UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL STUDIES
TERM: FALL 2015

COURSE #: 4190/7300  SEC: A01/T02  CRN: 13054/10355  CREDIT HOURS: 3
COURSE TITLE: Manitoba Politics and Government (4190)/Manitoba Politics (7300)

INSTRUCTOR: Dr Rory Henry  FORMAT: Seminar
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COURSE CONTENT AND DESCRIPTION:

This course will examine politics and government in modern Manitoba. In the course students will examine the theoretical and practical interactions of partisan politics, political culture, elections, caucus and cabinet functions, legislative apparatus and its management, civil service culture, and government mandates and missions. Attention will be paid to the connection between past political events in Manitoba and how they influence political outcomes and governmental thinking and decisions to this day. Particular emphasis will be placed on practical understandings of the function and role of politics in the Province of Manitoba.

Topics: Topics to be examined include political cultures; how do elections actually work; politics and the machinery of government; issue and media management; the role and influence of polls; constituency and ministerial roles; legislation and house management; implementing mandates, the role of the official opposition.

ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING
Research Paper 40% (15-20 pp)  GRADING SCALE
Seminar Participation 25%  A+ = 90-100
Review Paper 20% (5-7pp)  A = 80-89
In-Class Presentation: 15%  B+ = 75-79
Voluntary Withdrawal date is Nov. 18th  B = 70-74

Grading Scale:
A+ = 90-100
A = 80-89
B+ = 75-79
B = 70-74
C+ = 65-69
C = 60-64
D = 50-59
F = 0-49
**Required Text(s):**


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The consequence of a late assignment without instructor approval will be a reduction of five percent per day.