**2019 Spring CP Gov-Econ Unit 5 – The Constitution:** [[1]](#footnote-1)

Articles and Amendments

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| Jan. | 22 W | New Seats!  **Semester 1 Exam Post Mortem**  How to Read the Constitution:  Skim, Vocab., Read & Annotate, Review and Relate | - |
|  | 23 Th | **The Critical Period**:  Timeline Lecture: From the Revolution to the Articles of Confederation, Shay’s Rebellion, and the Constitutional Convention + Ratification  **Constitution Check** | Recommended Versions of the Constitution AND the Amendments (you will need BOTH - **print only, you do not need to read** anything but the Preamble): <https://www.printableconstitution.com/> |
|  | 24 F | Basic Structure of the Constitution  **Film: The Preamble**  **Bring FULL Constitution!**  **(From Here on Out!)** | Read: Preamble to the Constitution |
|  | 27 M | Q: Article I, sec 1 – 4 + Am. 16 & 17  House and Senate – Qualifications; Census and Race (Are You a Mexican?); Apportionment and Gerrymandering; Dick Cheney’s Tie-Breaking; Jim Jeffords’ Defection; Anthrax Attempts; Bill Clinton’s Cigar; Income Tax & Senatorial Elections | §Article I, sec. 1 – 4 +  §Amendments 16 and 17 |
|  | 28 T | Continue Discussing Article I, sec. 1 – 4 + Amendments 16 and 17  Do the “**Gerrymander THIS!”** Activity  How to Do Constitutional Math Problems | - |
|  | 29 W | §Q: Article I, sec. 5 – 7 + I’m Just a Bill  How a Bill Goes to Committee to Die, or Pass & Plague the Populace; The Tragic Tale of Tom Watson; The 1856 Charles Sumner-Preston Brooks Caning; ALEC; Budgets, Rules, and Confirmations | §Article I, sec. 5 – 7 +  §YouTube: Schoolhouse Rock: “I’m Just a Bill”: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tyeJ55o3El0> |
|  | 30 Th | Continue Discussing Article I, sec. 5 – 7  How Stuff Gets Done:  §You Tube: “ALEC Rock”: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NXUPDAMc_6o>  “How a Bill Does Not Become a Law” (SNL): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JUDSeb2zHQ0> | - |
|  | 31 F | ‡Powers of Congress (or not)  California’s Rolling Blackouts of 1999 and FERC; Oversight, Confirmation, Impeachment, & Budgets | ‡Article I, sec. 8 |
| Feb. | 3 M | Continue Discussing Art. I, sec. 8  Elections – from Local to National  “**Who Governs You?”** Team Competition  (Bring Your Devices!) | - |
|  | 4 T  *Late* | ›Q: The Presidency: Campaigns, Qualifications, and Powers  **Film: “Fahrenheit 11/9” (excerpts) - Opening sequence (0:00 – 7:00),**  **The Real America (35:00 – 49:00),  Squad + Tillemann + WV Teacher Strike for Unions (1:03:00 – 1:20:00)** | ›Article II + Amendments 12, 20, 22, & 25  National Popular Vote “Two-Thirds of Presidential Campaign is in Just 6 States” (2016) <https://www.nationalpopularvote.com/campaign-events-2016> |
|  | 5 W | Party Affiliation  **Library Trip: We Take the Quiz!** <https://www.politicalcompass.org/>  Then read the “US Election 2016”Article  <https://www.politicalcompass.org/counterpoint-20161110>  Create Class “Map” on Posterboard | **-**  **Ex. Cr. After School Film! 3:30 – 6:30**  **“Unprecedented” (2002)** Reading: US Commission on Civil Rights Executive Summary Report on the Florida 2000 Election <https://www.usccr.gov/pubs/vote2000/report/exesum.htm> |
|  | 6 Th | The Federal Judiciary +  The Principle of Judicial Review  In-Class Supreme Court Update Activity | Article III + Amendment 11 +  **Ex. Cr. After School Film! 3:30 – 6:30**  **“A Perfect Candidate” (1996)** Required |
|  | 7 F | Inferior Courts & Civil Cases  **Film: Hot Coffee**  **For those who miss the film in class:**  Bonnie Bertram, “Storm Still Brews Over Scalding Coffee” New York Times (2013) <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/10/28/booming/storm-still-brews-over-scalding-coffee.html?_r=0> | **Ask your Parents:** *What do they know (if anything) about the McDonald’s Hot Coffee Case? (Do NOT research it before you ask)*  ◊Amendment 1, 6, 7, & 8: Right to Petition, Civil Courts and Tort “Deform”  **Ex. Cr. After School Film! 3:30 – 6:30**  **“A Civil Action” (PG-13, 1998)** |
|  | 10 M | ◊Q: Federalism (& State Law vs. Federal Law; Supremacy Clause, States’ Rights & Religious Tests) | ◊Article I, sec. 9 – 10 + Article IV & VI  ◊Amendments 9 – 10  ◊Becky Streipe, “What Happens When a State Law Contradicts a Federal Law?” in How Stuff Works (2012) <http://people.howstuffworks.com/state-law-contradicts-federal-law.htm/printable> |
|  | 11 T | • Q: Article V + Amendments 18, 21, 27, and The Simpsons  Constitutional Amendments, Prohibition, Repeal, the E.R.A., Wedge Issues, and an Inspirational Tale | •Article V + Amendments 18, 21, 27  •You Tube: The Simpsons “I’m an Amendment to Be” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pSANTRnEBgg> |
|  | 12 W | † Q: Amendment 1 – Religion and Pledge  Establishment vs. Free Exercise; Flag Salutes in Public Schools, God, Prayer, Bible Study, Bible Recitation, Atheists and the Amish, Evolution, and the Pledge of Allegiance | † Amendment 1 – Religion  † The Pledge: <http://www.ushistory.org/documents/pledge.htm> |
|  | 13 Th | °Q: Amendment 1- Speech, Press, PCness  Slander, Libel, Hate Speech, Fighting Words, “Clear & Present Danger”, Symbolic Speech, Peaceable Assembly, Trigger Warnings, and Safe Spaces | °Amendment 1 – Speech, Press, Assembly, & Petition  °Van Jones at the University of Chicago (2017): *5 minutes*  <http://politics.uchicago.edu/news/entry/clip-van-jones-on-safe-spaces-on-college-campuses> |
|  | 14 F | ›Q: Amendments 1, 4, 5, and 14  Search & Seizure, Warrants, Privacy, Abortion, Grand Jury, Double Jeopardy, Self-Incrimination, Due Process, Eminent Domain, Citizenship (*Jus Soli*), Due Process, Equal Protection, [Homo]sexual Rights, and the Nationalization of the Bill of Rights | ›Amendments 4, 5 and 14 +  ›ACLU:“Limon vs. Kansas – Case Summary” (2005)  <http://www.aclu.org/lgbt-rights_hiv-aids/limon-v-kansas-case-background&>  ›“Gay Rights in the US, State by State” in The Guardian (2015)  <https://www.theguardian.com/world/interactive/2012/may/08/gay-rights-united-states>  Focus on the following seven states and three regions: CA, TX, MI, MN, NY, UT, and MS; the Southwest, the Northeast, and the Southeast. |
|  | 17-21 | **Presidents’ Recess** | - |
| SUB | 24 M | §Q: Corporate Personhood  In-Class Listening & Reading:  §Fresh Air “How American Corporations Had a ‘Hidden’ Civil Rights Movement” (30 minutes)  <https://www.npr.org/books/titles/596991780/we-the-corporations-how-american-businesses-won-their-civil-rights>  §Gabrielle Levy, “How *Citizens United* Has Changed Politics in 5 Years” in US News & World Report (2015) <https://www.usnews.com/news/articles/2015/01/21/5-years-later-citizens-united-has-remade-us-politics> | - |
| Feb.  SUB | 25 T  *Late* | In-Class Summaries 13 words or less.  ¶Q: “Minority” Rights, Suffrage, Civil Rights  Prepare Hornberger and Cohen | ¶Amendments 13, 15, 19, 23, 24, & 26 |
| SUB | 26 W | **Video: YoLD Season 1, Episode 6: Winds of Change**  (skip the credits at 5:05 – 7:00; stop at 53:45) | YoLD Season 1, Episode 6: Winds of Change (if you miss it in class) –  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GFbXw2CBunk> |
|  | 27 Th | Q: (handout) The Constitution is Dead, Dead, Dead.  Rights of the Accused/Guantanamo  Bail, Fines, and Cruel and Unusual Punishment | \*Jacob Hornberger, “Guantanamo and the Bill of Rights” in the Future of Freedom Foundation (2013)  <https://www.fff.org/2013/05/09/guantanamo-and-the-bill-of-rights/>  \*Andrew Cohen, “Some Constitutional Amendments are More Equal Than Others” in The Atlantic (2012)  [https://www.theatlantic.com/national/archive/2012/07/some-constitutional-amendments-are-more-equal-than-others/260322/](https://www.theatlantic.com/national/archive/2012/07/some-constitutional-amendments-are-more-equal-than-others/260322/%20) |
|  | 28 F  *Min.* | **Film: Gasland II - 1** | - |
| Mar. | 2 M | **Film: Gasland II - 2** | - |
|  | 3 T  *Late* | **Film: Gasland II - 3** | - |
|  | 4 W | **Unit 5 Review** | - |
|  | 5 Th | **Unit 5 Test** | - |

**Activity: Gerrymander THIS!**

9 X’s and 6 O’s

Step 1: Create Three “Fair”, contiguous, equal sized Districts; explain why they are “fair”

Step 2: Create Three contiguous, equal sized Districts that clearly Favor X

Step 3: Create Three contiguous, equal sized Districts that clearly Favor O

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Unit 5 Vocabulary (The Constitution):

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| **Constitutional Convention**  Virginia Plan  New Jersey Plan  Connecticut Compromise  3/5 Compromise  Federalist  Anti-Federalist | **Recent Events:**  9/11  Anthrax attacks  USA PATRIOT Act  Invasion of Afghanistan  Guantanamo  Invasion of Iraq (AUMF)  Abu Ghraib |
| **Preamble**  **Article I:**  House of Representatives  Senate  term of office  qualifications  census (“enumeration”)  gerrymander  vacancies  impeachment  concurrence  indictment  quorum  filibuster  How a Bill Becomes a Law  ALEC  veto & pocket veto  veto override  naturalization  ENRON  copyright  appropriations  Writ of Habeas Corpus  Bill of Attainder  drone strikes  ex post facto law  direct tax  indirect tax  political will  **Article II:** electoral college  Florida 2000  Democratic Primaries 2016  compensation  Senate confirmation  State of the Union Address  **Article III:**  Supreme Court (SCotUS)  original jurisdiction  appellate jurisdiction  trial by jury  corruption of blood  **Articles IV – VIII:**  extradition  republican government  ERA (Equal Rights Amendment)  constitutional amendments  proposing amendments  ratifying amendments  supremacy clause  “no religious test”  “oath or affirmation” | **The Amendments:**  **First Amendment:** Establishment clause  Free Exercise clause  Protected Speech  Symbolic Speech  flag & bra burning  “bad” words & pornography  campaign contributions  Not-Protected Speech:  slander & libel  hate speech & fighting words child pornography incitement to violence “clear and Present danger”  “right to petition government”  **Amendment 2:** militias vs. bearing arms  regulation vs. bans  NRA  **Amendment 3:** Quartering  **Amendment 4:**  search and seizure  warrants  probable cause  exclusionary rule  privacy  Wikileaks  Edward Snowden  **Amendment 5:**  Grand Jury  Double Jeopardy  self-incrimination (“plead the 5th”)  Due Process  Eminent Domain  **Amendments 6 – 8:**  subpoena  contempt of court  civil vs. criminal trials  bail  “cruel & unusual punishment”  **14th Amendment:** *jus solis*  nationalization of the Bill of Rights  Equal Protection Clause  **Other Amendments:**  Prohibition  suffrage  income tax |
| **Important Court Cases**  *Gobitis* & *Barnette* (Salute cases)  *Newdow* (Pledge cases)  *Limon vs. Kansas*  *Liebeck vs. McDonald’s*  *Dred Scott*  *Plessey vs. Ferguson*  *Brown vs. Board of Education*  *Citizens United*  **Historical Figures:**  Jim Jeffords  Tom Watson  Charles Sumner (MA) & Preston Brooks (SC)  **Hot Coffee**  tort (deform)  frivolous lawsuits  confidentiality agreement  plaintiff  settlement  [punitive] damages  caps on damages  **Years of Living Dangerously 6:** renewable energy  ALEC  Heartland Institute  methane  Koch brothers  lobbyists | **Gasland II Key People, Places, Terms:**  Josh Fox  Victoria Switzer  Gov. Ed Rendell (D)  Lisa Jackson  Tom Ridge (R)  The Gulf of Mexico  Dimock, PA  Pavillion, WY  Dish, TX  Delaware Watershed  Marcellus Shale  Barnett Shale  FAA  hydraulic fracturing = fracking  fracking fluid  wastewater  BP (Deepwater Horizon)  Safe Drinking Water Act exemption  Halliburton Loophole  EPA  moratorium  aquifer  PSYOPS  Counterinsurgency  horizontal drilling  Regulatory Capture  Revolving Door  cement casings (fail)  state vs. federal regulation  fracking bans |

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