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Announcements

Thank you and an Announcement!

A big thanks to everyone who participated in our live discussion! We thought it went really wonderfully. We're sorry that we couldn't answer all of your questions, but we'll certainly be doing more Interactive Sessions like this, so hopefully we'll get to them in the future (maybe in video format!) Thanks, too, to everyone who had suggestions for how we could improve our interactive sessions--we're definitely listening!

Also, we wanted to let everyone know that we've gotten some feedback on the forums, and we'll be changing how we release videos. Instead of coming out on Monday and Wednesday, ***all*** of the video lectures for a given week will be released on Monday.

Until next time,
Lauren, Danny, and Daniel

P.S. Daniel was taking questions from a few blocks

Upcoming Deadlines

New Lectures

Congressional Powers, Part 1 (22:20)

Congressional Powers, Part 2 (23:54)

America's First Officer, Part 1 (23:20)

America's First Officer, Part 2 (24:53)

New Rules for a New World, Part 1 (22:15)

New Rules for a New World, Part 2 (23:42)

Interactive Component 1 (20:33)

Recent Discussions

Hello from Hawaii!
Last post by Rebecca Johnson Rubenstein (2 minutes ago)

When are we getting the next lectures?
Last post by Pedro Wadie Rodriguez Sroor (12 minutes ago)

Hello from Colorado
Last post by Vicki Schwartz (23 minutes ago)

Commerce Clause
Last post by Joel Kovarsky (27 minutes ago)

What is legislative recall?
Last post by Albert Strong (34 minutes ago)

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down at Yale Law School!

Fri 31 Jan 2014 1:05 PM PST

Reminder: Live session today!

Hello Con Law Courserians,

This is just a reminder that **today at 2.45 pm EST time (UTC-5 hours)**, we will open up a thread in the **"Lecture Material" sub-forum** for you to post questions. Then, for the next hour, **your teaching assistants** will answer questions you might have after the first week of the course. Depending on how many students participate, the TAs might not be able to answer *every* question posted to the forum—but they'll certainly try!

Fri 31 Jan 2014 5:44 AM PST

Week 2 of Constitutional Law

Hello Con Law Courserians!

We hope you've been enjoying the video lectures from our first chapter, "In The Beginning," and have made sure to familiarize yourself with the **rest of the course site**. We are making the lectures for our second chapter, **"New Rules for a New World,"** available as well as **our first bonus material** – **a brief Q & A between Professor Amar and Lucas Swineford, the Executive Director for the Office of Digital Dissemination & Online Education at Yale**.

Looking ahead, our second piece of bonus material is scheduled for Friday. We're excited to announce that for this session, our three Teaching Assistants (**Lauren, Danny, and Daniel**) will be answering questions in the message forum live from 3 to 4 pm

ET. We will create a special forum for this event that will “open” on Friday at 2:45 pm ET. We will post the link in the announcements as well.

Until then, enjoy!

Wed 29 Jan 2014 8:12 AM PST

Welcome To Constitutional Law! Here's How To Begin.

Welcome everyone! The next twelve weeks promises to be enjoyable, challenging, and engaging. So here's how you get started!

1. If you haven’t already done so, please watch the “**Introduction to the course**” lecture in the Video Lectures section.

2. Please review the **Syllabus** and **Grading Policies**. The Syllabus is especially important to review because it explains the course format and provides the dates when lectures and assignments will be released.

3. Learn about your instructors on the **Meet the Instructors page**. Make sure to view the video introductions from each of the three Teaching Assistants: Lauren Biksacky, Danny Townsend, and Daniel Herz-Roiphe.

4. Please visit the "**Introduce Yourself**" message forum to tell us who you are, where you're from, and why you decided to enroll in this course.

5. As you read in the **Syllabus**, the structure of this course follows two of Professor Amar's books on the American Constitution. While neither books is required for the course, you may enjoy reading along as the course develops. Please visit the **Suggested Readings** page to learn more about the two books.

6. Please visit the "**Bonus Materials**" page to learn about the additional content we plan to provide every Wednesday and Friday.

7. Please complete the "**Pre-Course Survey**" located under the Surveys tab.

8. Okay, now it's time to get started with course content for the first week. Return to the **Video Lectures** section and watch the first lectures for this week. Two more videos will be released on Wednesday.

Thu 23 Jan 2014 6:05 PM PST