CLASSICS OF SOCIAL AND POLITICAL THOUGHT II

SOSC 152

Winter 2007

Cobb 119

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Books

Thomas Hobbes, Leviathan (Curley, ed., Hackett)

John Locke, Letter Concerning Toleration (Hackett)

Locke, Two Treatises on Government (Laslett, ed. Cambridge)

Jean-Jacques Rousseau, The Discourses and Other Early Political Writings (Gourevitch, ed., Cambridge)

Rousseau, The Social Contract and Other Later Political Writings (Gourevitch, ed., Cambridge)

Benjamin Constant, "The Liberty of the Ancients Compared with that of the Moderns" (on e-reserve)

Course Requirements

- 1) Participation (25%): This course is a seminar, and students should be prepared to participate in ways that clarify and critically examine the readings. To facilitate this, every student will prepare a question for each session that they may be asked to read aloud and develop in class. The question may be one or several sentences in length and it should be typed and turned in at the end of class. (The question will not be graded, but faithful submission will be recorded). **Be sure to include your name with your question.**
- 2) Essays (75%): There will be three 6-8 page papers on topics that will be assigned one week prior to the due date. Except in documented cases of illness or personal emergency, late papers will be penalized at a rate of 1 full letter grade per day.

Course Schedule

Thurs. Jan. 4	Hobbes, <u>Leviathan</u> , Frontispiece, Dedicatory Letter, Introduction
Tues. Jan. 9	Hobbes, Leviathan, chapters 1-7
Thurs. Jan. 11	Hobbes, <u>Leviathan</u> , 10-11, 13-16
Tues. Jan. 16	Hobbes, <u>Leviathan</u> , 17-20
Thurs. Jan. 18	Hobbes, Leviathan, 21, 24-26
Tues. Jan. 23	Hobbes, <u>Leviathan</u> , 27-30
Thurs. Jan 25	Hobbes, <u>Leviathan</u> , 12, 31-2, 35, 43, 46
Tues. Jan. 30 Wed. Jan. 31	Locke, <u>Letter Concerning Toleration</u> First Paper Due (by noon in Political Science Department)
Thurs. Feb. 1	Locke, Second Treatise, chapters 1-5
Tues. Feb. 6	Locke, Second Treatise, 6-10
Thurs. Feb. 8	Locke, Second Treatise, 11-15
Tues. Feb.13	Locke, Second Treatise, 16-19
Thurs. Feb.15 Friday, Feb. 16	Rousseau, <u>Discourse on Inequality</u> , letter, preface, Part 1 Second Paper Due (by noon in Political Science Department)
Tues. Feb. 20	Rousseau, Second Discourse, Part 2
Thurs. Feb. 22	Rousseau, Social Contract, Book I
Tues. Feb. 27	Rousseau, Social Contract, Book II
March 1	Rousseau, Social Contract, Book III
March 6	Rousseau, <u>Social Contract</u> , Book IV Constant, "The Liberty of the Ancients"
March 13	Final Paper Due (by noon in Political Science Department)