POLITICS AND POLICYMAKING IN LOS ANGELES

I. COURSE OUTLINE
   A. Why Study Los Angeles? Regional, State, National and Global Significance
   B. Historical Development, 1850-1973
      1. The 19th Century: From Pueblo to Town; Railroads and Real Estate
      2. Early 20th Century: the Politics of Progressivism
      3. Postwar Political and Economic Development
   E. Regional Growth and Planning: Suburbanization and Sprawl
   F. Regional Policy Challenges
      1. Immigration and Housing
      2. Transportation
      3. Public Finance
      4. Smart Growth
      5. Globalization and Economic Restructuring
   G. W(h)ither Southern California? The Politics of Water

II. COURSE REQUIREMENTS
   A. Books to be purchased

   B. Grades: Your course grade is based upon a midterm and non-cumulative final examination. Essay and short answer questions cover both lectures and readings.

III. TOPICS AND READING ASSIGNMENTS

March 29, 31
   A. Why Study Los Angeles?
      Fogelson, *The Fragmented Metropolis*, pp. xv-xxvi

April 5, 7
B. Historical Development, 1850-1973
   1. The 19th Century

April 12, 14
B. Historical Development (continued)
   2. Early 20th Century: the Politics of Progressivism
   3. Postwar Political and Economic Development

April 19, 21
   Sonenshein, *Politics in Black and White*, all.

April 26, 28
**MIDTERM EXAMINATION**


May 3, 5
E. Regional Growth and Planning: The Growth Machine, Suburbanization and Sprawl

May 10, 12
E Regional Growth and Planning (continued)
F. Regional Policy Challenges
   1. Immigration and Housing
      Wolch, *Up Against the Sprawl*, pp. 71-150.

May 17, 19
F. Regional Policy Challenges (continued)
   2. Transportation
   3. Public Finance
   4. Smart Growth

May 24, 26
F. Regional Policy Issues (continued)
   5. Globalization and Restructuring
   G. W(h)ither Southern California? The Politics of Water

May 31, June 2
G. The Politics of Water (continued)