

POL 675: COMPARATIVE POLITICAL BEHAVIOR

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Course Description

This course will provide an overview of recent research in some of the main areas of comparative political behavior. This is not a typical seminar or foundational course in comparative behavior, as older research – including the classics – will not be assigned. The course will not seek to provide an overview of the traditions of studying political behavior from a comparative context, nor will it focus on what it means to study comparative politics. Instead, we will focus on recent cutting edge research across a wide spectrum of topics, covering a range of political behaviors and public opinion outside of the United States, chosen primarily with the background of a typical Stony Brook graduate student in mind. In order to avoid overlap with other courses offered in the department, none of the readings will focus on US politics (although I include US politics readings in the recommended lists), even though I do not agree with the typical separation between politics in the US and in the rest of the world. In other words, this course is designed to provide students with an understanding of the research frontier in the study of political behavior outside of the US context.

As such, this course should offer a useful contrast and even source of inspiration for cutting-edge research in American political behavior (or political psychology research more broadly). No previous knowledge of comparative politics is necessary or expected, although a background in American political behavior, as well as the foundations course in political economy, are ideal in order to gain the most from the readings and discussions. Particular attention will be given to various novel research designs, in order to highlight the recent improvements in methodology and research practice taking hold in the field. I will try to summarize and guide you through the methodological aspects of the relevant papers during class discussions. In addition, the course will actively seek to compare the readings and debates for each week with the extant research in American politics, with the goal of providing a sufficient background for scholars of American political behavior to incorporate comparative research into their work. Students wanting to understand the traditions and some of the older (yet sometimes still active) debates of comparative politics as they relate to behavior and public opinion should come see me outside of class.

Requirements and Grading

The class meets *online* once a week for almost three hours, which will provide us with sufficient time to think about and discuss the issues at hand. Vigorous classroom participation will be essential to making the course a success. As such, completing the readings before

attending class is critical for the course. The classes will *not be lectures*. The vast majority of class time will be spent debating the readings of the week, and the underlying questions that they seek to answer. Each week will cover a different topic, although the topics often blend together. This is not an exhaustive list of the main topics in comparative political behavior, but a list tailored to the interests of the typical graduate student at Stony Brook, while trying also to select areas of lively recent debate and great scholarship in comparative politics.

While the class will meet online, students are encouraged, but not required, to show up at the scheduled classroom – SBS S742 – for the class discussion, as it will be set up for videoconferencing capabilities.

The student's final grade in the course will be based on the following requirements:

- **Class Participation (20%).** Every student is required to participate in the class discussions. The aim is not necessarily the quantity of the participation, but the quality. Grades will be based on students' engagement with the course material, which can be anything from asking questions about things which remain unclear, relating the readings to one's own interests and work, comparing readings and making sense of the bigger picture, or critically evaluating any part of the material. If you are shy and do not feel comfortable speaking in class, please come see me or email me, and we can figure out an alternative way for you to satisfy this course requirement (such as by writing very short weekly memos on the readings).
- **Literature Review (30%).** Students will submit a short literature review on a question of their choosing. Ideally this would be a research question that is related to their potential dissertation or a project that they are working on, but this is not necessary by any means. Students are welcome to choose a topic outside of those covered in class, or select one of the topics from class and read additional works from those covered in class. The literature review does not need to be comprehensive, nor does it need to go into each research piece in great detail. Instead, it needs to make an argument. This means characterizing the research around a particular question, with simplifications and generalizations, and find the holes or problems with this set of research. At the very least, I expect students to discuss 4-5 articles not currently assigned in the course (they can all come from the suggested readings, however), although more are certainly encouraged. Recent review pieces – such as those found in the Annual Reviews of Political Science – can be useful starting points (and can help frame the argument that students will develop), but students should seek to make their own synthesis of the literature. Please come see if you need help selecting a topic or finding readings on a chosen topic. This paper is due no later than **11/1** (November 1), and should be around 5 pages long (double-spaced), including an introduction and a conclusion.
- **Research Design *or* Empirical Analysis (50%).** Students will also write a final paper for the course covering any topic or question within the broad purviews of comparative political behavior.. This paper can either be a complete outline of a research design seeking to shed light on a particular question, or it can be an empirical analysis, of any sort, directly trying to answer a particular question. In other words, for their

final paper, students can either suggest a fully fleshed out design, but not collect the data or analyse anything, or they can obtain some data and analyze it. If students select the first option, they do not need to write up a research design around the same question for which they wrote their literature review, although this is perfectly permissible and encouraged if the students want to pursue this approach. The research design does need to provide a complete overview of the various aspects of a potential study: puzzle, theoretical sketch (conceptualization), measurement (operationalization), data collection, and analysis. Students are encouraged to think of this as an extensive and detailed pre-analysis plan (PAP), with the exception of exact estimation strategies – which are typically required for a PAP but are not necessary for this paper. That said, students should spend some time discussing how they would test their hypotheses, or analyze their data, even if perfect detail is not required.

If students select the second option (empirical analysis), they are free to choose any data around any comparative political behavior question. Students are encouraged to take advantage of the extensive survey data available throughout the world – from the WVS, ISSP, and CSES, to regional surveys like Latinobarometer/LAPOP, Eurobarometer/ESS, or Afrobarometer, as well as national election studies (e.g., the British or Canadian Election Studies) or national social surveys or panels (e.g., the LISS panel or Swiss Household Panel). Please come see me if you need help finding an appropriate data source. In addition, students are free to use existing data that they have already gathered, or hope to gather, by the end of the course. The empirical analysis does not require a lengthy literature review and theoretical section, although a brief overview of the puzzle and theory (much like the research design) is necessary. The bulk of the paper should focus on the data (measurement), the estimation, and the results.

This paper is due absolutely no later than **12/16** (December 16), which is the last day of finals. The paper should be around 15-20 pages long (double-spaced), regardless of the option (design or analysis) pursued.

Critical Incident Management

Stony Brook University expects students to respect the rights, privileges, and property of other people. Faculty are required to report to the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards any disruptive behavior that interrupts their ability to teach, compromises the safety of the learning environment, or inhibits students' ability to learn. Until/unless the latest COVID guidance is explicitly amended by SBU, during Fall 2021 “disruptive behavior” will include refusal to wear a mask during classes.

Academic Integrity

Each student must pursue his or her academic goals honestly and be personally accountable for all submitted work. Representing another person's work as your own is always wrong. Faculty is required to report any suspected instances of academic dishonesty to

the Academic Judiciary. Faculty in the Health Sciences Center (School of Health Technology Management, Nursing, Social Welfare, Dental Medicine) and School of Medicine are required to follow their school-specific procedures. For more comprehensive information on academic integrity, including categories of academic dishonesty please refer to the academic judiciary website at <https://ehs.stonybrook.edu//programs/fire-safety/emergency-evacuation/evacuation-guide-disabilities>.

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Students who require assistance during emergency evacuation are encouraged to discuss their needs with their professors and the Student Accessibility Support Center. For procedures and information go to the following website: <https://ehs.stonybrook.edu//programs/fire-safety/emergency-evacuation/evacuation-guide-disabilities> and search Fire Safety and Evacuation and Disabilities.

Readings

Week 1 (8/23): Introduction

Week 2 (8/30): Participation in Democracies

Required:

- Eggers, Andrew. 2015. "Proportionality and turnout: Evidence from French municipalities." *Comparative Political Studies* 48(2): 135-167.
- Kasara, Kimuli, and Pavithra Suryanarayan. 2015. "When Do the Rich Vote Less Than the Poor and Why? Explaining Turnout Inequality across the World." *American Journal of Political Science* 59(3): 613-627.
- Kostelka, Filip. 2017. "Does Democratic Consolidation Lead to a Decline in Voter Turnout? Global Evidence Since 1939." *American Political Science Review* 111(4): 653-667.
- Pons, Vincent, and Clemence Tricaud. 2018. "Expressive Voting and Its Cost: Evidence From Runoffs With Two or Three Candidates." *Econometrica* 86(5): 1621-1649.

Recommended:

- Karp, Jeffrey A., and Susan A. Banducci. 2008. "Political Efficacy and Participation in Twenty-Seven Democracies: How Electoral Systems Shape Political Behaviour." *British Journal of Political Science* 38(2): 311-334.
- Pontusson, Jonas, and David Rueda. 2010. "The Politics of Inequality: Voter Mobilization and Left Parties in Advanced Industrial States." *Comparative Political Studies* 43(6): 675-705.
- Anderson, Christopher J., and Pablo Beramendi. 2012. "Left Parties, Poor Voters, and Electoral Participation in Advanced Industrial Societies." *Comparative Political Studies* 45(6): 714-746.
- Blais, Andre, and Daniel Rubenson. 2013. "The Source of Turnout Decline: New Values or New Contexts?." *Comparative Political Studies* 46(1): 95-117.
- Smets, Kaat, and Carolien van Ham. 2013. "The embarrassment of riches? A meta-analysis of individual-level research on voter turnout." *Electoral Studies* 32(2): 344-359.
- Carreras, Miguel, and Nestor Castaneda-Angarita. 2015. "Who Votes in Latin America? A Test of Three Theoretical Perspectives." *Comparative Political Studies* 47(8): 1079-1104.
- Cox, Gary w. 2015. "Electoral Rules, Mobilization, and Turnout." *Annual Review of Political Science* 18(1): 49-68.
- Cox, Gary W., Jon H. Fiva, and Daniel M. Smith. 2016. "The Contraction Effect: How Proportional Representation Affects Mobilization and Turnout." *The Journal of Politics* 78(4): 1249-1263.
- Neundorf, Anja, Richard G. Niemi, and Kaat Smets. 2016. "The Compensation Effect of Civic Education on Political Engagement: How Civics Classes Make Up for Missing Parental Socialization." *Political Behavior* 38(4): 921-949.

(9/6): Labor Day - No Class

Week 3 (9/13): Participation in Non-Democracies

Required:

- De Miguel, Carolina, Amaney A. Jamal, and Mark Tessler. 2015. "Elections in the Arab World: Why Do Citizens Turn Out?." *Comparative Political Studies* 48(11): 1355-1388.
- Young, Lauren E. 2015. "The Psychology of State Repression: Fear and Dissent Decisions in Zimbabwe." *American Political Science Review* 113(1): 140-155.
- Croke, Kevin, Guy Grossman, Horacio A. Larreguy, and John Marshall. 2016. "Deliberate Disengagement: How Education Can Decrease Political Participation in Electoral Authoritarian Regimes." *American Political Science Review* 110(3): 579-600.

- Rozenas, Arturas, and Yuri M. Zhukov. 2019. “Mass Repression and Political Loyalty: Evidence from Stalin’s ‘Terror by Hunger.’” *American Political Science Review* 113(2): 569-583.

Recommended:

- Nichter, Simeon. 2008. “Vote Buying or Turnout Buying? Machine Politics and the Secret Ballot.” *American Political Science Review* 102(1): 19-31.
- Blattman, Christopher. 2009. “From Violence to Voting: War and Political Participation in Uganda.” *American Political Science Review* 103(2): 231-247.
- Pacek, Alexander C., Grigore Pop-Eleches, and Joshua A. Tucker. 2009. “Disenchanted or Discerning: Voter Turnout in Post-Communist Countries.” *The Journal of Politics* 71(2): 473-491.
- Landry, Pierre F., Deborah Davis, and Shiru Wang. 2010. “Elections in Rural China: Competition Without Parties.” *Comparative Political Studies* 43(6): 763-790.
- Birch, Sarah. 2010. “Perceptions of Electoral Fairness and Voter Turnout.” *Comparative Political Studies* 43(12): 1601-1622.
- Beissinger, Mark R. 2013. “The Semblance of Democratic Revolution: Coalitions in Ukraine’s Orange Revolution.” *American Political Science Review* 107(3): 574-592.
- Pearlman, Wendy. 2018. “Moral Identity and Protest Cascades in Syria.” *British Journal of Political Science* 48(4): 877-901.

Week 4 (9/20): Political Partisanship

Required:

- Brader, Ted, Joshua A. Tucker, and Dominik Duell. 2013. “Which parties can lead opinion? Experimental evidence on partisan cue taking in multiparty democracies.” *Comparative Political Studies* 46(11): 1485-1517.
- Lupu, Noam. 2013. “Party Brands and Partisanship: Theory with Evidence from a Survey Experiment in Argentina.” *American Journal of Political Science* 57(1): 49-64.
- Hobolt, Sara B., and Catherine E. De Vries. 2015. “Issue Entrepreneurship and Multiparty Competition.” *Comparative Political Studies* 48(9): 1159-1185.
- Westwood, Sean J., Shanto Iyengar, Stefaan Walgrave, Rafael Leonisio, Luis Miller, and Oliver Strijbis. 2017. “The tie that divides: Cross-national evidence of the primacy of partyism.” *European Journal of Political Research* 57(2): 333-354.

Recommended:

- Adams, James, and Zeynep Somer-Topcu. 2009. "Policy Adjustment by Parties in Response to Rival Parties' Policy Shifts: Spatial Theory and the Dynamics of Party Competition in Twenty-Five Post-War Democracies." *British Journal of Political Science* 39(4): 825-846.
- Ezrow, Lawrence, Catherine De Vries, Marco Steenbergen, and Erica Edwards. 2011. "Mean voter representation and partisan constituency representation: Do parties respond to the mean voter position or to their supporters?." *Party Politics* 17(3): 275-301.
- Greene, Kenneth F. 2011. "Campaign Persuasion and Nascent Partisanship in Mexico's New Democracy." *American Journal of Political Science* 55(2): 398-416.
- Biezen, Ingrid Van, Peter Mair, and Thomas Poguntke. 2012. "Going, going, . . . gone? The decline of party membership in contemporary Europe." *European Journal of Political Research* 51(1): 24-56.
- Milazzo, Caitlin, James Adams, and Jane Green. 2012. "Are Voter Decision Rules Endogenous to Parties' Policy Strategies? A Model with Applications to Elite Depolarization in Post-Thatcher Britain." *The Journal of Politics* 74(1): 262-276.
- Tavits, Margit. 2012. "Organizing for Success: Party Organizational Strength and Electoral Performance in Postcommunist Europe." *The Journal of Politics* 74(1): 83-97.
- Lupu, Noam. 2014. "Brand Dilution and the Breakdown of Political Parties in Latin America." *World Politics* 66(4): 561-602.
- Samuels, David, and Cesar Zucco. 2014. "The Power of Partisanship in Brazil: Evidence from Survey Experiments." *American Journal of Political Science* 58(1): 212-225.
- Wagner, Markus, and Thomas M. Meyer. 2014. "Which Issues do Parties Emphasise? Salience Strategies and Party Organisation in Multiparty Systems." *West European Politics* 37(5): 1019-1045.
- Huddy, Leonie, Lilliana Mason, and Lene Aarøe. 2015. "Expressive Partisanship: Campaign Involvement, Political Emotion, and Partisan Identity." *American Political Science Review* 109(1): 1-17.
- Somer-Topcu, Zeynep. 2015. "Everything to Everyone: The Electoral Consequences of the Broad-Appeal Strategy in Europe." *American Journal of Political Science* 59(4): 841-854.
- Baker, Andy, Barry Ames, Anand E. Sokhey, and Lucio R Renno. 2016. "The Dynamics of Partisan Identification When Party Brands Change: The Case of the Workers Party in Brazil." *The Journal of Politics* 78(1): 197-213.

- Carlson, Elizabeth. 2016. "Finding Partisanship Where We Least Expect it: Evidence of Partisan Bias in a New African Democracy." *Political Behavior* 38(1): 129-154.
- Conroy-Krutz, Jeffrey, Devra c. Moehler, and Rosario Aguilar. 2016. "Partisan Cues and Vote Choice in New Multiparty Systems." *Comparative Political Studies* 49(1): 3-35.
- Poguntke, Thomas, Susan E. Scarrow, Paul D. Webb, et al.. 2016. "Party rules, party resources and the politics of parliamentary democracies: How parties organize in the 21st century." *Party Politics* 22(6): 661-678.
- Abou-Chadi, Tarik, and Markus Wagner. 2019. "The Electoral Appeal of Party Strategies in Postindustrial Societies: When Can the Mainstream Left Succeed?." *The Journal of Politics* 81(4): 1405-1419.
- Fortunato, David. 2019. "Legislative review and party differentiation in coalition governments." *American Political Science Review* 113(1): 242-247.

Week 5 (9/27): Political Ideology

Required:

- Caughey, Devin, Tom O'Grady, and Christopher Warshaw. 2019. "Policy Ideology in European Mass Publics, 1981–2016." *American Political Science Review* 113(3): 674-693.
- Malka, Ariel, Yphtach Lelkes, and Christopher J. Soto. 2019. "Are Cultural and Economic Conservatism Positively Correlated? A Large-Scale Cross-National Test." *British Journal of Political Science* 49(3): 1045-1069.
- Reiljan, Andres. 2020. "'Fear and loathing across party lines' (also) in Europe: Affective polarisation in European party systems." *European Journal of Political Research* 59(2): 376-396.
- Margalit, Yotam, and Moses Shayo. 2021. "How Markets Shape Values and Political Preferences: A Field Experiment." *American Journal of Political Science* 65(2): 473-492.

Recommended:

- Luna, Juan P., and Elizabeth J. Zechmeister. 2005. "Political Representation in Latin America: A Study of Elite-Mass Congruence in Nine Countries." *Comparative Political Studies* 38(4): 388-416.
- Stubager, Rune. 2008. "Education effects on authoritarian–libertarian values: a question of socialization." *The British Journal of Sociology* 59(2): 327-350.
- Lachat, Romain. 2008. "The impact of party polarization on ideological voting." *Electoral Studies* 27(4): 687-698.

- Golder, Matt, and Jacek Stramski. 2010. "Ideological congruence and electoral institutions." *American Journal of Political Science* 54(1): 90-106.
- Lindqvist, Erik, and Robert Östling. 2010. "Political Polarization and the Size of Government." *American Political Science Review* 104(3): 543-565.
- Kitschelt, Herbert, and Philipp Rehm. 2014. "Occupations as a site of political preference formation." *Comparative Political Studies* 47(12): 1670-1706.
- Grasso, Maria Teresa, Stephen Farrall, Emily Gray, Colin Hay, and Will Jennings. 2019. "Thatcher's Children, Blair's Babies, Political Socialization and Trickle-down Value Change: An Age, Period and Cohort Analysis." *British Journal of Political Science* 49(1): 17-36.
- Pan, Jennifer, and Yiqing Xu. 2018. "China's Ideological Spectrum." *The Journal of Politics* 80(1): 254-273.
- Boxell, Levi, Matthew Gentzkow, and Jesse M. Shapiro. 2020. "Cross-Country Trends in Affective Polarization." *NBER Working Paper* 26669.
- Bakker, Bert N., Yphtach Lelkes, and Ariel Malka. 2021. "Rethinking the Link Between Self-Reported Personality Traits and Political Preferences." *American Political Science Review*.
- Bakker, Bert N, Gijs Schumacher, Claire Gothreau, and Kevin Arceneaux. 2020. "Conservatives and liberals have similar physiological responses to threats." *Nature Human Behaviour* 4(6): 613-621.
- Wagner, Markus. 2021. "Affective polarization in multiparty systems." *Electoral Studies* 69: 102199.

Week 6 (10/4): Sociotropic vs Egocentric

Required:

- Healy, Andrew J., Mikael Persson, and Erik Snowberg. 2017. "Digging into the Pocketbook: Evidence on Economic Voting from Income Registry Data Matched to a Voter Survey." *American Political Science Review* 111(4): 771-785.
- Tilley, James, Anja Neundorff, and Sara B. Hobolt. 2018. "When the Pound in People's Pocket Matters: How Changes to Personal Financial Circumstances Affect Party Choice." *The Journal of Politics* 80(2): 555-569.
- Bechtel, Michael M. 2020. "Reforms and Redistribution: Disentangling the Egoistic and Sociotropic Origins of Voter Preferences." *Public Opinion Quarterly* 84(1): 1-23.
- Alt, James E., Amalie Jensen, Horacio Larreguy, David D. Lassen, and John Marshall. 2021. "Diffusing Political Concerns: How Unemployment Information Passed Between Social Ties Influences Danish Voters." *The Journal of Politics*.

Recommended:

- Naurin, Elin, Stuart Soroka, and Niels Markwat. 2005. "Asymmetric Accountability: An Experimental Investigation of Biases in Evaluations of Governments' Election Pledges." *Comparative Political Studies* 52(13-14): 2207-2237.
- Killian, Mitchell, Ryan Schoen, and Aaron Dusso. 2008. "Keeping Up with the Joneses: The Interplay of Personal and Collective Evaluations in Voter Turnout." *Political Behavior* 30(3): 323-340.
- De Vries, Catherine E., Erica E. Edwards, and Erik R. Tillman. 2011. "Clarity of responsibility beyond the pocketbook: How political institutions condition EU issue voting." *Comparative Political Studies* 44(3): 339-363.
- Ansolabehere, Stephen, Marc Meredith, and Erik Snowberg. 2014. "Macro-economic voting: Local information and micro-perceptions of the macro-economy." *Economics & Politics* 26(3): 380-410.
- Hansford, Thomas G., and Brad T. Gomez. 2015. "Reevaluating the sociotropic economic voting hypothesis." *Electoral Studies* 39: 15-25.
- Klasnja, Marko, Joshua A. Tucker, and Kenin Deegan-Krause. 2016. "Pocketbook vs. Sociotropic Corruption Voting." *The British Journal of Political Science* 46(1): 67-94.
- Jha, Saumitra, and Moses Shayo. 2019. "Valuing Peace: The Effects of Financial Market Exposure on Votes and Political Attitudes." *Econometrica* 87(5): 1561-1588.

(10/11): Fall Break – No Class

Week 7 (10/18): Economic Voting

Required:

- Zucco, Cesar. 2013. "When Payouts Pay Off: Conditional Cash Transfers and Voting Behavior in Brazil 2002–10." *American Journal of Political Science* 57(4): 810-822.
- Kayser, Mark Andreas, and Michael Peress. 2015. "Benchmarking across borders: electoral accountability and the necessity of comparison." *American Political Science Review* 106(3): 661-684.
- Larsen, Martin Vinæs, Frederik Hjorth, Peter Thisted Dinesen, and Kim Manemar Sønderskov. 2015. "When Do Citizens Respond Politically to the Local Economy? Evidence from Registry Data on Local Housing Markets." *American Political Science Review* 113(2): 499-516.
- Gottlieb, Jessica. 2016. "Greater Expectations: A Field Experiment to Improve Accountability in Mali." *American Journal of Political Science* 60(1): 143-157.

Recommended:

- Bechtel, Michael M., and Jens Hainmueller. 2011. “How lasting is voter gratitude? An analysis of the short- and long-term electoral returns to beneficial policy.” *American Journal of Political Science* 55(4): 852-868.
- Singer, Matthew M. 2011. “Who says “It’s the economy”? Cross-national and cross-individual variation in the salience of economic performance.” *Comparative Political Studies* 44(3): 284-312.
- Hellwig, Timothy. 2012. “Constructing accountability: Party position taking and economic voting.” *Comparative Political Studies* 45(1): 91-118.
- Huber, Gregory A., Seth J. Hill, and Gabriel S. Lenz. 2012. “Sources of bias in retrospective decision making: Experimental evidence on voters’ limitations in controlling incumbents.” *American Political Science Review* 106(4): 720-741.
- Baldwin, Kate. 2013. “Why vote with the chief? Political connections and public goods provision in Zambia.” *American Journal of Political Science* 57(4): 794-809.
- Becher, Michael, and Michael Donnelly. 2013. “Economic performance, individual evaluations, and the vote: Investigating the causal mechanism.” *The Journal of Politics* 75(4): 968-979.
- Singer, Matthew M., and Ryan E. Carlin. 2013. “Context counts: The election cycle, development, and the nature of economic voting.” *The Journal of Politics* 75(3): 730-742.
- Malhotra, Neil, and Yotam Margalit. 2014. “Expectation setting and retrospective voting.” *The Journal of Politics* 76(4): 1000-1016.
- Weschle, Simon. 2014. “Two types of economic voting: How economic conditions jointly affect vote choice and turnout.” *Electoral Studies* 34: 39-53.
- Harding, Robin. 2015. “Attribution and accountability: Voting for roads in Ghana.” *World Politics* 67(4): 656-689.
- Campello, Daniela, and Cesar Zucco Jr. 2016. “Presidential success and the world economy.” *The Journal of Politics* 78(2): 589-602.
- Stokes, Leah C. 2016. “Electoral backlash against climate policy: A natural experiment on retrospective voting and local resistance to public policy.” *American Journal of Political Science* 60(4): 958-974.
- Lacy, Dean, and Dino P. Christenson. 2017. “Who votes for the future? Information, expectations, and endogeneity in economic voting.” *Political Behavior* 39(2): 347-375.
- Achen, Christopher H., and Larry M. Bartels. 2018. “Statistics as if politics mattered: a reply to Fowler and Hall.” *The Journal of Politics* 80(4): 1438-1453.
- Ashworth, Scott, Ethan Bueno de Mesquita, and Amanda Friedenberg. 2018. “Learning about voter rationality.” *American Journal of Political Science* 62(1): 37-54.

- Aytaç, Selim Erdem. 2018. “Relative economic performance and the incumbent vote: a reference point theory.” *The Journal of Politics* 80(1): 16-29.
- Fowler, Anthony, and Andrew B. Hall. 2018. “Do shark attacks influence presidential elections? Reassessing a prominent finding on voter competence.” *The Journal of Politics* 80(4): 1423-1437.
- Arel-Bundock, Vincent, André Blais, and Ruth Dassonneville. 2019. “Do voters benchmark economic performance?” *British Journal of Political Science* 1-13.
- Rozenas, Arturas, and Denis Stukal. 2019. “How autocrats manipulate economic news: Evidence from Russia’s state-controlled television.” *The Journal of Politics* 81(3): 982-996.
- Simonovits, Gabor, Sean Kates, and Blanka Szeidl. 2019. “Local economic shocks and national election outcomes: evidence from Hungarian administrative data.” *Political Behavior* 41(2): 337-348.
- de Benedictis-Kessner, Justin, and Christopher Warshaw. 2020. “Accountability for the local economy at all levels of government in United States elections.” *American Political Science Review* 114(3): 660-676.
- De Kadt, Daniel, and Evan S. Lieberman. 2020. “Nuanced accountability: Voter responses to service delivery in southern Africa.” *British Journal of Political Science* 50(1): 185-215.
- Imai, Kosuke, Gary King, and Carlos Velasco Rivera. 2020. “Do nonpartisan programmatic policies have partisan electoral effects? Evidence from two large-scale experiments.” *The Journal of Politics* 82(2): 714-730.
- Little, Andrew T., Keith Schnakenberg, and Ian R. Turner. 2020. “Motivated reasoning and democratic accountability.” *Working Paper*.
- Kayser, Mark A., and Michael Peress. 2021. “Benchmarking across Borders: An Update and Response.” *British Journal of Political Science* 51(1): 450-453.

Week 8 (10/25): Information and Accountability

Required:

- Chong, Alberto, Ana L. De La O, Dean Karlan, and Leonard Wantchekon. 2015. “Does Corruption Information Inspire the Fight or Quash the Hope? A Field Experiment in Mexico on Voter Turnout, Choice, and Party Identification.” *The Journal of Politics* 77(1): 55-71.
- Boas, Taylor C., F. Daniel Hidalgo, and Marcus Andre Melo. 2019. “Norms versus Action: Why Voters Fail to Sanction Malfeasance in Brazil.” *American Journal of Political Science* 63(2): 385-400.

- Gulzar, Saad, Zuhad Hai, and Binod Kumar Paudel. 2021. “Information, Candidate Selection, and the Quality of Representation: Evidence from Nepal.” *The Journal of Politics*.
- Pereira, Miguel M. 2021. “Understanding and Reducing Biases in Elite Beliefs About the Electorate.” *American Political Science Review*.

Recommended:

- Arceneaux, Kevin. 2006. “Do campaigns help voters learn? A cross-national analysis.” *British Journal of Political Science* 36(1): 159-173.
- Ferraz, Claudio, and Frederico Finan. 2008. “Exposing corrupt politicians: the effects of Brazil’s publicly released audits on electoral outcomes.” *The Quarterly journal of economics* 123(2): 703-745.
- Boas, Taylor C., and F. Daniel Hidalgo. 2011. “Controlling the airwaves: Incumbency advantage and community radio in Brazil.” *American Journal of Political Science* 55(4): 869-885.
- Enikolopov, Ruben, Maria Petrova, and Ekaterina Zhuravskaya. 2011. “Media and political persuasion: Evidence from Russia.” *American Economic Review* 101(7): 3253-85.
- Greene, Kenneth F. 2011. “Campaign persuasion and nascent partisanship in Mexico’s new democracy.” *American Journal of Political Science* 55(2): 398-416.
- Pande, Rohini. 2011. “Can informed voters enforce better governance? Experiments in low-income democracies.” *Annual Review of Economics*. 3(1): 215-237.
- Tilley, James, and Sara B. Hobolt. 2011. “Is the government to blame? An experimental test of how partisanship shapes perceptions of performance and responsibility.” *The journal of politics* 73(2): 316-330.
- Garzia, Diego. 2013. “The rise of party/leader identification in Western Europe.” *Political Research Quarterly* 66(3): 533-544.
- Corazzini, Luca, Sebastian Kube, Michel André Maréchal, and Antonio Nicolo. 2014. “Elections and deceptions: an experimental study on the behavioral effects of democracy.” *American Journal of Political Science* 58(3): 579-592.
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- Vinæs Larsen, Martin, and Asmus Leth Olsen. 2020. "Reducing bias in citizens' perception of crime rates: Evidence from a field experiment on burglary prevalence." *The Journal of Politics* 82(2): 747-752.

Week 9 (11/1): Economic Inequality

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- Paler, Laura. 2013. “Keeping the public purse: An experiment in windfalls, taxes, and the incentives to restrain government.” *American Political Science Review* 107(4): 706-725.
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- Lupu, Noam, and Zach Warner. 2021. “Why are the affluent better represented around the world?” *European Journal of Political Research*.

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Required:

- Colantone, Italo, and Piero Stanig. 2018. “The Trade Origins of Economic Nationalism: Import Competition and Voting Behavior in Western Europe.” *American Journal of Political Science* 62(4): 936-953.
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- Gidron, Noam, and Peter A. Hall. 2020. "Populism as a problem of social integration." *Comparative Political Studies* 53(7): 1027-1059.
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- Abdelgadir, Aala, and Vasiliki Fouka. 2020. “Political Secularism and Muslim Integration in the West: Assessing the Effects of the French Headscarf Ban.” *American Political Science Review* 114(3): 707-723.

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- Meuleman, Bart, Eldad Davidov, and Jaak Billiet. 2009. “Changing attitudes toward immigration in Europe, 2002–2007: A dynamic group conflict theory approach.” *Social science research* 38(2): 352-365.
- Dancygier, Rafaela M., and Michael J. Donnelly. 2013. “Sectoral economies, economic contexts, and attitudes toward immigration.” *The journal of politics* 75(1): 17-35.
- Burgoon, Brian. 2014. “Immigration, integration, and support for redistribution in Europe.” *World Politics* 66(3): 365-405.
- Dancygier, Rafaela M., and David D. Laitin. 2014. “Immigration into Europe: Economic discrimination, violence, and public policy.” *Annual Review of Political Science* 17: 43-64.
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- Turper, Sedef, Shanto Iyengar, Kees Aarts, and Minna van Gerven. 2015. “Who is less welcome?: The impact of individuating cues on attitudes towards immigrants”. *Journal of ethnic and migration studies* 41(2): 239-259.
- Bansak, Kirk, Jens Hainmueller, and Dominik Hangartner. 2016. “How economic, humanitarian, and religious concerns shape European attitudes toward asylum seekers.” *Science* 354(6309): 217-222

- Helbling, Marc, and Richard Traummüller. 2016. “How state support of religion shapes attitudes toward Muslim immigrants: New evidence from a sub-national comparison.” *Comparative Political Studies* 49(3): 391-424.
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- Choi, Donghyun Danny, Mathias Poertner, and Nicholas Sambanis. 2019. “Parochialism, social norms, and discrimination against immigrants.” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 116(33): 16274-16279.
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- Simonsen, Kristina Bakkær, and Bart Bonikowski. 2020. “Is civic nationalism necessarily inclusive? Conceptions of nationhood and anti-Muslim attitudes in Europe.” *European Journal of Political Research* 59(1): 114-136.
- Clayton, Katherine, Jeremy Ferwerda, and Yusaku Horiuchi. 2021. “Exposure to immigration and admission preferences: Evidence from France.” *Political Behavior* 43(1): 175-200.
- Williamson, Scott, Claire L. Adida, Adeline Lo, Melina R. Platas, Lauren Prather, and Seth H. Werfel. 2021. “Family matters: How immigrant histories can promote inclusion.” *American Political Science Review* 115(2): 686-693.

Week 13 (11/29): Ethnic Diversity

Required:

- Dunning, Thad, and Lauren Harrison. 2010. “Cross-cutting cleavages and ethnic voting: An experimental study of cousinage in Mali.” *American Political Science Review* 104(1): 21-39.
- Chauchard, Simon. 2014. “Can Descriptive Representation Change Beliefs about a Stigmatized Group? Evidence from Rural India.” *American Political Science Review* 108(2): 403-422.
- Robinson, Amanda Lea. 2014. “National Versus Ethnic Identification in Africa: Modernization, Colonial Legacy, and the Origins of territorial Nationalism.” *World Politics* 66(4): 709-746.
- Huber, John D., and Pavithra Suryanarayan. 2016. “Ethnic Inequality and the Ethnification of Political Parties: Evidence from India.” *World Politics* 68(1): 149-188.

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- Chandra, Kanchan. 2007. *Why ethnic parties succeed: Patronage and ethnic head counts in India*. Cambridge University Press.
- Padró i Miquel, Gerard. 2007. “The control of politicians in divided societies: The politics of fear.” *The Review of Economic Studies* 74(4): 1259-1274.
- Hooghe, Marc, et al. 2009. “Ethnic diversity and generalized trust in Europe: A cross-national multilevel study.” *Comparative political studies* 42(2): 198-223.
- Trejo, Guillermo. 2009. “Religious competition and ethnic mobilization in Latin America: Why the Catholic Church promotes indigenous movements in Mexico.” *American Political Science Review* 103(3): 323-342.

- Eifert, Benn, Edward Miguel, and Daniel N. Posner. 2010. "Political competition and ethnic identification in Africa." *American journal of political science* 54(2): 494-510.
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- Madrid, Raúl L. 2012. *The rise of ethnic politics in Latin America*. Cambridge University Press.
- Uslander, Eric M. 2012. *Segregation and mistrust: Diversity, isolation, and social cohesion*. Cambridge University Press.
- Conroy-Krutz, Jeffrey. 2013. "Information and ethnic politics in Africa." *British Journal of Political Science* 43(2): 345-373.
- Ichino, Nahomi, and Noah L. Nathan. 2013. "Crossing the line: Local ethnic geography and voting in Ghana." *American Political Science Review* 107(2): 344-361.
- Lieberman, Evan S., and Gwyneth H. McClendon. 2013. "The ethnicity-policy preference link in sub-Saharan Africa." *Comparative Political Studies* 46(5): 574-602.
- Sambanis, Nicholas, and Moses Shayo. 2013. "Social identification and ethnic conflict." *American Political Science Review* 107(2): 294-325.
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- Van der Meer, Tom, and Jochem Tolsma. 2014. "Ethnic diversity and its effects on social cohesion." *Annual Review of Sociology* 40(1): 459-478.
- Carlson, Elizabeth. 2015. "Ethnic voting and accountability in Africa: A choice experiment in Uganda." *World Politics* 67(2): 353-385.
- Michelitch, Kristin. 2015. "Does electoral competition exacerbate interethnic or interpartisan economic discrimination? Evidence from a field experiment in market price bargaining." *American Political Science Review* 109(1): 43-61.
- Adida, Claire L., Karen E. Ferree, Daniel N. Posner, and Amanda Lea Robinson. 2016. "Who's asking? Interviewer coethnicity effects in African survey data." *Comparative Political Studies* 49(12): 1630-1660.
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- Chauchard, Simon. 2016. "Unpacking ethnic preferences: Theory and micro-level evidence from North India." *Comparative Political Studies* 49(2): 253-284.

- Nathan, Noah L. 2016. "Local ethnic geography, expectations of favoritism, and voting in urban Ghana." *Comparative Political Studies* 49(14): 1896-1929.
- Adida, Claire, et al. 2017. "Reducing or reinforcing in-group preferences? An experiment on information and ethnic voting." *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 12(4): 437-477.
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- Robinson, Amanda Lea. 2020. "Ethnic diversity, segregation and ethnocentric trust in Africa." *British Journal of Political Science* 50(1): 217-239.

Week 14 (12/6): Elite Capture

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- Ziblatt, Daniel. 2009. "Shaping Democratic Practice and the Causes of Electoral Fraud: The Case of Nineteenth-Century Germany." *American Political Science Review* 103(1): 1-21.
- Finan, Frederico, and Laura Schechter. 2012. "Vote-Buying and Reciprocity." *Econometrica* 80(2): 863-881.
- Boix, Carles, and Milan W. Svobik. 2013. "The Foundations of Limited Authoritarian Government: Institutions, Commitment, and Power-Sharing in Dictatorships." *The Journal of Politics* 75(2): 300-316.
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- Bunce, Valerie J., and Sharon L. Wolchik. 2010. "Defeating dictators: Electoral change and stability in competitive authoritarian regimes." *World politics* 62(1): 43-86.
- Landry, Pierre F., Deborah Davis, and Shiru Wang. 2010. "Elections in rural China: Competition without parties." *Comparative Political Studies* 43(6): 763-790.

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