

Seminar in Political Behavior

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2025 Fall Schedule

W3 - Introduction

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W5 - Party Postion-Taking

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W10 - Elite Responsiveness

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W12 - Shaping Public Opinion

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- Dickson, Zachary P., and Sara B. Hobolt. 2025. "Elite Cues and Noncompliance." *American Political Science Review* 119(2): 870–86. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055424000741>

W14 - Campaign Contributions and Lobbying in the US

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2026 Spring Schedule

W2 - Historical Persistence

- Homola, Jonathan, Miguel M. Pereira, and Margit Tavits. 2020. "Legacies of the Third Reich: Concentration Camps and Out-Group Intolerance." *American Political Science Review* 114(2): 573–90. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055419000832>
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W4 - Language

- Pérez, Efrén O. and Margit Tavits. 2017. "Language Shapes People's Time Perspective and Support for Future-Oriented Policies." *American Journal of Political Science* 61(3): 715-727. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ajps.12290>
- Muraoka, Taishi, Dahjin Kim, Christopher Lucas, Jacob Montgomery, and Margit Tavits. 2025. "Speaking their language?: Multilingualism in party communication across democracies." *American Journal of Political Science* Early View. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ajps.12976>

W6 - Prejudice and Affective Polarization

- Alrababa'h, Ala', William Marble, Salma Mousa, and Alexandra A. Siegel. 2021. "Can Exposure to Celebrities Reduce Prejudice? The Effect of Mohamed Salah on Islamophobic Behaviors and Attitudes." *American Political Science Review* 115(4): 1111–28. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055421000423>
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W9 - Mass Media

- Levendusky, Matthew S. 2013. "Why Do Partisan Media Polarize Viewers?" *American Journal of Political Science* 57(3): 611-623. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ajps.12008>
- Broockman, David E., and Joshua L. Kalla. 2025. "Consuming cross-cutting media causes learning and moderates attitudes: A field experiment with Fox News viewers." *The Journal of Politics* 87(1): 246-261. <https://doi.org/10.1086/730725>

W11 - Entertainment and Social Media

- Kim, Eunji. 2023. "Entertaining Beliefs in Economic Mobility." *American Journal of Political Science* 67(1): 39-54. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ajps.12702>
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W13 - Concluding Thoughts