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## TEXAS AND THE NEW SOUTHERN POLITICS

### Required Reading

Steve Bickerstaff, **Lines in the Sand: Congressional Redistricting in Texas and the Downfall of Tom DeLay**, University of Texas 2007.

Earl Black and Merle Black, **The Rise of Southern Republicans**, Harvard 2002.

James M. Glaser, **Race, Campaign Politics, & the Realignment in the South**, Yale 1996

J. David Woodard, **The New Southern Politics**, Lynne Rienner 2006.

### Description

The course is concerned with the transformation of Texas and Southern politics from a one-party Democratic system to a competitive two-party system with particular emphasis on the rise of Republicanism in the South.

### Exams and Grades

There will be three in-class, multiple-choice exams on the dates noted below. There is no final exam. The first two exams have 35 questions and the last one has 30 questions for a total of 100 points on all three exams. The raw scores on the three exams are added and the total raw scores are then curved to determine your final grade. There is no extra credit. A make-up exam (essay type) will be given only if an exam is missed for a valid reason.

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### Schedule and Assignments

AUG 26	Introduction
AUG 31-SEP 2	The Culture of Southern Politics [W] Chs 1,2,3
SEP 7-9	Race, Religion, and Partisanship [W] Chs 4,5,6
SEP 14-16	The Solid South [B&B] Chs 1,2
SEP 21-23	Southern Senate Republicans 1961-1990 [B&B] Chs 3,4

SEP 28	<b>REVIEW</b>
SEP 30	<b>FIRST EXAM</b>
OCT 5	Southern Democratic Dominance in the House 1961-1990: Overview [B&B] Chs 5,6
OCT 7-12	Southern Democratic Dominance in the House 1981-93: Six Case Studies [G] All
OCT 14-19	Reagan and Southern Senate Politics in the 1990s [B&B] Chs 7,8,9,10
OCT 21	Recent Southern Statewide and House Elections [W] Chs 7,8; [B&B] Ch 11
OCT 26-OCT 28	The South and the Nation [W] Chs 9,10,11; [B&B] Ch 12
NOV 2	<b>REVIEW</b>
NOV 4	<b>SECOND EXAM</b>
NOV 9-11	The 2003 Texas Congressional Redistricting [BK] Chs 1-7
NOV 16-18	The 2003 Special Sessions [BK] Chs 8-13
NOV 23	The Legal and Political Fallout [BK] Chs 14-Afterword
NOV 30	<b>REVIEW</b>
DEC 2	<b>THIRD EXAM</b>