

**LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY 2018**  
**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
**CANADIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT 4215WAO**  
**TUESDAY and THURSDAY - 11:30AM – 1:00PM**  
**OA2010**

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This seminar course is designed for those students who are fulfilling the requirements of the Honours degree program in Political Science. We will focus on the development of Canadian political thought through the work of a variety of Canadian thinkers and political activists who have asked and answered questions about Canadian identity, human rights, the Quebec question, indigenous politics, constitutionalism, the environment, international relations, federalism, justice, and more. There are recurring themes in Canadian Political Thought around the questions of ideological focus, American and multinational trade, immigration and settlement, and more. We will focus our reading on the two class texts and each student will be responsible for locating and sharing other readings that amplify or reinforce the assigned readings.

**Required texts:**

Fierlbeck, Katherine. Ed. (2011). *The Development of Political Thought in Canada*  
Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Resnick, Philip.(2009). *The European Roots of Canadian Identity*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

**Grading:**

Seminar Presentation.....20% Scheduled starting Week 4

Chapter Summary and Analysis X 2.....30% Due day of presentation and March 22.

Book Review .....30% Due on January 25

Final Assignment.....20% Due on the last day of class

**SEMINAR PRESENTATION** - Each student is required to lead the class in a 15 minute discussion on the topic of one of their Chapter Summaries. This grade will be assigned by the Instructor. Details will be handed out in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of class.

**CHAPTER SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS** – Each student will prepare 2 X 5 page summary and analysis of the chapters in the course text. They will also locate and share at least one other scholarly article or book chapter that complements the Chapter.

**BOOK REVIEW** – Each student will prepare a 7-8 page review of *The European Roots of Canadian Identity* by Philip Resnik. Details will be handed out in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of class.

**FINAL PAPER** – This will be based on the readings that are assigned for this course.

## **READING AND CLASS SCHEDULE**

### **Week 1 – January 9-11**

**Tuesday: Introduction and Administration**

**Thursday: Class discussion**

**Reading: DPT – Chapter 1**

### **Week 2 - January 16-18**

**Tuesday: Lecture on Bourassa and McLung**

**Thursday: Class discussion**

**Reading: DPT – Chapters 2, 3**

**Week 3 – January 23-25 - Class Discussion on Reznick – Book Reviews due on January 25**

### **Week 4 – January 30 – February 1 Student Presentations Begin**

**Tuesday: Lecture on Woodsworth and Innis**

**Thursday: Student Presentations and Discussion**

**Reading: DPT – Chapters 4, 5**

### **Week 5 – February 6 - 8**

**Tuesday: Lecture on Macpherson and Pearson**

**Thursday: Student Presentations and Discussion**

**Reading: DPT – Chapters 6, 7**

### **Week 6 – February 13-15**

**Tuesday: Lecture on Douglas and Levitt**

**Thursday: Student Presentations and Discussion**

**Reading: DPT – Chapters 8, 9**

## **READING WEEK**

### **Week 7 – February 27 – March 1**

**Tuesday: Lecture on Trudeau and Grant**

**Thursday: Student Presentations and Discussion**

**Reading: DPT – Chapters 10, 11**

### **Week 8 – March 6-8**

**Tuesday: Lecture on Grant and Horowitz**

**Thursday: Student Presentations and Discussion**

**Reading: DPT – Chapters 12, 13**

**Week 9 – March 13-15**

**Tuesday: Lecture on Levesque and Taylor**

**Thursday: Student Presentations and Discussion**

**Reading: DPT – Chapters 14, 15**

**Week 10 – March 20-22**

**Tuesday: Lecture on Tully and Kymlicka**

**Thursday: Student Presentations and Discussion**

**Reading: DPT Chapters 16,17**

**Week 11 – March 27-29 – Research Week Seminars**

**Week 12: April 3-5**

**Tuesday: Lecture on Ignatieff and Borrows (article distributed)**

**Thursday: Student Presentations and Discussion**

**Reading: DPT Chapter 18 and Distributed Reading**