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Office Hours: Office Hours: MWF, 11:15am – 2:15pm & by Appointment. Given the class format, I am readily accessible through email (expect a response within 24 hours) if you should have any questions, or would like to schedule an appointment to discuss any matter related to the course.  
Email: elopec@uttyler.edu  
• I will only reply to student email from an official UT-Tyler email account  

Course Description and Objectives  
Written constitutions define the powers and responsibilities of government while simultaneously establishing the limits of government. To better understand these concepts, this course is
designed to provide an introductory analysis and evaluation of the political systems established by both the U.S. and Texas constitutions. Throughout the course students will:

- Critically examine the philosophical foundations of both political systems by exploring the historical debates and writings that shaped the formation of these documents.
- Distinguish and identify the key differences and similarities between the three branches of government at the National and State level.
- Appraise current events (at both the National and State level) to highlight the applicability and importance of both constitutions in today’s society.
- Consider the formation of partisan preferences.
- Evaluate how partisanship has shaped Texas into a one-party state and the consequences of this affiliation.

Credit Hours: 3; Prerequisites: None

**Required Texts**
2) Additional required readings will be posted in Canvas.

**Requirements, Dates, and Grades**
Success in the class will require you to have the ability to log into Canvas daily, since Canvas will be the medium used to deliver the class content (e.g. lectures, readings, quizzes, and exams). Since we do not “meet” for class, completing the required assignments should not be too daunting as they are structured to allow you to work at your own pace throughout each week. 

*Pay close attention to all due dates AND times for the assignments.*

To ease completion and distribution of course material, this course is organized into 13 Content Modules. Beginning with Module 1, students will need to complete the assigned readings, view all content (e.g. lectures, short videos), and complete all assignments within a given Module in order to proceed to the next Module. Canvas allows you to save your progress, so that you do not have to complete a given Module in one sitting.

Each Module is structured as follows:

**Module Content**
1) Learning Objectives
   - Brief overview of the learning objectives of the Module.

2) Readings and Content
   - Readings, and the Reading Schedule, can also be found in the *Course Outline and Readings* (pages 10–15) section of the syllabus.
• All readings that do not come from the **Required Text** for this class can be found in their respective Module. In the **Course Outline and Readings** section, these readings are marked as being located on Canvas.

3) Video Lecture(s)
• Each Module contains a video lecture(s) concerning the readings and related content.

4) Review Questions
• Students will be provided review questions concerning the Module Content. **Answering these questions will not count towards your final grade**; however, they will serve as the basis for your review for Exam 1, Exam 2, and the Final Exam. Therefore, keep track of the questions and be able to answer them. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to email me for help/clarification.

5) Module Quizzes
• At the end of each module, a quiz will be distributed.
• These quizzes will cover all information that should have been read/viewed for the Module.
• You only have one shot at them (you will be unable to stop, restart, etc). Only open and take a Module Quiz when you have finished reading and viewed all the content of each module.
  o Carefully follow the directions provided.
  o These quizzes **WILL count towards your final grade**. (A total of 13 quizzes will compose your Quiz Grade for the course.) Therefore, only begin once you have completed the Module content.
  o You will be unable to begin the next Module until you have completed the previous Module’s quiz.

**Exams**
Exam 1, Exam 2, and the Final Exam will be held online on the dates specified below. Please carefully read the instructions provided for each exam, paying close attention to when the exam will be open and when it is due. Most importantly, you will only have one chance to complete each exam (e.g. you are not allowed to stop, save, and finish later). **No exams will be accepted after the testing dates listed below.**

These exams will **only cover** readings and course materials prior to the date of the exam (i.e. no Exam in this course is cumulative). Please note:
• Exam 1 will test your comprehension of material from 1/14 – 2/5
• Exam 2 will test your comprehension of material from 2/5 – 3/10
• The Final Exam will test your comprehension of material from 3/18 – 4/26

**Grades and Due Dates**
The following are the weights given to the Module Quizzes, Exam 1, Exam 2, and the Final Exam (and the date that each is due):

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Final grades will be granted on the following scale: A=100%-90%, B=89%-80%, C=79%-70%, D=69%-60%, and F=59%-50%.

If necessary, between Wednesday, May 1, 2019 and Friday, May 3, 2019, students will have the opportunity to take an optional comprehensive exam over all the course material. This comprehensive exam will be available to students that want the opportunity to replace their lowest, non-0 exam grade with the grade they receive on this comprehensive exam. I cannot stress enough, this is an optional exam and it will not affect a student’s final grade if they do not take it. More information on this comprehensive exam will be provided as the semester progresses.

Policy Concerning Canvas and Submitting Papers
The Professor is conscious to the fact that Canvas can be unreliable at times. If you are having trouble posting in the discussion forums, accessing posted readings, or submitting an assignment, please inform me about the issue and attach the relevant assignment. All times listed in this syllabus correspond to the Central Time Zone, since this corresponds with UT-Tyler’s time zone.

If any conflict (others tests, travel plans, etc.) with an assignment’s due date exists that you feel will not allow you to complete the assignments on time, notify me of your situation by Friday, January 25, 2019. Be advised that allowances (e.g. extensions) will only be given in extreme cases with my discretion as to what I define as extreme. Late papers will only be accepted, without penalty, in the case of an unforeseen event, such as a sudden emergency (death in your family, illness, etc.), or if you have an approved absence by the Dean of Students (see also: Student Absence for University-Sponsored Events and Activities and Student Absence Due to Religious Observance sections of the syllabus).

Technical Information
If you experience technical problems or have a technical question about this course, you can obtain assistance by emailing itsupport@patriots.uttler.edu or call 903.565.5555.

When you email IT Support, be sure to include a complete description of your question or problem including:
- The title and number of the course
• The page in question
• If you get an error message, a description and message number
• What you were doing at the time you got the error message

Plug-ins and Helper Applications
UT-Tyler online courses use Java, JavaScript, browser plug-ins, helper application and cookies. It is essential that you have these elements installed and enabled in your web browser for optimal viewing of the content and functions of your online course. Always ensure that you are using the most update version for the browser you choose to access the online learning content.

NOTE: Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox are the recommended browsers for Canvas.

• Adobe Reader allows you to view, save, and print Portable Document Format (PDF) files. http://get.adobe.com/reader/
• Adobe Flash Player allows you to view content created with Flash such as interactive web applications and animations. http://get.adobe.com/flashplayer/
• QuickTime allows users to play back audio and video files. http://www.apple.com/quicktime/download/

Netiquette Guide
"Netiquette" is network etiquette, the do's and don'ts of online communication. Netiquette covers both common courtesy online and informal "rules of the road" of cyberspace. Review and familiarize yourself with the guidelines provided. http://www.learnthenet.com/learn-about/netiquette/index.php

“Make-Up” Policy
Make-up exams and re-takes of Module Quizzes will only be offered to those students that have a University approved absence, a doctor’s note detailing your inability to take the exam/quiz on the date provided on this syllabus, or a sudden emergency (e.g. death in your family, illness, technical issues) that prohibits your participation for the exam/quiz on the date provided on this syllabus. Anyone who has not satisfied any of these requirements and does not take the exam/quiz will be given a grade of “0.”

Recall, if any conflict (others tests, travel plans, etc.) with the exams/quizzes exist, notify me by Friday, January 25, 2019. Be advised that allowances will only be given in extreme cases with my discretion as to what I define as extreme (see also: Student Absence for University-Sponsored Events and Activities and Student Absence Due to Religious Observance sections of the syllabus).

Class Conduct and Threatening Behavior
Given the nature of political discourse, some of the topics discussed and debated in class may be sensitive to some students. It is expected that students, regardless of the subject matter, maintain
civility in their class comments and online interactions. The University and the Professor seek to promote a safe environment where students may participate in debates, discussion, and other objectives concurrent with the educational process without compromising their health, safety, and welfare. Concurrent with this ideal, mutual courtesy and respect should govern all classroom conduct (both in-class and online). Therefore, threats of physical harm or verbal abuse will not be tolerated in this class.

UT-Tyler Honor Code
Every member of the UT-Tyler community joins together to embrace: Honor and integrity that will not allow me to lie, cheat, or steal, nor to accept the actions of those who do.

Students Rights and Responsibilities
To know and understand the policies that affect your rights and responsibilities as a student at UT-Tyler, please follow this link: http://www.uttyler.edu/wellness/rightsresponsibilities.php

Student Absence for University-Sponsored Events and Activities
If you intend to be absent for a university-sponsored event or activity, you (or the event sponsor) must notify the instructor at least two weeks prior to the date of the planned absence. At that time the instructor will set a date and time when make-up assignments will be completed.

Student Absence Due to Religious Observance
Students who anticipate being absent from class due to a religious observance are requested to inform the Professor of such absences by the second class meeting of the semester.

Student Standards of Academic Conduct
Disciplinary proceedings may be initiated against any student who engages in scholastic dishonesty, including, but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts.

i. “Cheating” includes, but is not limited to:

• copying from another student’s test paper;
• using, during a test, materials not authorized by the person giving the test;
• failure to comply with instructions given by the person administering the test;
• possession during a test of materials which are not authorized by the person giving the test, such as class notes or specifically designed “crib notes”. The presence of textbooks constitutes a violation if they have been specifically prohibited by the person administering the test;
• using, buying, stealing, transporting, or soliciting in whole or part the contents of an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program;
• collaborating with or seeking aid from another student during a test or other assignment without authority;
• discussing the contents of an examination with another student who will take the examination;
• divulging the contents of an examination, for the purpose of preserving questions for use by another, when the instructors has designated that the examination is not to be removed from the examination room or not to be returned or to be kept by the student;
• substituting for another person, or permitting another person to substitute for oneself to take a course, a test, or any course-related assignment;
• paying or offering money or other valuable thing to, or coercing another person to obtain an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program or information about an unadministered test, test key, home solution or computer program;
• falsifying research data, laboratory reports, and/or other academic work offered for credit;
• taking, keeping, misplacing, or damaging the property of The University of Texas at Tyler, or of another, if the student knows or reasonably should know that an unfair academic advantage would be gained by such conduct; and
• misrepresenting facts, including providing false grades or resumes, for the purpose of obtaining an academic or financial benefit or injuring another student academically or financially.

ii. “Plagiarism” includes, but is not limited to, the appropriation, buying, receiving as a gift, or obtaining by any means another’s work and the submission of it as one’s own academic work offered for credit.

iii. “Collusion” includes, but is not limited to, the unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing academic assignments offered for credit or collaboration with another person to commit a violation of any section of the rules on scholastic dishonesty.

iv. All written work that is submitted will be subject to review by plagiarism software.

If a student is suspected of academic dishonesty, the classroom instructor may ask the student to meet with him or her to discuss the incident. A student may admit to allegations of academic dishonesty, waive the right to a hearing and accept penalties imposed by the instructor. The student may also deny all allegations and ask to see the Dean of Student Affairs. An accused student may accept the decision of the Dean of Student Affairs or ask for a hearing before an impartial hearing officer appointed by the university. Witnesses may be called and evidence presented. The hearing officer will consider all evidence and make a decision. The decision of the hearing officer may be appealed to the President by either the student or the Dean of Student Affairs. For further discussion of academic dishonesty and possible penalties, please see:

http://www.uttyler.edu/judicialaffairs/scholasticdishonesty.php

Campus Carry
We respect the right and privacy of students 21 and over who are duly licensed to carry concealed weapons in this class. License holders are expected to behave responsibly and keep a handgun secure and concealed. More information is available at:  
http://www.uttyler.edu/about/campus-carry/index.php

UT-Tyler a Tobacco-Free University
All forms of tobacco will not be permitted on the UT-Tyler main campus, branch campuses, and any property owned by UT-Tyler. This applies to all members of the University community, including students, faculty, staff, University affiliates, contractors, and visitors. Forms of tobacco not permitted include cigarettes, cigars, pipes, water pipes (hookah), bidis, kreteks, electronic cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, and all other tobacco products. There are several cessation programs available to students looking to quit smoking, including counseling, quitlines, and group support. For more information on cessation programs please visit: 
www.uttyler.edu/tobacco-free

Disability/Accessibility Services
In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the ADA Amendments Act (ADAAA) the University of Texas at Tyler offers accommodations to students with learning, physical and/or psychological disabilities. If you have a disability, including a non-visible diagnosis such as a learning disorder, chronic illness, TBI, PTSD, ADHD, or you have a history of modifications or accommodations in a previous educational environment, you are encouraged to visit:  
https://hood.accessiblelearning.com/UTTyler and fill out the New Student application.

The Student Accessibility and Resources (SAR) office will contact you when your application has been submitted and an appointment with Cynthia Lowery, Assistant Director of Student Services/ADA Coordinator. For more information, including filling out an application for services, please visit the SAR webpage at http://www.uttyler.edu/disabilityservices the SAR office located in the University Center, #3150 or call 903.566.7079.

If you are registered with the SAR office, please set up a meeting with the Professor to discuss what specific accommodations should be made to ensure your success in the class.

Grade Replacement/Forgiveness and Census Date Policies
Students repeating a course for grade forgiveness (grade replacement) must file a Grade Replacement Contract with the Enrollment Services Center (ADM 230) on or before the Census Date of the semester in which the course will be repeated. Grade Replacement Contracts are available in the Enrollment Services Center or at: http://www.uttyler.edu/registrar. Each semester’s Census Date can be found on this syllabus, the Contract itself, on the Academic Calendar, or in the information pamphlets published each semester by the Office of the Registrar.
Failure to file a Grade Replacement Contract will result in both the original and repeated grade being used to calculate your overall grade point average. Undergraduates are eligible to exercise grade replacement for only three course repeats during their career at UT Tyler; graduates are eligible for two grade replacements. Full policy details are printed on each Grade Replacement Contract.

The Census Date is the deadline for many forms and enrollment actions of which students need to be aware. These include:

- Submitting Grade Replacement Contracts, Transient Forms, requests to withhold directory information, approvals for taking courses as Audit, Pass/Fail or Credit/No Credit.
- Receiving 100% refunds for partial withdrawals. (There is no refund for these after the Census Date)
- Schedule adjustments (section changes, adding a new class, dropping without a “W” grade)
- Being reinstated or re-enrolled in classes after being dropped for non-payment
- Completing the process for tuition exemptions or waivers through Financial Aid

*The Census Date for this semester is Monday, January 28, 2019.*

**State-Mandated Course Drop Policy**

Texas law prohibits a student who began college for the first time in Fall 2007 or thereafter from dropping more than six courses during their entire undergraduate career. This includes courses dropped at another 2-year or 4-year Texas public college or university. For purposes of this rule, a dropped course is any course that is dropped after the census date (See Academic Calendar for the specific date).

Exceptions to the 6-drop rule may be found in the catalog. Petitions for exemptions must be submitted to the Enrollment Services Center and must be accompanied by documentation of the extenuating circumstance. Please contact the Enrollment Services Center if you have any questions.

**Social Security and FERPA Statement**

It is the policy of The University of Texas at Tyler to protect the confidential nature of social security numbers. The University has changed its computer programming so that all students have an identification number. The electronic transmission of grades (e.g., via e-mail) risks violation of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; grades will not be transmitted electronically.

**Emergency Exits and Evacuation**

Everyone is required to exit the building when a fire alarm goes off. Follow your instructor’s directions regarding the appropriate exit. If you require assistance during an evacuation, inform
your instructor in the first week of class. Do not re-enter the building unless given permission by University Police, Fire department, or Fire Prevention Services.

**UT-Tyler Resources for Students**
- UT-Tyler Writing Center (903.565.5995), writingcenter@uttyler.edu
- UT-Tyler Tutoring Center (903.565.5964), tutoring@uttyler.edu
- The Mathematics Learning Center, RBN 4021, this is the open access computer lab for math students, with tutors on duty to assist students who are enrolled in early-career courses.
- UT-Tyler Counseling Center (903.566.7254)

**Changes to the Syllabus**
The information contained in the course syllabus, other than the grading criteria and absence and make-up policies, may be subject to change with reasonable advance notice as long as the change is without prejudice to the students.

**Course Outline and Readings** (subject to change)
*Each subsequent Module on Canvas will be available in accordance with the dates on the reading list. While you are free to work on these modules on your own time, you should be completing and beginning new modules in accordance with the schedule provided below.*

**January 14, 2019 (Introduction to the Course)**
- **1/14 – Course opens at 12:00pm**
  - Review the syllabus and familiarize yourself with Canvas
    - From the home screen, you can find a link to the syllabus and a link to the course modules.
  - To access module content, click on the **Modules** link on the left-side menu. From there, please read/view all content in the **Introduction to the Course Module**.
    - You will be unable to proceed to Module 1 content until you have done so.
  - Your “first assignment” is to complete the POLS 2306 Pre-Test, located in the Getting Started Module.
    - This is purely for assessment purposes and WILL NOT count towards your grade for the class.
    - The “first assignment” is due Friday, January 18, 2019 by 12:00pm.
  - Students are expected to email the Professor to confirm that they have read the syllabus and understand the assignments, requirements, and structure for this course. If any questions should arise during your review of the syllabus, please do not hesitate to email me for clarification.
Unit 1 – Foundations of the Texas Constitution

Week 1 (January 14 – January 20)
Module 1 – Revolutionary Thought
• 1/14 – Course and Module 1 open at 12:00pm
• Read:
  o Virginia Declaration of Rights (Canvas)
  o The Declaration of Independence (Canvas)
  o Barnett, Randy. “What the Declaration of Independence Really Claimed.” The Volohk Conspiracy (Canvas)
  o Federalist # 10 (Canvas)
  o OPTIONAL:
    ▪ John Locke – Second Treatise of Civil Government, Chs. 1-2 (Canvas)
    ▪ Samuel Adams – The Rights of Colonists (Canvas)
    ▪ Thomas Paine – Common Sense (Canvas)
• View Lecture(s):
  o Revolutionary Thought (Canvas)
  o Federalist 10 (Canvas)
• Quiz 1: Due at 11:59pm on 1/20

Week 2 (January 21 – January 27)
Module 2 – The U.S. Constitution
• 1/21 – Module 2 opens at 8:00am
• Read:
  o Articles of Confederation (Canvas)
  o Constitution of the United States (Canvas)
  o The Bill of Rights (Canvas)
  o Geer et al. Chapters 2 & 3 (Canvas)
  o Federalist #’s 10, 39, & 51 (Canvas)
  o OPTIONAL:
    ▪ Distinctive Features and Outline of the U.S. Constitution
• View Lecture(s):
  o The Articles vs. The Constitution (Canvas)
  o Article 1 (Canvas)
  o Article 2 (Canvas)
  o Article 3 (Canvas)
  o OPTIONAL:
The U.S. Constitution (Canvas)

- **Quiz 2:** Due at 11:59pm on 1/27

**Week 3 (January 28 – February 3)**

*Module 3 – The Texas Constitution*

- 1/28 – FYI: CENSUS DATE
- 1/28 – Module 3 opens at 8:00am
- Read:
  - The Texas Declaration of Independence (Canvas)
  - The Texas Constitution *(Jones et al. Chapters 2 & 3)*
- **View Lecture(s):**
  - The Texas Constitution (Canvas)
- **Quiz 3:** Due at 11:59pm on 2/3

**Week 4: Part I (February 4 – February 5)**

*Exam 1*

- Exam will be distributed at 8:00am on Monday, February 4th
- Exam must be completed by 11:59pm on Tuesday, February 5th
- Please carefully read the directions provided in Canvas
  - Hint: Only begin the Exam when you have completed Module Review questions from Modules 1 – 3.

**Unit 2 – Understanding and Analyzing Texas Politics**

**Week 4: Part II (February 5 – February 10)**

*Module 4 – Partisanship and its Development*

- 2/5 – Module 4 opens at 12:00am
- Read:
  - Green et al. Chapter 1 (Canvas)
  - Campbell et al. Chapter 7 (Canvas)
- **View Lecture(s):**
  - Partisanship (Canvas)
- **Quiz 4:** Due at 11:59pm on 2/10

**Week 5 (February 11 – February 17)**

*Module 5 – Voting and Elections in Texas*

- 2/11 – Module 5 opens at 8:00am
• Read:
  o Voting and Elections in Texas (*Jones et al. Chapter 4*)
• View Lecture(s):
  o Voting and Elections in Texas, Parts 1, 2, and 3 (Canvas)
• Quiz 5: Due at 11:59pm on 2/17

Week 6 (February 18 – February 24)
Module 6 – Political Parties
• 2/18 – Module 6 opens at 8:00am
• Read:
  o Political Parties (*Jones et al. Chapter 5*)
• View Lecture(s):
  o Political Parties in Texas, Parts 1 and 2 (Canvas)
• Quiz 6: Due at 11:59pm on 2/24

Week 7: (February 25 – March 1)
Module 7 – Interest Groups
• 2/25 – Module 7 opens at 8:00am
• Read:
  o Interest Groups (*Jones et al. Chapter 6*)
• View Lecture(s):
  o Interest Groups in Texas (Canvas)
• Quiz 7: Due at 11:59pm on 3/1

Week 8: Part I (March 2 – March 7)
Module 8 – Public Policy in Texas
• 3/2 – Module 8 opens at 8:00am
• Read:
  o Public Policy in Texas (*Jones et al. Chapter 12*)
• View Lecture(s):
  o Public Policy in Texas, Parts 1 and 2 (Canvas)
• Quiz 8: Due at 11:59pm on 3/7

Week 8: Part II (March 8 – March 10)
Exam 2
• Exam will be distributed at 8:00am on Friday, March 8th
• Exam must be completed by 11:59pm on Sunday, March 10th
• Please carefully read the directions provided in Canvas
  o Hint: Only begin the Exam when you have completed Module Review questions from Modules 4 – 8.

Week 9 (March 11 – March 15)
• **SPRING BREAK!!! – NO CLASS 😊**
Week 10 (March 18 – March 24)

*Module 9 – The Legislative Branch*

- 3/18 – Module 9 opens at 8:00am
- **Read:**
  - Article 1 of the Constitution of the United States (Canvas)
  - 17th and 20th Amendments of the Constitution of the United States (Canvas)
  - The Texas Legislature (*Jones et al. Chapter 7*)
- **View Lecture(s):**
  - The Texas Legislature, Parts 1 and 2 (Canvas)
- **Quiz 9:** Due at 11:59 pm on 3/24

Week 11 (March 25 – March 31)

*Module 10 – The Legislative Process*

- 3/25 – Module 10 opens at 8:00am
- **Read:**
  - The Legislative Process (*Jones et al. Chapter 7*)
- **View Lecture(s):**
  - The Legislative Process, Part 1 and 2 (Canvas)
- **Quiz 10:** Due at 11:59 pm on 3/31

Week 12 (April 1 – April 7)

*Module 11 – The Executive Branch*

- 4/1 – FYI: Last Day to Drop/Withdraw From Classes
- 4/1 – Module 11 opens at 8:00am
- **Read:**
  - Article 2 of the Constitution of the United States (Canvas)
  - 12th, 20th, 22nd, 25th, and 27th Amendments of the Constitution of the United States (Canvas)
  - Texas’ Governor and the Bureaucracy (*Jones et al. Chapter 8*)
- **View Lecture(s):**
  - The Governor (Canvas)
  - The Elected Executives (Canvas)
- **Quiz 11:** Due at 11:59 pm on 4/7

Week 13: Part I (April 8 – April 10)
Module 12 – The Electoral College
• 4/8 – Module 12 opens at 8:00am
• Read:
  o Federalist #68 (Canvas)
  o Wendland, Jay, Eric Lopez, and Nikkita Edmond. “Moving Beyond Debate and Speculation: The Role of Federalism in Electoral College Reform.” (Canvas)
• View Lecture(s):
  o The Electoral College (Canvas)
• Quiz 12: Due at 11:59pm on 4/10

Week 13: Part II (April 11 – April 14)
Module 13 – The Judicial Branch
• 4/11 – Module 13 opens at 8:00am
• Read:
  o Article 3 of the Constitution of the United States (Canvas)
  o Federalist #’s 78 (Canvas)
  o Marbury v. Madison (1803) (Canvas)
  o Texas’ Judicial Branch *(Jones et al. Chapters 9 & 10)*
• View Lecture(s):
  o The Texas Judiciary: An Intro (Canvas)
  o Trial Courts in Texas (Canvas)
  o Appellate Courts in Texas (Canvas)
  o Judicial Selection and Retention (Canvas)
• Quiz 13: Due at 11:59pm on 4/21

Week 14 (April 15 – April 21)
• 11/15 – continue, Module 13 – The Judicial Branch
• Quiz 13: Due at 11:59pm on 4/21

Week 15: Part 1 (April 22 – April 23)
• Review for the Final Exam

Week 5: Part II (April 24 – April 26)
Final Exam
• Exam will be distributed at 8:00am on Wednesday, April 24th
• Exam must be completed by 11:59pm on Friday, April 26th
• Please carefully read the directions provided in Canvas
  o Hint: Only begin the Exam when you have completed Module Review questions from Modules 9 – 13.