

**University of Florida**  
**INR 4931 - Special Topics in International Relations**  
**Gender & Politics in the Global South**  
**Fall 2022**

Professor: Juliana Restrepo Sanín, Ph.D.

Class Meeting Times: Tuesday 10:40 - 11:30; Thursday 10:40-12:35

Room: Anderson Hall 0034

Office Hours: Tuesday, 12:30-3:00; Grinter Hall 331 or by appointment

Contact: via Canvas

### **Course Description & Goals**

This course surveys different topics in the study of gender and politics with a focus on the Global South. We will study central theoretical concepts developed by feminist scholarship, and use them to understand different issues in political science, such as social movements, democracy and autocracy, representation, and violence.

By the end of the semester, students will be able to:

- Analyze the use of gender and other categories of analysis to understand political phenomena in different regions of the Global South
- Understand the importance of women's and feminist movements, both locally and globally, for achieving policy transformations
- Analyze the importance of democratic institutions for the advancement of gender equality as well as how non-democratic governments instrumentalize gender equality
- Evaluate the impact of women's representation in the Global South

### **Grading & Assessment**

**Reading discussion, pop quizzes, small group activities - 20 points**

Students should come to class prepared to discuss the readings and additional materials. Participation includes answers to questions posed by the professor in class, bringing

questions, discussing news reports related to the class topics, and participating in small-group discussions. There may also be unannounced reading quizzes. Since all these assignments depend on your presence in the classroom, there will be no makeup assignments if you miss class.

### **Reading discussant - 10 points**

In every class, two or three students will be randomly asked to lead the reading discussion. All students must prepare in advance by reading the assigned papers or book chapters and bring 2-3 questions or thoughts about the readings to initiate the discussion. Failing to bring the questions, or being absent when you are asked to be a discussant will result in a 0 (unless you have a documented excused absence). Students will not be able to make up for this assignment.

### **Country infographics - 30 points total**

Students will pick one country from the Global South. This will be ‘their’ country for the whole semester. Periodically, students will be asked to do a country infographic with indicators and information about particular topics in that country. These are short overviews with general information about the country. You should also include a 2-paragraph reflection about the meaning of that data: did you find something surprising? What does the data tell us about the country? What do you think is missing from those numbers? Was there additional information that you wanted to include in your infographic but could not?

Students should be prepared to discuss the data they gathered. Creativity in the presentation is highly encouraged. You can add pictures, a cool design, make a short (1-2 min. max) slide/video presentation, etc. Including the sources is required (your infographic will not be graded until you include sources). Below you will see the topics for each infographic. This is only the basic information and you are encouraged to include other topics/themes.

### **Choose your country: September 6.**

First infographic: Due Tuesday, September 15.

Introduce your country. Include basic data from the country such as population size, demographic information, currency, etc. Include ‘fun facts’ about the country that you think are interesting or surprising (for example about food, carnivals or national holidays, etc.).

Second infographic: Due Tuesday, October 4.

Women, sexual and gender minorities, and other marginalized groups' status. Include information & data about different groups' status in the country. This can include socioeconomic data such as labor force participation, education level, income and poverty levels, access to social services, etc.

Third infographic: Due Tuesday, November 1.

General political information (political system, regime type, political parties, etc.) women's political participation; when were women granted the right to vote, female politician figures; gender quotas; percentage of women in politics; etc. quotas or other affirmative actions to promote the inclusion of ethnic, racial, or religious minorities, LGBT+ communities, youth, or other groups that are underrepresented in politics; data on these groups' representation and presence in politics, notable political actors from these groups.

### **Infographic presentation - 10 points**

After submitting the infographic, students should be prepared to make a 5-min presentation about their infographic. These presentations will be random, but every student must present at least once during the semester.

### **Final paper and presentation - 30 points**

The final paper is due on the last day of class, December 6th. You are free to choose the topic of your paper, but it should be about the country you have been investigating throughout the semester. You should submit a short abstract on November 22 and prepare a 5-minute presentation. You should submit a digital copy to Canvas. The presentation should be no more than 5 minutes long. More information about the final paper and the presentation will be provided later in the semester.

### **Extra credit opportunities**

There are several 'recommended readings' throughout the syllabus. You can receive extra credit by reading them and discussing them in class (the day they are recommended for). You should read these *in addition* to the assigned readings. To get extra credit you should discuss the author's main argument and sources of data and information, explain how the reading expands on or challenges what the other assigned readings analyzed, and how the recommended reading expands on our knowledge of a particular topic. You are also welcome to criticize the article based on what you have learned in class. It is your responsibility to ask to discuss that reading instead of waiting for the professor to ask you. Extra credit opportunities are especially helpful to those students who have missed class

activities, who have received low grades, or who seldom participate in class discussions. You can also listen to a relevant episode of the podcast [Changing the Face of Politics](#) and discuss it in class.

For more information about UF grading policies check:

<https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/grades-grading-policies/>

## Expectations

As a Carnegie I, research-intensive university, UF is required by federal law to assign at least 2 hours of work outside of class for every contact hour. That means that you are expected to do 6 hours of work outside of the classroom. Work done in these hours may include reading/viewing assigned material and doing explicitly assigned individual or group work, as well as reviewing notes from class, synthesizing information in advance of exams or papers, and other self-determined study tasks.

Please be respectful of your classmates and your professor. We may disagree on a lot of things but we can have respectful discussions. Racism, misogyny, homo/bi/transphobia, and other forms of discrimination and harassment will not be tolerated.

## Grading scale

>=93 A  
90-92 A-  
87-89 B+  
83-86 B  
80-82 B-  
77-79 C+  
73-76 C  
70-72 C-  
67-69 D+  
63-66 D  
60-62 D-  
<= 60 E

## Attendance

For successfully passing this course, your participation and engagement are **expected**. Students must be prepared to discuss the readings and other materials listed for that day. If you are sick, please stay home but notify the instructor (see full policy below). Excused

absences are consistent with university policies in the [undergraduate catalog](#) and require appropriate documentation.

### **Communications**

Please let me know of any issues you have with the class or that can be affecting your academic performance. If you have questions, you are encouraged to schedule office hours (Tuesday, 12:30-2:00; Grinter Hall 331 or by appointment). Please use **Canvas** for all communications with me and allow 24 hours for me to respond. I only check my email during regular business hours and days: Monday through Friday from 9 to 5.

### **Policy on Late and Make-up Work:**

Barring exceptional circumstances, due dates are final. Assignments will be marked down 1 point for each day late, starting at 11:59 pm on the due date. If you turn an assignment in at 12:05 am, that counts as a full day late. Discuss things with your professor if you have any difficulties turning in assignments on time. Make-up work will only be accepted for excused absences as per university policy.

### **Grade Return Timing:**

Please allow two weeks after you turn in an assignment to receive grades and feedback.

### **University Honesty Policy**

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.” The [Honor Code](#) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the professor.

### **Books & materials:**

All readings will be available on Canvas.

If you are interested in gender & politics broadly, the book

Krook, Mona Lena, and Sarah Childs. 2010. *Women, Gender, and Politics: A Reader*. Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press.

Is a good introductory source. It is listed as a recommended book for this course if you want to expand on the topics discussed in class, but it is **NOT** required.

Other recommended resources:

The podcast Changing the Face of Politics, produced by the National Democratic Institute has wonderful interviews with women politicians and activists from around the world. You can find it here: <https://www.ndi.org/changing-face-politics-podcast>

# Class calendar (Subject to change)

## Thursday 25-Aug

### Course Introduction

Read the syllabus

## Tuesday 30-Aug

### Gender & Politics

Why study Gender & Politics?

- Beckwith, Karen. 2005. "A Common Language of Gender?" *Politics & Gender* 1 (01). <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X05211017>.

## Thursday, 1-Sep

### The study of gender in political science

Why should political scientists study gender? How does gender impact how we study politics?

- Hawkesworth, Mary. 2005. "Engendering Political Science: An Immodest Proposal." *Politics & Gender* 1 (1): 141–56. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X0523101X>
- Htun, Mala. 2005. "What It Means to Study Gender and the State." *Politics & Gender* 1 (1): 157–66. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X05241016>

## Tuesday 6-Sep

*Choose your country due*

### Intersectionality, sex, gender, and race

What is 'gender'? What is intersectionality? Can we use concepts developed in the Global North to understand the Global South? How do we apply intersectionality in practice and research?

- Viveros-Vigoya, Mara. 2016. "Sex/Gender." In *The Oxford Handbook of Feminist Theory*, edited by M. E. Hawkesworth and Lisa Jane Disch. Oxford Handbooks. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

## Thursday 8-Sep

- Cooper, Britney. 2016. "Intersectionality." In *The Oxford Handbook of Feminist Theory*. Oxford Handbooks. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Townsend-Bell, Erica. 2011. "What Is Relevance? Defining Intersectional Praxis in Uruguay." *Political Research Quarterly* 64 (1): 187–99.

### Recommended:

- Crenshaw, Kimberlé. 1991. "Mapping the Margins: Intersectionality, Identity Politics, and Violence against Women of Color." *Stanford Law Review*, 1241–99.
- Crenshaw, Kimberlé. 2015. "Demarginalizing the Intersection of Race and Sex: A Black Feminist Critique of Antidiscrimination Doctrine, Feminist Theory and Antiracist Politics." *University of Chicago Legal Forum* 1989 (1).  
<https://chicagounbound.uchicago.edu/uclf/vol1989/iss1/8>.
- Collins, Patricia Hill. 1998. "Intersections of Race, Class, Gender, and Nation: Some Implications for Black Family Studies." *Journal of Comparative Family Studies* 29 (1): 27–36.

## Tuesday 13-Sep

### The Global South

What is the Global South? Why is this concept important? What does 'Global South', a concept born in economics, have to do with politics?

- Dados, Nour, and Raewyn Connell. 2012. "The Global South." *Contexts* 11 (1): 12–13.  
<https://doi.org/10.1177/1536504212436479>.
- Oyěwùmí, Oyèrónkẹ́. 1997. *The Invention of Women: Making an African Sense of Western Gender Discourses*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press. Ch. 4.

## Thursday 15-Sep

First infographic due

NO CLASS



## Tuesday 20-Sep

### Women's movements

What is a women's movement? What is a feminist movement? What are women's interests? How and why do women mobilize? What are the effects of women's activism?

- Molyneux, Maxine. 1985. "Mobilization without Emancipation? Women's Interests, the State, and Revolution in Nicaragua." *Feminist Studies* 11 (2): 227-254.

## Thursday 22-Sep

- Beckwith, Karen. 2011. "Interests, Issues, and Preferences: Women's Interests and Epiphenomena of Activism." *Politics & Gender* 7 (3): 424-29. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X11000195>.
- Weldon, S. Laurel, and Mala Htun. 2013. "Feminist Mobilisation and Progressive Policy Change: Why Governments Take Action to Combat Violence against Women." *Gender & Development* 21 (2): 231-47. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13552074.2013.802158>.

### Recommended:

- Beckwith, Karen. 2001. "Women's Movements at Century's End: Excavation and Advances in Political Science." *Annual Review of Political Science* 4 (1): 371-90. <https://doi.org/10.1146/annurev.polisci.4.1.371>.
- Beckwith, Karen. 2000. "Beyond Compare? Women's Movements in Comparative Perspective." *European Journal of Political Research* 37 (4): 431-68. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1475-6765.00521>.
- Strolovitch, Dara Z. 2006. "Do Interest Groups Represent the Disadvantaged? Advocacy at the Intersections of Race, Class, and Gender." *The Journal of Politics* 68 (4): 894-910. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1468-2508.2006.00478.x>.

## Tuesday 27-Sep

### Transnational feminist activism

What makes a movement 'transnational'? Why are transnational movements important? Do transnational movements have local effects?

- Einwohner, Rachel L, Kaitlin Kelly-Thompson, Valeria Sinclair-Chapman, Fernando Tormos-Aponte, S Laurel Weldon, Jared M Wright, and Charles Wu. 2019. "Active

Solidarity: Intersectional Solidarity in Action.” *Social Politics: International Studies in Gender, State & Society*, December, jxz052. <https://doi.org/10.1093/sp/jxz052>.

## Thursday 29-Sep

- Basu, Amrita. 2000. “Globalization of the Local/Localization of the Global: Mapping Transnational Women’s Movements.” *Meridians* 1 (1): 68–84. <https://doi.org/10.1215/15366936-1.1.68>
- Alvarez, Sonia E., Elisabeth Jay Friedman, Ericka Beckman, Maylei Blackwell, Norma Stoltz Chinchilla, Nathalie Lebon, Marysa Navarro, and Marcela Ríos Tobar. 2003. “Encountering Latin American and Caribbean Feminisms.” *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society* 28 (2): 537–79. <https://doi.org/10.1086/342589>.

### Recommended:

- Alvarez, Sonia E. 1999. “Advocating Feminism: The Latin American Feminist NGO ‘Boom.’” *International Feminist Journal of Politics* 1 (2): 181–209. <https://doi.org/10.1080/146167499359880>.
- Alvarez, Sonia E. 2000. “Translating the Global Effects of Transnational Organizing on Local Feminist Discourses and Practices in Latin America.” *Meridians*, 29–67.
- Alvarez, Sonia E. 2009. “Beyond NGO-ization?: Reflections from Latin America.” *Development* 52 (2): 175–84. <https://doi.org/10.1057/dev.2009.23>.
- Sternbach, Nancy Saporta, Marysa Navarro-Aranguren, Patricia Chuchryk, and Sonia E. Alvarez. 1992. “Feminisms in Latin America: From Bogotá to San Bernardo.” *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society* 17 (2): 393–434. <https://doi.org/10.1086/494735>.

## Tuesday 4-Oct

### Second infographic due

### Gender, Politics & the State

What is the state? How do different state configurations & values shape women's rights and opportunities for change? Can states act intersectionally?

- Kantola, Johanna. 2016. “State/Nation.” In *The Oxford Handbook of Feminist Theory*, edited by M. E. Hawkesworth and Lisa Jane Disch, 915–33. Oxford Handbooks. Oxford: Oxford University Press

<http://ip.hscl.ufl.edu/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&AuthType=ip,uid&db=nlebk&AN=1100500&site=eds-live>

## Thursday 6-Oct

Pick two

- Charrad, Mounira. 2001. *States and Women's Rights: The Making of Postcolonial Tunisia, Algeria, and Morocco*. Berkeley: University of California Press. Introduction
- Piscopo, Jennifer M. 2015. "States as Gender Equality Activists: The Evolution of Quota Laws in Latin America." *Latin American Politics and Society* 57 (3): 27–49. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1548-2456.2015.00278.x>.
- Townsend-Bell, Erica. 2013. "Intersectional Advances? Inclusionary and Intersectional State Action in Uruguay." In *Situating Intersectionality: Politics, Policy, and Power*, 43–61. Springer. <http://site.ebrary.com/id/10800133>.

*Recommended:*

- Kantola, Johanna. 2006. *Feminists Theorize the State*. Basingstoke [England]; New York: Palgrave Macmillan.

## Tuesday 11-Oct

### Democracy & autocracy

What is democracy? What makes a government democratic? How do countries become democratic? What is women's role in democracy and democratic transitions? Are democracies better for women?

- Okeke-Ihejirika, Philomina E., and Susan Franceschet. 2002. "Democratization and State Feminism: Gender Politics in Africa and Latin America." *Development and Change* 33 (3): 439–66. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-7660.00262>.
- Dendere, Chipso. 2018. "Finding Women in the Zimbabwean Transition." *Meridians: Feminism, Race, Transnationalism* 17 (2): 376–81.

*Recommended:*

- Waylen, Georgina. 1994. "Women and Democratization Conceptualizing Gender Relations in Transition Politics." *World Politics* 46 (3): 327–54.
- Baldez, Lisa. 2003. "Women's Movements and Democratic Transition in Chile, Brazil, East Germany, and Poland." *Comparative Politics*, 253–72.

## Thursday 13-Oct

What is a dictatorship? What makes a government authoritarian? Are autocrats bad for women?

- Bjarnegård, Elin, and Pär Zetterberg. 2022. "How Autocrats Weaponize Women's Rights." *Journal of Democracy* 33 (2): 60–75. <https://doi.org/10.1353/jod.2022.0018>.
- Berry, Marie E. 2015. "When 'Bright Futures' Fade: Paradoxes of Women's Empowerment in Rwanda." *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society* 41 (1): 1–27. <https://doi.org/10.1086/681899>.

## Tuesday 18-Oct

### Women's suffrage

How did women gain the right to participate in politics in the Global South?

- Towns, Ann E. 2010. *Women and States: Norms and Hierarchies in International Society*. Cambridge: Cambridge Univ. Press. Ch. 5

## Thursday 20-Oct

- Various from Palgrave Handbook of Women's Political Rights

Recommended:

- Towns, Ann. 2010. "The Inter-American Commission of Women and Women's Suffrage, 1920—1945." *Journal of Latin American Studies* 42 (4): 779–807.
- Paxton, Pamela. 2000. "Women's Suffrage in the Measurement of Democracy: Problems of Operationalization." *Studies in Comparative International Development* 35 (3): 92–111. <https://doi.org/10.1007/BF02699767>.

## Tuesday 25-Oct

### Political representation

- Celis, Karen, Sarah Childs, Johanna Kantola, and Mona Lena Krook. 2008. "Rethinking Women's Substantive Representation." *Representation* 44 (2): 99–110.

## Thursday 27-Oct

### Pick Two

- Jalalzai, Farida, and Pedro G. dos Santos. 2015. "The Dilma Effect? Women's Representation under Dilma Rousseff's Presidency." *Politics & Gender* 11 (1): 117–45.
- Jiang, Xinhui, and Yunyun Zhou. 2021. "Coalition-Based Gender Lobbying: Revisiting Women's Substantive Representation in China's Authoritarian Governance." *Politics & Gender*, October, 1–33. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X21000210>.
- Shitrit, Lihi Ben. 2016. "Authenticating Representation: Women's Quotas and Islamist Parties." *Politics & Gender* 12 (4): 781–806 <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X16000027>.
- Liu, Shan-Jan Sarah. 2018. "Are Female Political Leaders Role Models? Lessons from Asia." *Political Research Quarterly* 71 (2): 255–69. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1065912917745162>.

### Recommended:

- Childs, Sarah, and Mona Lena Krook. 2009. "Analysing Women's Substantive Representation: From Critical Mass to Critical Actors." *Government and Opposition* 44 (2): 125–45.
- Waylen, Georgina. 2008. "Enhancing the Substantive Representation of Women: Lessons from Transitions to Democracy." *Parliamentary Affairs* 61 (3): 518–34. <https://doi.org/10.1093/pa/gsn013>.
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## Tuesday 1-Nov

### Gender quotas and women's political impact

What are gender quotas? How have they been used to increase women's presence in parliaments worldwide? What are different types of gender quotas? What are the effects of gender quotas?

- O'Brien, Diana Z., and Jennifer Piscopo. 2018. "The Impact of Women in Parliament." In *The Palgrave Handbook of Women's Political Rights*. New York, NY: Springer Berlin Heidelberg.

## Thursday 3-Nov

- Piscopo, Jennifer M. 2015. "Democracy as Gender Balance: The Shift from Quotas to Parity in Latin America." *Politics, Groups, and Identities* 4 (2): 214–30.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/21565503.2015.1084936>.
- Kang, Alice J., and Aili Mari Tripp. 2018. "Coalitions Matter: Citizenship, Women, and Quota Adoption in Africa." *Perspectives on Politics* 16 (1): 73–91.  
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S1537592717002225>

### Recommended:

- Franceschet, Susan, and Jennifer M. Piscopo. 2013. "Equality, Democracy, and the Broadening and Deepening of Gender Quotas." *Politics & Gender* 9 (03): 310–16.  
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X13000184>.
- Ewig, Christina. 2018. "Forging Women's Substantive Representation: Intersectional Interests, Political Parity, and Pensions in Bolivia." *Politics & Gender* 14 (3): 433–59.  
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X18000211>.
- Wylie, Kristin, and Pedro dos Santos. 2016. "A Law on Paper Only: Electoral Rules, Parties, and the Persistent Underrepresentation of Women in Brazilian Legislatures." *Politics & Gender* 12 (3): 415–42. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X16000179>

## Tuesday 8-Nov

### *Third infographic due*

#### **Reactions to women in politics**

What are some ways women's inclusion has been resisted? What is Violence against women in politics (VAWIP)? How is VAWIP related to women's political representation? How is VAWIP related to other forms of gender-based violence? In what ways does VAWIP affect women's representation? Gender equality? Democracy?

- Krook, Mona Lena. 2016. "Contesting Gender Quotas: Dynamics of Resistance." *Politics, Groups, and Identities* 4 (2): 268–83.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/21565503.2016.1151797>.

## Thursday 10-Nov

- Berry, Marie E., Yolande Bouka, and Marilyn Muthoni Kamuru. 2020. "Implementing Inclusion: Gender Quotas, Inequality, and Backlash in Kenya." *Politics & Gender*, 1–25.  
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X19000886>.

- Encarnación, Omar G. 2017. “The Patriarchy’s Revenge: How Retro-Macho Politics Doomed Dilma Rousseff.” *World Policy Journal* 34 (1): 82–91.

Recommended:

- Krook, Mona Lena, and Juliana Restrepo Sanín. 2020. “The Cost of Doing Politics? Analyzing Violence and Harassment against Female Politicians.” *Perspectives on Politics* 18 (3): 740–55. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1537592719001397>.
- Bardall, Gabrielle, Elin Bjarnegård, and Jennifer M. Piscopo. 2020. “How Is Political Violence Gendered? Disentangling Motives, Forms, and Impacts.” *Political Studies* 68 (4): 916–35. <https://doi.org/DOI:10.1177/0032321719881812>.
- Restrepo Sanín, Juliana. 2022. “Violence against Women in Politics as an Unintended Consequence of Democratization.” *International Feminist Journal of Politics* 24 (1): 16–39. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14616742.2021.2014343>

## Tuesday 15-Nov

### Women's movements in the 21st century

- Souza, Natália Maria Félix de. 2019. “When the Body Speaks (to) the Political: Feminist Activism in Latin America and the Quest for Alternative Democratic Futures.” *Contexto Internacional* 41 (April): 89–112. <https://doi.org/10.1590/S0102-8529.2019410100005>.

## Thursday 17-Nov

### Pick two

- Lamas, Marta. 2022. “Feminism in Mexico City.” In *Twenty-First-Century Feminismos: Women’s Movements in Latin America and the Caribbean*, translated by Julie Kemack, 4:25–47. McGill-Queen’s Press-MQUP.
- Huang, Chang-Ling. 2021. “#MeToo in East Asia: The Politics of Speaking Out.” *Politics & Gender* 17 (3): 483–90. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1743923X21000234>.
- Mkhize, Gabi, and Nwabisa Mgcotyelwa-Ntoni. 2019. “The Impact of Women’s Movements’ Activism Experiences on Gender Transformation Policies in Democratic South Africa.” *Agenda* 33 (2): 9–21. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10130950.2019.1618637>.

## Tuesday 22-Nov

### Abstract due

### Student presentations

**Thursday 24-Nov**

**NO CLASS - THANKSGIVING**

**Tuesday 29-Nov**

Student presentations

**Thursday 1-Dec**

Student presentations

**Tuesday 6-Dec**

Student presentations & Class evaluations



## **Class policies & University Resources**

### **Plagiarism and Academic Integrity:**

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### **Online Evaluation:**

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu>. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students [here](#).

### **Students with Disabilities**

Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, [www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/](http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/)) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

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## Technology

For succeeding in this class, you need to have access to Canvas. Please consult these guides if you are unsure about how to use this application:

For Canvas: <https://elearning.ufl.edu/keep-learning/quickstart-guide-for-students/>

## Class Recording

Students are allowed to record video or audio of class lectures. However, the purposes for which these recordings may be used are strictly controlled. The only allowable purposes are (1) for personal educational use, (2) in connection with a complaint to the university, or (3) as evidence in, or in preparation for, a criminal or civil proceeding. All other purposes are prohibited. Specifically, students may not publish recorded lectures without the written consent of the instructor. A “class lecture” is an educational presentation intended to inform or teach enrolled students about a particular subject, including any instructor-led discussions that form part of the presentation, and delivered by any instructor hired or appointed by the University, or by a guest instructor, as part of a University of Florida course. A class lecture does not include lab sessions, student presentations, clinical presentations such as patient history, academic exercises involving solely student participation, assessments (quizzes, tests, exams), field trips, private conversations between students in the class or between a student and the faculty or lecturer during a class session. Publication without permission of the instructor is prohibited. To “publish” means to share, transmit, circulate, distribute, or provide access to a recording, regardless of format or medium, to another person (or persons), including but not limited to another student within the same class section. Additionally, a recording, or transcript of a recording, is considered published if it is posted on or uploaded to, in whole or in part, any media platform, including but not limited to social media, book, magazine, newspaper, leaflet, or third party note/tutoring services. A student who publishes a recording without written consent may be

subject to a civil cause of action instituted by a person injured by the publication and/or discipline under UF Regulation 4.040 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code.

## Other Recommendations

**Masks.** The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences emphasizes that, in light of CDC recommendations, face coverings, though not required, are expected in all UF facilities, including your classrooms. Regardless of vaccination status, mask usage is a responsible and vital way of preventing transmission of COVID-19. Faculty may also ask for mask usage in their offices during one-on-one meetings (with a provision for remote office hour meetings as an alternative).

**Vaccination.** If you have not been vaccinated, please consider starting the process immediately. If you are currently at home, you can obtain a first dose where you are and receive a second dose here in Gainesville. If you are already in Gainesville, you can schedule a vaccination appointment at ONE.UF. Please keep in mind that being vaccinated for COVID-19 is the best way to protect yourself and others from the potentially life-threatening effects of the virus. Your action in this regard may help ensure the health and safety of yourself, your fellow CLAS students, and the faculty and staff with whom you interact.

## Campus Resources: Health and Wellness

- U Matter, We Care: If you or someone you know is in distress, please contact [umatter@ufl.edu](mailto:umatter@ufl.edu), 352-392-1575, or visit U Matter, We Care website to refer or report a concern and a team member will reach out to the student in distress.
- Counseling and Wellness Center: Visit the Counseling and Wellness Center website or call 352-392-1575 for information on crisis services as well as non-crisis services.
- Student Health Care Center: Call 352-392-1161 for 24/7 information to help you find the care you need, or visit the Student Health Care Center website.
- University Police Department: Visit UF Police Department website or call 352-392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies).
- UF Health Shands Emergency Room / Trauma Center: For immediate medical care call 352-733-0111 or go to the emergency room at 1515 SW Archer Road, Gainesville, FL 32608; Visit the UF Health Emergency Room and Trauma Center website.
- GatorWell Health Promotion Services: For prevention services focused on optimal wellbeing, including Wellness Coaching for Academic Success, visit the GatorWell website or call 352-273-4450.

## **COVID-19 & other illnesses**

- In response to COVID-19, the following recommendations are in place to maintain your learning environment, to enhance the safety of our in-classroom interactions, and to further the health and safety of ourselves, our neighbors, and our loved ones.
- If you are not vaccinated, get vaccinated. Vaccines are readily available and have been demonstrated to be safe and effective against the COVID-19 virus. Visit [one.ufl.edu](https://one.ufl.edu) for screening / testing and vaccination opportunities.
- If you are sick, stay home. Please call your primary care provider if you are ill and need immediate care or the UF Student Health Care Center at 352-392-1161 to be evaluated.
- Course materials will be provided to you with an excused absence, and you will be given a reasonable amount of time to make up work.

## **Academic Resources**

- E-learning technical support: Contact the UF Computing Help Desk at 352-392-4357 or via e-mail at [helpdesk@ufl.edu](mailto:helpdesk@ufl.edu).
- Career Connections Center: Reitz Union Suite 1300, 352-392-1601. Career assistance and counseling services.
- Library Support: Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.
- Teaching Center: Broward Hall, 352-392-2010 or to make an appointment 352-392-6420. General study skills and tutoring.
- Writing Studio: 2215 Turlington Hall, 352-846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers.
- Student Complaints On-Campus: Visit the Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code webpage for more information.
- On-Line Students Complaints: View the Distance Learning Student Complaint Process.