



**POLITICS & SOCIETY SEMINAR READING LIST – SUMMER**

**Monday-Friday 1:30 -3:30 p.m. (alternating with preceptorial)**

*The reading assignment for the first seminar should be completed before the first class meeting.*

**WEEK ONE**

1. Plato: *Republic*, Books I & II
2. *Republic*, Books III & IV
3. *Republic*, Books V & VI

**WEEK TWO**

4. *Republic*, Books VII & VIII
5. *Republic*, Books IX & X

**WEEK THREE**

1. Aristotle: *Politics*, Book I
2. *Politics*, Book III
3. Machiavelli: *The Prince*

**WEEK FOUR**

9. Hobbes: *Leviathan*, Author's Introduction & Chapters 1-9
10. *Leviathan*, Chapters 10-16

**WEEK FIVE**

11. *Leviathan*, Chapters 17-21, 26
12. Locke: *Of Civil Government*,\* Chapters I-XI (omitting paragraphs 64-86 and 100-122)
13. Rousseau: *Discourse on the Origins of Inequality*, Part I

**WEEK SIX**

14. *Discourse on the Origins of Inequality*, Part II (including Rousseau's notes)
15. Marx: *The German Ideology*, Part I (International Publishers Edition, pp. 35-95);  
"Theses on Feuerbach" (pp. 121-23); "Letter to Joseph Weydemeyer" (photocopy available in bookstore)

\*Also called *Second Treatise of Government*.



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## POLITICS & SOCIETY TUTORIAL READING LIST – SUMMER

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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AUTHOR	TITLE	READING
<b>WEEK 1</b>		
1. Aristotle	<i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>	I (1094a1–1103a10)
2. Aristotle	<i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>	II (1103a11–1109b26)
3. Aristotle	<i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>	III (1109b30–1119b18)
4. Aristotle	<i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>	IV, 3 (1123a35–1125a35); V, 1–7 (1129a1–1135a15)
<b>WEEK 2</b>		
5. Aristotle	<i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>	VI (1138b18–1145a12)
6. Aristotle	<i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>	VII, 1–10 (1145a15–1152a35)
7. Aristotle	<i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>	VIII (1155a1–1163b27)
8. Aristotle	<i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>	IX (1163b30–1172a16)
<b>WEEK 3</b>		
9. Aristotle	<i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>	VII, 11–14 (1152b1–1154b34); X, 4–9 (1174a13 to end)
10. Aquinas	<i>Treatise on Law</i>	Pt. I–II: Questions 90–92
11. Aquinas	<i>Treatise on Law</i>	Pt. I–II: Questions 93–95
12. Aquinas	<i>Treatise on Law</i>	Pt. I–II: Questions 96–97
<b>WEEK 4</b>		
13. Montesquieu	<i>The Spirit of the Laws</i>	Author's Foreword; Preface; Books 1–5
14. Montesquieu	<i>The Spirit of the Laws</i>	Book 11, Chapters 1–13
15. Montesquieu	<i>The Spirit of the Laws</i>	Book 12, Chapters 1–19
16.	<i>Declaration of Independence</i>	
	<i>U.S. Constitution</i>	
Madison, Hamilton, Jay	<i>The Federalist</i>	1, 9, 10
<b>WEEK 5</b>		
17. Madison, Hamilton, Jay	<i>The Federalist</i>	14, 15, 23, 37, 39
18. Madison, Hamilton, Jay	<i>The Federalist</i>	47 (first 4 pages), 48, 49, 51, 70 (first 2 pages), 84
19. Tocqueville	<i>Democracy in America</i>	Volume I, Author's Introduction & Chapters III–V (Vintage/Everyman edition: pages 3–16, 46–97; Chicago edition: pages 3–15, 45–93)
20. Tocqueville	<i>Democracy in America</i>	Vintage/Everyman: Volume I, Chapters IX, XIV–XVI (pages 173, 237–287) Chicago: Volume One, Part Two, Chapters 1, 6–8 (pages 165 and 220–264)
<b>WEEK 6</b>		
21. Tocqueville	<i>Democracy in America</i>	Vintage/Everyman: Volume II, Book II, Chapters I–XI, XIV–XVII & Book III, Chapters IX–XII (pages 94–133, 140–151, 198–214) Chicago: Volume Two, Part Two, Chapters 1–11, 14–17, & Part Three, Chapters 9–12 (pages 479–508, 514–524, 563–576) <i>(Photocopies/PDFs are available from the bookstore.)</i>
22.	<i>Dred Scott v. Sandford</i>	
Lincoln	Springfield Speech	
23.	<i>Plessy v. Ferguson</i>	
24.	<i>Brown v. Board of Education</i>	