

POLS 4930/5930
20th Century Pog

Political Theology by Carl Schmitt

The Plague by Albert Camus

Justice and the Politics of Difference by Iris Marion Young

Achieving Our Country by Richard Rorty

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Important Dates

March 5-7 Spring Break (no classes)
March 28-29 Easter holiday (no classes)

Course Outline

Dates

Topic

January 17 Introduction to the Course and Nietzsche Part I

Readings:

- George Steiner, (Optional)
- Fukuyama “The End of History” <http://www.wesjones.com/eoh.htm>
- Nietzsche pp.29-50
- Nietzsche *Human, All-Too-Human* pp.51-64

January 24 Nietzsche and The Will to Power

Readings:

- Nietzsche *The Gay Science* pp.93-102
- Nietzsche *Thus Spoke Zarathustra* pp.103-259
- Nietzsche *Beyond Good and Evil* pp.443-47
- Nietzsche *Toward a Genealogy of Morals* pp.450-54

January 31 Carl Schmidt and Political Theology

Readings:

- Schmidt *Political Theology* (all)

February 7 Lenin and Revolution

*Readings:

- Lenin “The Party”
- Lenin “Revolution”
- Lenin “Imperialism”
- Lenin “The State”
- Lenin “The National Question”
- Lenin “Philosophy”

Examination One Handed out on February 7th

Examination One Due in Class on February 14th

February 14 Arendt and Totalitarianism

*Readings:

- Arendt “The Perplexities of the Rights of Man” pp. 31-45
- Arendt “Expansion” pp. 104-118
- Arendt “Total Domination” pp. 119-145
- Arendt “Organized Guilt and Universal Responsibility” pp. 146-156

April 17 **Rorty on Solidarity and Pragmatism**

Readings:

- Rorty *Achieving Our Country* (all)

April 24 **Iris Marion Young and the Politics of Difference**

Readings:

- Young *Justice and the Politics of Difference* chs. 1-4

May 1 **McIntyre and Tradition**

**Readings:*

-MacIntyre "Notes from the Moral Wilderness" pp. 31-49

-MacIntyre "The Claims of *After Virtue*" pp. 69-72

-MacIntyre "*After Virtue: A Study in Moral Theory* (extracts) pp. 73-101

Examination Three Handed out in Class on May 1st

Examination Three Due via Email on or before May 10th

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