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REQUIRED TEXT: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, *Great Political Thinkers*.

READING ASSIGNMENTS, LECTURE TOPICS, AND EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

- Week of August 29: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 18-49 (Plato).
(no class on Friday, September 2.)
- Week of September 5: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 50-80 (Plato).
- Week of September 12: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 81-126
(Aristotle), pp. 144-154 Cicero).
- Week of September 19: pp. 191-223 (The Judeo-Christian
Background & St. Augustine).
FIRST EXAMINATION ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
- Week of September 26: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 316-336
(Machievelli), pp. 397-406 (Hobbes).
- Week of October 3: Ebenstein & Ebenstein pp. 407-424
(Hobbes), pp. 425-435 (Locke).
- Week of October 10: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 435-454
(Locke).
- Week of October 17: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 493-527,
(Rousseau).
- Week of October 24: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 562-593
(Burke). Lecture on Mary
Wollstonecraft's "A Vindication of the
Rights of Man."
- Week of October 31: Review for second examination. SECOND
EXAMINATION ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2.
No class on Friday, November 4.
- Week of November 7: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 619-649
(Tocqueville).
- Week of November 14: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 650-684,
Mill), pp. 726-736 (Marx).
- Week of November 21: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 756-773
(Lenin).
- Week of November 28: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 796-805
(Mussolini), 533-546 (Kant).
- Week of December 5: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 889-897
(Myrdal), pp. 922-944 (Rawls).

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Week of December 12: Review for Final Examination.
FINAL EXAMINATION: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16,
8:00-10:00 A.M.

NOTE: EXAMINATIONS COVER MATERIAL FROM LECTURES AS WELL AS
MATERIAL FROM READING ASSIGNMENTS.