

## **Introduction to American Politics**

Spring 2020

University of Rochester-PSC105

Monday and Wednesday 9:00-9:50 a.m.

Gavett Hall 312

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### **Teaching Assistants:**

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### **Course Description**

This course is designed to introduce students to the study of American political institutions, processes, and behavior. In this course students will learn how to think about the political world systematically. We will discuss the origins of the current governmental system in the U.S., the structure of the U.S. government, and how theories of American government apply to current events and problems that the government and citizens face today. This class is recommended for those thinking about a major or minor in political science or those who want to know more about the American political system and how to think about politics systematically.

### **Course Requirements**

Students are expected to attend lectures every Monday and Wednesday, attend recitation on Fridays, and keep up with the readings. All students will be assigned to a recitation section, which meets once a week. Recitation attendance is mandatory to receive points in the participation component of the . q 0.00070.00000912 0 62 792 re W00070.04da1 Tf eiii



**Required Texts**

There is one book required for class. This textbook is available via Amazon for around \$52.00 to buy and \$24.00 to rent. The booksto2uvile vit.27 h ta

**Course Outline**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>READING</b>
<b>January 15</b>	<i>Lecture:</i> Course Introduction	None
<b>January 17</b>	NO RECITATION	
<b>January 20</b>	MLK Day, No class	Get started on next week's reading
<b>January 22</b>	<i>Lecture:</i>	

