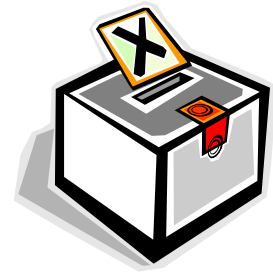


Comparative Politics (GL 261)

Test # 1 Terms

Introducing Comparative Politics (Chapter 1 and Lim [Handout]) and the US (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.

INTRODUCING COMPARATIVE POLITICS:

Comparative Politics	Causal Theories
Typology	State, Nation, and Nation-State
Legitimacy	Globalization
Presidential v. Parliamentary System	(Socio-Economic) Class
Constitution	Duverger's Law
Responsible Party Model	Political Culture
Political Economy	Ethnicity and Race
Hypothesis	Purchasing Power Parity (PPP)
Multicausality (or Causal Complexity)	Gross Domestic Product (GDP)
Cross-Cutting & Polarizing Cleavages	Sustainable Development
Rational Choice	Authoritarianism
Human Development Index	Transitional Democracies
Consolidated Democracy	Qualitative Analysis
Ethnocentric Bias	Control Variables

Using the data tables on pp. 34-40, you should know who ranks FIRST among the countries we will study on:

Total Land Area	Population
Total GDP	GDP per capita (at PPP)
Life Expectancy	Corruption Perceptions Index (p. 40)

THE UNITED STATES:

Articles of Confederation	Separation of Powers
Checks and Balances	Federalism
Seven Years War	Electoral College
American Exceptionalism	"American Creed" (Political Culture)
<i>Marbury v. Madison</i>	Manifest Destiny
Divided Government & Gridlock	Redistributive Policies
Free markets (<i>laissez-faire</i>)	Single-member plurality electoral system
Iron Triangle Relationships	Political Action Committee