

POLI 11D: Week Six Section

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Logistics

- Midterms handed back at the end of section today.
- Midterm grading report available on Ted.
- Remember: weight of your midterm in your overall course grade in turn depends on your performance on the other assignments.
- **Changed office hours:** Wednesday 8:30-10, SSB 343.
- Section slides available on my website: maricarvalho.com

Paper assignment

- Due at **noon on Wednesday, November 22.**
- Instructions uploaded on TrintonEd.
- 2000 words (excluding list of references)
- Choose ONE topic and answer ALL the questions.
- Structure will matter!
- References: (Powell, 2018: 157-58) or (lecture, November 6)
- I cannot comment on early drafts.

Key terms (Chapter 7)

parliament
prime minister
cabinet
first past the post

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- A two-party system in Westminster, but not among the voters

"The point is not that socialism has made people worse off, materially. It is that Britain is corrupt, immoral, disgusting, and polluted. It must be returned to a state of grace. This is a much more ambitious program, and there is no doubt that it was, indeed, Thatcher's program" Berlinski (2011)

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- Monetarism (control the supply of money), financial deregulation, reducing controls on prices and wages, lowering taxation, reducing government spending, privatization, and curtailing the power of trade unions to set wages that did not reflect market demand for labor.

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- Why Brexit?

Takeaways

Identify major domestic and international challenges currently facing Britain due to globalization.

What are the arguments for and against the use of the first-past-the-post electoral system in Britain?