## Political Science 302 Spring, 1999 **Syllabus**

This is a course in modern political thought, in which we will be discussing primary sources. All the readings are difficult, though some are more "readable" than others. Also, they are of varying lengths, so that it will be important for you to begin reading some of the longer ones earlier in order for you to be able to comply with the main priority of the course: each reading should be completed by the first day that I begin to lecture on it.

There are eight readings for the course. You will be quizzed on them, and the six highest grades will account for 60% of your grade. Alternatively, you can hand in a two page paper (about 600 words) summarizing the main arguments of the reading. These would be due on the first day a reading is due. The other 40% of your grade will be composed of a final to be given during finals week, or a final paper, due on April 19. My e-mail address is bshapir@emory.edu or on learnlink, which is the preferred mode of communication, and my phone number is 4-8334. There is a conference for this class on learnlink, and you should consult it regularly. The Honor Code is always in force.

## **Schedule of Classes**

Jan. 13:

Introduction

Jan. 15,20,22,25:

Machiavelli

Jan. 27,29; Feb. 1,3:

Hobbes

Feb. 3,5,8,10,12:

Locke

Feb. 15,17,19,22,24,26; March 1,3,5:

Rousseau

March 15,17:

Hegel

March 19,22,24,26,29:

Marx

March 31; April 2:

Mill

April 5,7,12,14:

Nietzsche

April 16,19,21,23,26:

Discussion: Review

There will be no classes between March 8<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> (mid-semester break); and no class on April 9<sup>th</sup> (I have a commitment that takes me out of town).

