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**Political Science 210
Introduction to American Government
Summer 2013**

Class time: Monday – Thursday, 9:30-11:20
Classroom: LA 205
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Text: Magleby, *Government by the People*. **Note:** The book is optional. It is available in the UM bookstore and online. Any recent edition is fine to use. Several copies are on library reserve (in- building, 2-hour use).

<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>READING</u>	<u>DATE</u>
American Founding Documents	Chapter 1	May 28
Principles of American Constitutionalism	Chapters 2 & 3	May 28, 29, 30
First Amendment Freedoms	Chapter 15	May 30; June 3, 4
Examination		June 5
Equality under the Law	Chapter 16	June 5, 6
Citizenship, Property, Due Process	Chapter 15	June 10, 11, 12
Interest Groups	Chapter 6	June 12
Political Parties	Chapter 7	June 13
Voting and Elections	Chapter 8, 9	June 17
Examination		June 18
Campaign Finance	Chapter 9	June 18
Electing the President	Chapter 9	June 19
United States Congress	Chapters 11	June 20, 24
American Presidency	Chapters 12	June 24, 25
American Judiciary	Chapter 14	June 26
American Bureaucracy	Chapter 13	June 26
Examination		June 27

The learning goal of this lecture course is student understanding of the major structural and legal features of American government. These characteristics, as covered in the lectures and listed on the review sheet, provide the basis of the examinations. The three examinations will use objective (not essay) questions. The dates of the first two examinations are June 5 and June 18. The final examination will cover material from the second examination to the end of the course and is scheduled for June 27. The two midterm examinations will count 33 points each and the final examination will count 34 points. However, a total of 110 points can be earned in the course (10 extra credit points). The course grades will be determined as follows: A = 94-100; A- = 90-93; B+ = 87-89; B = 83-86; B- = 80-82; C+ = 77-79; C = 73-76; C- = 70-72; D+ = 67-69; D = 63-66; D- = 60-62; F = 59 and lower. For the credit/no credit grading option, a grade of D- and above will count as "credit." Make-up and early examinations must be prearranged with Professor Lopach.

PSC 100 - Review Sheet No. 1

New Left
Declaration of Independence
Natural Law Argument
Fundamental Law
Thomas Jefferson
Popular Sovereignty
Right of Revolution
Republican Form
Tenth Amendment
Constitution
Minimal Government
Localism
Bicameralism
Bill of Rights
Confederation
State Sovereignty
Economic Interpretation of Constitution
James Madison
Burden-on-Commerce Balancing Test
Stake in Society
State Ratifying Convention
Partial Agency
Checks and Balances
Great Connecticut Compromise
Federalist Papers
Federalism
Unitary Government
Enumerated Powers
Police Powers
Delegated Powers
Implied Powers
McCulloch v. Maryland
Inherent Powers
Reserved Powers
Concurrent Powers
External Sovereignty
Umpire of Federalism
Necessary and Proper Clause
Federal Preemption
Implied Preemption Test
New Nationalism
Supremacy Clause
Interstate Commerce
Cumulative Effect Test
Compact Theory
Emanation Theory
Nullification
Concurrent Majority
Dual Federalism
Judicial New Federalism
Horizontal Federalism
Full Faith and Credit Clause
Defense of Marriage Act
Interstate Compact Clause
Extradition Clause
Socialization of Conflict
Laboratories of the Nation
New Federalism
Cooperative Federalism
Comity Clause
Governmental Gridlock
Marbury v. Madison
Judicial Review
Civil Rights and Liberties
Barron v. Baltimore
Incorporation Doctrine
Establishment Clause
Wall of Separation
Lemon Test
Conscientious Objector
Accommodation Analysis
Endorsement Analysis
Freedom of Exercise Clause
Strict Scrutiny Test
Rational Basis Test
Marketplace of Ideas
Fighting Words
Clear and Present Danger Test
Clear and Probable Danger Test
Bad Tendency Test
Test of Imminence
Prior Restraint
Two Levels of Speech
Overbreadth Doctrine
Vice of Vagueness
Chilling Effect
Time, Place and Manner Regulation
Regulation of Content
Symbolic Speech
Criticism of Judge/Fair Trial Rule
TV/Fair Trial Rule
Press-Public Doctrine
Shield Law
Public Figure Doctrine
Actual Malice
Patently Offensive
Utterly Without Social Importance
LAPS Test
Commercial Speech
Forum Analysis
Peripheral Right
Guilt by Association
Close and Substantial Relation Doctrine
Trimester Analysis
Undue Burden Analysis
Deviate Sexuality Law