

# SSC-217: Introduction to Political Science Introduction

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# **Goals today:**

- Say hello
- Class rep
- Policies
- Grade requirements
- What is Political Science
- Intros?

Reading: Grigsby Intro

# **Policies**

- No tech
- Collaboration v plagiarism on assignments
- Quizzes
- Attendance
- LMS



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What is Political Science?

Wait- whats a Social Science?

### **Social Science:**

- 1: a branch of science that deals with the institutions and functioning of human society and with the interpersonal relationships of individuals as members of society
- 2: a science (such as economics or political science) dealing with a particular phase or aspect of human society "Webster

### **Political Science:**

": a social science concerned chiefly with the description and analysis of political and especially governmental institutions and processes"

Webster

(from philosophy to Political Science)





5<sup>th</sup> BC 1903

What questions can Political Science answer?

## Main sub-fields:

- 1. Political Philosophy (or Thought)
- 2. Comparative Politics
- 3. International Relations
- 4. American Politics

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- 5. Public Policy
- 6. Political Research Methods

Assignment: Read Introduction in Grigsby

Write ten questions you think Political Science can answer