## **Organization of Type 2 seminars**

These seminars are written seminars with written reviews. This means that you will not be required to attend the seminars in person. This also means that your workload for the written parts will be larger than for those with the Type 1 seminar, since you will not be required to attend in person, nor will you present your work.

Each seminar week, you will receive an academic article about a topic relating to Comparative Politics. The article will appear on Moodle the Monday of the seminar week. Your essay submission deadline is on the Friday of the same week. The deadline for the review of the article is the following Monday.

# You will be required to

- 1. Read the article thoroughly
- 2. Write a (minimum) 1500 word critical essay about the article, adding your own references and basing your arguments on evidence
- 3. After the submission deadline, over 24h, you will receive the critical essay of your coursemate.
- 4. You will then write a (minimum) 500 word review of your coursemate's essay.

The submission boxes for each seminar will appear on Moodle shortly before deadlines.

## You can miss **maximum** 1 seminar.

You will receive a grade based on both your own essay and your review of your coursemate's essay. The goal is to show your own skills of critical thinking, not to "demolish" your coursemates' essays.

### Guide for essays' sources

Using random web pages should be avoided. Wikipedia can be used to find good references for the reports but should **never** be cited as a source.

All used materials must be correctly referenced in the APA style. Uncited material being used will count as plagiarism.

### **Guide for reviews**

The review should consist of three main elements: what is done well in the essay, criticism and what should be further stressed/done for the work to be more comprehensive. E.g. the review could be done following the following questions:

• give a critical overview of the quality of the essay, what it lacks etc?

- of what quality are the materials used?
- is the text logical and understandable?

Please focus on content rather than on grammar or format.