

Learning Objectives/Lecture Outline (Congress, President, bureaucracy, domestic & foreign policy)

- purpose of the legislative branch and Article I
- revisit federal structure, branches, checks and balances
- revisit bicameralism
- revisit NJ and VA Plans & Great Compromise

Interleaved Practice Quiz (have students answer questions about lecture information from previous classes on these topics; informal answers on separate paper)

- how the structure of Congress affects the function of law-making
 - who is Congress (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - demographics (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - requirements for office (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - how do they get to Congress (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - census (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - reapportionment
 - redistricting
 - gerrymandering
 - campaigns
 - Federal Election Commission
 - PACs & Super PACs
 - McCain-Feingold
 - incumbents
 - what are they doing in Congress (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - constituency
 - pork-barrel politics
 - earmarks
 - filibuster
 - cloture
 - omnibus bill
 - legislative process (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - draft
 - mark up
 - introduction
 - committee work
 - · debate & amendment
 - enrollment
 - conference committee
 - final approval
 - president (law/veto/override)

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LECTURE OUTLINE

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- powers of Congress
 - enumerated/delegated
 - implied/inherent
 - oversight
 - necessary & proper (elastic) clause
- organization of Congress
 - leadership
 - Speaker of the House
 - Vice President
 - **President Pro Tempore**
 - majority & minority leaders
 - committee system
 - standing committees
 - joint committee
 - conference committee
 - select committee
- handout/diagram "The Congress" (available in student resources)

Interleaved Practice Quiz (have students answer questions about lecture information from prior class; informal answers on separate paper)

- purpose of the executive branch (PowerPoint™ slide)
- purpose of a chief executive (PowerPoint™ slide)
- selection & election & removal of the president (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - Electoral College (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - impeachment
 - party processes
 - conventions
 - primaries & caucuses
 - frontloading
- structure of the executive branch
 - cabinet
 - OMB (Office of Management and Budget)
 - EOP (Executive Office of the President)
 - Office of the First Lady/Gentleman
- actions of the president
 - executive privilege
 - state secret
 - executive order
 - executive agreement

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LECTURE OUTLINE

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- powers (formal and informal) of the president
 - domestic policy
 - foreign policy
 - power of pardon
 - line-item veto on spending bills
 - signing statements
 - persuasion & bully pulpit
 - appointment
 - agenda setting
 - inaugural address
 - state of the union speech
- handout "The President" in student resources

Interleaved Practice Quiz (have students answer questions about lecture information from prior class; informal answers on separate paper)

- the bureaucracy (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - who is the bureaucracy (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - bureaucrats
 - civil servants
 - patronage
 - spoils system
 - Pendleton Act/Civil Service Reform Act
 - merit system
 - whistleblower
 - what do bureaucrats do
 - public administration
 - implementation of law
 - red tape
 - negotiated rulemaking
 - oversight (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - Government Accountability Office
 - Sunshine Act of 1976
 - Freedom of Information Act 1966
 - structure of the bureaucracy (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - bureaucratic organizations
 - cabinet departments
 - independent executive agencies
 - independent regulatory agencies
 - government corporations
- handout "The Bureaucracy" in student resources

Interleaved Practice Quiz (have students answer questions about lecture information from prior class; informal answers on separate paper)

- domestic policy (PowerPoint™ slide)
- public policy (PowerPoint™ slide)
- policymaking & outcomes
- types of goods—revisited (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - public
 - private
 - toll
 - common

United States Government





LECTURE OUTLINE

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- types of policy
 - regulatory & redistributive
 - mandatory & discretionary spending
 - social welfare programs
 - safety net
 - means-tested program
 - entitlement program
- basic economic terms (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - income (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - wealth
 - deficit
 - debt
 - poverty line
- tax policy
 - progressive tax
 - regressive tax
 - excise tax
 - flat/fair tax proposals
- policy advocates & policy analysts
- Federal Reserve Board
- CBO (Congressional Budget Office)
- handout "Domestic Policy" in student resources

Interleaved Practice Quiz

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- foreign policy (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - NSC National Security Council
 - (PowerPoint[™] slide)
- balance of power
- international actors/organizations
 - UN United Nations
 - NATO North Atlantic Treaty Organization
 - EU European Union
- · policy positions
 - protectionism and free trade
 - balance of trade
 - public laws
 - reauthorization
- policy tools or instruments of foreign policy
 - diplomacy (soft power/hard power)
 - international agreements
 - treaties
 - war powers
- policy approaches (PowerPoint™ slide)
 - isolationism
 - containment & détente
 - selective engagement
- handout "Foreign Policy" in student resources