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Requirements and Evaluation:
Research Proposal 10% Due: Oct. 7
Essay 50% Due: Oct. 28 Note: 2% per day penalty for late papers including weekends.
Test 25% Dec. 2
Participation 15%

Brief Description:
This course examines the setting of Canada's federal and provincial party systems. Topics include historical and theoretical perspectives.

Text Book:

Also Recommended: (On Course Reserves at Robarts Library, 4th Floor)

Blackboard:
Students are expected to check Blackboard for course updates and information.

Accessibility Needs:
The University of Toronto is committed to accessibility. If you require accommodations or have any accessibility concerns, please visit http://www.accessibility.utoronto.ca/ as soon as possible.

Extensions and make up tests:
• See the University’s policy: http://groups.chass.utoronto.ca/kalmar/extensions.html
• Requests for an extension should be should be sent well before the due date to the TA.
• If you are requesting an extension based on a medical illness, you must complete and submit the UofT Verification of Student Illness or Injury form: http://www.illnessverification.utoronto.ca/getattachment/index/Verification-of-Illness-or-Injury-form-Jan-22-2013.pdf.aspx
Appeals of essay and test grades:
A half page explaining the basis of the appeal must accompany an appeal. It should specifically address the comments given on the exam/test. Submit the appeal to your TA first.

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

Research Proposal:
Outline in 1-2 pages the proposed structure of your essay and some potential sources.

Essay:
Essays should provide a clear, concise response (argument) to the research question backed by rational consideration of the evidence.

Essays should be approximately 2,500 words in length (excluding the bibliography). Summarize your response (argument) in a sentence or two – the thesis statement – in the first paragraph. Be explicit. The reader should be clear on what you are arguing. Assume an educated reader. Do not spend more than a few paragraphs providing background information. Focus on providing information that advances your argument. The balance of the paper will defend your argument but could also acknowledge counterarguments. Seek to demonstrate that your argument is superior. Cite all facts and figures that are not common knowledge. You must cite all ideas that are borrowed from other authors.

ASSIGNMENT GUIDELINES

Formatting:
For both assignments, use 12 pt. Times New Roman font with standard 2.5cm (1”) margins. Include a title page with your name, the date, and a word count.

Bibliographies, references, footnotes:
Use a recognized standard format. Failure to do so will result in a penalty in calculating your grade. Consult your TA if you have any questions. Cornell University provides useful online guides to the APA and MLA citation styles:

http://campusgw.library.cornell.edu/newhelp/res_strategy/citing/apa.html
http://campusgw.library.cornell.edu/newhelp/res_strategy/citing/mla.html

Academic integrity:

1. Keep rough and draft work until the marked assignments have been returned.
2. Plagiarism is a serious offence and will be dealt with accordingly. For clarification and information, see the University of Toronto’s policy on Plagiarism at http://www.writing.utoronto.ca/advice/using-sources/how-not-to-plagiarize
3. An academic integrity checklist, available on Blackboard, must be submitted with all assignments.
4. Normally, students will be required to submit their essays to turnitin.com for a review of textual similarity and detection of possible plagiarism. In doing so, students will allow their essays to be included as source documents in the turnitin.com reference database,
where they will be used solely for detecting plagiarism. Terms that apply to the University’s use of the turnitin.com service are described on the turnitin.com web site.

**Deadline:**
Assignments must be submitted by the start of class (i.e. 4:10 PM) on the due date. Assignments submitted after that point will be considered to be a day late.

**Instructions for submission:**
1. Ensure your assignment meets the requirements for format and bibliography set out above
2. Prepare an Academic Integrity Checklist, which can be downloaded from Blackboard. Be sure to add an “x” to all appropriate boxes and to add your name and the date.
3. Email the assignment and the completed integrity checklist as Microsoft Word (.DOCX) files to the Teaching Assistant at paul.thomas@utoronto.ca
4. [For essay only] Upload the assignment to Turnitin using the course ID 8478648 and the password “Wiseman”

**Late assignments:**
Late penalty: 2 percent per day, including weekends.

**LECTURE SCHEDULE**

**Sept. 9:** Origins of Canada’s Parties
4. Wiseman, 79-80
5. Stewart in G+T, Chap. 1.

**Sept. 16:** Classifying Party Systems
1. Rand Dyck, Provincial Politics in Canada (Scarborough: Prentice-Hall, 1996). pp. 7-11. (Scan)
Sept. 23: Ideology and Parties
5. Brodie and Jenson in G+T, Chap. 2.

Sept. 30: The Conservative Party
4. Patten in T+W, Chap. 11.

Oct. 7: The Liberal Party

Oct. 14: The NDP
2. Wiseman, pp. 229-239.

Oct. 21: The Electoral System, Polling, and Voting

5. Wiseman, Chap. 2. (Scan)

Oct. 28: Regionalism and Parties: Atlantic Canada

1. Wiseman, Chaps. 5 and 6, and pp. 24-34.
3. Adamson and Stewart in T+W, Chap. 22.

Nov. 4: Quebec Party Politics

1. Wiseman, Chap. 7.
4. Herbert Quinn, The Union Nationale: Quebec Nationalism from Duplessis to Lévesque 2nd. ed. (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1979), pp. 48-79. (Scan)
5. Andrea Lawlor and Éric Bélanger, “The Blue Electorate in Quebec and Support for the ADQ and the CPC,” in James Farney and David Rayside, eds., Conservatism in Canada (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2013), pp. 293-316. (Scan)
Nov. 11: Ontario Party Politics
1. Wiseman, Chap. 8.

Nov. 25: Western Canadian Party Politics
1. Wiseman, Chaps. 9 and 10.

Dec. 2: In-Class Test