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Field Seminar in Comparative Politics
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This seminar is an overview of the political science subfield of comparative politics, targeting Ph.D. students in the graduate fields of Government and Public Policy. The course introduces students to classic works as well as recent contributions that build upon those works. Readings draw from leading theoretical approaches—including structural, institutional, rational choice, and cultural perspectives—and cover a broad range of substantive topics, such as the state, regime types, democratization, civil society, social identity, political economy, violence, mobilization, voting, and representation. Students from other programs may register only with the permission of the instructor. There are no prerequisites for the course.

Course Materials

Readings are drawn from a mix of books and journal articles. The reading load for this course is moderate: five articles or book selections per week. Students must complete all of the required readings before each course meeting. Required readings are marked with an asterisk (*).

I have listed additional background readings, denoted as *Recommended*, to identify important works that we will not be able to cover during our course. These lists for each week are long. You will certainly not be able to complete them all, and you should not try. However, you should consider the syllabus, as a whole, to reflect a broad survey of some of the major questions and topics in the field of comparative politics. It is still incomplete, in ways that we will discuss at length in class. But a student interested in pursuing research on the state, or social identity, or the political economy of advanced industrial democracies, should expect to be familiar with the basic concepts, debates, and approaches found in the recommended readings sections for that particular week.

Under the *Recommended* readings, selections marked with an arrow (→) are works that are written by Cornell Government faculty, past or present.

The assigned readings are available as a course packet which you can purchase from the Cornell Store. You should do the readings in the order of the syllabus.

Course Requirements, Learning Objectives, and Course Policies

Requirements

1. *Active and thoughtful class participation.* All students are expected to participate actively and regularly in discussions. Students must come to class having read the readings carefully, and should be prepared to discuss them in detail.
2. *Critical response essays.* Throughout the course of the semester, each student is responsible for writing four (4) short response papers that integrate and critically evaluate each week's required readings. These can be done for any week except for Weeks 1 and 2.
3. *Final exam.* A 48 hour take home written exam comprised of a choice of several essay questions. The date of the exam will be announced early in the semester.

Learning Objectives

1. *Content.* Students should leave the course with a familiarity and basic understanding of the major topics and debates in the field of comparative politics.
2. *Writing.* Students will develop core skills in analytical writing, with an emphasis on focus, precision, clarity, and conciseness.
3. *Reading.* Students will gain experience with reading academic research for professional purposes. Students will practice good reading habits and develop their favored approach to note-taking and outlining.
4. *Professionalism.* Students will learn appropriate seminar behavior, professional etiquette, and norms for in-person and online communication with colleagues, teachers, and students.

Course Policies

I respect and uphold all Cornell University policies and regulations pertaining to the observation of religious holidays; assistance available to those with documented learning needs; sexual harassment; and all forms of discrimination. I am available to answer any questions about these matters, or to discuss any necessary accommodations for any student in the course.

Students must submit only original written work that they have composed themselves. Plagiarism of any form is a violation of Cornell University's Code of Academic Integrity. Students may not use artificial intelligence platforms (Chat-GPT, Gemini, etc.) to generate any text that they submit for any graded assignment.

Computers, tablets, and phones are distractions: they make it impossible for teachers to hold students' attention, and they make it impossible for students to develop good classroom and seminar habits. I ask all students to turn off their phones, silence their notifications, and close their computers and tablets for the duration of all class meetings. Students who prefer to read the

readings and take notes online may do so, but should not use their computer to consult their readings during class meetings.

I will not grant incompletes in this class except as a consequence of extraordinary personal circumstances. Late work will be penalized.

Course Plan

August 26: Foundations

- *Adam Smith. 1776/1976. *An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations*. University of Chicago Press. pp. 7-25 (Chapters 1-3). ISBN 978-0226763743.
- *Jeremy Bentham. 1780/2019. *An Introduction to the Principles of Morals and Legislation*. Anodos Press. pp. 7-10 (Chapter 1). ISBN 9781978-106222.
- *Karl Marx. 1845. *The German Ideology*. Prometheus Press. pp. 33-71 (Part I, Sections I-III). ISBN 978-1573922586.
- *Karl Polanyi. 1944. *The Great Transformation: The Political and Economic Origins of Our Time*. Beacon Press. pp. 45-58 and 136-157 (Chapters 4, 11, and 12). ISBN 0-8070-5643-X.
- *Max Weber. 1946/2014. *Politics as a Vocation*. Moulin Digital Editions. pp. 1-11. ISBN 978-1015317260.

September 2: NO CLASS (LABOR DAY)

September 9: A Science of Comparative Politics?

- *Robert O. Keohane. 2009. "Political Science as a Vocation." *PS: Political Science and Politics*, 42(2): 359-363.
- *Adam Przeworski and Henry Teune. 1970. *The Logic of Comparative Social Inquiry*. Wiley-Interscience. pp. 3-46 (Introduction and Chapters 1-2). ISBN 471-70142-4.
- *Giovanni Sartori. 1970. "Concept Misformation in Comparative Politics," *American Political Science Review* 64(4): 1033-1053.
- *David Laitin. 2002. "Comparative Politics: The State of the Subdiscipline," in Helen Milner and Ira Katznelson, eds. *Political Science: The State of the Discipline*. W. W. Norton, pp. 630-659. ISBN 0-393-05142-0.

*Thomas B. Pepinsky. 2019. "The Return of the Single-Country Study." *Annual Review of Political Science* 22: 187-203.

Recommended

Ariel I. Ahram. 2011. "The theory and method of comparative area studies." *Qualitative Research* 11(1): 69-90.

Gabriel A. Almond and Steven J. Genco. 1977. "Clouds, Clocks, and the Study of Politics," *World Politics* 29(4).

→ Benedict Anderson. 1998. *The Spectre of Comparisons: Nationalism, Southeast Asia, and the World*. Verso.

Robert Bates. 1996. "Area Studies and Political Science: Rupture and Possible Synthesis." *Africa Today* 44(2): 123-131.

Carles Boix and Susan Stokes (eds.) 2007. *Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*. Oxford University Press. Chapters of interest.

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

→ Peter J. Katzenstein. 2001. "Area and Regional Studies in the United States." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 34(4): 789-791.

Mark Irving Lichbach. 2009. "Thinking and Working in the Midst of Things: Discovery, Explanation, and Evidence in Comparative Politics," in Mark Irving Lichbach and Alan Zuckerman, eds. *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure* (Cambridge): 18-71.

Arend Lijphart. 1971. "Comparative Politics and the Comparative Method." *American Political Science Review* 65(3): 682-693.

Steven Lukes. 2005. *Power: A Radical View*. 2nd Edition. Palgrave.

Andrew March. 2009. "What Is Comparative Political Theory?" *Review of Politics* 71: 531-565.

Robert K. Merton. 1968. *Social Theory and Social Structure*. Free Press.

Helen V. Milner. 1998. "Rationalizing Politics: The Emerging Synthesis of International, American, and Comparative Politics." *International Organization* 52, 4: 759-786

Geraldo Munck and Richard Snyder, eds. 2007. *Passion, Craft, and Method in Comparative Politics*. Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press.

→ Thomas B. Pepinsky. 2014. "Context and Method in Southeast Asian Politics." *Pacific Affairs* 87(3): 441-461.

Adam Przeworski. 2007. "Is the Science of Comparative Politics Possible?" In Carles Boix and Susan C. Stokes (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*. Oxford University Press.

David Szanton, ed. 2004. *The Politics of Knowledge: Area Studies and the Disciplines*. University of California Press.

Diego von Vacano. 2015. "The Scope of Comparative Political Theory." *Annual Review of Political Science* 18: 465-480.

September 16: Institutions

*Douglass C. North. 1990. *Institutions, Institutional Change, and Economic Performance*. Cambridge University Press. pp. 3-53 (Chapters 1-6). ISBN 0521397340.

- *Peter A. Hall and Rosemary C. R. Taylor. 1996. "Political Science and the Three New Institutionalisms." *Political Studies* 44: 936-957.
- *Gretchen Helmke and Steven Levitsky. 2004. "Informal Institutions and Comparative Politics: A Research Agenda." *Perspectives on Politics* 2(4): 725-740.
- *Avner Greif and David D. Laitin. 2004. "A Theory of Endogenous Institutional Change," *American Political Science Review* 98(4): 633-652.
- *Steven Levitsky and María Victoria Murillo. 2009. "Variation in Institutional Strength." *Annual Review of Political Science* 12: 115-133.

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- Carles Boix. 1999. "Setting the Rules of the Game: The Choice of Electoral Systems in Advanced Democracies." *American Political Science Review* 93 (3):609-624.
- Ronald H. Coase. 1960. "The Problem of Social Cost." *Journal of Law and Economics*, Vol. 3:1-44.
- Coleman, James S. 1994. *Foundations of Social Theory*. Harvard University Press.
- Ruth Berins Collier and David Collier. 1991. *Shaping the Political Arena: Critical Junctures, Labor Movements, and Regime Dynamics in Latin America*. Princeton.
- Randall Calvert. 1995. "Rational Actors, Equilibrium, and Social Institutions." In *Explaining Social Institutions*, edited by J. Knight and I. Sened. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan.
- Gary Cox and Scott Morgenstern. 2001. "Latin America's Reactive Assemblies and Proactive Presidents." *Comparative Politics* 33 (2).
- Daniel Diermeier and Keith Krehbiel. 2003. "Institutionalism as a Methodology," *Journal of Theoretical Politics* 15(2): 123-44.
- Barbara Geddes, *Politicians Dilemma* (University of California Press, 1994): 1-19.
- Avner Greif. 2006. *Institutions and the Path to the Modern Economy: Lessons from Medieval Trade*. Cambridge University Press.
- John Gerring and Strom C. Thacker. 2008. *A Centripetal Theory of Democratic Governance*. Cambridge University Press.
- John D. Huber and Charles Shipan: *Deliberate Discretion: The Institutional Foundations of Bureaucratic Autonomy* (Cambridge University Press, 2002).
- Ira Katznelson and Barry Weingast, eds. 2007. *Preferences and Situations: Points of Intersection Between Historical and Rational Choice Institutionalism*. Cambridge University Press.
- Jack Knight. 1992. *Institutions and Social Conflict*. Cambridge University Press.
- Margaret Levi. 2009. "Reconsideration of Rational Choice in Comparative and Historical Analysis," in Lichbach and Zuckerman, *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure*.
- Steven Levitsky and Maria Victoria Murillo. 2014. "Building Institutions on Weak Foundations: Lessons from Latin America," in Scott Mainwaring, ed. *Reflection on Uneven Democracies: The Legacy of Guillermo O'Donnell*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.
- Arend Lijphart. 1999. *Patterns of Democracy: Government Forms and Performance in Thirty-Six Countries*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Arend Lijphart. 2004. "Constitutional Design for Divided Societies," *Journal of Democracy* 15(2).

- James Mahoney and Kathleen Thelen. 2010. "A Gradual Theory of Institutional Change," in James Mahoney and Kathleen Thelen, eds., *Explaining Institutional Change: Ambiguity, Agency, and Power*. Cambridge University Press: 1-37.
- James G. March and Johan P. Olson. 1984. "The New Institutionalism: Organizational Factors in Political Life," *American Political Science Review* 78(3): 734-49.
- John W. Meyer and Brian Rowan. 1977. "Institutionalized Organizations: Formal Structure as Myth and Ceremony," *American Journal of Sociology* 83(2): 340-363.s
- Douglass North. 1981. *Structure and Change in Economic History*. W.W. Norton.
- Douglass North and Barry Weingast. 1989. "Constitutions and commitment: the evolution of institutions governing public choice in seventeenth-century England." *The Journal of Economic History* 49.
- Douglass North. 1990. "A Transaction Cost Theory of Politics." *Journal of Theoretical Politics*.
- Elinor Ostrom. 1990. *Governing the Commons: The Evolution of Institutions for Collective Action*.
- Scott Page. 2006. "Path Dependence," *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 1: 87-115.
- Thomas Pepinsky. 2014. "The Institutional Turn in Comparative Authoritarianism." *British Journal of Political Science* 44, 631–653.
- Paul Pierson. 2000. "Increasing Returns, Path Dependence, and the Study of Politics," *American Political Science Review* 94(2): 251-267.
- Paul Pierson. 2004. *Politics in Time: History, Institutions, and Social Analysis*. Princeton University Press.
- Jonas Pontusson. 1995. "From Comparative Public Policy to Political Economy: Putting Political Institutions in Their Place and Taking Interests Seriously," *Comparative Political Studies* 28(1).
- Raub, Werner, Vincent Buskens, and Marcel A.L.M. van Assen. 2011. "Micro-Macro Links and Microfoundations in Sociology," *Journal of Mathematical Sociology* 35: 1-25.
- Karen Remmer. 1997. "Theoretical Decay and Theoretical Development: The Resurgence of Institutional Analysis," *World Politics* 50 (1): 34-61.
- William Riker. 1964. *Federalism: Origin, Operation, Significance*. Boston, MA: Little Brown.
- William Riker. 1980. "Implications from the Disequilibrium of Majority Rule for the Study of Institutions," *American Political Science Review* 74(2): 432-446.
- Jonathan Rodden. 2009. "Back to the Future: Endogenous Institutions and Comparative Politics," in Lichbach and Zuckerman, *Comparative Politics: Rationality, Culture, and Structure*.
- Thomas C. Schelling. 1978. *Micromotives and Macrobehavior*. Norton.
- Kenneth Shepsle. 1986. "Institutional Equilibrium and Equilibrium Institutions," in H. Weisenberg (ed), *Political Science: The Science of Politics*. Agathon Press.
- Kenneth Shepsle. 1989. "Studying Institutions: Some Lessons from the Rational Choice Approach," *Journal of Theoretical Politics* 1, 2: 131-147.
- Kenneth Shepsle, and Barry R. Weingast. 1994. "Positive Theories of Congressional Institutions," *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 19: 149-80.
- Andrew Schotter. 1981. *The Economic Theory of Social Institutions*. Cambridge University Press.
- Wolfgang Streeck and Kathleen Thelen. 2005. Introduction: Institutional Change in Advanced Political Economies. In *Beyond Continuity: Institutional Change in Advanced Political Economies*, edited by W. Streeck and K. Thelen. Oxford University Press.

- Sven Steinmo, Kathleen Thelen, and Frank Longstreth (eds.) 1992. *Structuring Politics: Historical Institutionalism in Comparative Analysis*. Cambridge University Press.
- Kathleen Thelen, 1999. "Historical Institutionalism in Comparative Politics." *Annual Review of Political Science* 2:69-404.
- Daniel Treisman. 2007. *The Architecture of Government: Rethinking Political Decentralization*.
- George Tsebelis. 1995. "Decision Making in Political Systems: Veto Players in Presidentialism, Parliamentarism, Multicameralism and Multipartyism." *British Journal of Political Science* 25.
- George Tsebelis. 2002. *Veto Players: How Institutions Work*. Princeton University Press.
- Barry M. Weingast. 1995. "The Economic Role of Political Institutions: Market-Preserving Federalism and Economic Development," *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* 11(1): 1-31.
- Barry Weingast. 2002. "Rational Choice Institutionalism." In *Political Science: State of the Discipline*, edited by I. Katznelson and H. Milner. Norton.
- Oliver E. Williamson. 2002. "The Theory of the Firm as Governance Structure: From Choice to Contract." *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Vol. 16, No. 3: pp. 171-195.

September 23: The State

- *Theda Skocpol. 1985. "Bringing the State Back In," in Peter Evans, Dietrich Rueschemeyer, and Theda Skocpol (eds.) *Bringing the State Back In*. Cambridge University Press. pp. 3-37. ISBN 978-0521313131.
- *Charles Tilly. 1992. *Coercion, Capital, and European States: AD 990-1992*. Blackwell. pp. 1-95, 161-191 (Chapters 1-3, 6). ISBN 978-1-55786-368-3.
- *Miguel Centeno. 1997. "Blood and Debt: War and Taxation in Nineteenth Century Latin America," *American Journal of Sociology* 102(6): 1565-1605
- *Michael Mann. 1984. "The Autonomous Power of the State: Its Origins, Mechanisms, and Results." *European Journal of Sociology* 25(2): 185-213.
- *Jeffrey Herbst. 2000. *States and Power in Africa: Comparative Lessons in Authority and Control*. Princeton University Press. pp. 35-57, 139-172. (Chapters 2 and 5). ISBN 0-691-01028-5.

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- Lisa Anderson. 1986. *The State and Social Transformation in Tunisia and Libya 1830-1980*.
- Karen Barkey. 1996. *Bandits and Bureaucrats*.
- Robert H. Bates. 2008. *When Things Fall Apart: State Failure in Late-Century Africa*.
- Lisa Blaydes. 2017. "Middle Eastern State Building," *Annual Review of Political Science* 20.
- Fred Block. 1977. "The Ruling Class Does Not Rule: Notes on the Marxist Theory of the State," *Socialist Revolution* 7: 6-28.
- Valerie Bunce. 1999. *Subversive Institutions: The Design and the Destruction of Socialism and the State*. Cambridge University Press.

- Thomas Ertman. 1997. *Birth of the Leviathan: Building States and Regimes in Medieval and Early Modern Europe*. Cambridge University Press.
- Gustavo Flores-Macías. 2022. *Contemporary State Building: Elite Taxation and Public Safety in Latin America*. Cambridge University Press.
- Gustavo Flores-Macías and Mariano Sánchez-Talanquer. 2020. "Building the Modern State in Developing Countries: Perceptions of Public Safety and (Un)Willingness to Pay Taxes in Mexico," *Politics & Society* 48(3).
- Francis Fukuyama. 2011. *The Origins of Political Order: From Prehuman Times to the French Revolution*. Farrar, Strauss and Giroux. Chapters 5-7.
- Jack A. Goldstone 1991. *Revolution and rebellion in the early modern world*. University of California Press.
- Anna Grzymala-Busse. 2007. *Rebuilding Leviathan: Party Competition and State Exploitation*. Cambridge University Press.
- Otto Hintze. 1975. "Military Organization and the Organization of the State," in Feliz Gilbert, ed., *The Historical Essays of Otto Hintze*. Oxford University Press.
- Desmond King and Robert Lieberman. 2009. "Ironies of State Building: A Comparative Perspective on the American State." *World Politics* 61(3): 547-588.
- Stephen Krasner. 1984. "Approaches to the State: Alternative Conceptions and Historical Dynamics," *Comparative Politics* 16(2): 223-246.
- Margaret Levi. 1988. *Of Rule and Revenue*. University of California Press.
- Margaret Levi. 1997. *Consent, Dissent, and Patriotism*. Cambridge University Press.
- Margaret Levi. 2002. "The State of the Study of the State," and Miles Kahler, "The State of the State in World Politics," in Milner & Katznelson, eds., *Political Science: The State of the Discipline*, Centennial Edition: 33-83.
- Joel Migdal. 1988. *Strong Societies and Weak States: State-Society Relations and State Capabilities in the Third World*. Princeton University Press.
- Joel Migdal, "Researching the State," in Lichbach and Zuckerman, eds. *Comparative Politics*.
- Joel Migdal. 2001. *The State in Society*. Cambridge University Press.
- J.P. Nettl. 1968. "The State as a Conceptual Variable," *World Politics* 20(4): 559-592.
- Douglass S. North, John Wallis and Barry R. Weingast. 2009. *Violence and Social Orders*. Cambridge University Press.
- Robert Jackson and Carl Rosberg. 1982. "Why Africa's Weak States Persist," *World Politics* 35(1): 1-24.
- Gianfranco Poggi. 1990. *The State: Its Nature, Development, and Prospects*. Stanford University Press.
- William Reno. 1997. War, Markets, and the Reconfiguration of West Africa's Weak States. *Comparative Politics* 29 (4): 493-510.
- Nicholas Sambanis, Stergios Skaperdas, and William C. Wohlforth. 2015. "Nation-Building through War." *American Political Science Review* 109(2): 279-296.
- Theda Skocpol. 1979. *States and Social Revolutions: A Comparative Analysis of France, Russia, and China*. Cambridge University Press.
- Dan Slater. 2010. *Ordering Power: Contentious Politics and Authoritarian Leviathans in Southeast Asia*. Cambridge University Press.
- Steve Solnick. 1998. *Stealing from the State*.
- David Stasavage. 2011. *States of Credit*. Princeton University Press.

- Cameron Thies. 2005. "War, Rivalry, and State Building in Latin American," *American Journal of Political Science* 49(3): 451-465.
- Charles Tilly. 1985. "War Making and State Making as Organized Crime," in Peter Evans, Dietrich Rueschemeyer, and Theda Skocpol (eds.) *Bringing the State Back In*.
- Daniel Ziblatt. 2006. *Structuring the State: The Formation of Italy and Germany and the Puzzle of Federalism*. Princeton University Press.

September 30: Regimes

- *Robert Dahl. 1972. *Polyarchy: Participation and Opposition*. New Haven: Yale University Press: 1-16. ISBN 978-0300015652.
- *Adam Przeworski. 1999. "Minimalist conception of democracy: a defense." In *Democracy's Value*, ed. Ian Shapiro and Casiano Hacker-Cordon. Cambridge University Press: 23-55. ISBN 978-0-521-64388-7.
- *Philippe C. Schmitter and Terry Lynn Karl. 1991. "What Democracy Is...And Is Not." *Journal of Democracy* 2(3): 3-16.
- *Steven Levitsky and Lucan Way. 2010. *Competitive Authoritarianism: Hybrid Regimes after the Cold War*. Cambridge University Press. pp. 3-84 (Chapters 1-2). ISBN 978-0521709156.
- *Barbara Geddes, Joseph Wright, and Erica Frantz. 2018. *How Dictatorships Work: Power, Personalization, and Collapse*. Cambridge University Press. pp. 177-217 (Chapter 8). ISBN 978-1107535954.

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- Kirk Bowman, Fabrice Lehoucq, and James Mahoney. 2005. "Measuring Political Democracy: Case Expertise, Data Adequacy, and Central America," *Comparative Political Studies* 38(8).
- Bruce Bueno de Mesquita, Alastair Smith, Randolph M. Siverson, and James D. Morrow. 2003. *The Logic of Political Survival*. Cambridge: The MIT Press: 3-76.
- Valerie J. Bunce. 1980. "The Succession Connection: Policy Cycles and Political Change in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe," *American Political Science Review* 74(4): 966-977.
- H. E. Chehabi and Juan J. Linz (eds.). 1998. *Sultanistic Regimes*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.
- David Collier, ed. 1979. *The New Authoritarianism in Latin America*. Princeton University Press.
- David Collier and Steven Levitsky. 1997. "Democracy with Adjectives: Conceptual Innovation in Comparative Research," *World Politics* 49, 3.
- Robert Dahl. 1956. *A Preface to Democratic Theory*. University of Chicago Press.
- Robert Dahl. 1989. *Democracy and its Critics*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- James Fearon. 2011. "Self-enforcing Democracy," *Quarterly Journal of Economics*. 126 (4): 1661-1708.
- Carl J. Friedrich and Zbigniew Brzezinski. 1956. *Totalitarian Dictatorship and Autocracy*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.

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- Guy Hermet, Alain Rouquié, and Richard Rose. 1978. *Elections without Choice*. Wiley.
- Pierre F. Landry. 2008. *Decentralized Authoritarianism in China: The Communist Party's Control of Local Elites in the Post-Mao Era*. Cambridge University Press.
- Juan J. Linz. 2000. *Totalitarian and Authoritarian Regimes*. Boulder: Lynne Reiner.
- Andrew Mertha. 2009. "Fragmented Authoritarianism 2.0: Political Pluralization of the Chinese Policy Process," *China Quarterly* 200: 1-18.
- Guillermo O'Donnell. 1994. "Delegative Democracy," *Journal of Democracy* 5(1): 55-69.
- Mancur Olson. 1993. "Dictatorship, Democracy, and Development," *American Political Science Review* 87(3): 567-576.
- Andreas Schedler. 2002. "The Menu of Manipulation," *Journal of Democracy* 13(2): 36-50.
- Philippe C. Schmitter. 1974. "Still the Century of Corporatism?" *Review of Politics* 36(1).
- Dan Slater. 2013. "Democratic Careening," *World Politics*.
- Alfred C. Stepan. 1988. *Rethinking Military Politics: Brazil and the Southern Cone*. Princeton University Press.
- Kellee Tsai. 2006. "Adaptive Informal Institutions and Endogenous Institutional Change in China," *World Politics* 59(1): 116-141.
- Lucan A. Way. 2005. "Authoritarian Statebuilding and the Sources of Regime Competitiveness in the Fourth Wave: The Cases of Belarus, Moldova, Russia, and Ukraine," *World Politics* 57(2): 231-261.
- Jeffrey Winters. 2011. *Oligarchy*. Cambridge University Press.
- Ronald Wintrobe. 1998. *The Political Economy of Dictatorship*. Cambridge University Press.

October 7: Origins and Transitions

- *Gregory M. Luebbert. 1987. "Social Foundations of Political Order in Interwar Europe," *World Politics* 39(4): 449-478.
- *Daniel Ziblatt. 2017. *Conservative Parties and the Birth of Democracy*. Cambridge University Press. pp. 1-53 (Chapters 1-2). ISBN 978-0521172998.
- *Sheri Berman. 1997. "Civil Society and the Collapse of the Weimar Republic," *World Politics* 49 (3): 401-439.
- *Dankwart Rustow. 1970. "Transitions to Democracy: Toward a Dynamic Model," *Comparative Politics* 2(3): 337-364.
- *Carles Boix and Susan Stokes. 2003. "Endogenous Democratization," *World Politics* 55(4).
- *Stephan Haggard and Robert R. Kaufman. 2012. "Inequality and Regime Change: Democratic Transitions and the Stability of Democratic Rule," *American Political Science Review* 106, 3.

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- Daron Acemoglu, Simon Johnson, James A. Robinson, and Pierre Yared. 2008. "Income and Democracy," *American Economic Review* 98(3): 808-42.
- Daron Acemoglu and James Robinson. 2000. "Why did the West Extend the Franchise? Democracy, Inequality, and Growth in Historical Perspective," *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 115(4), 1167-1199.
- Daron Acemoglu and James A. Robinson. 2001. "A Theory of Political Transitions," *American Economic Review* 91(4): 938-963.
- Ben W. Ansell and David J. Samuels. *Inequality and Democratization: An Elite-Competition Approach*. Cambridge University Press.
- David A. Bateman. 2018. *Disenfranchising Democracy: Constructing the Electorate in the United States, the United Kingdom, and France*. Cambridge University Press.
- Eva Bellin. 2004. "The Robustness of Authoritarianism in the Middle East: Exceptionalism in Comparative Perspective," *Comparative Politics* 36(2): 139-157.
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- Nancy Bermeo. 2003. *Ordinary People in Extraordinary Times: The Citizenry and the Breakdown of Democracy*. Princeton University Press.
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- Ruth Berins Collier. 1999. *Paths Towards Democracy: The Working Class and Elites in Western Europe and South America*. Cambridge University Press.
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- Ralf Dahrendorf. 1990. *Reflections on the Revolution in Europe*. Times Books.
- M. Stephen Fish. 2005. *Democracy Derailed in Russia: The Failure of Open Politics*. Cambridge University Press.
- Jennifer Gandhi and Adam Przeworski. 2006. "Cooperation, Cooptation, and Rebellion under Dictatorships," *Economics and Politics* 18(1):1-26.

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- Jennifer Gandhi and Adam Przeworski. 2007. "Authoritarian Institutions and the Survival of Autocrats," *Comparative Political Studies* 40(11): 1279-1301.
- Barbara Geddes. 1999. "What Do We Know about Democratization After Twenty Years?" *Annual Review of Political Science* 2, 115-144..
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