American Political Development

Grades for 102C will be awarded as the sum of the in-class midterm (35%), May 1; the final exam, June 14, 7:00-9:59 PM, (50%), and class participation, 15%. For class participation, students are required to hand in written questions on course readings; the day the reading is scheduled for discussion, for one class before the midterm and one class after the midterm. Questions should display students’ reading of assigned texts.

Paul Frymer, Uneasy Alliances, is at the Bookstore. All other required readings are in the reader for sale at Soft Reserves (also on reserve at SSH Library), or are on the web.

Professor Bridges has office hours in SSB 394, Tuesday 4:00-6:00 PM

The website for 102C is http://veber.ucsd.edu/~abridges

April 3
Introduction: What is APD?

April 5
The US invents Mass Political Parties
Amy Bridges, "Rethinking the Origins of Machine Politics," in John Mollenkopf et. al., Power, Culture, and Place Reader

April 10
The Turnout Puzzle
Gary Jacobson
Rosenstone and Hansen, Mobilization, Participation, and Democracy in America, Chapter 1, Chapter 6 to page 190, Chapter 7, Reader

April 12
Gilded Age Political Parties
Caton K. Yearly, The Money Machines, Chapers 4, 5, Reader
Robert Marcus, Grant Old Party, Chapters 1, 3, Reader

April 17
Gilded Age Political Economy, or How Did We Get so Rich?
Richard Sennett, The Political Economy of American Industrialization, 1877-1900, Preface and introduction, Reader

April 19
Another Perspective on Gilded Age Political Economy
Paul Goodwyn, The Populist Moment, pp. 20-35, 74-93, Reader
Omaha Platform: http://geocities.com/vrogepop/omaha.htm
Platform of the People’s Party. 1896:
http://projects.uahar.edu/1896/peopleparty.html

April 24
How Race Mattered
Paul Frymer, Uneasy Alliances, Chapters 1, 3

April 26
How Presidential Politics Drives Policy

May 1
Midterm
May 3 The New Deal Coalition
   TBA

May 8 Roosevelt's Welfare State
   Robert C. Lieberman Shifting the Color Line, Chapter 3 Reader

May 10 LBJS Welfare State
   Jacob Hacker, "The Historical Logic of National Health Insurance..." Studies in American Political Development 12 #1 (Spring 1998), excerpts pp 57-69, 105-130 Reader

May 15 Bipartisan Welfare State
   Christopher Howard, The Hidden Welfare State, Chapter 1 Reader

May 17 How Did We Get So Rich?

May 22 What Happened to the New Deal Coalition
   Earl Black and Merle Black, The Rise of Southern Republicanism, Chapter 2
   LBJ's "Remarks... at the Signing of the Voting Rights Act, 8/6/65"
   www.lib.utexas.edu/johnson/archives/hom/speeches/hom/650806.asp

May 24 How Race Mattered
   Paul Frymer, Uneasy Alliances, Chapters 4, 5, 6

June 5 Democratic Error & Republican Opportunity
   Edsall and Edsall, Chain Reaction Chapter 1 Reader

June 7 How the Parties abandoned the Median Voter
   E. J. Dionne, Why Americans Hate Politics Selection TBA, Reader
   Frymer, Uneasy Alliances, Chapter 7