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The first nationally televised course in American government will be offered to western Montanans this fall through the network facilities of the National Broadcasting Co. and the Montana State University Extension Division.

MSU will give four quarter hours of college credit to registrants who complete the course, according to Troy F. Crowder, assistant to the president of MSU and director of the Extension Division. Persons who take the course for credit may register Monday, Sept. 18, at 7:30 p. m. in the Liberal Arts building on campus, he said. Registrants will meet on campus four times after the initial meeting for class discussion and tests and will take a final examination at the close of the course.

The course, entitled "The Structure and Functions of American Government," will run for 80 half-hour sessions five days a week from Sept. 25 through Jan. 26. The program will be carried Monday through Friday by KMSO-TV, Missoula, from 12 to 12:30 p. m., and by KXLY-TV, Spokane, by cable, from 7:30 to 8 a. m.

The television class will be conducted by Dr. Peter Odegard, professor of political science at the University of California at Berkeley, and administered locally by Dr. Thomas Payne, chairman of the MSU Political Science Department, according to Crowder. Detailed information about the course is available from the MSU Political Science Department or the Extension Division, he added.

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