Dahlerup, Drude. Ed. 2006. <i>Women, Quotas and Politics</i>. London: Routledge</p> <p>Karram, Azza. 2005. <i>Women in Parliament: Beyond Numbers. A Revised Edition</i>. IDEA: Stockholm.</p> <p>Kurian, George Thomas, ed., 1998. <i>World Encyclopedia of Parliaments and Legislatures</i>.</p> <p>Lane Kenworthy and Melissa Malami. 1999. 'Gender Inequality in Political Representation: A Worldwide Comparative Analysis.' <i>Social Forces</i> 78(1): 235-269.</p> <p>Lijphart, Arendt. 1996. Ed. <i>Presidential v. Parliamentary Government</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Lijphart, Arendt. 1999. <i>Patterns of Democracy</i>. Yale University Press.</p> <p>Loewenberg, Gerhard, Peverill Squire, and D. Roderick Kiewiet (Editors). 2002. <i>Legislatures: Comparative Perspectives on Representative Assemblies</i>. University of Michigan Press.</p>



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Online resources	<p>Inter-parliamentary Union <a href="http://www.IPU.org">www.IPU.org</a></p> <p>Parliaments online: <a href="http://www.gksoft.com/govt/en/parliaments.html">http://www.gksoft.com/govt/en/parliaments.html</a></p>
<b>12</b>	<b>Federalism and decentralization</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does decentralization strengthen or weaken good governance?</li> <li>What are the practical policy recommendations that you would draw from World Bank Diagnostic Tools for governance decentralization?</li> </ul>
Required readings	<p>Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 11, 15 and 23</p> <p>Pippa Norris. 2009. <i>Driving Democracy: Do Power-sharing Institutions Work?</i> New York: Cambridge University Press. Ch 7</p>
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Bird, Richard M. and François Vaillancourt. Eds. 1999. <i>Fiscal Decentralization in Developing Countries</i>. New York: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>De Vries, Michiel S. 2000. 'The rise and fall of decentralization: a comparative analysis of arguments and practices in European Countries.' <i>European Journal of Political Research</i> 38, 193–224.</p> <p>Denters, Bas and Lawrence Rose (Editors). 2005. <i>Comparing Local Governance: Trends and Developments</i>. London: Palgrave/Macmillan.</p> <p>Devas N and S. Delay. 2006. 'Local democracy and the challenges of decentralising the state: An international perspective' <i>Local Government Studies</i> 32 (5): 677-695.</p> <p>Ehtisham, Ahmad (Editor). 2002. <i>Fiscal Decentralization</i>. London: Routledge</p> <p>Griffiths, Ann L. Ed. 2005. <i>Handbook of Federal Countries, 2005</i>. Montreal: Forum of Federations/McGill University Press.</p> <p>Grindle, Merilee. 2007. <i>Going Local: Decentralization, Democratization, and the Promise of Good Governance</i>.</p> <p>Hueglin, Thomas and Alan Fenna. 2006. <i>Comparative Federalism</i>. Toronto: Broadview Press.</p> <p>Manor, James. 1999. <i>The Political Economy of Democratic Decentralization</i>. Washington, DC: The World Bank.</p> <p>Rodden, Jonathan. 2004. 'Comparative federalism and decentralization: On meaning and measurement.' <i>Comparative Politics</i> 36 (4): 481.</p> <p>Treisman, Daniel. 2007. <i>The Architecture of Government: Rethinking Political Decentralization</i>. New York: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Wibbels, Erik. 2005. <i>Federalism and the Market: Intergovernmental Conflict and Economic Reform in the Developing World</i>. New York: Cambridge University Press.</p>
Online resources	The Forum of Federations <a href="http://www.forumfed.org/en/index.php">http://www.forumfed.org/en/index.php</a>
<b>13</b>	<b>Case studies: UK, US, France and Germany</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hand-on practical class workshop on using the Comparative Constitutions Project and the Quality of Government Dataset. Bring laptops.</li> </ul>
Required readings	<b>Elkins and Ginsburg:</b> <a href="http://www.comparativeconstitutionsproject.org/">http://www.comparativeconstitutionsproject.org/</a>



	Quality of Government (QoG) <a href="http://www.qog.pol.gu.se">www.qog.pol.gu.se</a>
	<b>PART IV: ACTORS</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Political parties and party systems</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have mass partisan loyalties eroded in established and newer democracies?</li> <li>• Are new cartel party systems emerging in Western Europe?</li> <li>• What is driving the rise of populism?</li> </ul>
Required readings	<p>Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 12 &amp; 13</p> <p>Ronald Inglehart and Pippa Norris. 2016. <i>Trump, Brexit and the Rise of Populism. Faculty Research Paper</i> RWP16-026 <a href="http://bit.ly/2bg7QAo">http://bit.ly/2bg7QAo</a></p>
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Campbell, Angus, Philip Converse, Warren Miller, and Donald Stokes. 1960. <i>The American Voter</i>. University of Chicago Press.</p> <p>Clarke, Harold, and Marianne Stewart. 1998. 'The decline of parties in the minds of citizens.' <i>Annual Review of Political Science</i> 1: 357-78.</p> <p>Converse, Philip. 1964. 'The nature of belief systems in mass publics.' In David Apter, eds. <i>Ideology and Discontent</i>. New York: Free Press.</p> <p>Crewe, Ivor and David Denver. Eds. 1985. <i>Electoral Change in Western Democracies: Patterns and Sources of Electoral Volatility</i>. New York: St. Martin's Press</p> <p>Dalton, Russell and Hans-Dieter Klingemann, eds. <i>Oxford Handbook of Political Behavior</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Dalton, Russell, and Martin P. Wattenberg. Ed. 2000. <i>Parties without Partisans: Political Change in Advanced Industrial Democracies</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Diamond, Larry and Richard Gunther. 2001. <i>Political Parties and Democracy</i>. Johns Hopkins Press.</p> <p>Franklin, Mark, Tom Mackie, Henry Valen, et al. 1992. <i>Electoral Change: Responses to Evolving Social and Attitudinal Structures in Western Countries</i>. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Gunther, Richard, Puhle, Hans-Jürgen and Montero, José Ramón (eds) (2007) <i>Democracy, Intermediation, and Voting on Four Continents</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Gunther, Richard, Jose Ramon Montero and Joan J. Linz. 2002. <i>Political Parties: Old Concepts and New Challenges</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Green, Donald, Bradley Palmquist, and Eric Schickler. 2002. <i>Partisan Hearts and Minds: Political Parties and the Social Identities of Voters</i>. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.</p> <p>Gunther, Richard, Jose Ramon Montero and Joan J. Linz. 2002. <i>Political Parties: Old Concepts and New Challenges</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Holmberg, Sören. 1994. Party identification compared across the Atlantic. In M. Kent Jennings and Thomas Mann, eds., <i>Elections at Home and Abroad</i>. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.</p> <p>Kitschelt, Herbert, Zdenka Mansfeldova, Radoslaw Markowski and Gabor Toka. 1999. <i>Post-Communist Party Systems</i>. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Kitschelt, Herbert. 1994. <i>The Transformation of European Social Democracy</i>. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Lewis-Beck, Michael, Helmut Norpoth, William G. Jacoby, and Herbert F. Weisberg. 2008. <i>The American Voter Revisited</i>. University of Michigan Press.</p>

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Online resources	<p>Adam Carr's Election Archive <a href="http://psephos.adam-carr.net/">http://psephos.adam-carr.net/</a></p> <p>Political Parties online: <a href="http://www.politicsresources.net/parties.htm">http://www.politicsresources.net/parties.htm</a></p>
<b>15</b>	<b>Advocacy groups and social movements</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does social trust matter for democratic governance? Explain why and why not.</li> <li>Compare and contrast any two nations to evaluate whether the central claims in Putnam's theory of social capital hold in cross-cultural perspective?</li> </ul>
Required readings	Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 14 & 16
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Foley, Michael and Bob Edwards. 1998. 'Beyond Tocqueville: Civil Society and Social Capital in Comparative Perspective.' <i>American Behavioral Scientist</i>. 42(1): 5-20.</p> <p>Hooghe, Marc and Dietlind Stolle. Eds. 2003. <i>Generating Social Capital: Civil Society and Institutions in Comparative Perspective</i>. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.</p> <p>Keck, Margaret E. and Kathryn Sikkink, 1998. <i>Activists beyond Borders - Advocacy Networks in International Politics</i>. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press.</p> <p>Krishna A. 2007. '<a href="#">How does social capital grow? A seven-year study of villages in India.</a>' <i>Journal of Politics</i> 69 (4): 941-956.</p> <p>Norris, Pippa. 2002. <i>Democratic Phoenix</i>. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 8.</p> <p>Ottaway, Marina and Thomas Carothers. Eds. 2000. <i>Funding Virtue: Civil Society Aid and Democracy Promotion</i>. DC: Brookings Institution.</p> <p>Paxton Pamela. 2002. 'Social capital and democracy: An interdependent relationship.' <i>American Sociological Review</i>. 67 (2): 254-277.</p> <p>Putnam, Robert D. 1995. '<a href="#">The Strange Disappearance of Civic America.</a>' <i>The American Prospect</i> 7(24).</p> <p>Putnam, Robert D. 2000. <i>Bowling Alone</i>. NY: Simon &amp; Schuster.</p> <p>Putnam, Robert. Ed. 2002. <i>Democracy in Flux</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Rose, Richard and Doh C. Shin. 2001. 'Democratization backwards: The problem of third-wave democracies.' <i>British Journal Of Political Science</i> 31: 331-354 Part 2, APR 2001</p> <p>Schneider G, T. Plumper, and S. Baumann. 2000. 'Bringing Putnam to the European regions - On the relevance of social capital for economic growth.' <i>European Urban And Regional Studies</i>. 7 (4): 307-317.</p> <p>Schofer E. and M. Fourcade-Gourinchas. 2001. 'The structural contexts of civic engagement: Voluntary association membership in comparative perspective.' <i>American Sociological Review</i>. 66 (6): 806-828.</p>

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Online resources	<a href="#">World Bank Social Capital for Development</a>
<b>16</b>	<b>Culture</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is Inglehart's theory of the cultural roots of democratic regimes?</li> <li>• Is mass support for democracy eroding?</li> </ul>
Required readings	Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 17
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Almond, Gabriel A. and Sidney Verba. 1963. <i>The Civic Culture: Political Attitudes and Democracy in Five Nations</i>. Princeton: Princeton University Press.</p> <p>Almond, Gabriel and Sidney Verba. Eds. 1980. <i>The Civic Culture Revisited</i>. Boston: Little Brown.</p> <p>Diamond, Larry and Marc F. Plattner. 2008. Eds. <i>How People View Democracy</i>. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins Press.</p> <p>Inglehart, Ronald and Christopher Welzel. 2003. 'Political culture and democracy - Analyzing cross-level linkages.' <i>Comparative Politics</i> 36 (1): 61-+.</p> <p>Inglehart, Ronald and Christopher Welzel. 2005. <i>Modernization, Cultural Change, and Democracy: The Human Development Sequence</i>. New York: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Inglehart, Ronald. 2000. <i>Modernization and Postmodernization</i>. Princeton, N.J: Princeton University Press.</p> <p>Inglehart, Ronald. 2003. 'How Solid is Mass Support for Democracy and How Do We Measure It?' <i>PS: Political Science and Politics</i>.</p> <p>Inglehart, Ronald, Basàñez, Miguel, Díez-Medrano, Jaime, Halman, Loek and Luijkx, Ruud (eds).2004. <i>Human Beliefs and Values: A cross-cultural sourcebook</i>. Mexico: Siglo XXI Editores.</p> <p>Inglehart, Ronald and Pippa Norris. 2003. <i>Rising Tide: Gender Equality and Cultural Change around the World</i>. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Norris, Pippa and Ronald Inglehart. 2005. <i>Sacred and Secular</i>. Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Norris, Pippa and Ronald Inglehart. 2009. <i>Cosmopolitan Communications: Cultural Diversity in a Globalized World</i>. Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Norris, Pippa. Ed. 1999. <i>Critical Citizens</i>. Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Sarsfield, R. and F. Echegaray. 2006. 'Opening the black box: How satisfaction with democracy and its perceived efficacy affect regime preference in Latin America.' <i>International Journal of Public Opinion Research</i> 18 (2): 153-173</p> <p>Seligson, Mitchell. A. 2002. 'The renaissance of political culture or the renaissance of the ecological fallacy?' <i>Comparative Politics</i>. 34 (3): 273.</p> <p>Tessler, Mark and E. Gao E. 2005. '<a href="#">Gauging Arab support for democracy</a>' <i>Journal Of Democracy</i> 16 (3): 83-97.</p> <p>Welzel, Chris, Ronald Inglehart, and Hans-Dieter Klingemann. 2003. 'The theory of human development: A cross-cultural analysis.' <i>European Journal of Political Research</i> 42 (3): 341-379.</p>
Online resources	<p>Asia Barometer <a href="http://www.eastasiabarometer.org">www.eastasiabarometer.org</a> and <a href="http://www.asianbarometer.org/">http://www.asianbarometer.org/</a></p> <p>EuroBarometer <a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/public_opinion/">http://europa.eu.int/comm/public_opinion/</a></p>

	<p>European Social Survey <a href="http://naticent02.uuhost.uk.uu.net">http://naticent02.uuhost.uk.uu.net</a></p> <p>Gallup International Voice of the People <a href="http://www.voice-of-the-people.net/">www.voice-of-the-people.net/</a></p> <p>Global barometers <a href="http://www.globalbarometer.net/">http://www.globalbarometer.net/</a></p> <p>International Social Survey Program <a href="http://www.issp.org/">http://www.issp.org/</a></p> <p>Latinobarometro <a href="http://www.latinobarometro.org">www.latinobarometro.org</a></p> <p>New Europe Barometer <a href="http://www.cspp.strath.ac.uk">www.cspp.strath.ac.uk</a></p> <p>Pew Global Surveys <a href="http://pewglobal.org/">http://pewglobal.org/</a></p> <p>World Values Study 1981-2005 <a href="http://www.worldvaluessurvey.org/">http://www.worldvaluessurvey.org/</a></p> <p>World Public Opinion <a href="http://www.worldpublicopinion.org/">http://www.worldpublicopinion.org/</a></p>
<b>17</b>	<b>Political activism</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does the traditional distinction between 'conventional' and 'protest' politics still make sense?</li> <li>• What measures of citizen engagement are available in social surveys and what aspects of contemporary activism are lacking?</li> <li>• How would you construct reliable scales of citizen activism from the ISSP-2004?</li> </ul>
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<b>18</b>	<b>Political Communication</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Are short-term factors (including media campaigns) increasingly significant drivers in voting behavior?</li> </ul>
Required readings	Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 19
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Djankov, Simeon, Caralee McLiesh, Tatiana Nenova and Andrei Shleifer. 2003. 'Who Owns The Media?' <i>Journal of Law and Economics</i>, 46(2): 341-382.</p> <p>Esser Frank, and Barbara Pfetsch. Eds. 2004. <i>Comparing Political Communication: Theories, Cases, and Challenges</i>. Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Gunther, Richard and Anthony Mughan. Eds. 2000. <i>Democracy and the Media: A Comparative Perspective</i>. New York: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Norris, Pippa. Ed. 2010. <i>The Roles of the News Media in the Governance Reform Agenda</i>. Washington DC: The World Bank.</p> <p>Norris, Pippa. 2000. <i>A Virtuous Circle</i>. New York: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Voltmer, Katrin. Ed. 2006. <i>Mass media and political communication in new democracies</i>. London: Routledge.</p>
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<b>19</b>	<b>Hands-on practical workgroups: Using the World Values Survey online (Bring laptops)</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How would you compare and contrast levels of social trust and civil engagement in a range of developing societies?</li> </ul>
Required readings	See <a href="http://www.worldvaluessurvey.org">www.worldvaluessurvey.org</a>
<b>PART V: POLICIES</b>	

20	Policymaking processes
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How far can and do countries learn about public policy options from each other?</li> <li>• Compare and contrast two countries illustrating pluralist and corporatist models of public policymaking.</li> </ul>
Required readings	<p>Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 20</p> <p>Kenneth Newton and Jan W. van Deth. 2010. <i>Foundations of Comparative Politics</i> 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. New York: Cambridge University Press.Ch 14</p>
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21	Government performance: the economy and welfare state
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do democracies outperform autocracies in terms of social equality, human development, and the delivery of welfare services?</li> </ul>
Required readings	<p>Daniele Caramani. 2017. <i>Comparative Politics</i>. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Ch 21 and 22</p>
Recommended supplementary resources	<p>Bratton, Michael and Nicholas van de Walle. 1997. <i>Democratic Experiments in Africa</i>. Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Brown, D.S. 1999. 'Reading, writing, and regime type: Democracy's impact on primary school enrollment.' <i>Political Research Quarterly</i> 52 (4): 681-707.</p> <p>Brown, D.S. 1999. 'Democracy and social spending in Latin America, 1980-92.' <i>American Political Science Review</i> 93: 779</p> <p>Burkhart, Ross E. 1997. 'Comparative Democracy and Income Distribution: Shape and Direction of the Causal Arrow.' <i>Journal of Politics</i> 59(1): 148-164.</p> <p>Engerman Stanley L. and Kenneth L. Sokoloff. 2008. 'Debating the role of institutions in political and economic development: Theory, history, and findings.' <i>Annual Review Of Political Science</i> 11: 119-135.</p> <p>Esping-Andersen, Gosta. 1990. <i>The Three Worlds of Welfare</i>. Princeton University Press.</p> <p>Feng, Yi. 2003. <i>Democracy, Governance and Economic Growth: Theory and Evidence</i>. Cambridge, MA: The MIT Press.</p> <p>Glaeser Edward L., R. La Porta, F. Lopez-de-Silanes, A. Shleifer. 2004. 'Do institutions cause growth?' <i>Journal Of Economic Growth</i> 9 (3): 271-303 SEP 2004</p> <p>Halperin, Morton, Joseph T. Siegle and Michael Weinstein. 2005. <i>The Democracy Advantage</i>. New York: Routledge.</p> <p>Hyden, Goran. 2007. 'Governance and poverty reduction in Africa.' <i>Proceedings Of The National Academy Of Sciences Of The USA</i> 104 (43): 16751-16756.</p> <p>Kaufmann, Daniel, Aart Kraay, and Massimo Mastruzzi. 2007. 'Growth and governance: A rejoinder.' <i>Journal Of Politics</i> 69 (2): 570-572.</p> <p>Kosack, S. 2003. 'Effective aid: How democracy allows development aid to improve the quality of life.' <i>World Development</i> 31 (1): 1-22.</p>

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Online resources	<p>ILO Data on social expenditure: <a href="https://www.ilo.org/dyn/sesame/ifpses.socialdbexp">https://www.ilo.org/dyn/sesame/ifpses.socialdbexp</a></p> <p>UNDP Human Development Report data: <a href="http://hdr.undp.org/en/statistics/">http://hdr.undp.org/en/statistics/</a></p>
<b>22</b>	<b>Report workgroup presentations</b>
Discussion topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bring 10 copies of a one page executive summary of your final report for presentation and discussion in workgroups.</li> </ul>
<b>23</b>	<b>Conclusion &amp; wrap up</b>