

Political Science 1002.01
Fundamental Issues of Politics
Louisiana State University
Spring 2020
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Course Description:

POLI 1002 is an enhanced version of POLI 1001, designed for Honors students. POLI 1002 students are responsible for everything on the syllabus for POLI 1001, plus the assignments below.

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Class Time and Location:

Students attend all classes for POLI 1001, indicated on that syllabus, plus five seminar discussions in Stubbs 216, on the dates below, corresponding to the five essays.

Grading:

Total grade from POLI 1001 assessments 75%
Five essays 25%

Grading scale:

Same as POLI 1001

Essays:

One 500-word essay will be assigned for each part of the course (due several days after each seminar; details will be posted on Moodle)

- I. **War and Peace** – analyze one of the following chapters in Walzer (5, 7, 10, 11, 13, 15, or 17) and explain what it adds to the theory of just war [discuss 1/29; due 2/3]
- II. **Wealth and Poverty** – compare and contrast Dewey and Hayek on a matter they both discuss [discuss 2/19; due 2/28]
- III. **First Principles** – choose a topic analyzing Aristotle, Aquinas, Hobbes, or Locke in consultation with the professor [discuss 3/11; due 3/16]
- IV. **Forming and Re-Forming Government** – compare and contrast Publius and one Anti-Federalist on a topic both discuss [discuss 4/8; due 4/13]
- V. **Character and Culture** – choose a topic analyzing Bloom or Steele or Sommers in consultation with the professor [discuss 4/29; due 5/1]