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M 18 Sep Lecture 1, *Introduction to political philosophy*

I. DEMOCRACY

W 20 Sep Lecture 2, *Epistocracy*

Jason Brennan, “Hobbits and Hooligans” (Ch. 1) and “The Rule of the Knowers” (Ch. 8) in Against Democracy

Additional reading:

Brennan, “Ignorant, Irrational, Misinformed Nationalists” (Ch. 2)

Larry Bartels, “The Irrational Electorate”

Samuel Estlund, Democratic Authority (Ch. 1)

Hélène Landemore, “Democratic Reason”

M 25 Sep Lecture 3, *Lottocracy*

Alex Guerrero, “Against Elections: The Lottocratic Alternative”

Additional reading:

Hélène Landemore, “Deliberation, Cognitive Diversity, and Democratic Inclusiveness”

Lachlan Montgomery Umbers, “Against Lottocracy”

W 27 Sep Lecture 4, *Democracy as a way of life*

Elizabeth Anderson, “Democracy: Instrumental vs. Non-Instrumental Value”

Astra Taylor, “Free to Be Winners and Losers” (Ch. 1) in Democracy May Not Exist But We’ll Miss It When It’s Gone

Additional reading:

Gerry Mackie, “Schumpeter’s Leadership Democracy”

Brennan, “Is Democracy Competent?” (Ch. 7)

II. LIBERTY

M 2 Oct Lecture 5, *Liberalism*

J. S. Mill, “Introductory” (Ch. 1) and “Of the Limits to the Authority of Society over the Individual” (Ch. 4) in On Liberty

Additional reading: Melina Constantine Bell, “John Stuart Mill’s Harm Principle and Free Speech”

W 4 Oct Lecture 6, *Positive and negative freedom*

Isaiah Berlin, “Two Concepts of Liberty”

Additional reading:

Chisanga N. Siame, ““Two Concepts of Liberty’ Through African Eyes”

M 9 Oct No lecture

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W 11 Oct **No lecture**

M 16 Oct Lecture 7, *Unfreedom*
G.A. Cohen, “On the Structure of Proletarian Unfreedom”
Senem Saner, “Embedded Agency: A Critique of Negative Liberty and Free Markets”
Additional reading:
Christine Abigail Tan, “Freedom In’: A Daoist Response to Isaiah Berlin”

W 18 Oct Lecture 8, *Freedom as nondomination/independence*
Philip Pettit, “The Instability of Freedom as Noninterference: The Case of Isaiah Berlin”
Additional reading: Christian List and Laura Valentini, “Freedom as Independence”

III. JUSTICE & EQUALITY

M 23 Oct Lecture 9, *Justice as fairness*

John Rawls, *A Theory of Justice* (Chs. 1-4, 11)

Additional reading:
Rawls, *A Theory of Justice* Chs. 14, 26
Robert Nozick, *Anarchy, State and Utopia* (Ch. 7)

W 25 Oct Lecture 10, *Luck egalitarianism*

Ronald Dworkin, “What Is Equality? Part 2” (Sections I-III)
Elizabeth Anderson, “What Is the Point of Equality?”

Additional reading: Samuel Scheffler, “What Is Egalitarianism?”
Richard Arneson, “Equality of Opportunity for Welfare Defended and Recanted”
G. A. Cohen, “On the Currency of Egalitarian Justice”

M 30 Oct Lecture 11, *Relational and radical egalitarianism*

Nancy Fraser, *Justice Interruptus* (Ch. 1)
John Baker, “Conceptions and Dimensions of Inequality”

Additional reading:
Kai Nielsen, “Radical Egalitarian Justice: Justice as Equality”
Carina Fourie, “On Being Praised and Being Scorned”

W 1 Nov Lecture 12, *Beyond distribution*

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Iris Marion Young, “Displacing the Distributive Paradigm” (Ch. 1) in Justice and the Politics of Difference

Charles Mills, “Decolonizing Western Political Philosophy”

Additional reading:

Derrick Darby and Nyla Branscombe, “Egalitarianism and Perceptions of Inequality”

M 6 Nov Lecture 13, *Oppression*

Marilyn Friedman, “Oppression”

Iris Marion Young, “Five Faces of Oppression” (Ch. 2) in Justice and the Politics of Difference

Patricia Hill Collins, “Toward a Politics of Empowerment” (Ch. 12) in Black Feminist Thought: Knowledge, Consciousness, and the Politics of Empowerment

V. OPPRESSION & INJUSTICE

W 8 Nov Lecture 14, *Capitalism, White Supremacy and Patriarchy*

Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, “The Communist Manifesto”

Erik Olin Wright, “What’s So Bad About Capitalism?” (Ch. 2) in Envisioning Real Utopias

Charles Mills, The Racial Contract (Introduction + Ch. 1)

bell hooks, “Feminism: The Fight to End Sexist Oppression” (Ch. 2) in Feminist Theory: From Margin to Center

M 13 Nov Lecture 15, *Overcoming Injustice: Transformative Social Change*

Erik Olin Wright, “Elements of a Theory of Transformation” (Ch. 8) in Envisioning Real Utopias

Alison Jaggar, Feminist Politics and Human Nature [excerpts]

Additional reading:

Marta Harnecker, “Instruments for Doing Politics”

W 15 Nov Lecture 16, *Overcoming Injustice: My Responsibility*

Iris Marion Young, ‘Responsibility and Global Labor Justice’

Additional reading:

Iris Marion Young, Responsibility for Justice

Robin Zheng, “What is My Role in Changing the System?”

Eugene Chislenko, “The Role of Philosophers in Climate Change”