

Midterm Review & Information Sheet  
Government 30  
American Politics

Here are the concepts that we will use for the midterm. For purposes of study, follow these guidelines. **For concepts/terms**, you should be able to define the term in question (in a sentence or two), set it in context (in regard to what subject did we talk about it?), and discuss its importance to the themes of the course.

It is important to recognize that some of these concepts have been discussed only in lecture, while others have been discussed only in the assigned readings.

The midterm will be in class (11:00 to noon) on Wednesday, **March 22, 2006**. You will be given a list of eight concepts, from which you will identify five.

## I. Concepts

- Agenda-setting
- Anti-Federalists
- Articles of Confederation
- Australian ballot
- Bank of the United States
- Bill of attainder
- Block grants
- Brutus
- Caucus (nominating)
- checks and balances
- Civic ("Public") Associations
- Closed primary
- Connecticut ("Great") Compromise
- Core Support
- Critical election
- dealignment
- devolution
- Direct democracy
- Dual federalism
- Duverger's Law
- Enumerated powers
- Ex post facto law
- Faction
- Federalism
- Fiscal federalism
- Free-rider problem (*The Logic of Collective Action*)
- Gender gap
- George III
- Grants-in-aid
- heresthetic
- Ideology
- Individualism
- interstate commerce
- Issue Voting or Spatial Voting
- Judicial review
- laboratories of democracy
- Lobby
- (Madison) Virginia Plan
- Mandates
- McCulloch v. Maryland
- Median voter
- Montesquieu
- Motor-voter Bill
- "Necessary and proper" clause
- New Jersey Plan
- New Nationalism
- Nullification
- Office-bloc ballot
- Open primary
- Parliament
- Party machines
- Party-column ballot
- Plurality rule
- Political Associations
- Political efficacy
- poll taxes
- Primary election
- Primogeniture
- Proportional representation
- Purposive incentives
- Random sample
- republic
- Retrospective Voting
- Rootless individuals
- "Second party system"
- selective benefits/incentives
- Separation of powers
- Shays's Rebellion
- Sincere voting
- Social capital
- Solidary incentives
- Sophisticated voting
- Tammany Hall
- Three-Fifths Compromise
- Variable Support
- Writ of habeas corpus