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"The Philosophy, Politics, and Economics of Liberty"  
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SESSION I: *Why Combine the Austrian, Bloomington, and Virginia Schools in the Study of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics?*

SESSION II: *Mill on Liberty.*

- Mill, J. S. [On Liberty and other writings](#). Edited by Stefan Collini. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1989, 2013. On Liberty (1859), Chapter 1, "Introductory" (pages 5–18), Chapter 2, "Of the Liberty of Thought and Discussion" (pages 19–55), Chapter 3, "Of Individuality, as One of the Elements of Well-Being" (pages 56–74), and Chapter 4, "Of the Limits to the Authority of Society over the Individual" (pages 75–93). (Book & Reader)

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SESSION III: *Presentation and Discussion.*

SESSION IV: *Spontaneous Order and the Market Process.*

SESSION V: *Adam Smith on the Invisible Hand.*

- Smith, Adam. [An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations, Volume I](#). Edited by R. H. Campbell and A. S. Skinner. Indianapolis: Liberty Fund, Inc., 1982. Book I, Chapter 1, "Of the Division of Labour" (pages 13–24), Chapter 2, "Of the Principle which gives Occasion to the Division of Labour" (pages 25–30), Chapter 3, "That the Division of Labour is Limited by the Extent of the Market" (pages 31–36); and Book IV, Chapter 2, "Of Restraints upon the Importation from Foreign Countries of such Goods as can be Produced at Home" (pages 452–472). (Book & Reader)

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- Smith, Adam. [The Theory of Moral Sentiments](#). Edited by D. D. Raphael and A. L. Macfie. Indianapolis: Liberty Fund, Inc., 1982. Part IV, Chapter 1, "Of the Beauty which the Appearance of Utility bestows upon all the Productions of Art, and of the Extensive Influence of this Species of Beauty" (pages 179–187) and Chapter 2, "Of the Beauty which the Appearance of Utility bestows upon the Characters and Actions of Men; and How far the Perception of this Beauty may be Regarded as one of the Original Principles of Approbation" (pages 187–193). (Book & Reader)

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SESSION VI: *Presentation and Discussion.*

SESSION VII: *The Logic and Challenges of Collective Action.*

SESSION VIII: *Tocqueville on Voluntary Association.*

- Tocqueville, Alexis de. [\*Democracy in America\*](#) (*English Edition*), Volume 2. Edited by Eduardo Nolla. Translated by James T. Schleifer. Indianapolis: Liberty Fund, Inc., 2012. Part II, Chapter 1, “Why Democratic Peoples Show a More Ardent and More Enduring Love for Equality Than for Liberty” (pages 872–880), Chapter 2, “Of Individualism in Democratic Countries” (pages 881–884), Chapter 3, “How Individualism Is Greater at the End of a Democratic Revolution than at Another Time” (pages 885–886), Chapter 4, “How the Americans Combat Individualism with Free Institutions” (pages 887–894), Chapter 5, “Of the Use That Americans Make of Association in Civil Life” (pages 895–904), Chapter 6, “Of the Relation between Associations and Newspapers” (pages 905–910), Chapter 7, “Relations between Civil Associations and Political Associations” (pages 911–917), and Chapter 8, “How the American Combat Individualism by the Doctrine of Interest Well Understood” (pages 918–925). (Book & Reader)

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SESSION IX: *The Limits of Political Action.*

SESSION X: *Bastiat on Unintended Consequences of Intervention.*

- Bastiat, Frédéric. [\*The Bastiat Collection\*](#) (*Second Edition*). Auburn: Ludwig von Mises Institute, 2007, 20011. Part 1, “What Is Seen and What Is Not Seen” (pages 1–48), Part 2, “The Law” (pages 49–94), and Part VI, Chapter 7, “Petition of the Manufacturers of Candles, Waxlights, Lamps, Candlelights, Street Lamps, Snuffers, Extinguishers, and the Producers of Oil, Tallow, Resin, Alcohol, and Generally, of Everything Connected with Lighting” (pages 227–232). (Book & Reader)

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