

# POL2012: Theories and Models in Political Economy

Modern Political Economy

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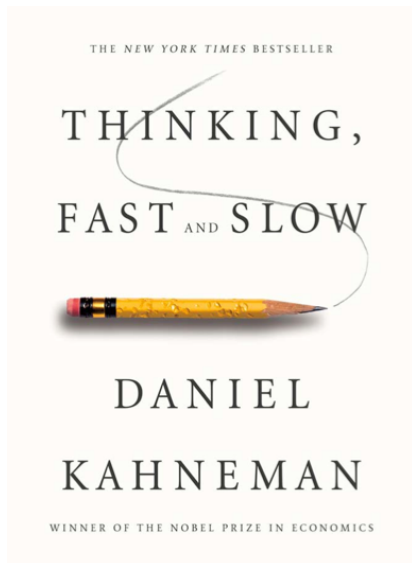
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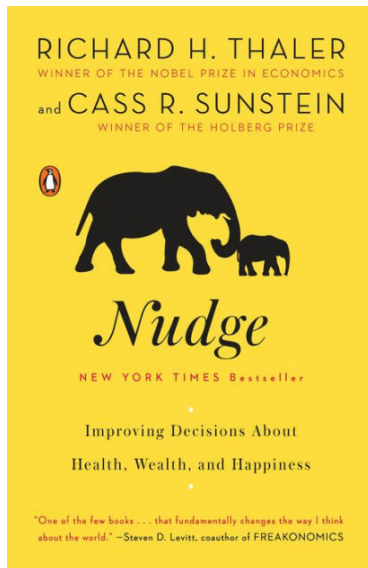
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# "New" Themes in Political Economy

- ▶ Nature
- ▶ Technology
- ▶ Society
- ▶ State

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