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PSC 321H.01: Politics of Western Europe

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1. **Textbooks:**
   - M. Donald Hancock, *Politics in Western Europe* Annual Editions, *Comparative Politics 95/96*

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. 6 (Fri.); written part due at beginning of class Oct. 23 (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. 20: Annual Editions, Reading # 1-6, 26-32; Hancock, Part 1; current events; lectures
   - **Final** (1 1/2 hr.) - Thurs., Dec. 21 (8:00-10:00) Annual Editions, Reading # 7-16, 33-41, 60-65; 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: Mon, OCT 9: LAST DAY TO DROP CLASSES/CHANGE GRADING OPT.