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## PSC210/PSCI 210W: Pandemic Politics

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### COURSE DESCRIPTION

The initial governmental responses to the COVID pandemic rocked the foundations of the world's economy. Decisions to “shut down the economy”, however, were not universally praised and remain controversial. Science became more politicized during the pandemic, and Americans could not even agree on whether mask wearing was necessary, often dividing along party lines. In this seminar, we will study the COVID-19 pandemic from a political economy perspective, focusing on the United States and ask the following questions: (1) How did the pandemic affect the political economy of the United States? (2) How did the pandemic affect the political economy of other countries? (3) How did the pandemic affect the political economy of the world? (4) How did the pandemic affect the political economy of the future? (5) How did the pandemic affect the political economy of the past? (6) How did the pandemic affect the political economy of the present? 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