**CP Fall 2017 Unit 2 – The Constitution**

“It’s not a living document. It’s dead, dead, dead,” – Supreme Court Justice, Antonin Scalia at SMU, 2013

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| Sep. | 29 F  *Min.* | Theories of Origins of Government,  Systems of Government:  (Anarchy vs. Totalitarianism, Autocracies, Aristocracies, & Democracies), and  Levels of Government | MAG pp. 4 – 8 (textbook)  **“Who Governs You?” Assigned +**  Jean-Jacques Rousseau’s The Social Contract: Bk. III, Ch. 3 (handout) |
| Oct. | 2 M | Q: Origins, Systems, and Levels of Government | - |
|  | 3 T  *Late* | Identifying Kinds of Government & Looking for Global Inter-Connections  **YoLD: Episode 2:** (in class) | Joshua Holland, “Syria May Be the First Climate-Change Conflict” in The Nation (2015) <http://www.thenation.com/article/syria-may-be-the-first-climate-change-conflict-but-it-wont-be-the-last/>  Home Viewing: **Years of Living Dangerously, Episode 1**  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=brvhCnYvxQQ> |
|  | 4 W | **Film: YoLD 2 (concluded)**  Q: YolD Season 1, Episodes 1 & 2: Syria & Climate Destabilization | Chris Arsenault, “Claims that climate change fuelled Syria’s civil war questioned…” from Reuters (2017)  <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-mideast-climatechange-syria/claims-that-climate-change-fueled-syrias-civil-war-questioned-in-new-study-idUSKCN1BI2O3>  Cullen Hendrix, “Climate Change and the Syrian Civil War” (2017) <https://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2017/09/19/climate-change-and-the-syrian-civil-war/> |
|  | 5 Th | Q: Preamble and Overview of the Constitution  **Film: The Preamble** | MAG: (in this order) pp. 44 – 58, 8 – 10 + 64 - 70 |
|  | 6 F  *Rally* | Q: House and Senate –  Race & the Census | Article I: sec. 1 – 4 +  Amendments 16 and 17 |
|  | 9 M | Q: Legislative Mechanics and Powers & Corporate Influence;  The Tragic Tale of Tom Watson | Article I: sec. 5 – 7 +  YouTube: Schoolhouse Rock: “I’m Just a Bill”: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tyeJ55o3El0>  \*\*You Tube: “ALEC Rock”: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NXUPDAMc_6o> |
|  | 10 T | Q: Citizens’ United  Not All Corporate Media is Evil:  **Film: YoLD Season 1, Ep. 3 – Part 1** | 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> |
|  | 11 W  *Min.* | Q: Powers of Congress: AUMF, DACA, FEMA & FERC – Dealing with Disasters  **Film: YoLD Season 1, Ep. 3 – Part 2** | Article I: sec. 8 |
|  | 12 Th | Q: Ex-Post-Facto Law, Bills of Attainder, Habeas Corpus, Direct Taxes, and States’ Rights  4-20 States’ Rights and the People’s Rights: Marijuana Legalization | Article I: sec. 9 – 10 + Article IV +  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> |
|  | 13 F | Q: The Presidency, Electoral College, Limits & Succession | Article II + Amendments 12, 20, 22, and 25 |
|  | 16 M | Article III + Amendment 11  Amendment 1 & 7: The Complaint, Fact-Finding and Discovery  **Film: A Civil Action - 1** | Article III + Amendment 11 |
|  | 17 T  *Late* | Amendment 1 & 7: Court Motions  **Film: A Civil Action – 2** | Amendment 1 (Petition) &  Amendment 7 (Civil Suits) |
|  | 18 W | Amendment 1 & 7: Trial & Settlement  **Film: A Civil Action – 3** | - |
|  | 19 Th | Q: Tricks of the Trade | American Association for Justice: “Tricks of the Trade: How Insurance Companies Deny, Delay, Confuse and Refuse” (2008)  <http://insurancebadbehavior.org/articles/InsuranceTactics.pdf> |
|  | 20 F  *Rally* | Amendment 1 & 7: Assembly/Petition –Tort Reform and Media Manipulation  **Film: Hot Coffee** | Amendment 7 +  **Ask your Parents:** *What do they know about the McDonald’s Hot Coffee Case?*  THEN Read & watch the 12 minute video: Bonnie Bertram, “Storm Still Brews Over Scalding Coffee” in the New York Times (2013) <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/10/28/booming/storm-still-brews-over-scalding-coffee.html?_r=0> |
|  | 23 M | Q: Amending the Constitution; Supremacy Clause & Religious Tests | Articles V – VII +  Amendments 18, 21 & 27 +  You Tube: The Simpsons “I’m an Amendment to Be”  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pSANTRnEBgg> |
|  | 24 T  *Late* | Q: Pledge of Allegiance  Amendment 1 - Religion: Establishment vs. Free Exercise; Public Schools, God, and the Pledge of Allegiance (Newdow) | Amendment 1  The Pledge: <http://www.ushistory.org/documents/pledge.htm> |
|  | 25 W | Killing the Constitution | \*Amendments 4 – 8  \*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/> |
|  | 26 Th | \*Q: Citizenship, the Nationalization of the Bill of Rights, Due Process, Equal Protection and LGBTQQIAPD2+ Rights | \*Amendment 14 +  \*ACLU: “Limon vs. Kansas – Case Summary” (2005)  <http://www.aclu.org/lgbt-rights_hiv-aids/limon-v-kansas-case-background&>  Claire Zillman,“Gay Americans can Marry But Lack the Nationwide Right to Work” in Forbes (2015) <http://fortune.com/2015/06/26/gay-americans-can-marry-but-lack-workplace-protections/> |
|  | 27 F | Suffrage Amendments  **Unit 2 Review** | Amendments 13, 15, 19, 23, 24, & 26 |
|  | 30 M | **Film: Gasland II - 1**  Drilling vs. Fracking  Water Contamination | \*2014 Washington Post: “Methane in Drinking Water”  (handout)  <http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/wonkblog/wp/2014/09/15/study-bad-fracking-techniques-let-methane-flow-into-drinking-water/> |
|  | 31 T | **Film: Gasland II – 2**  State vs. Federal Government  Air Pollution | \*2010 Vanity Fair: “A Colossal Fracking Mess” by Christopher Bateman – (read 1st half)  <http://www.vanityfair.com/news/2010/06/fracking-in-pennsylvania-201006> |
| Nov. | 1 W | The Empire Strikes Back  **Film: Gasland II – 3**  \*Q: Frack This! (*Triple Quiz*)  Regulatory Capture Perfected | \*2010 Vanity Fair: “A Colossal Fracking Mess” by Christopher Bateman – (read 2nd half)  <http://www.vanityfair.com/news/2010/06/fracking-in-pennsylvania-201006> |
|  | 2 Th | **Unit 2 Test (Open Document)**  **- 1/4 Who Governs You?**  **- 1/4 Art. & ¶ in the Constitution**  **- 1/4 You Be Da Judge**  **- 1/4 Fracking** | - |

Unit 2 Vocabulary:

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| I.1 legislative  I.2.3 Enumeration(census)  I.2.4 writs of election  I.2.5 impeachment  I.3.6 concurrence  I.4.1 prescribed  I.5.1 quorum  I.8.1 uniform  I.8.4 naturalization  I.8.9 inferior  I.8.12 appropriation  I.8.15 insurrections  I.8.17 cession  I.8.18 execution  I.9.2 writ of *habeas corpus*  I.9.3 *ex post facto* law  I.10.1 bill of attainder  I.10.2 be subject to | **First Amendment - Religion**  Establishment Clause  Free-Exercise Clause  *Gobitis* (1940)  *Barnette* (1943)  *Schempp* (1963)  *Newdow* (2004 and 2010)  Lemon Test – “excessive entanglement”  **First Amendment – Speech, Assembly, and Right to Petition for Redress**  Freedom of Speech and Press  Symbolic Speech  Slander vs. Libel  Hate Speech  Fighting Words  *Citizen’s United* (2010)  Money as Speech  Corporate Personhood  Freedom of Peaceable Assembly  Right to Petition the Government for Redress of Grievances |
| II.1.1 – vested  II.1.7 – compensation  II.2.2 – concur  II.2.3 – vacancies  III.2.1. – maritime  III.2.2 – jurisdiction  III.3.2 – Corruption of Blood  IV.3.2 – construed  IV.4 – Republican form of Government  V – ratified  VI.3 – affirmation  VII.2 – Year of our Lord  **11th Amendment**  Electoral College  **14th Amendment**  *Jus soli*  Due Process  Equal Protection  **Other Amendments**  Suffrage  Income Tax  Prohibition | **Second and Third Amendments**  Militia & Quartering  **Fourth Amendment**  persons, houses, papers, and effects  unreasonable searches and seizures  probable cause  Oath or affirmation  Warrants  **Fifth Amendment**  Grand Jury (and exceptions)  Double Jeopardy  Self-Incrimination  Due Process  Eminent Domain  **Sixth Amendment**  speedy and public trial  impartial jury  previously ascertained (district)  subpoena  Assistance of Counsel  **Seventh and Eighth Amendments**  civil vs. criminal cases  prosecution vs. defendant  plaintiff vs. defendant  sentences, liability, damages  bail, cruel & unusual Punishment |