

International Relations 599: Global Democracy

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When: Tu 5:00-7:45 pm
Where: VKC 104
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1. Course Description

This seminar explores efforts to generate and test theories of democratization and democracy. Some of the key works that have shaped the field will be read and various new lines of research will be explored. Much of what we will read reflects this literature's focus on Europe, Latin America, and post-Soviet Eurasia. Emphasis will be put on the core theoretical and methodological aspects of this literature and less so on the historical facts they discuss.

2. Requirements

i) *Three analytical essays* (each essay is worth 15% of the final grade). These short essays (7 double-spaced pages) on the readings for one week will be due, at the latest, by Tuesday at noon in my mailbox in VKC 330. I will ask that at least one student write an essay each week.

ii) *Class participation* (10% of the final grade) on the basis of the required readings, each and every week.

iii) *A research paper* (45% of the final grade).

The following required books can be purchased at the university bookstore.

Ruth Berins Collier, *Paths Toward Democracy: Working Class and Elites in Western Europe and South America* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1999).

Robert Dahl, *Democracy and its Critics* (New Haven, CT.: Yale University Press, 1989).

Arend Lijphart, *Patterns of Democracy. Government Forms and Performance in Thirty-Six Countries* (New Haven, CT.: Yale University Press, 1999).

Juan Linz and Alfred Stepan, *Problems of Democratic Transition and Consolidation: Southern Europe, South America and Post-Communist Europe* (Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1996).

Guillermo O'Donnell and Philippe Schmitter, *Transitions From Authoritarian Rule. Tentative Conclusions about Uncertain Democracies* (Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1986).

Adam Przeworski, Michael E. Alvarez, José Antonio Cheibub and Fernando Limongi, *Democracy and Development: Political Institutions and Well-Being in the World, 1950-1990* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2000).

I have posted the articles for which I have electronic copies on the USC blackboard. To access them, go to totale.usc.edu log in with your username and password, go to IR 599, and then go to Course Documents and click on the Course Documents folder. The readings are in folders organized by the number of each meeting. For those of you who can not access the blackboard, I can send the documents by email.

I. Introduction

Meeting 1. An Overview of the History of Democracy

John Markoff, "Waves of Democracy," pp. 30-36, in Markoff, *The Great Wave of Democracy in Historical Perspective* (Ithaca, NY.: Western Societies Occasional Papers # 34, Cornell University Press, 1995).

Robert D. Kaplan, "Was Democracy Just a Moment?" *The Atlantic Monthly* (December 1997): 55-80.

Fareed Zakaria, "The Rise of Illiberal Democracy," *Foreign Affairs* (November/December 1997): 22-43.

Meeting 2. What is Democracy?

Joseph Schumpeter, *Capitalism, Socialism, and Democracy* (New York: Harper, 1942), pp. 240-83.

Adam Przeworski, "Minimalist Conception of Democracy: A Defense," pp. 23-55, in Ian Shapiro and Casiano Hacker-Cordón (eds.), *Democracy's Value* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1999).

Robert Dahl, *Democracy and its Critics* (New Haven, CT.: Yale University Press, 1989), Introduction, Part I, III, IV, and Ch. 15.

II. Democratization, mainly Europe and Latin America

Meeting 3. Process Models: Actors and Regimes

Guillermo O'Donnell and Philippe Schmitter, *Transitions From Authoritarian Rule. Tentative Conclusions about Uncertain Democracies* (Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1986).

Adam Przeworski, *Democracy and the Market. Political and Economic Reforms in Eastern Europe and Latin America* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1991), Ch. 2.

Samuel Huntington, "How Countries Democratize," *Political Science Quarterly* Vol. 106, N° 4 (1991-92): 579-616.

Stephen Haggard and Robert Kaufman, "The Political Economy of Democratic Transitions," *Comparative Politics*, Vol. 29, N° 3 (1997): 263-83.

Meeting 4. Democratization II. Old Regimes and the State

Juan Linz and Alfred Stepan, *Problems of Democratic Transition and Consolidation: Southern Europe, South America and Post-Communist Europe* (Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1996).

Meeting 5. Democratization III. Revisiting Economic Modernization

Seymour M. Lipset, "Some Social Requisites of Democracy: Economic Development and Political Legitimacy," *American Political Science Review* Vol. 53, N° 1 (March 1959): 69-105.

Adam Przeworski, Michael E. Alvarez, José Antonio Cheibub and Fernando Limongi, *Democracy and Development: Political Institutions and Well-Being in the World, 1950-1990* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2000), Ch. 2.

Carles Boix and Susan C. Stokes, "Endogenous Democratization," *World Politics* Vol. 55, N° 4 (2003): 517-49.

Scott Mainwaring and Aníbal Pérez-Liñán, "Level of Development and Democracy: Latin American Exceptionalism, 1945-1996," *Comparative Political Studies* Vol. 36, N° 9 (November 2003): 1031-67.

Nathan Jensen and Leonard Wantchekon, "Resource Wealth and Political Regimes in Africa," *Comparative Political Studies* Vol. 37, N° 7 (2004): 816-41.

Meeting 6. Democratization IV. Revisiting Capitalism and Class

Barrington Moore, *Social Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy. Lord and Peasant in the Making of the Modern World* (Boston: Beacon Press, 1993), Preface.

John D. Stephens, "Capitalist Development and Democracy: Empirical Research on the Social Origins of Democracy," pp. 409-47, in D. Copp, J. Hampton, and J. Roemer (eds.), *The Idea of Democracy* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1993).

Ruth Berins Collier, *Paths Toward Democracy: Working Class and Elites in Western Europe and South America* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1999).

Meeting 7. Synthesizing Research on Democratization

Barbara Geddes, "What Do We Know about Democratization after Twenty Years?" *Annual Review of Political Science* Vol. 2: 115-44 (Palo Alto, Cal.: Annual Reviews, 1999).

Valerie Bunce, "Comparative Democratization: Big and Bounded Generalizations," *Comparative Political Studies* Vol. 33, N° 6-7 (August-September 2000): 703-34.

Valerie Bunce, "Rethinking Recent Democratization: Lessons from the Postcommunist Experience," *World Politics* Vol. 55, N° 2 (January 2003): 167-92.

Gerardo L. Munck, "The Regime Question: Theory Building in Democracy Studies," *World Politics* Vol. 54, N° 1 (October 2001): 119-44.

Gerardo L. Munck, "Democracy Studies: Agendas, Findings, Challenges," pp. 65-97, in Dirk Berg-Schlosser (ed.), *Democratization. The State of the Art* (Wiesbaden, Germany: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften, 2004).

III. New Cases and Questions

Meeting 8. Democratization in the Middle East and North Africa

Alfred Stepan with Graeme Robertson, "An 'Arab' More Than 'Muslim' Electoral Gap?" *Journal of Democracy* Vol. 14, N° 3 (July 2003): 30-44

Eva Bellin, "The Robustness of Authoritarianism in the Middle East," *Comparative Politics* Vol. 36, N° 2 (2004): 139-57.

Michael L. Ross, "Does Oil Hinder Democracy?" *World Politics* Vol. 53, N° 3 (April 2001): 325-361.

M. Steven Fish, "Islam and Authoritarianism," *World Politics* Vol. 55, N° 1 (October 2002): 4-37.

Meeting 9. Identities and Federalism

Carol Skalnik Leff, "Democratization and Disintegration: Federalism and the Break-up of the Communist Federal States," *World Politics* Vol. 51, N° 2 (January 1999): 205-235.

Henry E. Hale, "Divided We Stand: Institutional Sources of Ethnofederal State Survival and Collapse," *World Politics* Vol. 56, N° 2 (January 2004): 165-193.

Alfred Stepan, "Toward a New Comparative Politics of Federalism, Multinationalism, and Democracy," pp. 29-84, in Edward Gibson (ed.), *Federalism and Democracy in Latin America* (Baltimore, Md.: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 2004).

Juan J. Linz, Alfred Stepan and Yogendra Yadav, "Nation State" or "State Nation"?: Conceptual Reflections and Some Spanish, Belgian and Indian Data," United Nations Development Programme, Human Development Report Office, Background paper for HDR 2004.

Meeting 10. The Institutions and Performance of Democracy

Arend Lijphart, *Patterns of Democracy. Government Forms and Performance in Thirty-Six Countries* (New Haven, CT.: Yale University Press, 1999).

Adam Przeworski, Michael E. Alvarez, José Antonio Cheibub and Fernando Limongi, *Democracy and Development: Political Institutions and Well-Being in the World, 1950-1990* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2000), Ch. 1, 3, 4, 5 & Conclusion.

Meeting 11. Globalization, the International Arena and Democracy Beyond the Nation State

Kathleen C. Schwartzman, "Globalization and Democracy," *Annual Review of Sociology* Vol. 24 (1998): 159-81.

Laurence Whitehead, "Three International Dimensions of Democratization," pp. 3-27, in Laurence Whitehead (ed.), *The International Dimensions of Democratization: Europe and the Americas* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2001).

Robert A. Dahl, "The Shifting Boundaries of Democratic Governments," *Social Research* Vol. 66, N° 3 (Fall 1999): 915-31.

Philippe C. Schmitter, "The Future of Democracy: Could It Be a Matter of Scale?" *Social Research* Vol. 66, N° 3 (Fall 1999): 933-58.

Philippe C. Schmitter, "Democracy in Europe and Europe's Democratization" *Journal of Democracy* Vol. 14, N° 4 (October 2003): 71-85.

IV. Evolving Conceptions and New Trends

Meeting 12. Electoral Authoritarianism and the Quality of Democracy

Larry Diamond, "Thinking about Hybrid Regimes," *Journal of Democracy* Vol. 13, N° 2 (2002): 21-35.

Andreas Schedler, "The Menu of Manipulation," *Journal of Democracy* Vol. 13, N° 2 (2002): 36-50.

Michael McFaul, "Transitions from Postcommunism," *Journal of Democracy* Vol. 16, N° 3 (2005): 5-19.

Larry Diamond and Leonardo Morlino, "The Quality of Democracy: An Overview," *Journal of Democracy* Vol. 15, N° 4 (October 2004): 20-31.

Gerardo L. Munck, "Democratic Politics in Latin America: New Debates and Research Frontiers," *Annual Review of Political Science* Vol. 7 (Palo Alto, Cal.: Annual Reviews, 2004).

Meeting 13. Democracy, Human Rights and Development

Amartya Sen, *Development as Freedom* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1999), Chapters 1, 2 and 6.

Guillermo O'Donnell, "On the Quality of Democracy and its Links with Human Development and Human Rights," pp. 9-92, in Guillermo O'Donnell, Osvaldo Iazzetta, and Jorge Vargas Cullell (eds.), *The Quality of Democracy. Theory and Practice* (Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 2004).

Jack Donnelly, "Human Rights, Democracy, and Development," *Human Rights Quarterly* Vol. 21, N° 3 (1999): 608-32.

Meeting 14. Democracy Promotion

Roland Rich, "Bringing Democracy into International Law," *Journal of Democracy* 12, 3 (July 2001): 20-34.

Carlos Santiso, "International Co-operation for Democracy and Good Governance: Moving Towards a Second Generation?" *European Journal of Development Research* 13, 1 (2001): 154-80.

Valerie Bunce, "Promoting Democracy in Divided Societies," Paper prepared for the American Political Science Association Task Force on Difference and Inequality in the Developing World, University of Virginia, April 22-23, 2005.