PSC 321H.01: Politics of Western Europe

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Political Science 321H
Politics of Western Europe
Fall Semester, 1994

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Hrs:

1. Textbooks: -M. Donald Hancock, Politics in Western Europe
   -Annual Editions, Comparative Politics 94/95
2. Regular reading of a daily newspaper and/or weekly newsmag.
   for material relating to European politics is expected.
3. Paper (5-10 double-space, typed pages--including endnotes &
   bibliography; no cover sheet.) /oral discussion: Explained
   in class; topic picked Oct. 7 (Fri.); written part due at
   beginning of class Oct. 24 (Monday); late papers will not be
   graded! Submission of a paper, however, is required to
   receive a grade for the course. Typing manual: Kate L.
   Turabian, A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and
   Dissertations (5th ed.) Dates of oral discussion announced
   after papers are turned in.

4. Exams: Midterm (1 hr.) - Fri. Oct. 21: Annual Editions,
   Reading # 1-6, 23-33; Hancock, Part 1; current
   events; lectures
   Final (1 1/2 hr.) - Thurs., Dec. 15 (8:00-10:00) ,
   Annual Editions, Reading # 7-16, 34-39, 56-61;
   Hancock, Parts 2, 3, & 6; current events; lectures;
   oral discussions.

Course Outline

A. Introduction to the Study of Comparative Government and to
   Modern Europe

B. United Kingdom
   1. Background & Political Culture
   2. Electoral/Party System
   3. Groups, Government Institutions
   4. Observations

C. France
   1. Background & Political Culture
   2. Electoral/Party System
   3. Groups, Government Institutions
   4. Observations

D. Germany
   1. Background & Political Culture
   2. Electoral/Party System
   3. Groups, Government Institutions
   4. Observations

NOTE: Thurs, SEP 29: LAST DAY TO DROP CLASSES/CHANGE GRADING OPT.