### **Political Science 2305 - Federal Government**

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**OFFICE HOURS: TBD/Appointment Recommended** 

# **REQUIRED TEXTBOOK**

**Federal Government POLS 2305** 

The textbook is free of charge and available at:

https://open.umn.edu/opentextbooks/textbooks/american-government.

Students can either download the PDF or read the textbook online.

# **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This class is an introduction to Federal government and politics. In class lectures will supplement textbook readings. Pre-recorded Video lectures will be posted weekly. Written exams and quizzes will assess student learning outcomes. Please note that this course consists of online and in-person students. You may not "opt" to go online if you are in person. Attendance will be taken each class.

Note: Dual Credit/Online Students will work asynchronously throughout this course.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVE AND LEARNING OUTCOMES**

This course is part of the ASU core.

CT: Students will develop critical thinking skills and the ability to critically evaluate their political environment.

CS: Students will gain and be able to demonstrate a basic knowledge of Federal government.

SR: Students will gain and be able to demonstrate a basic knowledge of Federal government.

PR: Students will exhibit the skills necessary to understand and evaluate political outcomes.

### **EXAMINATIONS AND MEANS OF ASSESSMENT**

Written Exams (70% total): 5 Written Exams will be administered which includes a final exam. Each exam will be based on your required reading, lecture and supplemental notes given. Each exam should should consist of a minimum of 750 words and use MLA format, double-spaced. Exam prompts will be issued via blackboard in the "turnitin" link.

Quizzes (30% total) Quizzes will be posted periodically throughout the semester and will consist of multiple-choice questions and/or short answer. You will receive notification of quizzes in class and online/via email at least a week in advance. Always!

# **RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCES**

Every effort will be made to accommodate all forms of religious observance in compliance with ASU OP 10.19. Students who require additional arrangements to be made should make these known in good time in order that arrangements can be made.

#### **SPECIAL NEEDS**

In accordance with OP 10.15 of ASU's Operating Policies and Procedures, persons with disabilities which may warrant academic accommodations must contact the Student Life Office, Room 112 University Center, in order to request such accommodations prior to any accommodations being implemented. You are encouraged to make this request early in the semester so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

#### ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Angelo State University Honor Code <a href="http://www.angelo.edu/forms/pdf/">http://www.angelo.edu/forms/pdf/</a> Honor Code.pdf: Angelo State University expects its students to maintain complete honesty and integrity in their academic pursuits. Therefore, you are responsible for understanding the Academic Honor Code. Click on the link to access the code.

**Important Dates:** 

Semester Begins: Tuesday, January 18th

Semester Ends: Friday, May 13th

Last Day to Withdraw from Course: April 28th by 5PM.

**Course Schedule:** 

Block 1: Chapters 1, 2, 3

Exam 1 - Due Friday Feb. 4th by 11:59 PM. (Will be posted Jan. 28th)

Block 2: Chapters 4, 5, 6, and 7

Exam 2 - Due Friday March 4th by 11:59 PM. (Will be posted Feb. 25th)

Block 3: Chapters 8, 9, and 10

Exam 3 - Due Friday March 25th by 11:59 PM. (Will be posted by March 18th)

Block 4: Chapters 11, 12, 13, and 14 Exam 4 - Due Friday April 22nd by 11:59 PM. (Will be posted by April 15th)

Block 5: Chapters 15, 16, and 17 Final Exam - Due Friday May 13th by 11:59 PM. (Will be posted by May 6th)

### **Title IX:**

Angelo State University is committed to providing and strengthening an educational, working, and living environment where students, faculty, staff, and visitors are free from sex discrimination of any kind. In accordance with Title VII, Title IX, the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE), and other federal and state laws, the University prohibits discrimination based on sex, which includes pregnancy, and other types of Sexual Misconduct.

Sexual Misconduct is a broad term encompassing all forms of gender-based harassment or discrimination and unwelcome behavior of a sexual nature. The term includes sexual harassment, nonconsensual sexual contact, nonconsensual sexual intercourse, sexual assault, sexual exploitation, stalking, public indecency, interpersonal violence (domestic violence or dating violence), sexual violence, and any other misconduct based on sex.

You are encouraged to report any incidents involving sexual misconduct to the Office of Title IX Compliance and the Director of Title IX Compliance/ Title IX Coordinator, Michelle Boone, J.D. You may submit reports in the following manner:

o Online: www.angelo.edu/incident-form

o Face to Face: Mayer Administration Building, Room 210 o Phone:

325-942-2022

o Email: michelle.miller@angelo.edu

Note, as a faculty member at Angelo State, I am a mandatory reporter and must report incidents involving sexual misconduct to the Title IX Coordinator. Should you wish to speak to someone in confidence about an issue, you may contact the University Counseling Center (325-942-2371), the 24-Hour Crisis Helpline (325-486-6345), or the University Health Clinic (325-942-2171). For more information about resources related to sexual misconduct, Title IX, or Angelo State's policy please visit: www.angelo.edu/title-ix.