

**POLI 765**  
**Political Parties**  
**Fall 2007**

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**Seminar Description:**

This seminar will examine the theoretical and empirical literatures on political parties, with a particular focus on American political parties. As we will see, political parties are central to democratic governance in the United States. Among other functions, the parties mobilize participation, aggregate preferences, and facilitate the creation of stable public policies. At the same time, citizens' identifications with the parties stimulate political engagement, structure information processing, and simplify decision making. The impact of parties in the polity becomes all the more remarkable when we consider that the Founders were deeply suspicious of political factions and formulated an institutional design that was specifically structured to limit their effectiveness. Nevertheless, more than two centuries later, the political parties still serve as the main organizational entities in American politics and the principal political referents for American citizens.

In this seminar, we will examine parties in a variety of forms and from several analytical perspectives. We will examine parties as organizations, parties in the electorate, and parties in the government, taking special care to draw conceptual linkages between these three dimensions of political parties. We will also examine political parties from developmental and comparative perspectives, examining how parties have influenced the course of American political development and their similarities and differences with their counterparts in other countries. Our analysis will include both formal theoretic and empirical analyses of parties.

**Course Requirements:**

Grades in the seminar will be based on the following four items:

1) Class participation	20%
2) Reaction Paper 1	20%
3) Reaction Paper 2	20%
4) Final Exam	40%

*Class Participation:*

Students are expected to read and critically analyze the required readings prior to each seminar meeting and to come to seminar meetings prepared to discuss the readings. Students should identify areas of synthesis in the week's readings (and with those in previous weeks) and points of disagreement. Students should also critically consider and identify limitations in the theoretical and analytical components of the readings.

To foster seminar discussion, all students will be required to prepare five discussion questions for each seminar meeting to guide the discussions. I will call on students to present these questions for discussion at the seminar meetings.

*Reaction Papers:*

In addition to the preparation of discussion questions for each seminar meeting, students will also write two five page reaction papers during the semester. These reaction papers will critically analyze and synthesize the week's required readings. The papers, in short, should not review the readings. Instead, they should provide a critical evaluation of the readings along theoretical and analytical dimensions and discuss areas of agreement and disagreement among the week's readings. The papers are due to me and to your fellow students by 10 a.m. the day of the seminar meeting (no exceptions).

*Final Exam:*

The final exam will follow the form of a Ph.D. comprehensive exam in the department. Students will be given three questions and will write approximately 12 page answers to two of the three questions (approximately 24 pages total). Students will have one week to write their answers to the questions. Students can consult any of the course materials (books, their own notes, discussion papers, etc.) but cannot consult each other. The final exams will be due by 6:00 pm. on December 10<sup>th</sup> (no exceptions).

**Required and Recommended Books:**

Several books are required for the course. All should be available at the local bookstores.

The required books are:

Aldrich, John H. 1995. *Why Parties?: The Origin and Transformation of Political Parties in America*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Campbell, Angus, Philip E. Converse, Warren E. Miller, and Donald E. Stokes. 1960. *The American Voter*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Cox, Gary W., and Matthew D. McCubbins. 2007. *Legislative Leviathan: Party Government in the House*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Downs, Anthony. 1957. *An Economic Theory of Democracy*. New York: Harper & Row.

- Erikson, Robert S., Michael B. MacKuen, and James A. Stimson. 2002. *The Macro Polity*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Green, Donald, Bradley Palmquist, and Eric Schickler. 2004. *Partisan Hearts and Minds: Political Parties and the Social Identities of Voters*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Keith, Bruce E., David B. Magleby, Candice J. Nelson, Elizabeth Orr, Mark C. Westlye, and Raymond E. Wolfinger. 1992. *The Myth of the Independent Voter*. Berkeley, CA: California University Press.
- Magaloni, Beatriz. 2006. *Voting for Autocracy: Hegemonic Party Survival and its Demise in Mexico*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Schattschneider, E.E. 1960. *The Semi-Sovereign People: A Realist's View of Democracy in America*. New York: Holt, Rinehart.
- Stokes, Susan C. 2001. *Mandates and Democracy: Neoliberalism by Surprise in Latin America*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

### **August 27: Introduction to American Political Parties**

#### *Required:*

- Aldrich, John H. 1995. *Why Parties?: The Origin and Transformation of Political Parties in America*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Schlesinger, Joseph A. 1985. "The New American Political Party." *American Political Science Review* 79(4): 1152-1169.

#### *Recommended:*

- Committee on Political Parties, American Political Science Association. 1950. "Toward a More Responsible Two-Party System." *American Political Science Review* 44(3, Part 2, Supplement): v-96.
- Ranney, Austin. 1951. "Toward a More Responsible Two-Party System: A Commentary." *American Political Science Review* 45(2): 488-499.
- Reichley, A. James. 2000. *The Life of the Parties: A History of American Political Parties*. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.

### **September 3: Labor Day – No Class**

## **September 10: Parties in Comparative Perspective**

### *Required:*

Chhibber, Pradeep, and Ken Kollman. 1998. "Party Aggregation and the Number of Parties in India and the United States." *American Political Science Review* 92(2): 329-342.

Magaloni, Beatriz. 2006. *Voting for Autocracy: Hegemonic Party Survival and its Demise in Mexico*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Stokes, Susan C. 2001. *Mandates and Democracy: Neoliberalism by Surprise in Latin America*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

### *Recommended:*

Boix, Carles. 1999. "Setting the Rules of the Game: The Choice of Electoral Systems in Advanced Democracies." *American Political Science Review* 93(3): 609-24.

Lijphart, Arend. 1996. "The Puzzle of Indian Democracy: A Consociational Interpretation." *American Political Science Review* 90(2): 258-268.

Lipset, Seymour Martin, and Stein Rokkan. 1990. "Cleavage Structures, Party Systems, and Voter Alignments." In *The West European Party System*, ed. Peter Mair. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Sartori, Giovanni. 1990. "A Typology of Party Systems." In *The West European Party System*, ed. Peter Mair. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Ware, Alan. 1996. *Political Parties and Party Systems*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

## **September 17: Spatial Models of Parties and Voting**

### *Required:*

Downs, Anthony. 1957. *An Economic Theory of Democracy*. New York: Harper & Row.

Kollman, Ken, John H. Miller, and Scott E. Page. 1992. "Adaptive Parties in Spatial Elections." *American Political Science Review* 86(4): 929-937.

Macdonald, Stuart Elaine, George Rabinowitz, and Ola Listhaug. 1998. "On Attempting to Rehabilitate the Proximity Model: Sometimes the Patient Just Can't Be Helped." *Journal of Politics* 60(3): 653-690.

Westholm, Anders. 1997. "Distance Versus Direction: The Illusory Defeat of the Proximity Theory of Electoral Choice." *American Political Science Review* 91(4): 865-885.

*Recommended:*

- Hinich, Melvin J., and Michael C. Munger. 1996. *Ideology and the Theory of Political Choice*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.
- Kollman, Ken, John H. Miller, and Scott E. Page. 1998. "Political Parties and Electoral Landscapes." *British Journal of Political Science* 28(1): 139-158.
- Lacy, Dean, and Philip Paolino. 1998. "Downsian Voting and the Separation of Powers." *American Journal of Political Science* 42(4): 1180-1199.
- Lewis, Jeffrey B., and Gary King. 1998. "No Evidence on Directional vs. Proximity Voting." *Political Analysis* 8(1): 21-33.

**September 24: Parties as Organizations**

*Required:*

- Gibson, James L., Cornelius P. Cotter, John F. Bibby, and Robert J. Huckshorn. 1985. "Whither the Local Parties?: A Cross-Sectional and Longitudinal Analysis of the Strength of Party Organizations." *American Journal of Political Science* 29(1): 139-160.
- Herrnson, Paul S. 1986. "Do Parties Make a Difference? The Role of Party Organizations in Congressional Elections." *Journal of Politics* 48(3): 589-615.
- Huckfeldt, Robert, and John Sprague. 1992. "Political Parties and Electoral Mobilization: Political Structure, Social Structure, and the Party Canvass." *American Political Science Review* 86(1): 70-86.
- James, Scott C. 2005. "Patronage Regimes and American Party Development from 'The Age of Jackson' to the Progressive Era." *British Journal of Political Science* 36: 39-60.
- Silbey, Joel H. 1991. *The American Political Nation, 1838-1893*. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press, Chapter 7: The Shrine of Party, pp. 125-140.
- Skowronek, Stephen. 1982. *Building a New American State: The Expansion of National Administrative Capacities, 1877-1920*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, Chapter 6: Reconstituting Civil Administration: Economy, Efficiency, and the Repoliticization of American Bureaucracy, pp. 177-211.

*Recommended:*

- Bensel, Richard Franklin. 2004. *The American Ballot Box in the Mid-Nineteenth Century*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Coleman, John J. 1996. "Party Organizational Strength and Public Support for Parties." *American Journal of Political Science* 40(3): 805-824.

Gerber, Alan S., Donald P. Green, and Matthew N. Green. 2003. "The Effects of Partisan Direct Mail on Voter Turnout." *Electoral Studies* 22: 563-79.

Gibson, James L., Cornelius P. Cotter, John F. Bibby, and Robert J. Huckshorn. 1983. "Assessing Party Organizational Strength." *American Journal of Political Science* 27(2): 193-222.

Key, V.O., Jr. 1949. *Southern Politics in State and Nation*. New York: Knopf.

Mayhew, David R. 1986. *Placing Parties in American Politics: Organization, Electoral Settings, and Government Activity in the Twentieth Century*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

### **October 1: Party Activism**

#### *Required:*

Aldrich, John H. 1983. "A Downsian Spatial Model with Party Activism." *American Political Science Review* 77(4): 974-990.

Brady, Henry E., Kay Lehman Schlozman, and Sidney Verba. 1999. "Prospecting for Participants: Rational Expectations and the Recruitment of Political Activists." *American Political Science Review* 93(1): 153-168.

Carsey, Thomas M., and Geoffrey C. Layman. 1999. "A Dynamic Model of Political Change among Party Activists." *Political Behavior* 21(1): 17-41.

Moon, Woojin. 2004. "Party Activists, Campaign Resources and Candidate Position Taking: Theory, Tests and Applications." *British Journal of Political Science* 34: 611-633.

Stone, Walter J., and Alan I. Abramowitz. 1983. "Winning May Not Be Everything, But It's More than we Thought: Presidential Party Activists in 1980." *American Political Science Review* 77(4): 945-956.

#### *Recommended:*

Bruce, John M., John A. Clark, and John H. Kessel. 1991. "Advocacy Politics in Presidential Parties." *American Political Science Review* 85(4): 1089-1105.

- Layman, Geoffrey C., and Thomas M. Carsey. 1998. "Why Do Party Activists Convert? An Analysis of Individual-Level Change on the Abortion Issue." *Political Research Quarterly* 51(3): 723-749.
- McCann, James A., Ronald B. Rapoport, and Walter J. Stone. 1999. "Heeding the Call: An Assessment of Mobilization into H. Ross Perot's 1992 Presidential Campaign." *American Journal of Political Science* 43(1): 1-28.
- Stone, Walter J., Ronald B. Rapoport, and Alan I. Abramowitz. 1990. "The Reagan Revolution and Party Polarization in the 1980s." In *The Parties Respond*, ed. L. Sandy Maisel. Boulder, CO: Westview Press.
- Whiteley, Paul F., Patrick Seyd, Jeremy Richardson, and Paul Bissell. 1994. "Explaining Party Activism: The Case of the British Conservative Party." *British Journal of Political Science* 24(1): 79-94.

### **October 8: Partisan Identification I**

#### *Required:*

- Campbell, Angus, Philip E. Converse, Warren E. Miller, and Donald E. Stokes. 1960. *The American Voter*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Franklin, Charles H., and John E. Jackson. 1983. "The Dynamics of Party Identification." *American Political Science Review* 77(4): 957-973.
- Green, Donald Philip, and Bradley Palmquist. 1990. "Of Artifacts and Partisan Instability." *American Journal of Political Science* 34(3): 872-902.
- Green, Donald, Bradley Palmquist, and Eric Schickler. 2004. *Partisan Hearts and Minds: Political Parties and the Social Identities of Voters*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Markus, Gregory B., and Philip E. Converse. 1979. "A Dynamic Simultaneous Equation Model of Electoral Choice." *American Political Science Review* 73(4): 1055-1070.
- Weisberg, Herbert F. 1980. "A Multidimensional Conceptualization of Party Identification." *Political Behavior* 2(1): 33-60.

#### *Recommended:*

- Fiorina, Morris P. 1981. *Retrospective Voting in American National Elections*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Franklin, Charles H. 1992. "Measurement and the Dynamics of Party Identification." *Political Behavior* 14(3): 297-309.

Gerber, Alan, and Donald P. Green. 1998. "Rational Learning and Partisan Attitudes." *American Journal of Political Science* 42(3): 794-818.

Page, Benjamin I., and Calvin C. Jones. 1979. "Reciprocal Effects of Policy Preferences, Party Loyalties and the Vote." *American Political Science Review* 73(4): 1071-1089.

Rosenstone, Steven J., Roy L. Behr, and Edward H. Lazarus. 1996. *Third Parties in America*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

## **October 15: Partisan Identification II**

### *Required:*

Bartels, Larry M. 2000. "Partisanship and Voting Behavior, 1952-1996." *American Journal of Political Science* 44(1): 35-50.

Hetherington, Marc J. 2001. "Resurgent Mass Partisanship: The Role of Elite Polarization." *American Political Science Review* 95(3): 619-631.

Keith, Bruce E., David B. Magleby, Candice J. Nelson, Elizabeth Orr, Mark C. Westlye, and Raymond E. Wolfinger. 1992. *The Myth of the Independent Voter*. Berkeley, CA: California University Press.

Miller, Arthur H., and Martin P. Wattenberg. 1983. "Measuring Party Identification: Independent or No Partisan Preference?" *American Journal of Political Science* 27(1): 106-121.

Wattenberg, Martin P. 1981. "The Decline of Political Partisanship in the United States: Negativity or Neutrality?" *American Political Science Review* 75(4): 941-950.

### *Recommended:*

Abramson, Paul R., and John H. Aldrich. 1982. "The Decline of Electoral Participation in America." *American Political Science Review* 76(3): 502-521.

Craig, Stephen C. 1985. "Partisanship, Independence, and No Preference: Another Look at the Measurement of Party Identification." *American Journal of Political Science* 29(2): 274-290.

Nie, Norman H., Sidney Verba, and John Petrocik. 1979. *The Changing American Voter*, Enlarged Ed. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.

Smith, Eric R.A.N. 1989. *The Unchanging American Voter*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press.

Wattenberg, Martin P. 1982. "Party Identification and Party Images: A Comparison of Britain, Canada, Australia, and the United States." *Comparative Politics* 15(1): 23-40.

## **October 22: Macro-Level Partisanship**

### *Required:*

Box-Steffensmeier, Janet M., and Renee M. Smith. 1996. "The Dynamics of Aggregate Partisanship." *American Political Science Review* 90(3): 567-580.

Box-Steffensmeier, Janet M., Kathleen Knight, and Lee Sigelman. 1998. "The Interplay of Macropartisanship and Macroideology: A Time Series Analysis." *Journal of Politics* 60(4): 1031-1049.

Erikson, Robert S., Michael B. MacKuen, and James A. Stimson. 1998. "What Moves Macropartisanship? A Response to Green, Palmquist, and Schickler." *American Political Science Review* 92(4): 901-912.

Green, Donald, Bradley Palmquist, and Eric Schickler. 1998. "Macropartisanship: A Replication and Critique." *American Political Science Review* 92(4): 883-899.

MacKuen, Michael B., Robert S. Erikson, and James A. Stimson. 1989. "Macropartisanship." *American Political Science Review* 83(4): 1125-1142.

Nardulli, Peter F. 1994. "A Normal Vote Approach to Electoral Change: Presidential Elections, 1828-1984." *Political Behavior* 16(4): 467-503.

### *Recommended:*

Abramson, Paul, and Charles Ostrom. 1991. "Macropartisanship: An Empirical Reassessment." *American Political Science Review* 85(1): 181-192.

Box-Steffensmeier, Janet M., and Suzanna De Boef. 2001. "Macropartisanship and Macroideology in the Sophisticated Electorate." *Journal of Politics* 63(1): 232-248.

De Boef, Suzanna, and James A. Stimson. 1995. "The Dynamic Structure of Congressional Elections." *Journal of Politics* 57(3): 630-648.

MacKuen, Michael B., Robert S. Erikson, James A. Stimson, Paul R. Abramson, Charles W. Ostrom, Jr. 1992. "Question Wording and Macropartisanship." *American Political Science Review* 86(2): 475-486.

## October 29: Partisan Realignment

### *Required:*

- Carmines, Edward G., and James A. Stimson. 1986. "On the Structure and Sequence of Issue Evolution." *American Political Science Review* 80(3): 901-920.
- Erikson, Robert S., and Kent L. Tedin. 1981. "The 1928-1936 Partisan Realignment: The Case for the Conversion Hypothesis." *American Political Science Review* 75(4): 951-962.
- Key, V.O., Jr. 1955. "A Theory of Critical Elections." *Journal of Politics* 17(1): 3-18.
- Miller, Gary, and Normal Schofield. 2003. "Activists and Partisan Realignment in the United States." *American Political Science Review* 97(2): 245-60.
- Nardulli, Peter F. 1995. "The Concept of a Critical Realignment, Electoral Behavior, and Political Change." *American Political Science Review* 89(1): 10-22.
- Schattschneider, E.E. 1960. *The Semi-Sovereign People: A Realist's View of Democracy in America*. New York: Holt, Rinehart.
- Wanat, John, and Karen Burke. 1982. "Estimating the Degree of Mobilization and Conversion in the 1890s: An Inquiry into the Nature of Electoral Change." *American Political Science Review* 76(2): 360-370.

### *Recommended:*

- Andersen, Kristi. 1979. *The Creation of a Democratic Majority, 1928-1936*. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press.
- Brady, David W. 1985. "A Reevaluation of Realignments in American Politics: Evidence from the House of Representatives." *American Political Science Review* 79(1): 28-49.
- Burnham, Walter Dean. 1965. "The Changing Shape of the American Political Universe." *American Political Science Review* 59(1): 7-28. See also Burnham, Converse, Rusk debate in *American Political Science Review* 68(3): 1002-1057.
- Darmofal, David, and Peter F. Nardulli. 2007. "The Dynamics of Critical Realignments: An Analysis Across Time and Space." Manuscript.
- Key, V.O., Jr. 1959. "Secular Realignment and the Party System." *Journal of Politics* 21(2): 198-210.
- Mayhew, David R. 2000. "Electoral Realignments." *Annual Review of Political Science* 3: 449-474.

Nardulli, Peter F. 2005. *Popular Efficacy in the Democratic Era: A Reexamination of Electoral Accountability in the United States, 1828-2000*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

Sundquist, James L. 1983. *Dynamics of the Party System: Alignment and Realignment of Political Parties in the United States*, Rev. Ed. Washington, D.C.: Brookings.

## **November 5: Political Parties, Political Psychology, and Information Processing**

### *Required:*

Basinger, Scott J., and Howard Lavine. 2005. "Ambivalence, Information, and Electoral Choice." *American Political Science Review* 99(2): 169-184.

Brady, Henry E., and Paul M. Sniderman. 1985. "Attitude Attribution: A Group Basis for Political Reasoning." *American Political Science Review* 79(4): 1061-1078.

Lau, Richard R., and David P. Redlawsk. 2001. "Advantages and Disadvantages of Cognitive Heuristics in Political Decision Making." *American Journal of Political Science* 45(4): 951-971.

Lodge, Milton, and Ruth Hamill. 1986. "A Partisan Schema for Political Information Processing." *American Political Science Review* 80(2): 505-520.

Rahn, Wendy M. 1993. "The Role of Partisan Stereotypes in Information Processing about Political Candidates." *American Journal of Political Science* 37(2): 472-496.

Zaller, John. 1991. "Information, Values, and Opinion." *American Political Science Review* 85(4): 1215-1237.

### *Recommended:*

Darmofal, David. 2005. "Elite Cues and Citizen Disagreement with Expert Opinion." *Political Research Quarterly* 58(3): 381-395.

Huckfeldt, Robert, Jeffrey Levine, William Morgan, and John Sprague. 1999. "Accessibility and the Political Utility of Partisan and Ideological Orientations." *American Journal of Political Science* 43(3): 888-911.

Lodge, Milton, Kathleen M. McGraw, and Patrick Stroh. 1989. "An Impression-Driven Model of Candidate Evaluation." *American Political Science Review* 83(2): 399-419.

Mondak, Jeffery J. 1993. "Public Opinion and Heuristic Processing of Source Cues." *Political Behavior* 15(2): 167-192.

Sniderman, Paul M., Richard A. Brody, Jonathan W. Siegel, and Percy H. Tannenbaum. 1982. "Evaluative Bias and Issue Proximity." *Political Behavior* 4(2): 115-131.

## **November 12: Parties in Legislatures I**

### *Required:*

Cox, Gary W., and Mathew D. McCubbins. 2007. *Legislative Leviathan: Party Government in the House*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Krehbiel, Keith. 1993. "Where's the Party?" *British Journal of Political Science* 23(2): 235-266.

Rohde, David W. 1994. "Parties and Committees in the House: Member Motivations, Issues, and Institutional Arrangements." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 19(3): 341-359.

Shepsle, Kenneth A., and Barry R. Weingast. 1981. "Structure-Induced Equilibrium and Legislative Choice." *Public Choice* 37: 503-519.

Shepsle, Kenneth A., and Barry R. Weingast. 1994. "Positive Theories of Congressional Institutions." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 19(2): 149-179.

### *Recommended:*

Aldrich, John H., and David W. Rohde. 1997-1998. "The Transition to Republican Rule in the House: Implications for Theories of Congressional Politics." *Political Science Quarterly* 112(4): 541-567.

Cox, Gary W., and Mathew D. McCubbins. 1994. "Bonding, Structure, and the Stability of Political Parties: Party Government in the House." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 19(2): 215-231.

Cox, Gary and Mathew McCubbins. 1997. "Toward a Theory of Legislative Rules Changes: Assessing Schickler and Rich's Evidence." *American Journal of Political Science* 41: 1376-86.

Gilligan, Thomas W., and Keith Krehbiel. 1994. "The Gains from Exchange Hypothesis of Legislative Organization." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 19(2): 181-214.

Schickler, Eric. 2000. "Institutional Change in the House of Representatives, 1867-1998: A Test of Partisan and Ideological Power Balance Models." *American Political Science Review* 94(2): 269-288.

Schickler, Eric, and Andrew Rich. 1997. "Controlling the Floor: Parties as Procedural Coalitions in the House." *American Journal of Political Science* 41: 1340-75.

Schickler, Eric, and Andrew Rich. 1997. "Party Government in the House Reconsidered: A Response to Cox and McCubbins." *American Journal of Political Science* 41: 1387-1394.

## **November 19: Parties in Legislatures II**

### *Required:*

Binder, Sarah A. 1996. "The Partisan Basis of Procedural Choice: Allocating Parliamentary Rights in the House, 1789-1990." *American Political Science Review* 90(1): 8-20.

Jenkins, Jeffery A. 1999. "Examining the Bonding Effects of Party: A Comparative Analysis of Roll-Call Voting in the U.S. and Confederate Houses." 1999. *American Journal of Political Science* 43(4): 1144-1165.

McCarty, Nolan, Keith T. Poole, and Howard Rosenthal. 2001. "The Hunt for Party Discipline in Congress." *American Political Science Review* 95(3): 673-687.

Nokken, Timothy P. 2000. "Dynamics of Congressional Loyalty: Party Defection and Roll Call Behavior, 1947-1997." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 25:417-444.

Snyder, James M., Jr., and Tim Groseclose. 2000. "Estimating Party Influence in Congressional Roll-Call Voting." *American Journal of Political Science* 44(2): 193-211.

Snyder, James M., Jr, and Tim Groseclose. 2001. "Estimating Party Influence on Roll Call Voting: Regression Coefficients versus Classification Success." *American Political Science Review* 95(3): 689-698.

### *Recommended:*

Binder, Sarah A., Eric D. Lawrence, and Forrest Maltzman. 1999. "Uncovering the Hidden Effect of Party." *Journal of Politics* 61(3): 815-831.

Brady, David W., Joseph Cooper, and Patricia A. Hurley. 1979. "The Decline of Party in the U.S. House of Representatives, 1887-1968." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 4(3): 381-407.

Collie, Melissa P. 1988. "Universalism and the Parties in the U.S. House of Representatives, 1921-80." *American Journal of Political Science* 32(4): 865-883.

Cox, Gary W., and Keith T. Poole. 2002. "On Measuring Partisanship in Roll-Call Voting: The U.S. House of Representatives, 1877-1999." *American Journal of Political Science* 46(3): 477-489.

Poole, Keith T., and Howard Rosenthal. 2000. *Congress: A Political-Economic History of Roll Call Voting*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

## November 26: Parties in the Courts

### *Required:*

Cross, Frank B. 2003. 'Decision Making in the U.S. Courts of Appeals.' *California Law Review* 91: 1457.

Pinello, Daniel R. 1999. "Linking Party to Judicial Ideology in American Courts: A Meta-Analysis." *The Justice System Journal* 20(3): 219-54.

Songer, Donald R., and Sue Davis. 1990. "The Impact of Party and Region on Voting Decisions in the United States Courts of Appeals, 1955-1986." *Western Political Quarterly* 43(2): 317-334.

Songer, Donald R., and Susan Haire. 1992. "Integrating Alternative Approaches to the Study of Judicial Voting: Obscenity Cases in the U.S. Courts of Appeals." *American Journal of Political Science* 36(4): 963-982.

Tate, C. Neal, and Roger Handberg. 1991. "Time Binding and Theory Building in Personal Attribute Models of Supreme Court Voting Behavior, 1916-88." *American Journal of Political Science* 35(2): 460-480.

### *Recommended:*

Gates, John B. 1989. "Supreme Court Voting and Realignment Issues: A Microlevel Analysis of Supreme Court Policy Making and Electoral Realignment." *Social Science History* 13(3): 255-283.

Songer, Donald R., and Martha Humphries Ginn. 2002. "Assessing the Impact of Presidential and Home State Influences on Judicial Decision Making in the United States Courts of Appeals." *Political Research Quarterly* 55:299-328

Sunstein, Cass R., David Schkade, Lisa M. Ellman, and Andres Sawicki. 2006. *Are Judges Political? An Empirical Analysis of the Federal Judiciary*. Washington, D.C. Brookings.

Tate, C. Neal, and Panu Sittiwong. 1989. "Decision Making in the Canadian Supreme Court: Extending the Personal Attributes Model Across Nations." *Journal of Politics* 51: 900-916.

### **December 3: Conclusion: Parties and Governance**

#### *Required:*

Coleman, John J. 1999. "Unified Government, Divided Government, and Party Responsiveness." *American Political Science Review* 93(4): 821-835.

Erikson, Robert S., Michael B. MacKuen, and James A. Stimson. 2002. *The Macro Polity*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

#### *Recommended:*

Duverger, Maurice. 1963. *Political Parties: Their Organization and Activity in the Modern State*. New York: Wiley.

Krause, George A., and Ann O'M. Bowman. 2005. "Adverse Selection, Political Parties, and Policy Delegation in the American Federal System." *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* 21(2): 359-387.

Schattschneider, E.E. 1952. "Political Parties and the Public Interest." *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 280: 18-26.

Snyder, James M., Jr., and Michael M. Ting. 2002. "An Informational Rationale for Political Parties." *American Journal of Political Science* 46(1): 90-110.