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PRESESSION WEEK 0
PS 399 Special Studies: Sports and Politics (2) (US) CRN 41585, June 18–July 1 MTWR 13:00–14:50
Daniel Andersen
Covers ways in which politics and sports are interrelated. Topics include race and gender in sports, labor politics and sports, and sports in the university.

WEEK 1–4, JUNE 25–JULY 20
PS 355 Oregon Government and Politics (4), CRN 41575, 15:00–18:50 TR, Priscilla Southwell
Current political issues in Oregon, with particular attention to political races and ballot measures before the Oregon electorate, as well as the state’s major political institutions.

PS 399 Special Studies: Direct Democracy (4), CRN 41579, 9:00–10:50 MTWR, Daniel HoSang
Explores the ways issues such as affirmative action, same-sex marriage, and immigration have been debated through ballot initiatives; utilizes simulated campaign exercises.

PS 399 Special Studies: Eastern European Politics after the USSR (4), CRN 41563, 11:00–12:50 MTWR, Leif Hoffmann
Introduces to Eastern Europe’s political, social, and economic transformation from communism to liberal democracy and market capitalism, centering on the revolutions of 1989.

PS 350 Politics and Film (4) CRN 41573, 15:00–18:50 MW, Priscilla Southwell
This course examines the political relevance of films. It aims to characterize film as a medium for illustrating, defending, challenging, and engaging political ideas.

WEEK 5–8, JULY 23–AUGUST 17
PS 326 United States Foreign Policy (4), CRN 41571, 13:00–14:50 MTWR, Edward Duggan
Basic concepts underlying the formulation and implementation of United States foreign policy; relationships between American society and foreign policy; the relationship of the U.S. to its international environment.

PS 378 Games in Politics (4), CRN 42195, 15:00–16:50 MTWR, Misha Myagkov
Explores how various political and everyday situations, which involve conflict, can be viewed and modeled as games, and how individual abilities to play games can be employed to analyze such encounters and to predict their outcomes.

PS 388 Mafia and Corruption in Russia (4), CRN 42132, 9:00–10:50 MTWR, Misha Myagkov
Explores theories and evidence of the fusion of the Russian Mafia and organized criminal groups with the Russian government, and its effect on the country’s foreign and domestic policies.

WEB BASED, WEEK 1–8, JUNE 25–AUGUST 11
PS 201 United States Politics (4), CRN 41569, Independent Study, Jennifer Hahnke
Theoretical introduction to American institutions, political doctrines, and ideology as these affect the course of politics and public policy in the United States.

PS 204 Introduction to Comparative Politics (4), CRN 42130, Independent Study, Jennifer Hahnke
Major concepts and approaches in the study of comparative government and politics.

PS 205 Introduction to International Relations (4), CRN 41570, Jennifer Hahnke
Introduction to theoretical and methodological tools for the analysis of world politics.

WEEK 9–11, AUGUST 20–SEPTEMBER 7
PS 347 Political Power, Influence, and Control (4), CRN 41572, 12:00–14:50 MTWR, Deborah Baumgold
Survey of the use of the concept of power in the social sciences, stressing diverse theoretical perspectives and empirical studies of political institutions.

PS 485/585 Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (4), CRN 42137/42138, 11:00–12:50 MTWR, John Davidson
Overview of the role of rights in the United States legal system. Particular emphasis on the role of freedom and equality in a federal system.

PS 488/588 Mercy Killings (4), CRN 42139/42140, 11:00–12:50 MTWR, John Davidson
Explores the way issues such as terrorism, just war, and animal rights.

PS 399 Special Studies: Global Warming and War (4) CRN 42134, 9:00–11:50 MTWR, Jane Cramer
Climate change is now considered a major “new” national security threat. New threats are examined by sector (water resources, coastal systems, food and forests, and so forth) and by region (Asia, Africa, Polar regions, and such). What type of national security planning is appropriate?

WEEKEND COURSES
PS 399 Special Studies: The Politics of Nuclear Weapons (1) CRN 42135, 10:00–14:50 MTWR, Jane Cramer 6/23–24
There are 22,000 nuclear weapons in the world today. Should the U.S. pursue the vision of a nuclear-free world? Should the U.S. bomb Iran to stop its nuclear program? How should we understand the politics of nuclear weapons today?

PS 399 Special Studies: Democracy in Theory and Practice (1) CRN 42133, 10:00–14:50 MTWR, Deborah Baumgold 7/28–29
What is democracy? The concrete answer is that it’s a method for making political decisions, including choosing governments. This course will examine and compare a variety of forms of democracy and voting procedures including pure democracy, representative democracy and divided government, and majoritarian and proportional electoral systems.

PS 399 Special Studies: The Rise of Barack Obama (1) CRN 41580, 10:00–14:50 MTWR, Daniel HoSang 8/18–19
Explores the career of Barack Obama from his early work as a community organizer to his historic 2008 campaign for the presidency and beyond.

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