

*****FOR STUDENTS WHO'VE COMPLETED CONSTITUTION 101*****



Public Policy from a Constitutional Viewpoint

The Founders' Guide to Public Policy & What it Means Today

Since 1900, combined government spending in the U.S. – local, state, and federal – has grown from less than 8% of GDP to nearly 40%. In addition, the people's representatives have abdicated their constitutional legislative power to executive agencies, agencies that now exercise all three functions of government. Although these trends indicate America has moved away from the Founders' understanding of constitutionally limited government, self-government can be restored through a revival of a constitutional understanding of public policy.

This 12-week course uses Hillsdale College's online video series and will delve into the areas of public policy that will be important in the 2020 elections. As the candidates lay out their positions, we, as citizens, need to do our due diligence and compare current policies to our founder's original intentions. Where does each party fall short and where can we, as a country, begin to make the journey back to solid constitutional principles through public policies that support freedom and limits government intrusion into our lives?

IMPORTANT: *You must have completed Hillsdale College's Constitution 101, to attend this class.* We will build upon the principles we learned in Constitution 101 that are the underpinnings of our government and relevant to these lectures. The 12 Lectures are divided into two, six-week sessions with a one-week break between sessions.

Session 1, Lecture:

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| 1. <u>The Constitution and the American Political Tradition</u> | Larry Arnn | January 16 |
| 2. <u>Principles and Public Policy in American Politics</u> | Thomas West | January 23 |
| 3. <u>Freedom of Speech and Religion</u> | Paul Rahe | January 30 |
| 4. <u>Immigration</u> | Kevin Portteus | February 6 |
| 5. <u>Regulation</u> | Ronald J. Pestritto | February 20 |
| 6. <u>Terrorism and Foreign Policy</u> | Will Morrisey | February 27 |

Session 2, Lecture:

7. Health Care	Gary Wolfram	March 12
8. Race and Affirmative Action	Paul Moreno	March 19
9. The Environment	John W. Grant	March 26
10. Taxes	Michael J. Clark	April 2
11. Marriage and Family	Kevin Slack	April 9
12. Education	Larry P. Arnn	April 16

WHEN:

Two Six-Week session with a one-week break between the sessions:
Lectures 1-6: Thursdays, January 16 through February 27, 2020, 10 am – Noon
(There won't be a class on February 13 due to the RWOP luncheon.)

Break: March 4

Lectures 7-12: Thursdays, March 12 through April 16, 2020, 10 am - Noon

WHERE:

Touchmark at the Ranch (Dining room next to the Finn Restaurant)
3150 Touchmark Blvd, Prescott, AZ 86301

REGISTRATION:

Class size is limited to 20 people. Registration details are sent via email to previous Constitution 101 class attendees. Suzanne Cook Catlin, VP-Education, leads these classes and you can contact her for more information at suzannecatlin@gmail.com or call 928 910-1227.

