PSC 100S.01: Introduction to American Government

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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 sheets, provide the basis of the examinations. The three examinations will use objective (not essay) questions. The dates of the first two examinations are June 3 and June 16. The final examination will cover material from the second examination to the end of the course and is scheduled for June 25. The two midterm examinations will count 33 points each and the final examination will count 34 points. A total of 100 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-ups for the first 2 examinations must be prearranged.