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## **The New Institutionalism**

### **Preliminary Reading List**

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October 18<sup>th</sup>: Introduction and Coordination

October 25<sup>th</sup>: Overview

James G March und Johan P Olsen, "The New Institutionalism: Organizational Factors in Political Life", American Political Science Review 78 (1984):734-749.

Peter A Hall und Rosemary C R Taylor, "Political Science and the Three New Institutionalisms", Political Studies 44 (1996):936-957.

Kathleen Thelen und Sven Steinmo, Historical Institutionalism in Comparative Politics, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1992).

#### I. Introduction

Nov 1: Behavioralism

David B Truman, The Governmental Process. Political Interests and Public Opinion, (New York: Alfred Knopf, 1971 [1951]).

Nov 8: Pluralism

Robert A Dahl, Who Governs? Democracy and Power in an American City, (New Haven/London: Yale University Press, 1961).

OR

Robert A Dahl, "A Critique of the Ruling Elite Model", American Political Science Review 52 (1958):463-469.

Robert A Dahl, "The Behavioral Approach in Political Science: Epitaph for a Monument to a Successful Protest", American Political Science Review (1961):763-772.

Robert A. Dahl, "The Concept of Power", Behavioral Science (1957):201-215.

Nov 15<sup>th</sup>: The Capitalist State

Gösta Esping-Andersen, Roger Friedland, and Erik Olin Wright, "Modes of Class Struggles and the Capitalist State," *Kapitalistate*, no. 4-5 (1976): 186-220.

Theda Skocpol, *Bringing the State Back In: Strategies of Analysis in Current Research*, pp. 3-37 in: P. B. Evans, D. Rueschemeyer and T. Skocpol, Bringing the State Back In, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1985).

Ira Katznelson, "Working-Class Formation and the State: Nineteenth-Century England in American Perspective," pp. 257- 285 in Bringing the State Back In.

Nov 22<sup>th</sup>: The State Centered Approach (continued)

Peter B. Evans, "Transnational Linkages and the Economic Role of the State: An Analysis of Developing and Industrialized Nations in the Post-World Period," pp. 192- 226 in Bringing the State Back In.

David D. Laitin, "Hegemony and Religious Conflict: British Imperial Control and Political Cleavages in Yorubaland," pp. 285-316 in Bringing the State Back In.

Alfred Stephan, "State Power and the Strength of Civil Society in the Southern Cone of Latin America," pp. 317-346 in Bringing the State Back In.

## II. Historical Institutionalism

Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>: Economic Anthropology

Peter A Hall, Governing the Economy: The Politics of State Intervention in Britain and France, (New York: Oxford University Press, 1986).

Dec 6<sup>th</sup>: Institutional Re-Interpretation

Kathleen Thelen, The Political Economy of Skills in Comparative-Historical Perspective, (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2004).

### III. Sociological Institutionalism

Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>:

Michael D Cohen, James G March und Johan P Olsen, "A Garbage Can Model of Organizational Choice", Administrative Science Quarterly 17 (1972):1-25.

Jonathan Bendor, Terry M. Moe und Kenneth W Shotts, "Recycling the Garbage Can: An Assessment of the Research Program", American Political Science Review 95 (2001):169-189.

Johan P Olsen, "Garbage Cans, New Institutionalism, and the Study of Politics", American Political Science Review 95 (2001):191-198.

Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>:

Max. Weber Protestantische Ethik

Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>:

Durkheim, *Elementary Forms of the Religious Life* (selections)

Levi-Strauss, *The Raw and the Cooked* (selections)

Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>: Micro-Foundations

Andrew Abbott, "The Order of Professionalization: An Empirical Analysis", Work and Occupations (1991):355-384.

Lynne G Zucker, *The Role of Institutionalization in Cultural Persistence*, in: W. W. Powell and P. J. DiMaggio, The New Institutionalism in Organizational Analysis, (Chicago/London: The University of Chicago Press, 1991): 83-107.

Kahnemann and Twersky

### IV: New Institutional Economics

Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>:

Douglass C North, Institutions, Institutional Change and Economic Performance, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1990).

OR:

Philip Selznick, TVA and the Grass Roots. A Study of Politics and Organization, (Berkeley, Los Angeles, London: University of California Press, 1984 [1949])

#### IV. Rational Choice Institutionalism

Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>:

William H Riker, The Theory of Political Coalitions, (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1962).

Feb 7<sup>th</sup>:

Kenneth A. Shepsle und Barry R Weingast, "Structure-Induced Equilibrium and Legislative Choice", Public Choice 37 (1981):503-519.

Kenneth A./ Barry R. Weingast Shepsle, "Political Solutions to Market Problems", American Political Science Review (1984):417-434

Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>: The Four New Institutionalisms in Comparative Perspective

Take-Home Final Due