



POLITICAL SCIENCE 103

AMERICAN POLITICS

Additional Books & Other Readings:

(I'm happy to give more specific recommendations or point you toward short articles as well!)

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Schattschneider, E. E. (1960). *The Semisovereign People*. Ch. 1-2, 4, 8.

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Olson, Mancur. 1981. *The Rise and Fall of Nations*. Ch. 2, 3

Wilson, James Q. 1973. *Political Organizations*. New York: Basic Books. Ch. 3.

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Kingdon (2010). *Agendas, Alternatives, and Public Policy* Entire.

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Jacobson (2012). *Politics of Congressional Elections* Entire

Fiorina (1989). *Congress: Keystone of the Washington Establishment* Excerpts.

Fiorina (1974) *Representatives, Roll Calls, and Constituencies* ch. 1, 3, 6

Poole & Rosenthal (1997). *Congress: A Political-Economic History of Roll-Call Voting*. Pp. 3-26.

Kingdon (1989). *Congressmen's Voting Decisions* ch. 1

Arnold, R. Douglas. 1990. *The Logic of Congressional Action*. New Haven: Yale University Press. Chs. 1-4.

Gary Cox and Mathew McCubbins. 2005. *Setting the Agenda: Responsible Party Government in the US House of Representatives*. Cambridge University Press. Ch. 1-3, 8.

The Executive

Charles Cameron. 2000. *Veto Bargaining: Presidents and the Politics of Negative Power*. Cambridge University Press. Ch 1-2, 4.

Kernell (1997). *Going Public* ch. 1, 2.

Mayhew, David R. 1991. *Divided We Govern: Party Control, Lawmaking, and Investigations, 1946-1990*. New Haven: Yale University Press. Ch. 1, Excerpts

David Epstein and Sharyn O'Halloran. 1999. *Delegating powers: a transaction cost politics approach to policy making under separate powers*. New York: Cambridge University Press. Ch. 1-2.

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Lippman, Walter. 1922. *Public Opinion*. New York, Harcourt, Brace and company. Ch. 1

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