

SYLLABUS

CATALOG DESCRIPTION

This course introduces comparative politics by examining the political history, social and economic structures, and contemporary political institutions and behavior, with focus on occurrences in countries representing diverse cultures, geographies, and levels of development.

Formerly: POLS-240

Prerequisites: ENGL-1110 or Accuplacer English test score of 85 or higher (RDNG-099 or RDNG-113) or Accuplacer Reading test score of 82 or higher

Semester Offered: Spring

COMMON STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of San Juan College programs and degrees, the student will demonstrate competency in...

BROAD AND SPECIALIZED LEARNING

Students will actively and independently acquire, apply, and adapt skills and knowledge with an awareness of global contexts.

CRITICAL THINKING

Students will think analytically and creatively to explore ideas, make connections, draw conclusions and solve problems.

CULTURAL AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Students will act purposefully, reflectively, and ethically in diverse and complex environments.

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

Students will exchange ideas and information with clarity in multiple contexts.

INFORMATION LITERACY

Students will be able to recognize when information is needed and have the ability to locate, evaluate, and use it effectively.

INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGIES

Students will demonstrate fluency in the application and use of technologies in multiple contexts.

Student work from this class may be randomly selected and used anonymously for assessment of course, program, and/or institutional learning outcomes. For more information, please refer to the Dean of the appropriate School.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to...

1. Demonstrate knowledge of different political and economic regimes in the world.
2. Demonstrate ability to compare, contrast, and assess tradeoffs among various political and economic regimes.
3. Demonstrate understanding of connections between historical events and phenomena, on the one hand, and contemporary political and economic systems, on the other.
4. Exhibit respect for the differences among cultures, and the connections between politics and culture in different countries.
5. Demonstrate one's understandings through effective oral and written communication.