

## **SOCI 529: Political Sociology**

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### **REQUIREMENTS**

**Assessment:** One final paper, topic to be agreed with me, on any aspect of the sociology of the state.

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September 14: *States in History*

J.L. Campbell and J.A. Hall [The World of States](#)

September 21: *States and Capitalism*

Karl Polanyi [The Great Transformation](#)

1) [http://inctpped.ie.ufrj.br/spiderweb/pdf\\_4/Great\\_Transformation.pdf](http://inctpped.ie.ufrj.br/spiderweb/pdf_4/Great_Transformation.pdf)

2) [https://monoskop.org/images/2/2d/Polanyi\\_Karl\\_The\\_Great\\_Transformation\\_2nd\\_ed.pdf](https://monoskop.org/images/2/2d/Polanyi_Karl_The_Great_Transformation_2nd_ed.pdf)

September 28: *States, Civil Society and Social Movements*

J.A. Hall [The Importance of Being Civil](#), chs. 1 and 3.

A.O. Hirschman [Exit, Voice and Loyalty](#)

J. Goodwin [No Way Out](#)

M. Mann                    Sources of Social Power, vol. 2, chs. 15, 17 and 18.  
M. Lange                  Educations in Ethnic Violence, chs., 4 and 7.

October 12:            *Empires to Nation-States*

A. Wimmer                'From Empire to Nation-State', American Sociological Review,  
D. Lieven                 'Dilemmas of Empire', Journal of Contemporary History, 1999.

October 19:            *Civil Wars*

B. Kissane                Nations Torn Asunder

October 26:            *The Hegemon*

M. Mann                 'The first failed empire of the twenty-first century'

November 2:            *An Anatomy of Small Nation-States*

J.L. Campbell and J.A. Hall    The Paradox of Vulnerability

November 9:            *Soldiers, Statesmen and Spies*

H. Kandil                The Power Triangle

November 16:

November 29:            Reports on Papers (including mine)

December 6:            Reports on Papers

Topics not covered: the police, postcommunism