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PS5445: Democratization

Course Description

This graduate course offers an introduction to the extensive literature on democratization. The course addresses both domestic and international influences on the cause of democratization, as well as the effects of democratization.

Course Requirements

Final Paper: Students must write an original research project ~ 25 pages in length.

Readings: Required readings are available through e-reserves (password: demos). Recommended readings are also provided each week as a potential resource for further research.

Discussions: Students must lead discussion at least twice in the semester, depending on course enrollment. Students leading each session are expected to draw from some of the recommended readings each week, and to connect the readings to current events or policy discussion.

Grades

Class Participation: 20%
Class Presentations: 30%
Research Paper: 50%

Course Calendar

Week 1: Introduction (08-27-2013). No Readings/Discussion

PART 1: WHAT IS DEMOCRACY?

Week 2: Conceptualizations and Measures of Democracy (09-03-2013).

Dahl, Robert A. 1989. *Democracy and its Critics*. New Haven: Yale University Press, Chapter 8

Levitsky, Steven and Lucan A. Way. The Rise of Competitive Authoritarianism. *Journal of Democracy* 13(2): 51-65.

Munck, Gerardo L., and Jay Verkuilen. 2002. Conceptualizing and Measuring Democracy.

Comparative Political Studies 35 (1): 5-34.

Przeworski, Adam. 1999. A Minimalist Conception of Democracy. In *Democracy's Value*, edited by I. Shapiro and C. Hacker-Cordon. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 23- 55.

See also: Coppedge, Michael, et al. Conceptualizing and *Measuring Democracy: A New Approach*, *Perspectives on Politics* 9(2): 247-267.

Data and Measures:

Freedom House: <http://www.freedomhouse.org/template.cfm?page=439>

Polity IV: <http://www.systemicpeace.org/polity/polity4.htm> (See: Polity IV Data Series v.2007)

Vanhanen's index of democracy <http://www.prio.no/CSCW/Datasets/Governance/Vanhanens-index-of-democracy/>

PART II: DOMESTIC FACTORS

Week 3: Elections in Non-Democracies (09-10-2013).

Blaydes L. 2010. *Elections and Distributive Politics in Mubarak's Egypt*. New York: Cambridge University Press, pp.48-63.

Gandhi Jennifer. 2008. *Political Institutions under Dictatorship*. New York: Cambridge University Press. pp. 73-106; pp. 107-138

Geddes, Barbara. 2006. Why Parties and Elections in Authoritarian Regimes? *Unpublished Manuscript*

Malesky, Edmund and Paul Schuler. 2010. Nodding or Needling: Analyzing Delegate Responsiveness in an Authoritarian Parliament, *American Political Science Review*, 104 (3): 482-502.

Week 4: Economic Factors (09-17-2013)

Acemoglu, Daron and Robinson, James A. 2005. *Economic Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Chapter 2.

Boix, Carles. 2003. *Democracy and Redistribution*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1.

Lipset, Seymour. 1959. Some Social Requisites of Democracy: Economic Development and Political Legitimacy. *American Political Science Review* 53 (1): 69-105, esp.83-85.

Przeworski, Adam and Fernando Limongi. 1997. Modernization: Theory and Facts. *World*

Politics 49(2): 155-183.

Houle, Christian. 2009. Inequality and Democratization: Why Inequality Harms Consolidation and Does not Affect Democratization. *World Politics* 61 (4): 589-622.

Haggard, Stephan and Robert Kaufman. 2012. "Inequality and Regime Change: Democratic Transitions and the Stability of Democratic Rule," *American Political Science Review*, 106 (3): 495-516

Week 5: Environment /Natural Resources (09-24-2013)

Li, Quan and Rafael Reuveny. 2006. Democracy and Environmental Degradation. *International Studies Quarterly*, 50(4):935-956.

Ross, Michael. 2001. Does Oil Hinder Democracy? *World Politics* 53 (3): 325-361.

Dunning, Thad. 2008. *Crude Democracy: Natural Resource Wealth and Political Regimes*. New York: Cambridge University Press, pp. 61-106.

Morrison, Kevin. 2009. Oil, Non-tax Revenue, and the Redistribution Foundations of Regime Stability. *International Organization* (63): 107-138.

Week 6: Democracy's Effect on the Economy (10-01-2013)

Hellman, Joel S. 1998. Winner's Take All: The Politics of Partial Reform in Post-communist Transitions. *World Politics* 50 (2): 203-234.

Jensen, Nathan M. 2003. Democratic Governance and Multinational Corporations: Political Regimes and Inflows of Foreign Direct Investment. *International Organization* 57 (3): 587-616.

Milner, Helen V., and K Kubota. 2005. Why the Move to Free Trade? Democracy and Trade Policy in the Developing Countries. *International Organization* 59, no. 01: 107-143.

Ross, Michael. 2006. Is Democracy Good for the Poor? *American Journal of Political Science* 50(4): 860-874.

Tsai, Lilly L. 2007. Solidary Groups, Informal Accountability, and Local Public Goods Provision in Rural China, *American Political Science Reviews*, 101 (2): 355-372.

Wright, Joseph. 2008. Do Authoritarian Institutions Constrain?: How Legislatures Affect Economic Growth and Investment. *American Journal of Political Science* 52 (2): 322-343.

Week 7: Domestic Actors (10-08-2013)

Berman, Sheri. 1997. Civil Society and the Collapse of the Weimar Republic. *World Politics* 49 (3): 401-429.

Brancati, Dawn. 2013. Democracy from Below: The Impact of Pro-democracy Protests on Regime Transitions, unpublished manuscript.

Brancati, Dawn. 2015. *Pocketbook Protests: Explaining the Rise of Pro-democracy Protests Worldwide*, *Comparative Political Studies*, forthcoming.

Putnam, Robert, Robert Leonardi, Raffaella Y. Nanetti 1993. . *Making Democracy Work: Civic Traditions in Modern Italy*. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Chp. 4.

Weingast, Barry R. 1997. The Political Foundations of Democracy and the Rule of Law, *American Political Science Review* 91 (2): 245-63.

PART III: INTERNATIONAL FACTORS

Week 8: Foreign Aid Assistance/Economic Sanctions (10-15-2013)

Alesina, Alberto and David Dollar. Who Gives Foreign Aid to Whom and Why? *Journal of Economic Growth*, 5(1): 33-63.

Dunning, Thad. 2004. Conditioning the Effects of Aid: Cold War Politics, Donor Credibility, and Democracy in Africa. *International Organization* 58 (Spring): 409–423.

Finkel, Steven E., et al. 2007. The Effects of U.S. Foreign Assistance on Democracy Building, 1990–2003. *World Politics* 59 (3): 404-439.

Hafner-Burton, Emilie. “Trading Human Rights: How Preferential Trade Agreements Influence Government Repression.” *International Organization* 59, no. 3 (Summer 2005): 593-629.

Marinov, Nikolay. 2005. “Do Economic Sanctions Destabilize Country Leaders?” *American Journal of Political Science*, Vol. 49, pp. 564-576

****WEEK 9: (10-22-2013) PAPER TOPIC AND OUTLINES DUE. NO CLASS****

Week 10: International Organizations (10-29-2013)

Hyde, Susan D. 2007. The Observer Effect in International Politics: Evidence from a Natural Experiment. *World Politics* 60 (1): 37-63

Hyde, Susan and Nikolay Marinov. 2013. “Information and Self-Enforcing Democracy: the Role of International Election Observation”. *International Organization* (forthcoming)

Kelley, Judith. 2004. International Actors on the Domestic Scene: Membership Conditionality and Socialization by International Institutions. *International Organization*, 58:425–457.

Pevehouse, Jon C. 2002. Democracy from the Outside In? International Organizations and Democratization. *International Organization* 56 (3): 515-549.

Week 11: Civil and International War as Cause of Democracy (11-05-2013)

Fortna, Page. 2008. Peacekeeping and Democratization. *From War to Democracy*. Edited by Anna K. Jarstad and Timothy D. Sisk. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Lo, Nigel, Barry Hashimoto and Dan Reiter. 2008. Ensuring Peace: Foreign-Imposed Regime Change and Postwar Peace Duration, 1914–2001. *International Organization* 62 (4): 717-736.

Mesquita, Bueno de Bruce and George W. Downs. 2008. Intervention and Democracy. *International Organization* 60 (3): 627-649.

Pickering, Jeffrey and Mark Peceny. 2006. Forging Democracy at Gunpoint. *International Studies Quarterly* 50 (3): 539-560.

Wantchekon, Leonard. 2003. The Paradox of Warlord Democracy: A Theoretical Investigation: *American Political Science Review* 98 (2004): 17-33.

Week 12: Democracy's Effect on Civil and International War (11-12-2013)

Hegre, Håvard, Tanja Ellingsen, Scott Gates and Peter Gleditsch. 2001. Toward a Democratic Civil Peace: Democracy, Political Change and Civil War, 1816-1992. *American Political Science Review* 95 (1): 33-48.

Narang, Vipin and Rebecca M. Nelson. 2009. Who Are These Belligerent Democratizers? Reassessing the Impact of Democratization on War." *International Organization* 63(2):357{379.

Snyder, Jack, and Edward D. Mansfield. 1995. Democratization and the Danger of War. *International Security* 20 (Summer): 5-38.

Szayna, Thomas S, et al. 2001 "The Emergence of Peer Competitors: A Framework for Analysis" Appendix C, pp.147-160

Vreeland, James Raymond. 2008. The Effect of Political Regime on Civil War: Unpacking Anocracy. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* (52): 401-425. (skim).

Week 13-15: Class Presentations (11/19/2010; 11/26/2013 (Thanksgiving Break); 12-03-2013)

FINAL PAPER DUE: 12/12/13 (Thursday @ 12pm)

