Comparative Parties & Politics

PSC 769—Fall 2023

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Course Overview

The course provides an overview of concepts and theories employed in the study of political parties in competitive democracies. The course will develop theoretical arguments and employ empirical examples primarily from the literature on party systems in advanced postindustrial democracies. In the first section, we will focus on pure, general theories of parties as coalitions of politicians and party systems as arenas for competition among such coalitions.

In the second part of class, we consider democratic institutions, and more specifically electoral systems and federalism, as rules that constrain and enable politicians to choose strategies. In the third section, we consider societal (political-economic, cultural) conditions as forces impinging upon the nature of competition among parties and internal party organization. In the final part of class, we consider change in both parties and party systems, paying special attention to new forms of linkage between parties and voters, the entry of new parties, and ethnic parties.

Course Expectations and Requirements

Response Papers

Each student will complete two written critiques of the readings, 5-6 pages or 1250-1500 words. Each paper should be distributed to all class members via email by 12:30 pm the Monday before class. These response papers will be the starting point for our discussion each week and the authors are expected to help lead the discussion. We will coordinate response papers during the first session.

I expect the papers to be analytical response papers, not simply restatements of the main arguments. Rather than summaries, you should focus on the strengths and weaknesses of the readings, including addressing any debates between the readings as well as any interesting unanswered research questions raised by the authors. Do not feel obliged to address each article from the week. Rather, you may want to focus on one issue or debate and follow it through several pieces. The supplementary readings provide additional resources and you are welcome to incorporate them.

Manuscript Review

Each student will review a recent conference paper on party politics. The goal of this assignment is to introduce you to the art of reviewing papers for journals, a vital and under-taught part of academia.

You should visit the 2021 or 2021 APSA conference page and find an article related to our class topics from the paper archives. You must send me the paper you are planning to review for approval. Feel free to send me two papers if you cannot decide. After I approve the paper, you must review the paper for publication at a major political science journal, 800 words. We will discuss the review process in class, but there is advice available from Mirya Holman, the Chronicle, and Brendan Nyhan.

The deadline to email me your paper choice is February 24, Friday. The review is due Friday, March 10 via email.

Discussant

Each student will choose one article from the main readings to discuss. The discussant will present the paper, key findings, and some criticism to jump-start the discussion. In addition, the discussant should explain how the article connects to the literature and to the week's theme. Beyond presenting and summarizing the paper itself, discussants should provide comments and criticisms similar to the Political Science Research Workshop format. Comments should be between 10-20 minutes.

For great tips on being a discussant, see Chris Blattman's "The Discussant's Art" (https://chrisblattman.com/2010/02/22/the-discussants-art/).

Either a research design or a mock comprehensive exam

If you choose to write an original research design, the paper will be between 12-15 pages ($\sim 3,000-3,750$ words). These papers should look like an empirical journal article or conference paper, with only the actual empirical analysis missing. The papers should include a research question or puzzle, a short review of the relevant literature, theoretical arguments and hypotheses, and a proposed method of researching the question (empirical evidence, methodology, i.e. how you would answer test these hypotheses etc.). Papers can include some preliminary analysis. The papers can focus on any of the literatures or questions discussed in the class.

By March 7th, each student should prepare a topic statement and submit it for approval. We will discuss these ideas in class to generate constructive feedback and directions for research.

During the final class session on April 25th, each student will present their paper and serve as a discussant for a colleague's paper. The presentation and discussion will count as 25% of the research design grade. Presentations are expected to be conference-style, meaning 10-15 minutes. To facilitate the discussion, the paper drafts will be circulated no later than the Monday before your presentation by 12:30 pm. The final paper is due May 9th. Submit it electronically.

Alternatively, students can choose to take a mock comprehensive exam. The exam will have several questions, from which students will choose two. Students will have 24 hours to complete the open note, open book exam. The exam can be scheduled anytime between May 1st and May 9th.

Participation

As a graduate seminar, each participant will be expected to attend class and be prepared to discuss the assigned readings. Active student participation is essential to a successful seminar.

For great tips on how to read journal articles for substance, as a researcher, as a writer, and as a seminar participant, see Michael J. Nelson's guide: https://t.co/rt0COBRm1I.

Evaluation

Response Papers (2)	20%
Article review	10%
Discussant	10%
Research Paper or exam	40%
Participation	20%

Readings

All students are expected to read all of the Tier 1 readings, and choose from among the Tier 2 readings. Response paper writers should read both Tier 1 and Tier 2 readings for their assigned weeks.

All books will be available for purchase from the Syracuse University bookstore. Readings will be available on-line in blackboard.

Required Books

Adams, James F., Samuel Merrill III, and Bernard Grofman. 2005. A Unified Theory of Party Competition: A Cross-National Analysis Integrating Spatial and Behavioral Factors. New York: Cambridge University Press. (ISBN: 0521544939)

Chandra, Kanchan. 2004. Why Ethnic Parties Succeed: Patronage and Ethnic Head Counts in India. New York: Cambridge University Press. (ISBN: 0521891418)

Chhibber, Pradeep and Ken Kollman. 2004. The Formation of National Party Systems: Federalism and Party Competition in Canada, Great Britain, India, and the United States. Princeton: Princeton University Press. (ISBN: 0691119325)

Kitschelt, Herbert. 1994. The Transformation of European Social Democracy. New York: Cambridge University Press. (ISBN: 0521457157)

Class Schedule

- 1. Introductions (17 January)
- 2. Why Parties (24 January)
- 3. Theories of Party Competition (31 January)
- 4. Cleavages and Party Competition (7 February)
- 5. Institutions: Electoral Systems & Parties (14 February)
- 6. Parties as Organizations (21 February)
- 7. Behavioral Approaches and Responsiveness (28 February)
- 8. Strategic Politicians (7 March)

Spring Break (14 March)

- 9. Gender and Party Politics (21 March)
- 10. New Parties (28 March)
- 11. Party Competition (4 April)
- 12. Clientelistic Linkages Between Parties and Voters (11 April)
- 13. Ethnic Parties (18 April)
- 14. New Issues in Party Politics (25 April)

Session 1: Introductions (17 January)

Stokes, Susan. 1999. "Political Parties and Democracy." Annual Review of Political Science 2: 243–267.

Gidron, Noam and Daniel Ziblatt. 2019. "Center-Right Political Parties in Advanced Democracies." Annual Review of Political Science 22: 17–35

Session 2: Why Parties? (24 January)

Tier 1 Readings

- Madison, James. 1787. "Federalist #10." The Federalist Papers.
- Schlesinger, Joseph A. 1984. "On the Theory of Party Organization." *Journal of Politics* 46.2 (May): 369–400.
- Aldrich, John. 1995. Why Parties? Chicago: Chicago UP, 3-61 (optional: 241-296).
- de Vries, Catherine E. and Sara B. Hobolt. 2020. *Political Entrepreneurs: The Rise of Challenger Parties in Europe*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, Introduction and Chs. 1-2. The entire ebook is available from https://doi-org.libezproxy2.syr.edu/10.2307/j.ctvt9k3d3.
- Hanson, Stephen E. 2010. Post-Imperial Democracies: Ideology and Party Formation in Third Republic France, Weimar Germany, and Post-Soviet Russia. New York: Cambridge University Press, Ch. 3.

Tier 2 Readings

- Janda, Kenneth. 1993. "Comparative Political Parties: Research and Theory." In *Political Science:* The State of the Discipline II, ed. Ada Finifter. Washington, D.C.: APSA, 163–191.
- Mair, Peter. 1996. "Party Systems and Structures of Competition." In *Comparing Democracies*, eds. Lawrence LeDuc, Richard G. Niemi, and Pippa Norris. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage, 83–106.

- Daalder, H. 2002. "Parties: Denied, Dismissed, or Redundant? A Critique." In *Political Parties: Old Concepts and New Challenges*, eds. Richard Gunther, Jose Ramon Montero, and Juan J. Linz. Oxford: Oxford UP, 39–57.
- Dalton, Russell J. and Martin P. Wattenberg. 2000. "Unthinkable Democracy: Political Change in Advanced Industrial Democracies." In Dalton and Wattenberg, eds. *Parties without Partisans: Political Change in Advanced Industrial Democracies*. New York: Oxford UP.
- Downs, Anthony. 1957. An Economic Theory of Democracy. New York: Addison Wesley.
- Hinich, Melvin and Michael Munger. 1996. *Ideology and the Theory of Political Choice*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.
- Huntington, Samuel. 1968. *Political Order in Changing Societies*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Key, V.O. 1964. Politics, Parties, and Pressure Groups. New York: Crowell.
- LaPalombara, Joseph and Myron Weiner. 1990. "The Origin of Political Parties." The West European Party System, ed. Peter Mair, Ch. 1, 25–31.
- Lenin, V. I. 1902. What Is to Be Done? New York: International Publishers.

Session 3: Theories of Party Competition (31 January)

Tier 1 Readings

Downs, Anthony. 1957. An Economic Theory of Democracy. New York: Addison Wesley, Ch. 2.

Adams, Merrill, and Grofman. A Unified Theory of Party Competition, Chs. 1–3, 5–6, 9–10 & 13.

Tier 2 Readings

- Grofman, Bernard. 2004. "Downs and Two-Party Convergence." Annual Review of Political Science 7: 25–46.
- Laver, Michael. 2005. "Policy and the Dynamics of Party Competition." American Political Science Review 99.2 (May): 263–282.
- Rabinowitz, George, and Stuart Elaine Macdonald. 1989. "A Directional Theory of Voting." American Political Science Review 83: 93–121.

- Bakker, Ryan, Seth Jolly, and Jonathan Polk. 2012. "Complexity in the European Party Space: Exploring Dimensionality with Experts." *European Union Politics* 13.2: 219–45.
- Budge, Ian and Dennis Farlie. 1983. "Party Competition. Selective Emphasis or Direct Confrontation? An Alternative View with Data." In Western European Party Systems. Continuity and Change, eds. Hans Daalder and Peter Mair. Beverly Hills: Sage, 267–306.
- Cox, Gary. 1990. "Centripetal and Centrifugal Incentives in Electoral Systems." American Journal of Political Science 34.4: 903–35.
- Fowler, James, and Michael Laver. 2008. "A Tournament of Party Decision Rules." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 52.1: 68–92.
- Kollman, Ken, John H. Miller, and Scott E. Page. 1992. "Adaptive Parties in Spatial Elections." American Political Science Review 86.4 (December): 929–937.
- Iversen, Torben. 1994. "The Logics of Electoral Politics. Spatial, Directional, and Mobilizational Effects." Comparative Political Studies 27: 155–89.
- Merrill, Samuel and Bernard Grofman. 1997. "Directional and Proximity Models of Voter Utility and Choice: A New Synthesis and An Illustrative Test of Competing Models." *Journal of Theoretical Politics* 9.1: 25–48.
- Sartori, Giovanni. 1976. Parties and Party Systems. A Frameworks for Analysis. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Schofield, Norman. 1993. "Political Competition and Multiparty Coalition Governments." European Journal of Political Research 23: 1–33.
- Schuessler, Alexander A. 2000. "Expressive Voting." Rationality and Society 12.1: 87–119

Session 4: Cleavages and Party Competition (7 February)

Tier 1 Readings

- Lipset, Seymour Martin and Stein Rokkan. 1967. "Cleavage Structures, Party Systems, and Voter Alignments." The West European Party System, ed. Peter Mair, Ch. 9, 91–138.
- Hooghe, Liesbet and Gary Marks. 2017. "Cleavage theory meets Europe's crises: Lipset, Rokkan, and the transnational cleavage." *Journal of European Public Policy* 25.1: 109–135.
- Downs, Anthony. 1957. An Economic Theory of Democracy. Chs. 7-8.
- Tavits, Margit, and Natalia Letki. 2014. "From Values to Interests? The Evolution of Party Competition in New Democracies." *The Journal of Politics* 76.1: 246–58.

Read an article on one of the regions

Post-Communist Eastern Europe

Rovny, Jan. 2014. "Communism, Federalism, and Ethnic Minorities. Exploring Party Competition Patterns in Eastern Europe." World Politics 66.4: 669–708.

Latin America

Lupu, Noam. 2014. "Brand Dilution and the Breakdown of Political Parties in Latin America." World Politics 66.4: 561–602.

Tier 2 Readings

- Chhibber, Pradeep and M. Torcal. 1997. "Elite Strategy, Social Cleavages, and Party Systems in New Democracies: Spain." Comparative Political Studies 30.1: 27–54.
- Mair, Peter and Cas Mudde. 1998. "The Party Family and its Study." *Annual Review of Political Science* 1: 211–229.
- Meyer, Thomas M. and Markus Wagner. 2013. "Mainstream or Niche? Vote-Seeking Incentives and the Programmatic Strategies of Political Parties." Comparative Political Studies 46.10: 1246–1272.

- Bartolini, Stefano and Peter Mair. 1990. *Identity, Competition and Electoral Availability*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Benoit, Kenneth and Michael Laver. 2012. "The Dimensionality of Political Space: Epistemological and Methodological considerations." European Union Politics 13.2: 194–218.
- Best, Robin E. 2011. "The Declining Electoral Relevance of Traditional Cleavage Groups." European Political Science Review 3.2: 279–300.

- Carreras, Miguel, Scott Morgenstern and Yen-Pin Su. 2015. "Refining the Theory of Party Alignments. Evidence from Latin America." *Party Politics* 21.5: 671–685.
- Chhibber, Pradeep and John Petrocik. 1989. "The Puzzle of Indian Politics: Social Cleavages and the Indian Party System." *British Journal of Political Science* 19: 191–210.
- Daalder, Hans. 1966. "The 'Reach' of the Party System." The West European Party System, ed. Peter Mair, Ch. 8, 78–90.
- Gidron, Noam and Daniel Ziblatt. 2019. "Center-Right Political Parties in Advanced Democracies." Annual Review of Political Science 22 (May): 17–35.
- Kitschelt, Herbert. 1989. The Logics of Party Formation: Ecological Politics in Belgium and West Germany. Ithaca: Cornell UP.
- Kitschelt, Herbert. 1995. "The Formation of Party Cleavages in Post-Communist Democracies. Theoretical Propositions." *Party Politics* 1: 447–72.
- Kitschelt, Herbert and Philipp Rehm. 2014. "Occupations as a Site for Political Preference Formation." Comparative Political Studies. 47.12: 1670–1707.
- Neumann, Sigmund. 1956. "The Party of Democratic Integration." The West European Party System, ed. Peter Mair, Ch. 4, 46–49.
- Rogowski, Ronald. 1989. Commerce and Coalitions. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Rokkan, Stein. 1977. "Toward a Generalized Concept of Verzuiling." The West European Party System, ed. Peter Mair, Ch. 10, 139–149
- Sartori, Giovanni. 1968. "The Sociology of Parties: A Critical Review." The West European Party System, ed. Peter Mair, Ch. 11, 150–182.
- Whitefield, Stephen. 2002. "Political Cleavages and Post-Communist Politics." Annual Review of Political Science 5: 181–200.
- Wittenberg, Jason. 2006. Sustaining Political Loyalties: Religion and Electoral Continuity in Hungary and Beyond. New York: Cambridge University Press, Introduction and Ch. 2.
- Zielinski, Jakub. 2002. "Translating Social Cleavages into Party Systems: The Significance of New Democracies." World Politics 54: 184–211.

Session 5: Institutions: Electoral Systems & Parties (14 February)

Tier 1 Readings

Chhibber and Kollman. The Formation of National Party Systems, Chs. 1–4 & 6–8.

Boix, Carles. 1999. "Setting the Rules of the Game: The Choice of Electoral Systems in Advanced Democracies." American Political Science Review 93.3 (September): 609–24.

Tier 2 Readings

- Catalano Weeks, Ana. 2018. "Why Are Gender Quota Laws Adopted by Men? The Role of Interand Intra-party Competition." *Comparative Political Studies* 51.14: 1935–73.
- Folke, Olle, Torsten Persson, and Johanna Rickne. 2016. "The Primary Effect: Preference Votes and Political Promotions." *American Political Science Review* 110.3 (August): 559–578.
- Morgenstern, Scott and Javier Vázquez-D'Elia. 2007. "Electoral laws, parties, and party systems in Latin America." Annual Review of Political Science 10: 143–168.

Recommended further reading

Cox, Gary W. 1997. Making Votes Count: Strategic Coordination in the World's Electoral Systems. New York: Cambridge University Press. eBook available from library.syr.edu.

- Boix, Carles. 2007. "The Emergence of Parties and Party Systems." In *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Politics*, eds. Carles Boix and Susan Stokes. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Caramani, Daniele. 2004. The Nationalization of Politics: The Formation of National Electorates and Party Systems in Western Europe. Cambridge: Cambridge UP.
- Clark, William and Matt Golder. 2006. "Rehabilitating Duverger's Theory: Testing the Mechanical and Strategic Modifying Effects of Electoral Laws." Comparative Political Studies. 39: 679–708.
- Ezrow, Lawrence. 2010. Linking Citizens and Parties: How Electoral Systems Matter for Political Representation. New York: Oxford UP.
- Grofman, Bernard and Arend Lijphart, eds. 1986. Electoral Laws and Their Political Consequences. New York: Agathon Press.
- Harmel, Robert and Kenneth Janda. 1982. Parties and Their Environment. New York: Longman.
- Iversen, Torben. 1994. "Political Leadership and Representation in Western European Democracies: A Test of the Three Models of Voting." American Journal of Political Science 38: 46–74.
- Katz, Richard. 1980. A Theory of Party and Electoral Systems. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.

- Kedar, Orit. 2005. "When Moderate Voters Prefer Extreme Parties: Policy Balancing in Parliamentary Elections." American Political Science Review 99.2: 185–200.
- Lijphart, Arend. 1994. Electoral and Party Systems: A Study of Twenty-Seven Democracies, 1945–1990. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Linz, Juan. 1994. "Presidential or Parliamentary Democracy: Does It Make a Difference?" In *The Failure of Presidential Democracy*, eds. Juan J. Linz and Arturo Valenzuela. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 3–87.
- Mainwaring, Scott. 1991. "Politicians, Parties, and Electoral Systems. Brazil in Comparative Perspective." Comparative Politics 24.1 (October): 21–43.
- Morgenstern, Scott, Stephen M. Swindle, and Andrea Castagnola. 2009. "Party Nationalization and Institutions." *Journal of Politics*. 71.4: 1322–1341.
- Müller, Wolfgang C. 1993. "The Relevance of the State for Party System Change." *Journal of Theoretical Politics* 5.4: 419–454.
- Neto, Octavio and Gary Cox. 1997. "Electoral Institutions, Cleavage Structures and the Number of Parties." American Journal of Political Science 41.1: 149–174.
- O'Donnell, Guillermo. 1994. "Delegative Democracy." Journal of Democracy 5: 55–69.
- Ordeshook, Peter C. 1995. "Institutions and Incentives." Journal of Democracy 6.2 (April): 46–60.
- Ordeshook, Peter and Olga Shvetsova. 1994. "Ethnic Heterogeneity, District Magnitude, and the Number of Parties." American Journal of Political Science 38.1 (February): 100–123.
- Powell, G. Bingham. 2000. *Elections as Instruments of Democracy*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- Shugart, Matthew Soberg and John M. Carey. 1992. Presidents and Asssemblies. Constitutional Design and Electoral Dynamics. New York: Cambridge University Press, esp. chs. 1–2 and 9–11.
- Shugart, Matthew S. 1995. "The Electoral Cycle and Institutional Sources of Divided Government."

 American Political Science Review 89.2: 327–343.
- Shugart, Matthew S. and Martin P. Wattenberg. 2001. *Mixed-Member Electoral Systems: The Best of Both Worlds?* New York: Oxford University Press.
- Singer, Matthew M., and Laura B. Stephenson. 2009. "The Political Context and Duverger's Theory: Evidence at the District Level." *Electoral Studies* 28.3: 480–91.
- Taagepera, Rein and Matthew Soberg Shugart. 1989. Seats and Votes: The Effects and Determinants of Electoral Systems. New Haven: Yale University Press, esp. 61–156.
- Taagepera, Rein and Matthew Soberg Shugart. 1993. "Predicting the Number of Parties: A Quantitative Model of Duverger's Mechanical Effect." American Political Science Review 87.2 (June): 455–464.
- Taagepera, Rein. 2007. Predicting Party Sizes: The Logic of Simple Electoral Systems. New York: Oxford University Press.

Session 6: Parties as Organizations (21 February)

Tier 1 Readings

- Strøm, Kaare. 1990. "A Behavioral Theory of Competitive Political Parties." *American Journal of Political Science* 34.2 (May): 565–598.
- Miller, Gary and Norman Schofield. 2003. "Activists and Partisan Realignment in the United States." American Political Science Review 97.2: 245–260.
- Kitschelt. The Transformation of Social Democracy, Ch. 5.
- Tavits, Margit. 2012. "Organizing for Success: Party Organizational Strength and Electoral Performance in Postcommunist Europe." *The Journal of Politics* 74.1: 83–97.
- Katz, Richard S. and Peter Mair. 1995. "Changing Models of Party Organization and Party Democracy: The Emergence of the Cartel Party." *Party Politics* 1.1: 5–18.
- Recommended: Response to Katz and Mair by Ruud Koole. 1996. "Cadre, Catch-All or Cartel?" Party Politics 2.4: 507–523.

Tier 2 Readings

- Bischof, Daniel and Markus Wagner. 2020. "What Makes Parties Adapt to Voter Preferences? The Role of Party Organization, Goals and Ideology." *British Journal of Political Science* 50.1: 391–401.
- Dinas, Elias, Vassiliki Georgiadou, Iannis Konstantinidis, and Lamprini Rori. 2016. "From dusk to dawn: Local party organization and party success of right-wing extremism." *Party Politics* 22.1: 80–92.
- Kölln, Ann-Kristin. 2016. "Party membership in Europe: Testing party-level explanations of decline." *Party Politics* 22.4: 465–477.
- Robertson, David. 1976. "A Predictive Theory of Competitive Democracy." In A Theory of Party Competition. New York: Wiley, 23–53.

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- Desposato, Scott W. 2006. "Parties for Rent? Ambition, Ideology and Party Switching in Brazil's Chamber of Deputies." *American Journal of Political Science* 50: 62–80.
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- Epstein, Leon D. 1967. Political Parties in Western Democracies. New York: Praeger.
- Janda, Kenneth and Desmond S. King. 1985. "Formalizing and Testing Duverger's Theories on Political Parties." *Comparative Political Studies* 18.2: 139–169.

- Kam, Christopher, William T. Bianco, Itai Sened, and Regina Smyth. 2010. "Ministerial Selection and Intraparty Organization in the Contemporary British Parliament." *American Political Science Review* 104.2 (May): 289–306.
- Kitschelt, Herbert. 1989. "The Internal Politics of Parties: The Law of Curvilinear Disparity Revisited." *Political Studies* 37.3: 400–21.
- Michels, Robert. 1962. Political Parties. New York: Free Press.
- Panebianco, Angelo. 1988. *Political Parties: Organization and Power*. New York: Cambridge University Press, esp. Chs. 1–4.
- Przeworski, Adam. 1985. "Party Strategy, Class Organization, and Individual Voting." Capitalism and Social Democracy, Ch. 3 99–132.
- Tavits, Margit. 2013. Post-Communist Democracies and Party Organization. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Thorlakson, Lori. 2009. "Patterns of Party Integration, Influence and Autonomy in Seven Federations." Party Politics 15.2: 157–77.
- Tsebelis, George. 1990. Nested Games. Berkeley and Los Angeles: University of California Press.
- Ware, Alan. 1996. Political Parties and Party Systems. New York: Oxford University Press.

Session 7: Behavioral Approaches and Responsiveness (28 February)

Tier 1 Readings

- Adams, James. 2012. "Causes and Electoral Consequences of Party Policy Shifts in Multi-party Elections: Theoretical Results and Empirical Evidence." *Annual Review of Political Science* 15: 401–19.
- Bakker, Ryan, Seth Jolly, and Jonathan Polk. 2020. "Multidimensional Incongruence, Political Disaffection, and Support for Anti-Establishment Parties." *Journal of European Public Policy* 27.2: 292–309.
- Klüver, Heike and Spoon, Jae-Jae. 2016. "Who Responds? Voters, Parties and Issue Attention." British Journal of Political Science 46.3: 633–654.
- Somer-Topcu, Zeynep. 2015. "Everything to Everyone: The Electoral Consequence of the Broad Appeal Strategy in Europe." American Journal of Political Science. 59.4: 841–854.
- Anduiza, Eva and Guillem Rico. 2022. "Sexism and the Far-Right Vote: The Individual Dynamics of Gender Backlash. *American Journal of Political Science* doi:10.1111/ajps.12759.

Tier 2 Readings

- Abou-Chadi, Tarik and Werner Krause. 2018. "The Causal Effect of Radical Right Success on Mainstream Parties' Policy Positions: A Regression Discontinuity Approach." First View at British Journal of Political Science.
- Adams, James, Lawrence Ezrow and Zeynep Somer-Topcu. 2011. "Is Anybody Listening? Evidence that Voters Do Not Respond to European Parties' Policy Programmes." *American Journal of Political Science* 5: 370–382.
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For more on measurement issues

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- de Vries, Catherine and Sara B. Hobolt. 2012. "When Dimensions Collide: The Electoral Success of Issue Entrepreneurs." *European Union Politics* 13.2: 246–68.

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- Bakker, Ryan, Catherine de Vries, Erica Edwards, Liesbet Hooghe, Seth Jolly, Gary Marks, Jonathan Polk, Jan Rovny, Marco Steenbergen, and Milada Vachudova. 2015. "Measuring Party Positions in Europe: The Chapel Hill Expert Survey Trend File, 1999–2010." *Party Politics* 21.1: 143–152.
- Bakker, Ryan, Erica Edwards, Seth Jolly, Jonathan Polk, Jan Rovny and Marco Steenbergen. 2014. "Anchoring the Experts: Using Vignettes to Compare Party Ideology across Countries." Research & Politics October-December: 1–8.
- Bakker, Ryan, Seth Jolly, and Jonathan Polk. 2018. "Multidimensional Incongruence and Vote Switching in Europe." *Public Choice* 176.1–2: 267–296.
- Costello, Rory, Jacques Thomassen and Martin Rosema. 2012. "European Parliament Elections and Political Representation: Policy Congruence between Voters and Parties." West European Politics 35.6: 1226–1248.
- De Sio, Lorenzo and Mark N. Franklin. 2012. "Strategic Incentives, Issue Proximity and Party Support in Europe." West European Politics 35.6: 1363–1385.
- De Vries, Catherine E. and Sara B. Hobolt. 2020. Political Entrepreneurs: The Rise of Challenger Parties in Europe. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Ezrow, Lawrence. 2010. Linking Citizens and Parties: How Electoral Systems Matter for Political Representation. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Fernandez-Vazquez, Pablo. 2014. "And Yet It Moves: The Effect of Election Platforms on Party Policy Images." Comparative Political Studies 47.4: 1919–44.
- Hakhverdian, Armen. 2012. "The Causal Flow between Public Opinion and Policy: Government Responsiveness, Leadership, or Counter Movement?." West European Politics 35.6: 1386–1406.
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University Policies

Academic Integrity

The Syracuse University Academic Integrity Policy holds students accountable for the integrity of the work they submit. Students should be familiar with the Policy and know that it is their responsibility to learn about instructor and general academic expectations with regard to proper citation of sources in written work. The policy also governs the integrity of work submitted in exams and assignments as well as the veracity of signatures on attendance sheets and other verifications of participation in class activities. Serious sanctions can result from academic dishonesty of any sort. For more information and the complete policy, see academicintegrity.syr.edu.

Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. If I suspect academic dishonesty or plagiarism, I will submit formal reports to the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Also, www.plagiarism.org is a useful website for tips on citations and other writing resources.

Statement Regarding Disability-Related Accommodations

Syracuse University values diversity and inclusion; we are committed to a climate of mutual respect and full participation. There may be aspects of the instruction or design of this course that result in barriers to your inclusion and full participation in this course. I invite any student to contact me to discuss strategies and/or accommodations (academic adjustments) that may be essential to your success and to collaborate with the Center for Disability Resources (CDR) in this process.

If you would like to discuss disability-accommodations or register with CDR, please visit Center for Disability Resources. Please call (315) 443-4498 or email disability resources@syr.edu for more detailed information.

The CDR is responsible for coordinating disability-related academic accommodations and will work with the student to develop an access plan. Since academic accommodations may require early planning and generally are not provided retroactively, please contact CDR as soon as possible to begin this process.

Religious Observances Policy

SU's religious observances notification and policy, found at http://hendricks.syr.edu/spiritual-life/index.html, recognizes the diversity of faiths represented among the campus community and protects the rights of students, faculty, and staff to observe religious holidays according to their tradition. Under the policy, students are provided an opportunity to make up any examination, study, or work requirements that may be missed due to a religious observance provided they notify their instructors before the end of the second week of classes for regular session classes and by the submission deadline for flexibly formatted classes. For fall and spring semesters, an online notification process is available for students in

My Slice/StudentServices/Enrollment/MyReligiousObservances/Add a Notification.

Campus Resources

There may be times during the semester that you need assistance, academically or otherwise. There are a wide variety of campus resources that may be able to help. Please consider using help when you need it. If you don't know what type of help you need, you can ask me or other faculty in CCE.

- $\bullet \ \ Counseling \ \ Center: \ http://counselingcenter.syr.edu/faculty-staff/helping-students-in-distress.html$
- Writing Center: https://thecollege.syr.edu/writing-center/
- Tutoring Services: Center for Learning and Student Success: https://class.syr.edu
- Financial Counseling: http://financialaid.syr.edu/financialliteracy/
- Career Services: https://thecollege.syr.edu/student-success/
- $\bullet \ Other \ personal \ health \ resources: \ http://dailyorange.com/2018/08/heres-breakdown-personal-health-resources-available-su-students/$

Harassment

Federal and state law, and University policy prohibit discrimination and harassment based on sex or gender (including sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic/dating violence, stalking, sexual exploitation, and retaliation). If a student has been harassed or assaulted, they can obtain confidential counseling support, 24-hours a day, 7 days a week, from the Sexual and Relationship Violence Response Team at the Counseling Center (315-443-8000, Barnes Center at The Arch, 150 Sims Drive, Syracuse, New York 13244). Incidents of sexual violence or harassment can be reported non- confidentially to the University's Title IX Officer (Sheila Johnson Willis, 315-443-0211, titleix@syr.edu, 005 Steele Hall). Reports to law enforcement can be made to the University's Department of Public Safety (315-443-2224, 005 Sims Hall), the Syracuse Police Department (511 South State Street, Syracuse, New York, 911 in case of emergency or 315-435-3016 to speak with the Abused Persons Unit), or the State Police (844-845-7269). I will seek to keep information you share with me private to the greatest extent possible, but as a professor I have mandatory reporting responsibilities to share information regarding sexual misconduct, harassment, and crimes I learn about with the University's Title IX Officer to help make our campus a safer place for all.

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