

# UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO

## POLITICAL SCIENCE 110B: SOVEREIGNS, SUBJECTS, AND THE MODERN STATE

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### Required Texts

**(\*)** The Course Reader and additional materials, including lecture slides and paper prompts, will be available on the course website:

- <http://ajplyon.wordpress.com/teaching/political-science-110b/>

**(B)** The following texts can be purchased at the Student Bookstore:

- Machiavelli, *The Portable Machiavelli* (Penguin)
- Luther and Calvin, *On Secular Authority* (Cambridge)
- William Shakespeare, *King Lear* (Signet)
- Thomas Hobbes, *Leviathan* (Hackett)
- John Locke, *Second Treatise of Government* (Hackett)
- John Locke, *A Letter Concerning Toleration* (Hackett)
- Jean-Jacques Rousseau, *The Basic Political Writings* (Hackett)

### Course Requirements

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| • Paper 1 (5-6 pgs) | 25% |
| • Paper 2 (7-8 pgs) | 30% |
| • Response Journals | 10% |
| • Final Exam        | 35% |

Students must fulfill *all* course requirements in order to pass the course.

## Class Schedule

- 1/9                    **Introduction: On Governance – Sovereigns, Subjects, and the Modern State**
- 1/11 – 1/20           **We Live in a Political World**
- (B) Machiavelli, *The Prince* [*Portable*, p77-166]
  - (B) Machiavelli, *The Discourses* [*Portable*, Bk I – Intro, 1-5, 9-12, 17-18, 55 / Bk II – Intro, 1-2, 31 / Bk III – 1, 9]
  - Monday, 1/16: No Class – Martin Luther King Day
- 1/23 – 1/27           **In the Cities of God and Man**
- (B) Martin Luther & John Calvin, *On Secular Authority*
- 1/30 – 2/3            **A King in Name Only**
- (B) William Shakespeare, *King Lear*
- 2/6 – 2/13            **Constituting the Commonwealth**
- (B) Thomas Hobbes, *Leviathan* [Introduction (p3-5), Chapters 1, 5 (¶1, 2 only), 6, 13-14, 16-18, 21-22, 29, Review & Conclusion]
  - **Monday, 2/6: Paper #1 Due**
- 2/15 – 2/24           **The Right to Resist**
- (\*) The Levellers, Selections
  - (B) John Locke, *Second Treatise on Government*
  - Monday, 2/20: No Class – President’s Day
- 2/27 – 2/29           **The Politics of Toleration**
- (B) John Locke, *A Letter Concerning Toleration*
- 3/2 – 3/7              **The Freedom of a Human Being**
- (B) Jean-Jacques Rousseau, *Discourse on the Origins of Inequality* [*The Basic Political Writings*, 25-110]
  - **Monday, 3/5: Paper #2 Due**
- 3/9 – 3/14            **The Freedom of the Citizen**
- (B) Jean-Jacques Rousseau, *On the Social Contract* [*The Basic Political Writings*, 141-227]
- 3/16                    **Course Review and Conclusion**
- Finals Week**
- 3/19                    **Monday: Final Exam, 3-6pm**

## **Additional Information**

*The UCSD Policy on Integrity of Scholarship* must be observed for this course. For the full honor code see the following link:

<http://senate.ucsd.edu/manual/Appendices/Appendix2.pdf>

Also, students agree that by taking this course all required essays will be subject to submission for textual similarity review on [www.turnitin.com](http://www.turnitin.com) for the detection of plagiarism. All submitted essays will be included as source documents in the turnitin.com reference database solely for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of essays. Use of turnitin.com is subject to the terms of use agreement posted on its website.

If you need accommodation for disability or religious reasons, please see me as soon as possible so that the appropriate arrangements can be made.