

| COURSE INFORMATION FORM | |
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| Faculty / Institute | Faculty of Economic and Administrative Sciences |
| Department | Political Science and International Relations |
| Course Code | SUI 105 |
| Course title | Introduction to Political Science |
| Instructional Language | English |
| Programs that can take the course | Must course for the undergraduate students of the Department of Political Science and International Relations. Students from other departments may take it as an elective course. |
| Course Type | Must |
| Course Level | BA |
| ECTS Credit | 6 |
| Prerequisites | None |
| Course Content | SUI 105 is an introductory course to the major concepts, issues, actors and processes of Politics and the discipline of Political Science. It covers a broad array of issues including ideologies, modern state, democracy, citizenship, constitutions, elections, and political systems. |
| The Aim of the Course | The course aspires to give the students a holistic and critical perspective to grasp the fundamentals of Politics and Political Science and the ability to conduct multi-actor and multi-causal analysis. |
| Course Outcomes | At the end of the course students are expected to have learned - fundamental concepts of Political Science (power, conflict, cooperation, decision-making) - major actors of Politics (e.g. Modern state, Interest groups, Social movements) - fundamental issues in Political Science (Government, Regimes, Political Systems, Elections, Constitutions and Citizenship) |
| Textbook and / or References | The major textbook for the course is: Shively, W. Phillips. 2011. <i>Power and Choice: An Introduction to Political Science</i> , New York: McGraw-Hill Education (12th Edition) Additional required readings are: *Bellin, Eva. 2004. "The Robustness of Authoritarianism in the Middle East: Exceptionalism in Comparative Perspective". <i>Comparative Politics</i> , 36: 2, 139-157. *Brady, Henry E. 2011. "Causation and Explanation in Social Science". In <i>The Oxford Handbook of Political Science</i> , edited by Robert E. Goodin, pp. 1-68. (http://www.oxfordhandbooks.com/view/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780199604456.001.0001/oxfordhb-9780199604456-e-049?print=pdf) *Carey, John M. 2005. "Presidential versus Parliamentary Government." In <i>Handbook of New Institutional Economics</i> , edited by C. Ménard and M. M. Shirley, 91-122. Dordrecht: Springer. *Haggard, Stephan, and Robert R. Kaufman. 2016. "Democratization During the Third Wave". <i>Annual Review of Political Science</i> 19: 125-144. *Huntington, Samuel P. 1991. "Democracy's Third Wave". <i>Journal of Democracy</i> , 2:2, Spring, 12-34. *Tarrow, Sydney G. 2011. <i>Power in Movement: Social Movements and Contentious Politics</i> . 3rd. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. *Tilly, Charles. 1985. "War Making and State Making as Organized Crime". In <i>Bringing the State Back In</i> , edited by Peter Evans, Dietrich Rueschemeyer and Theda Skocpol, 169-187. Cambridge University Press. *Whitehead, Laurence, 2015. "On the 'Arab Spring': Democratization and Related Political Seasons". In <i>Routledge Handbook of the Arab Spring</i> , edited by Larbi Sadiki, 17-27 |
| Evaluation Criteria | |
| Attendance | 10 |
| Lab | none |
| Application | none |
| Field Study | none |
| Homework | 5 (assignments on required articles) |
| Presentations | none |
| Projects | none |
| Seminar | none |
| Midterm Exams | 30 |

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| | Quiz | 5 |
| | Final | 50 |
| | Total | 100 |
| Course Plan | Subjects to Be Discussed | |
| | 1. Week | Introduction |
| | 2. Week | <p>*Basics of Social Science: Causation, Argumentation and Analysis *Politics as a Social Science Shively, pp.1-19 (Chapter 1); pp. 436-441 (Appendix).</p> <p>*Ideologies-Part I Shively, pp. 20-34. (Chapter 2)</p> |
| | 3. Week | <p>*Ideologies-Part II Shively, pp. 34-47. (Chapter 2, cont'd)</p> <p>*The Modern State Shively, pp 47-61 (Chapter 3)</p> |
| | 4. Week | <p>*The Modern State Shively, pp. 61-76 (Chapter 3, cont'd.) Tilly, pp. 169-175, 183-186.</p> <p>*The Citizen and the Regime: Democracy and Autocracy Shively, pp. 151-183 (Chapter 7)</p> |
| | 5. Week | <p>*The Citizen and the Regime: Democracy and Autocracy Huntington, pp. 12-34. Haggard & Kaufman, pp. 125-144. Bellin, pp. 139-157. Whitehead, pp. 17-27.</p> <p>*The Apparatus of Governance: Constitutions and the Design of Government Shively, pp. 213-235. (Chapter 9)</p> |
| | 6. Week | <p>* Elections Shively, pp. 235-245; 245-260 (Chapter 10)</p> <p>*Overview for the midterm</p> |
| | 7. Week | <p>*Political Parties Shively, pp. 260-276 (Chapter 11)</p> |
| | 8. Week | <p>*Interest Groups Shively, pp. 283-307 (Chapter 12)</p> |
| | 9. Week | <p>*Social Movements and contentious politics Shively, pp. 308-322, Tarrow, pp. 1-6</p> <p>*An overview of actors in politics</p> |
| | 10. Week | <p>*National Decision-Making Institutions: Parliamentary Government Shively, pp. 323-346 (Chapter 14)</p> |
| | 11. Week | <p>*National Decision-Making Institutions: Presidential Government Shively, pp. 346-371 (Chapter 15)</p> <p>*A comparative analysis of parliamentary and presidential systems</p> |
| | 12. Week | <p>*International Politics Shively, pp. 405-435. □</p> |