

***POLS 3351, Sec. 03, CRN 16881, Fall 2021 (Subject to change at instructor's discretion)***

As course instructor, I reserve the right to adjust the course syllabus or change assignments as needed. I will be sure to give you plenty of notice prior to any changes. Remember that our course syllabus and class schedule are living documents and can be changed!

Read materials by Tuesday of each week, take each quiz by Wednesday of each week by 11 p.m. MT, and submit assignments by Monday at 11 p.m. MT.

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**Week 1-3**

**Aug 23: Welcome Learning Module: Introduction**

- Take the Syllabus Quiz by 11 pm MST on the third class day of the semester - due 8/25
- Get acquainted with your group members in order to complete unit tasks (rotating question discussion) and weekly short paper peer reviews.

**Aug 30: Unit 1 Learning Module: Public Policy and Politics**

- Read Kraft & Furlong, Ch 1
- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 1 - due 9/1
- **Research and decide upon which public meeting you will attend** so that you will have time to attend the meeting and submit your paper on or before 11/15. **Public Meeting Paper assignment is now available in Unit 10.**

**Sep 6: Unit 2 Learning Module: Government Institutions and Policy Actors**

- Read Kraft & Furlong, Ch 2
- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 2 - due 9/8

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**Week 4-5**

**Sep 13: Unit 3 Learning Module: Understanding the Politics of Public Policy**

- Read Kraft & Furlong, Ch 3
- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 3 - due 9/15

**Sep 20: Unit 4 Learning Module: Policy Analysis: An Introduction**

- Read Kraft and Furlong, Ch 4
- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 4 – due 9/22
- Knowledge from the lecture and reading material **MUST** be reflected in your paper.
- Complete **Short Paper 1** draft (Saturday 9/25) and final (Monday 9/27)

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**Week 6-7**

**Sep 27: Unit 5 Learning Module: Public Problems and Policy Alternatives**

- Read Kraft and Furlong, Ch 5
- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 5 - due 9/29

**Oct 4: Unit 6 Learning Module: Assessing Policy Alternatives**

- Read Kraft and Furlong, Ch 6

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- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 6 - due 10/6
  - Complete **Short Paper 2** draft (Saturday 10/9) and final (Monday 10/11)

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**Week 8-9**

**Oct 11: Midterm Exam Learning Module** - due 10/15 – open on 10/11 and due on 10/15—no time limit, so begin it on 10/11

**Oct 18: Unit 7 Learning Module: Economic and Budgetary Policy**

- Read Kraft and Furlong, Ch 7
- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 7 - due 10/20

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**Week 10-11**

**Oct 25: Unit 8 Learning Module: Health Care Policy**

- Read Kraft and Furlong, Ch 8
- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 8 - due 10/27

**Nov 1: Unit 9 Learning Module: Welfare and Social Security Policy**

- Read Kraft and Furlong, Ch 9
- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 9 - due 11/3

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**Week 12-13**

**Nov 8: Unit 10 Learning Module: Education Policy**

- Read Kraft and Furlong, Ch 10
- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 10 - due 11/10
- Complete **Public Meeting Paper** and submit it on or before (Monday 11/15)

**Nov 15: Unit 11 Learning Module: Environmental and Energy Policy**

- Read Kraft and Furlong, Ch 11
- Take the Lecture and Reading Quiz 11 - due 11/17

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**Week 14-15**

**Nov 22: Unit 12 Learning Module: Foreign Policy and Homeland Security; and Policy Analysis and Policy Choice**

- Read Kraft and Furlong, Ch 12 and Ch 13 (no quiz)

**Nov 29: Final Exam Learning Module** - Final Exam is due 12/3- open on 11/29 and due on 12/3—no time limit, so begin it on 11/29