



Course Title: Defending Democracy at Home and Abroad

Course Code: POL 62

Instructors: Michael McFaul, Rob Reich, Marietje Schaake

Class Sessions and Recording

Meeting days and times: Tuesdays, 5:30 - 7:00 pm PT, April 11 - May 30

Meeting location: Students have flexibility to decide week to week if they prefer to attend class live on campus or attend remotely over Zoom.

Sign up for **Pol 62 A** if you think you might attend class on-campus at least once. No commitment, you can still choose to attend via Zoom.

Sign up for **POL 62 B** if you know you will exclusively be attending via Zoom.

Class sessions will be recorded and videos will be posted on Canvas for all students to view.

Course Features:

- Live session
 - Lecture, panel discussions between instructors and guest speakers, and Q & A
- Assignments & Coursework
 - Supplemental readings/handouts will be posted in Canvas.

Grade Options and Requirements

- No Grade Requested (NGR)
 - This is the default option. No work will be required; no credit shall be received; no proof of attendance can be provided.
- Credit/No Credit (CR/NC)
 - Attend or watch at least 7 of 8 class sessions.

**Please Note: If you require proof that you completed a Continuing Studies course for any reason (for example, employer reimbursement), you must choose either the Letter Grade or Credit/No Credit option. Courses taken for NGR will not appear on official transcripts or grade reports.*

Tentative Weekly Outline

April 11, 2023: Democracy and Foreign Policy; Restoring Democracy at Home, Promoting Democracy Abroad

April 18, 2023: Causes and Trends of Democracy & Dictatorship in the World

Guest speaker: LARRY DIAMOND, Senior Fellow, Hoover Institution, and Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies and Professor, by courtesy, of Political Science and Sociology, Stanford

April 25, 2023: Threats to American Democracy

Guest speaker: HAKEEM JEFFERSON, Assistant Professor of Political Science and Faculty Affiliate, Center for Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity and Stanford Center for American Democracy, Stanford

May 2, 2023: US-China Competition and The US Ability to Engage Internationally

May 9, 2023: The Fight for Freedom in Ukraine

May 16, 2023: The Populist Challenge to Democracy

Guest speaker: ELBEGDORJ TSAKHIA, Former President and Prime Minister of Mongolia

May 23, 2023: The Tech Challenge to Democratic Principles

May 30, 2023: The Future: Ideas for Revitalizing American Democracy, the “Free World” and Advancing Democracy Globally