

Social Networks and the Context of Political Behavior

COURSE INFORMATION	<i>Term:</i> Spring 2017 <i>Level:</i> Advanced Seminar <i>Meet:</i> Tuesdays 2:30-5:20 <i>Room:</i> College Hall 221 <i>Syllabus Revision:</i> April 17, 2018	<i>Instructor:</i> Jack Reilly <i>Office:</i> Social Sciences 205 <i>E-mail:</i> jreilly@ncf.edu <i>Office Hours:</i> Tuesday & Wednesday 10-11 <i>Appointments:</i> jackreilly.youcanbook.me
DESCRIPTION	This advanced seminar examines the effects of social context on political behavior, with a particular emphasis on the role of social networks. Particular topics to be addressed include voting, information, communication, social influence, comparative political contexts, and the inclusion of contextual-level variables in the analysis of political behavior. Additional topics will be added at the discretion and interest of seminar participants, and can vary widely. Potential topics include expertise, heuristics, persuasion, deliberation, personality, social cognition, hierarchy, social structure, heterogeneity and homogeneity, cooperation, disagreement, formal network analysis, network science, complexity, emergence, the evolutionary bases of behavior, the philosophy of social science, and computational social and political science.	
PREREQUISITES	<i>Required:</i> an introductory course in political science (preferably American Politics or Comparative Politics), intermediate coursework in political science or social psychology, or permission of the instructor. <i>Co-requisite:</i> a course on research design in social science. <i>Recommended:</i> Introductory statistics or equivalent (including <i>Dealing with Data 1</i>). A second-level statistics course (such as <i>Quantitative Analysis of Political Data</i> , <i>Advanced Statistics for Psychology</i> , <i>Dealing with Data II</i> , <i>Econometrics</i> , <i>Visualization</i> , etc) is beneficial but not required.	
DISCLAIMER	This is a draft syllabus for a freshly created course covering a variety of classic and highly contemporary research. (We will be reading things with a publication date of 2018, for instance.) Content is subject to change frequently and potentially without notice up until the week before we cover it. ¹	

Books and Software

BOOKS	Required <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zuckerman, Alan S (2005). <i>The Social Logic of Politics</i>. Temple University Press• Hatemi, Peter K and Rose McDermott (2011). <i>Man Is by Nature a Political Animal</i>. University of Chicago Press Optional <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dalton, Russell J. and Christopher J Anderson (2011). <i>Citizens, Context, and Choice: How Context Shapes Citizens' Electoral Choices</i>. Oxford University Press (Required, but available electronically through the library)• Rolfe, Meredith (2012). <i>Voter Turnout: A Social Theory of Political Participation</i>. Cambridge University Press (Required, but available electronically through the library)• Background: Barabasi, <i>Network Science</i>: http://barabasi.com/networksciencebook/
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¹An important exception to this disclaimer are the final project requirements, which will remain set.

Most of our reading for the course will be scholarly articles available electronically directly from journals. Accordingly, you should **budget \$30** for printing articles over the course of the semester. (This is easily less than the cost of additional readers.) We will occasionally engage in close reading of articles and you will need to be able to reference them in class.

SOFTWARE While this is not a course on statistics, computational social science, or programming, we will introduce formal social network analysis (SNA), including and describing and visualizing social networks using statistical software. Primarily, we will use R, a free open-source statistics environment, and **Statnet**, a free suite of R packages for network analysis. No prior knowledge of R is required.

Course Requirements

OVERVIEW Satisfactory completion of the course requires completion of the following:

1. Daily Preparation
 - (a) Reading
 - (b) Participation
 - (c) Discussion Questions
2. Class Contributions
 - (a) Discussion Leadership
 - (b) Reaction paper
 - (c) Enrichment Reading Selection
 - (d) Article Presentation
3. Assignments
 - (a) Literature Search Assignment
 - (b) Quantitative Assignment
4. Final Project
 - (a) "Pre-Registration" Assignment
 - (b) Final Presentation
 - (c) Peer Review & Discussant Duties
 - (d) Final Research Paper

DAILY PREPARATION **Daily Participation and Reading.** This is an advanced seminar taught at a graduate level. Informed class participation is expected and required each week.

Discussion Questions. Submit discussion questions or points (broadly construed) to the class by 9 AM on the day of class. Please respond to the first e-mail sent out, so all responses appear in a thread, and if you are the first questioner, title your e-mail [CPB] Questions: Week X.

CLASS CONTRIBUTIONS **Reaction Papers:** Each student will write a 3-5 page reaction paper during the semester. This paper will be submitted to the whole class by noon the Monday before class, and should be read by other students in the class. As you are writing your reaction papers, you may wish to think of some of the following questions:

- What is the primary argument of the readings for this week?
- How do these readings fit together? Do they agree? Disagree?
- How do these readings fit in with other readings from this class, or from other coursework you have taken?
- Do you buy what the author(s) is/are selling? Why or why not?

Paper Presentation and Discussion Leadership: On the week you write a reaction paper, you will briefly present the argument of your paper to the class and lead discussion. Days may have multiple discussion leaders.

FINAL PROJECT For your final project, you will have three options:

1. An empirical paper on political behavior using social networks data (approx. 15 pgs).
2. An empirical paper on political behavior using comparative contextual data. (approx. 15 pgs)
3. An expansive *critical* literature review of an area related to social networks, social context, social influence, and/or political behavior. (approx. 25 pgs)

Essentially, I will be looking for you to examine the role of social networks or comparative context in some aspect of political activity and behavior writ large. (Although we won't be examining things like policy networks or terrorist networks in depth, for instance, those are perfectly acceptable topics for papers.) For data sources, I recommend examining the Cross-National Election Project (CNEP), the Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (CSES), and/or survey-based network data sets we've discussed throughout class, including but not limited to the 1992 CNEP, 1996 Indianapolis St. Louis Study, and the 2000 American National Election Study (all available at ICPSR). Collecting and/or using your own networks data in either a qualitative or quantitative fashion is encouraged as well.

The project will have two components: a paper and a presentation, and a pre-registration assignment is due before your paper. Presentations will take place during the last two weeks of classes, and the final paper will be due the Tuesday of finals week. I recommend talking with me before getting too deep into the project.

Course Expectations

COURSE POLICIES **Etiquette:** Course participants must be courteous to the professor and fellow students. Attend class on time, listen to fellow students when they talk, and disagree (or agree) with others' arguments professionally. Keep cell phones silenced and out of sight.

Computation and Technology: Laptops be useful for the portions of class dealing with visual representations of social networks in software; I recommend you bring them for those classes. Aside from these particular times in class, laptops are required to be closed and left out of sight. Alternate accommodations, if necessary, can be made in the case of documented necessity through New College's Student Disability Services office (SDS).²

Office Hours: I encourage you to stop by my office hours at any point if you have questions about the course, the readings, school, etc. In addition to formal office hours, I have an open-door policy: if the door is open, you are welcome to come in. If you want to be sure you can speak with me, setting up an appointment beforehand at jacklreilly.youcanbook.me is always

²Tablets are acceptable to use to reference readings so long as they will not distract you from seminar discussion. Generally, this means that, *at minimum*, any network connectivity is turned off, notifications are muted/silenced/paused, and you remain solely apps dedicated to reading.

a good idea.

E-mail: Students can generally expect a response to all e-mails within 24 hours, excepting weekends. I'm happy to answer any questions over e-mail that require less than a paragraph in response. Questions that require more than a short paragraph in response should be addressed in person.

A Note on Writing: Clear writing and argumentation is a critical element to success in this class. I strongly recommend exploring the options for writing (and revising!) assistance at the Writing Resource Center. You can schedule an appointment through the writing center here: <https://ncf.mywconline.com>

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Students with Disabilities: Any student who, because of a documented disability, may require special arrangements and/or accommodations, should contact the instructor as soon as possible to make necessary arrangements. Students must present appropriate verification from Student Disability Services during the instructor's office hours. Please note that instructors are NOT permitted to provide classroom accommodations to a student until appropriate verification from Student Disability Services has been provided. For additional information, please visit Student Disability Services in HCL 3 and/or email disabilityservices@ncf.edu.

Religious Observance: No student shall be compelled to attend class or sit for an examination at a day or time when s/he would normally be engaged in religious observance or on a day or time prohibited by his or her religious belief. Students are expected to notify their instructors if they intend to be absent for a class or announced examination, in accordance with the policy, prior to the scheduled meeting.

Academic Integrity: Any suspected instance of plagiarism will be handled in accordance with the College's policy on academic dishonesty.

Class Schedule

OVERVIEW

Topics Outline

W	Main	Enrichment	R	WD
1	Politics as a Social Process	Syllabus Overview	*	
2	Disciplines, Fields, and Approaches	Polarization and the Interstate System	*	
3	The Problem of Embeddedness	Evolutionary Political Science		
4	Social Networks and Structure	Biological Political Science	*	
5	Networks, Influence, and Causation	Networks in International Relations		*
6	Egocentric & Whole-Network Studies	Historical Political Networks		
7	Experiments & Computational Studies	Lab Experiments		*
B	SPRING BREAK			
8	Local Contextual Influence	Neighborhood Effects; Expertise	*	
9	Cross Country Context I: Voting	Union Activity & Protest	*	*
10	Cross Country Context II: Attitudes	Networks in the American Judiciary		*
11	Context and American Elections 2016	Social Media		*
12	BACCALAUREATE WEEK			
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14	Research Presentations			*
F	FINALS WEEK			*

Workshops and Assignments

W	Workshops	Assignments Due
1	Brief Intro to R [R]	Read Syllabus
2	Brief Intro to Data in R [R]	Discussion Leader Sign-Ups
3		Article Presentation Sign-Ups
4	Basics of Network Visualization [R]	
5		Literature Search
6	Analyzing Social Networks [Activity]	
7		Network Visualization
B	SPRING BREAK	
8	Network Statistics [R]	
9	Two-Mode (Contextual) Networks [R]	Network Statistics
10		Final Project Pre-Registration
11		Two-Mode Network Visualization
12	BACCALAUREATE WEEK	
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14		Research Presentations
F	FINALS WEEK	
		Research Papers

WEEK 1

Main Topic: Introduction: Political Behavior as a Social Process

- Zuckerman, Alan S (2005). *The Social Logic of Politics*. Temple University Press, chapter 1
- Dalton, Russell J. and Christopher J Anderson (2011). *Citizens, Context, and Choice: How Context Shapes Citizens' Electoral Choices*. Oxford University Press, chapter 1

Enrichment: Syllabus and Course Overview, A Crash Course in R

WEEK 2

Main Topic: Disciplines, Fields, and Approaches

- Simon, Herbert A (1985). Human Nature in Politics: The Dialogue of Psychology with Political Science. *American Political Science Review*
- King, Gary (2013). Restructuring the Social Sciences: Reflections from Harvard's Institute for Quantitative Social Science. *PS: Political Science and Politics*
- Brandes, Ulrik, Garry Robins, Ann McCranie, and Stanley Wasserman (2013). What is network science? *Network Science*
- Gunnell, John G (2006). The Founding of the American Political Science Association: Discipline, Profession, Political Theory, and Politics. *American Political Science Review*
- Searle, J R (2005). What is an Institution? *Journal of Institutional Economics*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Adcock, Robert (2003). The Emergence of Political Science as a Discipline: History and the Study of Politics in America, 1875-1910. *History of Political Thought*
 - Lazer, David (2011). Networks in Political Science: Back to the Future. *PS: Political Science and Politics*
 - Kuhn, Thomas S (2012). *The Structure of Scientific Revolutions*. University of Chicago Press
 - Video: "The Emergence of Network Science" <http://www.cornell.edu/video/emergence-of-network-science>

- Hummon, Norman P and Kathleen Carley (1993). Social networks as normal science. *Social Networks* 1
- Porter, Theodore M and Dorothy Ross (Eds.) (2003). *The Cambridge History of Science, Volume 7: The Modern Social Sciences*. Cambridge University Press

Enrichment: The Interstate System and Polarization

- Nall, Clayton (2015). The Political Consequences of Spatial Policies: How Interstate Highways Facilitated Geographic Polarization. *Journal of Politics*

WEEK 3

Main Topic: The Problem of Embeddedness

- Granovetter, Mark (1985). Economic Action and Social Structure: The Problem of Embeddedness. *The American Journal of Sociology*
- Coleman, James (1988). Social Capital in the Creation of Human Capital. *The American Journal of Sociology*
- Cranmer, Skyler J and Bruce A Desmarais (2016). A Critique of Dyadic Design. *International Studies Quarterly*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Ostrom, Elinor (1998). A Behavioral Approach to the Rational Choice Theory of Collective Action: Presidential Address, American Political Science Association, 1997. *American Political Science Review*
 - Simon, Herbert A (1955). A Behavioral Model of Rational Choice. *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*
 - Simon, Herbert A (1979). Rational Decision Making in Business Organizations. *The American Economic Review*
 - The collected works of Kahneman and Tversky
 - Background: Wasserman, Stanley and Katherine Faust (1994). *Social Network Analysis*. Cambridge University Press, chapter 1
 - Background: Jackson, Matthew O (2008). *Social and Economic Networks*. Princeton University Press, chapter 1 (<https://web.stanford.edu/~jacksonm/netbook.pdf>)
 - Background: Barabasi, chapter 1

Enrichment: Evolutionary Political Behavior

- Hatemi, P K and Rose Mcdermott (2011). Evolution as a Theory for Political Behavior. In *Man Is by Nature a Political Animal*
- Proctor, Darby and Sarah Brosnan (2011). Political Primates: What other Primates can tell us about the Evolutionary Roots of our own Political Behavior. In *Man Is by Nature a Political Animal*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Feldblum, J. T., Manfredi, S., Gilby, I. C., & Pusey, A. E. (2014) Politics by other means: Social networks, community identification, and the Four Years War in the chimpanzees of Gombe National Park, Tanzania. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology*.
 - * See Only Known Chimp War Reveals How Societies Splinter
 - Wilson, Michael L. et al. (2014) Lethal aggression in Pan [chimpanzees] is better explained by adaptive strategies than human impacts. *Nature*

WEEK 4

Main Topic: Social Networks and Structure

- Granovetter, Mark (1973). The Strength of Weak Ties. *The American Journal of Sociology*
- Burt, Ronald S. (2004). Structural holes and good ideas. *The American Journal of Sociology*
- Huckfeldt, Robert, Paul A. Beck, Russell J. Dalton, and Jeffrey Levine (1995). Political environments, cohesive social groups, and the communication of public opinion. *American Journal of Political Science*
- Mason, Lilliana and Julie Wronski (2018). One Tribe to Bind Them All: How Our Social Group Attachments Strengthen Partisanship. *Political Psychology*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Carpenter, Daniel, Kevin Esterling, and David Lazer (2003). The Strength of Strong Ties. *Rationality and Society*
 - Marsden, Peter V and Karen E Campbell (1984). Measuring Tie Strength. *Social Forces*
 - Carpenter, Daniel P, Kevin M Esterling, and David M J Lazer (2004). Friends, Brokers, and Transitivity: Who Informs Whom in Washington Politics? *The Journal of Politics*
 - Stovel, Katherine and Lynette Shaw (2012). Brokerage. *Annual Review of Sociology*
 - Burt, Ronald S. (2000). The network structure of social capital. *Research In Organizational Behaviour*
 - Burt, Ronald S. (1997). The contingent value of social capital. *Administrative Science Quarterly*
 - Burt, Ronald S. (1995). *Structural Holes*. Harvard University Press
 - Also see *Extended Topics I - Describing Networks*

Presentation: Eugenia & Jack

- Levine, Jeffrey (2005). Choosing Alone? The Social Network Basis of Modern Political Choice. In *The Social Logic of Politics*

Enrichment: Biology and Political Behavior

- Boardman, Jason D (2011). Gene-Environment Interplay for the Study of Political Behaviors. In *Man Is by Nature a Political Animal*
- McDermott, Rose (2011). Hormones and Politics. In *Man Is by Nature a Political Animal*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Scan the rest of *Man is by Nature a Political Animal* as desired
 - Hatemi, Peter K (2013). The Influence of Major Life Events on Economic Attitudes in a World of Gene-Environment Interplay. *American Journal of Political Science*

WEEK 5

Main Topic: Problems with Studying Causation and Social Influence In Networks

- McPherson, Miller, Lynn Smith-Lovin, and James M Cook (2001). Birds of a Feather: Homophily in Social Networks. *Annual Review of Sociology*
- Burt, Ronald S. (1987). Social Contagion and Innovation: Cohesion versus Structural Equivalence. *The American Journal of Sociology*

- Christakis, Fowler, and assorted collaborators have written a variety of highly critiqued articles on the influence of friends on social behavior over large social networks.
 - Scan a handful of them:
 - * Christakis, Nicholas A and James H Fowler (2007). The Spread of Obesity in a Large Social Network over 32 Years. *New England Journal of Medicine*
 - * Christakis, Nicholas A and James H Fowler (2008). The Collective Dynamics of Smoking in a Large Social Network. *New England Journal of Medicine*
 - * Fowler, James H and Nicholas A Christakis (2008). Dynamic spread of happiness in a large social network: longitudinal analysis over 20 years in the Framingham Heart Study. *BMJ*
 - * Murabito, Joanne and Nicholas A Christakis (2010). The spread of alcohol consumption behavior in a large social network. *Annals of Internal Medicine*
 - Scan two critiques. (Focus on the non-mathematical portions.)
 - * Cohen-Cole, Ethan and Jason M Fletcher (2008). Detecting implausible social network effects in acne, height, and headaches: longitudinal analysis. *BMJ: British Medical Journal*
 - * Shalizi, Cosma Rohilla and Andrew C Thomas (2011). Homophily and Contagion Are Generically Confounded in Observational Social Network Studies. *Sociological Methods & Research* (especially pgs. 212-216, 231-233)
 - And read the Christakis & Fowler response:
 - * Christakis, Nicholas A and James H Fowler (2013). Social contagion theory: examining dynamic social networks and human behavior. *Statistics in Medicine*
 - Finally, chase with:
 - * Bond, Robert M et al (2012). A 61-Million-Person Experiment in Social Influence and Political Mobilization. *Nature*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Fowler, James H., Michael T Heaney, David W Nickerson, John F Padgett, and Betsy Sinclair (2011). Causality in Political Networks. *American Politics Research*
 - VanderWeele, Tyler J (2011). Sensitivity Analysis for Contagion Effects in Social Networks. *Sociological Methods & Research*
 - Noel, Hans and Brendan Nyhan (2011). The “unfriending” problem: The consequences of homophily in friendship retention for causal estimates of social influence. *Social Networks*
 - Christakis, Nicholas A and James H Fowler (2009). *Connected*. Little, Brown
 - *See also: Extended Topics II - Inferential Network Analysis*

Presentation: Chance & Matthew

- Huckfeldt, Robert, Paul E Johnson, and John Sprague (2005). Individuals, Dyads, and Networks: Autoregressive Patterns of Political Influence. In *The Social Logic of Politics*

Enrichment: Networks in International Relations

- Hafner-Burton, Emilie M, Miles Kahler, and Alexander H Montgomery (2009). Network Analysis for International Relations. *International Organization*
- Montgomery, Alexander H (2005). Ringing in Proliferation: How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb Network. *International Security*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*

- Maoz, Zeev, Ranan D Kuperman, Lesley L Terris, and Ilan Talmud (2006). Structural Equivalence and International Conflict: A Social Networks Analysis. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*
- Maoz, Zeev (2016). Network Polarization, Network Interdependence, and International Conflict, 1816–2002. *Journal of Peace Research*

WEEK 6

Main Topic: Ego-Centric and Whole Network Studies

- Huckfeldt, Robert (2001). The Social Communication of Political Expertise. *American Journal of Political Science*
- Klofstad, Casey A., Scott D. McClurg, and Meredith Rolfe (2009). Measurement of Political Discussion Networks: A Comparison of Two "Name Generator" Procedures. *Public Opinion Quarterly*
- Settle, Jaime E, Robert M Bond, Lorenzo Coviello, Christopher J Fariss, James H Fowler, and Jason J Jones (2016). From Posting to Voting: The Effects of Political Competition on Online Political Engagement. *Political Science Research and Methods*
- Pietryka, Matthew T, Jack Lyons Reilly, Daniel M Maliniak, Patrick R Miller, Robert Huckfeldt, and Ronald B. Rapoport (2017). From Respondents to Networks: Bridging Between Individuals, Discussants, and the Network in the Study of Political Discussion. *Political Behavior*
- Song, Hyunjin and William P Eveland Jr (2015). The Structure of Communication Networks Matters: How Network Diversity, Centrality, and Context Influence Political Ambivalence, Participation, and Knowledge. *Political Communication*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Ryan, John Barry (2011). Social Networks as a Shortcut to Correct Voting. *American Journal of Political Science*
 - Berelson, Bernard, Paul F Lazarsfeld, and William N McPhee (1954). *Voting*. University Of Chicago Press
 - Laumann, Edward O (1969). The Social Structure of Religious and Ethnoreligious Groups in a Metropolitan Community. *American Sociological Review*
 - Kossinets, Gueorgi (2006). Effects of missing data in social networks. *Social Networks*
 - Beck, Paul A. (2002). Encouraging Political Defection: The Role of Personal Discussion Networks in Partisan Desertions to the Opposition Party and Perot Votes in 1992. *Political Behavior*
 - Eveland, William P and Steven B Kleinman (2011). Comparing General and Political Discussion Networks Within Voluntary Organizations Using Social Network Analysis. *Political Behavior*
 - Jackman, Mary R and Marie Crane (1986). "Some of My Best Friends Are Black...": Interracial Friendship and Whites' Racial Attitudes. *The Public Opinion Quarterly*
 - See also: *Extended Topics III - Personal Network Size and its Effects*

Presentation: Helen & Mary

- Kotler-Berkowitz, Laurence (2005). Friends and politics: Linking diverse friendship networks to political participation. In *The Social Logic of Politics*

Enrichment: Historical Political Networks

- Pietryka, Matthew T and Debats, Donald A. (2017). It's Not Just What You Have, but Who You Know: Networks, Social Proximity to Elites, and Voting in State and Local Elections. *American Political Science Review*

WEEK 7

Main Topic: Experiments & Computational Studies

- Rolfe, Meredith (2012). *Voter Turnout: A Social Theory of Political Participation*. Cambridge University Press, chapters 1-2; 5
- Nickerson, David W (2008). Is Voting Contagious? Evidence from Two Field Experiments. *The American Political Science Review*
- Lazer, David, Brian Rubineau, Carol Chetkovich, Nancy Katz, and Michael Neblo (2010). The Coevolution of Networks and Political Attitudes. *Political Communication*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Granovetter, Mark (1978). Threshold Models of Collective Behavior. *The American Journal of Sociology* (If you read one secondary reading, read this one)
 - Siegel, David A (2009). Social networks and collective action. *American Political Science Review*
 - Abelson, Robert P (1964). Mathematical Models of the Distribution of Attitudes under Controversy. In *Contributions to Mathematical Psychology*
 - Axelrod, Robert (1997). The Dissemination of Culture: A Model with Local Convergence and Global Polarization. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*
 - Schelling, Thomas C (1969). Models of Segregation. *The American Economic Review*
 - Bendor, Johnathan et al (2011). *A Behavioral Theory of Elections*. Princeton
 - Ahn, T.K., Robert Huckfeldt, Alexander K Mayer, and John Barry Ryan (2013). Expertise and Bias in Political Communication Networks. *American Journal of Political Science* (both an experiment and computational model)
 - Ahn, T.K., Robert Huckfeldt, and John Barry Ryan (2014). *Experts, Activists, and Democratic Politics*. Cambridge University Press (a collection of work including the other two listed here)

Presentation: Michelle & Bailey

- Kohler, Ulrich (2005). Changing Class Locations and Partisanship in Germany. In *The Social Logic of Politics*

Enrichment: Networked Lab Experiments

- Ahn, T.K., Robert Huckfeldt, and John Barry Ryan (2010). Communication, Influence, and Informational Asymmetries among Voters. *Political Psychology*

WEEK 8

Main Topic: Foundations: Local Contextual Influence

- Miller, Warren E (1956). One-party politics and the voter. *The American Political Science Review*
- Converse, Philip E (1969). Of Time and Partisan Stability. *Comparative Political Studies*
- Key, VO (1949). Alabama: Planters, Populists, "Big Mules". In *Southern Politics in State and Nation*
- Tam Cho, Wendy K, James G Gimpel, and Daron R Shaw (2012). The Tea Party Movement and the Geography of Collective Action. *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Huckfeldt, Robert and John Sprague (1987). Networks in Context: The Social Flow of Political Information. *American Political Science Review* (If you read one secondary reading, make it this one)

- Przeworski, Adam and Henry Teune (1970). *The Logic of Comparative Social Inquiry*. Krieger Publishing Company
- Reilly, Jack Lyons (2017). Social connectedness and political behavior. *Research & Politics*
- Most of Huckfeldt's early work, especially including:
 - * Huckfeldt, Robert (1983). Social contexts, social networks, and urban neighborhoods: Environmental constraints on friendship choice. *The American Journal of Sociology*
 - * Huckfeldt, Robert (1986). *Politics in Context: Assimilation and Conflict in Urban Neighborhoods*. Algora Publishing
 - * Huckfeldt, Robert and John Sprague (1995). *Citizens, Politics and Social Communication: Information and Influence in an Election Campaign (Cambridge Studies in Public Opinion and Political Psychology)*. Cambridge University Press

Presentation: Jennifer & Angela

- Gimpel, James G and J Celeste Lay (2005). Party Identification, Local Partisan Contexts, and the Acquisition of Participatory Attitudes. In *The Social Logic of Politics*

Enrichment: Neighborhood Effects & Political Expertise

- Bisgaard, Martin, Peter Thisted Dinesen, and Kim Mannemar Sønderskov (2016). Reconsidering the Neighborhood Effect: Does Exposure to Residential Unemployment Influence Voters' Perceptions of the National Economy? *Journal of Politics*
- Djupe, Paul A and Anand Edward Sokhey (2014). The Distribution and Determinants of Socially Supplied Political Expertise. *American Politics Research*

WEEK 9

Main Topic: Cross-Country Context I: Participation & Party Identification

- (Scan) Grosse, Ashley and Andrew Appleton (2009). "Big Social Science" in Comparative Politics. In *The Comparative Study of Electoral Systems*
- Banducci, Susan and Jeffrey Karp (2008). Political Efficacy and Participation in Twenty-Seven Democracies: How Electoral Systems Shape Political Behaviour. *British Journal of Political Science*
- Schmitt, Hermann (2009). Multiple Party Identifications. In *The Comparative Study of Electoral Systems*
- Kittison, Miki Caul and Christopher J Anderson (2011). Electoral supply and voter turnout. In *Citizens, Context, and Choice*
- Blais, Andre, Shane Singh, and Delia Dumitrescu (2014). Political Institutions, Perceptions of Representation, and the Turnout Decision. In *Elections and Democracy: Representation and Accountability*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Siegel, David A (2011). Social networks in comparative perspective. *PS: Political Science and Politics*
 - Blais, Andre and Agnieszka Dobrzynska (1998). Turnout in Electoral Democracies. *European Journal of Political Research*
 - * Blais, Andre and Agnieszka Dobrzynska (2009). Turnout in Electoral Democracies Revisited. In *Activating the Citizen*

- Nevitte, Neil, Andre Blais, Elisabeth Gidengil, and Richard Nadeau (2009). Socio-economic Status and Nonvoting: A Cross-National Comparative Analysis. In *The Comparative Study of Electoral Systems*
- Niemi, Richard G, Stephen Wright, and Lynda W Powell (1987). Multiple Party Identifiers and the Measurement of Party Identification. *The Journal of Politics*
- Karp, Jeffrey and Susan Banducci (2011). Influence of Party and Electoral Systems on Campaign Engagement. In *Citizens, Context, and Choice: How Context Shapes Citizens' Electoral Choices*
- Dalton, Russell J. and Steven Weldon (2007). Partisanship and Party System Institutionalization. *Party Politics*
- Karp, Jeffrey A and Caitlin Milazzo (2015). Democratic Scepticism and Political Participation in Europe. *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*
- Allen, Trevor J (2017). Exit to the right? Comparing far right voters and abstainers in Western Europe. *Electoral Studies*

Presentation: Harrison & Hannah

- Stoker, Laura and M Kent Jennings (2005). Political Similarity and Influence between Husbands and Wives. In *The Social Logic of Politics*

Enrichment: Labor Strikes & Context

- Lindvall, Johannes (2013). Union Density and Political Strikes. *World Politics*

WEEK 10

Main Topic: Cross-Country Context II: Vote Choice and Attitudes

- Dalton, Russell J. (2011). Left–Right Orientations, Context, and Voting Choices. In *Citizens, Context, and Choice: How Context Shapes Citizens' Electoral Choices*
- Blais, Andre and Thomas Gschwend (2011). Strategic defection across elections, parties, and voters. In *Citizens, Context, and Choice: How Context Shapes Citizens' Electoral Choices*
- Anderson, Christopher J (2011). Electoral Supply, Median Voters, and Feelings of Representation in Democracies. In *Citizens, Context, and Choice: How Context Shapes Citizens' Electoral Choices*
- Leiter, Debra (2018). Social Networks, Predispositions and Split-Ticket Voting: The Case of the 1990 German Unification Election. *Political Studies*
- Thomas, Kathrin (2016). Democratic Support and Globalization. In *Globalization and Domestic Politics: Parties, Elections, and Public Opinion*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Xezonakis, Georgios and Jack Vowles (2016). Conclusion. In *Globalization and Domestic Politics: Parties, Elections, and Public Opinion*
 - Anderson, Christopher J and Russell J. Dalton (2011). Nested Voters: Citizen Choices Embedded in Political Contexts. In *Citizens, Context, and Choice: How Context Shapes Citizens' Electoral Choices*
 - Milazzo, Caitlin, Robert G Moser, and Ethan Scheiner (2017). Social Diversity Affects the Number of Parties Even Under First-Past-the-Post Rules. *Comparative Political Studies*
 - Mudde, Cas (2014). Fighting the system? Populist radical right parties and party system change. *Party Politics*

- Lucassen, Geertje and Marcel Lubbers (2011). Who Fears What? Explaining Far-Right-Wing Preference in Europe by Distinguishing Perceived Cultural and Economic Ethnic Threats. *Comparative Political Studies*
- Bowler, Shaun, David Denemark, Todd Donovan, and Duncan McDonnell (2017). Right-wing populist party supporters: Dissatisfied but not direct democrats. *European Journal of Political Research*
 - * Contrast Bowler et al. (2017) with this, written by the far-right leader of a Dutch political party:
<https://mobile.nytimes.com/2015/11/20/opinion/geert-wilders-the-dutch-deserve-to-vote-on-immigration-policy.html>
- Norris, Pippa. *Radical Right*. Cambridge University Press
- *Citizens, Context, and Choice* is part of a larger series on work done with the Comparative Study of Electoral Systems project and dataset. Rather than recommend individual articles, I merely list all books in the series here:
 - * Volume 1: Klingemann, Hans Dieter (2009). *The Comparative Study of Electoral Systems*. Oxford University Press
 - * Volume 2: Dalton, Russell J. and Christopher J Anderson (2011). *Citizens, Context, and Choice: How Context Shapes Citizens' Electoral Choices*. Oxford University Press
 - * Volume 3: Dalton, Russell J., David M Farrell, and Ian McAllister (2011). *Political Parties and Democratic Linkage: How Parties Organize Democracy*. Oxford University Press
 - * Volume 4: Thomassen, Jacques (2014). *Elections and Democracy: Representation and Accountability*. Oxford University Press
 - * Volume 5: Vowles, Jack and Georgios Xezonakis (2016). *Globalization and Domestic Politics: Parties, Elections, and Public Opinion*. Oxford University Press
- Pippa Norris also runs a data effort called the Electoral Integrity Project (EIP), with its own data and publications. You can find more here:
 - * The Electoral Integrity Project, <https://www.electoralintegrityproject.com>

Presentation: Mollie & Erika

- Lin, Ann Chih (2005). Networks, Gender, and the Use of State Authority: Evidence from a Study of Arab Immigrants in Detroit. In *The Social Logic of Politics*

Enrichment: Networks in the American Judiciary

- Katz, Daniel Martin and Derek Stafford (2008). Hustle and flow: A social network analysis of the american federal judiciary. *Ohio State Law Journal* (Read intro and conclusion, look at graphs and scan the rest)

WEEK 11

Main Topic: The Rural Context and 2016 America

- **Everyone Read:** Walsh, Katherine Cramer (2012). Putting Inequality in Its Place: Rural Consciousness and the Power of Perspective. *American Political Science Review*
- **Divided Read:** Half the class reads Vance and response, half the class reads Hochschild and response.
 - Vance, J D (2016). *Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis*. Harper-Collins
 - * Read response from another Appalachian: Wilkey, Joshua (2017). My Mother Wasn't Trash (This Appalachian Life Blog)

- Hochschild, Arlie Russell (2016). *Strangers in Their Own Land: Anger and Mourning on the American Right*. The New Press
 - * See review from British perspective: Davies, William (2017). A Review of Arlie Russell Hochschild's "Strangers in their Own Land: Anger and Mourning on the American Right". *International Journal of Politics, Culture, and Society*
 - * Response to review: Hochschild, Arlie Russell (2017). A Response to William Davies' "A Review of Arlie Russell Hochschild's "Strangers in Their Own Land: Anger and Mourning on the American Right" ". *International Journal of Politics, Culture, and Society*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Scala, Dante J, Kenneth M Johnson, and Luke T Rogers (2015). Red rural, blue rural? Presidential voting patterns in a changing rural America. *Political Geography*
 - Monnat, Shannon M and David L Brown (2017). More than a rural revolt: Landscapes of despair and the 2016 Presidential election. *Journal of Rural Studies*
 - Sabato, Larry and Kyle Kondik (2017). *Trumped! The 2016 Election that Broke all the Rules*, in particular:
 - * Rapoport, Ronald B. (2017). The Sources of Trump's Support. In *Trumped! The 2016 Election that Broke all the Rules*
 - * Trende, Sean (2017). The "Emerging Democratic Majority" Fails to Emerge. In *Trumped! The 2016 Election that Broke all the Rules*
 - Also see *Extended Topics VI for a sampling of work on 2016, populism, inequality, rural white America, etc.*

Presentation: Dario & Audrey

- Verba, Sidney, Kay Lehman Schlozman, and Nancy Burns (2005). Family Ties: Understanding the Intergenerational Transmission of Political Participation. In *The Social Logic of Politics*

Enrichment: Social Media

- **Divided read:** Each article has two readers.
 - Feezell, Jessica T (2016). Predicting Online Political Participation. *Political Research Quarterly*
 - Flaxman, Seth, Sharad Goel, and Justin M Rao (2016). Filter Bubbles, Echo Chambers, and Online News Consumption. *Public Opinion Quarterly*
 - Valenzuela, Sebastián, Teresa Correa, and Homero Gil de Zúñiga (2017). Ties, Likes, and Tweets: Using Strong and Weak Ties to Explain Differences in Protest Participation Across Facebook and Twitter Use. *Political Communication*
 - Miller, Patrick R, Piotr S Bobkowski, Daniel Maliniak, and Ronald B. Rapoport (2015). Talking Politics on Facebook. *Political Research Quarterly*
 - Jost, John T, Pablo Barberá, Richard Bonneau, Melanie Langer, Megan Metzger, Jonathan Nagler, Joanna Sterling, and Joshua A Tucker (2018). How Social Media Facilitates Political Protest: Information, Motivation, and Social Networks. *Political Psychology*
 - Reuter, Ora John and David Szakonyi (2013). Online Social Media and Political Awareness in Authoritarian Regimes. *British Journal of Political Science*
 - González-Bailón, Sandra and Ning Wang (2016). Networked discontent: The anatomy of protest campaigns in social media. *Social Networks*
 - Siegel, David A (2013). Social Networks and the Mass Media. *American Political Science Review*

Further Readings

EXTENDED TOPICS I

Descriptive Network Analysis

- Bonacich, Phillip (1987). Power and centrality: A family of measures. *The American Journal of Sociology*
- Tam Cho, Wendy K and James H. Fowler (2010). Legislative Success in a Small World: Social Network Analysis and the Dynamics of Congressional Legislation. *The Journal of Politics*
- Barabasi, chapter 2
- Jackson, Matthew O (2008). *Social and Economic Networks*. Princeton University Press, chapters 2-3
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Wasserman, Stanley and Katherine Faust (1994). *Social Network Analysis*. Cambridge University Press
 - Choudhury, Monojit and Animesh Mukherjee (2009). The structure and dynamics of linguistic networks. In *Dynamics on and of Complex Networks*

EXTENDED TOPICS II

Inferential Network Analysis

- Robins, Garry, Pip Pattison, Yuval Kalish, and Dean Lusher (2007). An introduction to exponential random graph (p^*) models for social networks. *Social Networks*
- Li, Yin and Keumhee Chough Carriere (2013). Assessing Goodness of Fit of Exponential Random Graph Models. *International Journal of Statistics and Probability*
- Cranmer, Skyler J and Bruce A Desmarais (2011). Inferential Network Analysis with Exponential Random Graph Models. *Political Analysis*
- Cranmer, Skyler J, Philip Leifeld, Scott D. McClurg, and Meredith Rolfe (2016). Navigating the Range of Statistical Tools for Inferential Network Analysis
- Shalizi, Cosma Rohilla and Alessandro Rinaldo (2013). Consistency under sampling of exponential random graph models. *The Annals of Statistics*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Robins, Garry, Tom A B Snijders, Peng Wang, Mark S Handcock, and Philippa Pattison (2007). Recent developments in exponential random graph (p^*) models for social networks. *Social Networks*
 - Robins, Garry, Jenny M Lewis, and Peng Wang (2012). Statistical network analysis for analyzing policy networks. *Policy Studies Journal*

EXTENDED TOPICS III

Personal Network Size and its Effects

- Marsden, Peter V (1987). Core discussion networks of Americans. *American Sociological Review*
- Burt, Ronald S. (1990). Kinds of relations in American discussion networks. In *Structures of power and constraint: Papers in honor of Peter M. Blau*

- McPherson, Miller, Lynn Smith-Lovin, and Matthew E. Brashears (2006). Social Isolation in America: Changes in Core Discussion Networks over Two Decades. *American Sociological Review*
- Fischer, Claude S. (2009). The 2004 GSS Finding of Shrunken Social Networks: An Artifact? *American Sociological Review*
- Paik, Anthony and Kenneth Sanchagrin (2013). Social Isolation in America: An Artifact. *American Sociological Review*
- McCormick, Tyler H, Matthew J Salganik, and Tian Zheng (2010). How Many People Do You Know?: Efficiently Estimating Personal Network Size. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*
- Reilly, Jack Lyons (2017). Social connectedness and political behavior. *Research & Politics*
- Eveland Jr, William P, Myiah J Hutchens, and Alyssa C Morey (2013). Political Network Size and Its Antecedents and Consequences. *Political Communication*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Hill, R A and R I M Dunbar (2003). Social Network Size in Humans. *Human Nature*
 - Fischer, Claude S. (2011). *Still connected: Family and friends in America since 1970*. Russell Sage Foundation
 - Olds, Jacqueline and Richard S. Schwartz (2009). *The lonely American: Drifting apart in the 21st century*. Beacon Press
 - Putnam, Robert D (2001). *Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community*. Touchstone Books
 - Chakravarty, Surajeet and Miguel A. Fonseca (2014). The effect of social fragmentation on public good provision: An experimental study. *Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics*
 - Cacioppo, John T. and Louise C. Hawkley (2003). Social Isolation and Health, with an Emphasis on Underlying Mechanisms. *Perspectives in Biology and Medicine*
 - House, James S. (2001). Social isolation kills, but how and why? *Psychosomatic medicine*

EXTENDED
TOPICS IV

Disagreement about Disagreement in Political Networks

- Huckfeldt, Robert, Paul E Johnson, and John Sprague (2004). *Political Disagreement: The Survival of Diverse Opinions within Communication Networks (Cambridge Studies in Public Opinion and Political Psychology)*. Cambridge University Press
- Mutz, Diana C (2006). *Hearing the Other Side*. Cambridge University Press
- Klofstad, Casey A., Anand Edward Sokhey, and Scott D. McClurg (2013). Disagreeing about Disagreement: How Conflict in Social Networks Affects Political Behavior. *American Journal of Political Science*
- *Secondary & Optional Readings*
 - Mutz, Diana C and Jeffrey J Mondak (2006). The Workplace as a Context for Cross-Cutting Political Discourse. *The Journal of Politics*

EXTENDED
TOPICS V

Diversity in Social Networks

- Jackman, Mary R and Marie Crane (1986). "Some of My Best Friends Are Black...": Interracial Friendship and Whites' Racial Attitudes. *The Public Opinion Quarterly*
- Morehouse Mendez, J and T Osborn (2010). Gender and the Perception of Knowledge in Political Discussion. *Political Research Quarterly*
- Djupe, Paul, Scott McClurg, and Anand Edward Sokhey (2016). The Political Consequences of Gender in Social Networks. *British Journal of Political Science*
- Broockman, David and Joshua Kalla (2016). Durably reducing transphobia: A field experiment on door-to-door canvassing. *Science*
- Page, Scott E (2010). *Diversity and Complexity*. Princeton University Press
- *Secondary & Optional*
 - Page, Scott E (2008). *The Difference*. Princeton University Press
 - Page, Scott E (2017). *The Diversity Bonus*. Princeton University Press
 - Kalla, Joshua L and David E Broockman (2018). The Minimal Persuasive Effects of Campaign Contact in General Elections: Evidence from 49 Field Experiments. *American Political Science Review*

EXTENDED
TOPICS VI

The Context of 2016 America: Populism, Inequality, Rural White Identity

- Cramer, Katherine J (2016). *The Politics of Resentment: Rural Consciousness in Wisconsin and the Rise of Scott Walker*. University of Chicago Press
- Gest, Justin (2016). *The New Minority: White Working Class Politics in an Age of Immigration and Inequality*. Oxford University Press
- Lang, Corey and Shanna Pearson-Merkowitz (2015). Partisan sorting in the United States, 1972–2012: New evidence from a dynamic analysis. *Political Geography*
- Magni, Gabriele (2017). It's the emotions, Stupid! Anger about the economic crisis, low political efficacy, and support for populist parties. *Electoral Studies*
- Hersh, Eitan D and Clayton Nall (2016). The Primacy of Race in the Geography of Income-Based Voting: New Evidence from Public Voting Records. *American Journal of Political Science*
- "As American As Apple Pie: The Rural Votes Disproportionate Slice of Power <https://www.nytimes.com/2016/11/21/upshot/as-american-as-apple-pie-the-rural-votes-disproportionate-slice-of-power.html>
- *Secondary & Optional Readings, often written with a more popular audience in mind:*
 - Murray, Charles (2013). *Coming Apart: The State of White America, 1960-2010*. Three Rivers Press
 - Sexton, Jared Yates (2017). *The People Are Going to Rise Like the Waters Upon Your Shore: A Story of American Rage*. Counterpoint Press
 - Packer, George (2014). *The Unwinding: An Inner History of the New America*. Macmillan
 - Isenberg, Nancy (2016). *White Trash: The 400-Year Untold History of Class in America*. Penguin

- Coates, Ta-Nehisi (2017). *We Were Eight Years in Power: An American Tragedy*. One World / Ballantine
- Many data-centric political blog published retrospectives of the 2016 campaign. *FiveThirtyEight's* is particularly worthwhile:
 - * <https://fivethirtyeight.com/tag/the-real-story-of-2016/>

BACKGROUND

Other good places to begin literature reviews on topics from the course:

- Dalton, Russell J. and Hans Dieter Klingemann (2007). *The Oxford Handbook of Political Behavior*. Oxford University Press
- Victor, Jennifer, Alexander H Montgomery, and Mark Lubell (2017). *The Oxford Handbook of Political Networks*. Oxford University Press
- Huddy, Leonie, David O Sears, and Jack S Levy (2013). *The Oxford Handbook of Political Psychology, Second Edition*. Oxford University Press
- Goodin, Robert E and Charles Tilly. *The Oxford Handbook of Contextual Political Analysis*. Oxford University Press (Ed. note: this one is more qualitative in focus)
- Fisher, Justin, Edward Fieldhouse, Mark N Franklin, Rachel Gibson, Marta Cantijoch, and Christopher Wlezien (2018). *The Routledge Handbook of Elections, Voting Behavior, and Public Opinion*. Routledge