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PSC 250E.01: Political Theory

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REQUIRED TEXT: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, Great Political Thinkers. Hannah Arendt, Between Past and Future

READING ASSIGNMENTS, LECTURE TOPICS, AND EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

Week of September 2: Introductory lecture and Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 18-49 (Plato).

Week of September 9: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 50-80 (Plato).


Week of September 30: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 325-336 (Machiavelli) FIRST EXAMINATION WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2 Ebenstein & Ebenstein, 397-406 (Hobbes).


Week of October 28: Review for second examination. SECOND EXAMINATION, WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 1. Ebenstein & Ebenstein pp. 726-736 (Karl Marx)

Week of November 4: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 737-773 (Marx and Lenin).

Week of November 11: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 796-805 (Mussolini), Film: Triumph of the Will

Week of November 18: Ebenstein & Ebenstein, pp. 889-897 (Myrdal), pp. 922-944 (Rawls).

Week of November 25: Arendt, Chapter One.

Week of December 2: Arendt, Chapters Three and Four.
Week of December 9: Arendt, Chapter Six. Review for final examination.

FINAL EXAMINATION: 8:00-10:00, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19.

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

NOTE: OCTOBER 14 IS THE LAST DAY TO DROP A COURSE OR CHANGE THE GRADING OPTION.