

# POLI 120A: Political Development of Western Europe

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## Course Description

The purpose of POLI 120A is to introduce the systematic study of modern political economy, the problem of democracy, and the origins of the state.

## Evaluation

**Midterm** 40%

**Final** 60%

Both assignments will be posted to the Canvas course website.

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## Readings

- Bates, R. H. (2015). *When things fell apart*. Cambridge University Press

– Read entire book by week three.

- Kurlantzick, J. (2013). *Democracy in retreat: The revolt of the middle class and the worldwide decline of representative government*. Yale University Press
  - Read entire book by week ten.
  
- Mann, M. (2004). *Fascists*. Cambridge University Press
  - Read entire book by week ten.