

WEEK:	READINGS:	TOPICS COVERED:
ONE	Introduction	Course Mechanics and Materials
TWO	Spectrum Survey Wilson: Chap. 1 and 22 Lanahan: 8, 12	Knowledge of American Politics Introduction to Political Philosophy Origins of Government; Ideas and Politics in a Democracy; Construction and Framework; Continuity and Change
THREE	Wilson: Chap. 1 and 22 Lanahan: 13, 14	Origins of Government; Ideas and Politics in a Democracy; Construction and Framework; Continuity and Change
FOUR	Wilson: Chap. 2 Lanahan: 9, 10, 11, 42	Constitution: Ideology and Reality; The Federalist Papers #10, #47, #51 #15, #78 The Anti-Federalist Position
FIVE	Wilson: Chap. 2 Lanahan: 15	Constitution: Ideology and Reality; The Federalist Papers #10, #47, #51 #15, #78 The Anti-Federalist Position
SIX	Wilson: Chap. 4 Lanahan: 4, 5, 6, 7	American Political Culture Political Efficacy
SEVEN	Wilson: Chap. 7 Lanahan: 55, 56, 58	Public Opinion Political Socialization, Ideologies and Elites
EIGHT	Wilson: Chap. 7 Lanahan: 55, 56, 58	Public Opinion Political Socialization, Ideologies and Elites
NINE	Wilson: Chap. 8 Lanahan: 57, 72, 82	Contemporary Political Thinking Political Participation
TEN	Wilson: Chap. 9 Lanahan: 73, 74, 75	American Political Party System. Development and Characteristics. Programs and Ideologies.
ELEVEN	Wilson: Chap. 9 Lanahan: 76, 77, 78	American Political Party System. Development and Characteristics. Programs and Ideologies.
TWELVE THANKSGIVING	Wilson: Chap. 10 Lanahan: 66, 67, 68	American Election System Nominations and Campaigns Strategies, Voting, and Realignment.
THIRTEEN	Wilson: Chap. 10 Lanahan: 69, 70, 71	American Election System Nominations and Campaigns Strategies, Voting, and Realignment.
FOURTEEN	Wilson: Chap. 11 Lanahan: 59, 60, 61	Interest Groups & Political Conflict American Pluralism Modern Lobby System
FIFTEEN	Wilson: Chap. 11 Lanahan: 62, 63, 64	Interest Groups & Political Conflict American Pluralism Modern Lobby System
SIXTEEN	Wilson: Chap. 12 Lanahan: 80, 81, 83	The Role of the Media: From Partisan Advocates to Indep. Professionals Public Control and the Mass Media

WEEK: SEVENTEEN	READINGS: CHRISTMAS BREAK	TOPICS COVERED: CHRISTMAS BREAK
EIGHTEEN	Wilson: Chap. 13 Lanahan: 22, 23, 24	Congress
NINETEEN	Wilson: Chap. 13 Lanahan: 25, 26, 27	Congress
TWENTY	Wilson: Chap. 13 and 17 Lanahan: 28, 29, 30	Public Policy and Congress. The Structure of Congressional Action. Legislation by Committee.
TWENTY-ONE	Wilson: Chap. 17	Public Policy and Congress. The Structure of Congressional Action. Legislation by Committee.
TWENTY-TWO	Wilson: Chap. 14 Lanahan: 31, 32, 33	The Presidency. The Tactics of Leadership. Presidential Power
TWENTY-THREE	Wilson: Chap. 14 and 15 Lanahan: 34, 35, 36	The Presidency. The Tactics of Leadership. Presidential Power, the Bureaucracy
TWENTY-FOUR	Wilson: Chap. 15 Lanahan: 37, 38, 39	The Fourth Branch: The Bureaucracy. Congressional Oversight. Performance and the Efficiency of the Bureaucracy.
TWENTY-FIVE	Wilson: Chap. 16 Lanahan: 41, 42, 43	The Judicial Process. Structure & Function of the Court System. The Supreme Court of Democratic Politics.
TWENTY-SIX	Wilson: Chap. 16 Lanahan: 44, 45	The Judicial Process. Structure & Function of the Court System. The Supreme Court of Democratic Politics.
TWENTY-SEVEN	Wilson: Chap. 5 and 6 Selected Court Decisions	Judicial Restraint or Activism. Civil Rights and Civil Liberties.
TWENTY-EIGHT	Wilson: Chap. 5 and 6 Selected Court Decisions	Judicial Restraint or Activism. Civil Rights and Civil Liberties.
TWENTY-NINE	Wilson: Chap. 18 Lanahan: 85	The Politics of Economic Prosperity. The Politics of Taxing and Spending. Economic Theories and Political Needs.
THIRTY	Wilson: Chap. 19 Lanahan: 84, 86	Social Welfare in the U.S. Majoritarian Welfare Programs. Welfare Politics.
THIRTY-ONE	Wilson: Chap. 20 Lanahan: 87, 88, 89	Foreign Policy and Military Policy
THIRTY-TWO	Wilson: Chap. 21	Majoritarian Politics: Pollution from Automobiles
THIRTY-THREE	Wilson: Chap. 3 Lanahan: 18, 20	The Evolution of Federalism and its Relationship with the States.
THIRTY-FOUR	COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW	Introduction through Federalism.
THIRTY-FIVE	COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW	Introduction through Federalism.
THIRTY-SIX	COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW	Introduction through Federalism.