

Comparative Politics (GS 161)

Test # 2 Terms

American (Chapter 7)



Each test will consist of a mix of objective questions **drawn from both the lectures and reading** for the week. The following list will offer you significant guidance in studying for this exam. Keep in mind that this is a *guide*, not as an exhaustive list, although I have tried to be thorough. All material from the course is fair game. For each term/concept you should understand both what it is and why it is significant.

Articles of Confederation
Checks and Balances
Seven Years War
American Exceptionalism
Marbury v. Madison
Divided Government & Gridlock
Free markets (*laissez-faire*)
Iron Triangle Relationships
North American Free Trade Agreement
New Deal
Reagan Revolution
Interest Groups
How America is Exceptional

Separation of Powers
Federalism
Electoral College
“American Creed” (Political Culture)
Manifest Destiny
Redistributive Policies
Single-member plurality electoral system
Political Action Committee
Federal Reserve Board
Cold War
Role of Political Parties in US System
Key Aspects of American Political Economy
Why America is Exceptional