

Course Papers

8 and 12 credit students

- Originally thought if taking for 12 credits must write yourself, but do not know if I made this clear enough at my lectures
- So even those taking for 12 credits can write in groups of 2 or 3, but they must take up at least two chapters or articles from each lecture
- It should be about 4-5 pages, or around 2,000-2,500 words

Theme

- What do attitudes imply for policy?
- Choose a country and pretend you were the leader of a country or an advisor to the leader
- Why policies would you support given the attitudes that exist?

What have you learned?

- You know something about attitudes on a wide range of topics, such as the environment, anti-authoritarianism, welfare policies, gender roles, racism
- You also know something about which groups of people have these attitudes within each country
- You also know something about how these attitudes are changing

As a leader, you should think about

- What you think is best for the country
- Balancing with what voters think (so you can get re-elected – but not at any cost)
- What policies would face the greatest opposition
- What policies are going to work out best in the long-term and support long-term trends
- What policies would work “best” (economically, solving social problems) and whether such policies would gain or cost the support of voters

References

- Use a ***CORRECT*** internationally recognized form of references.
- You can use footnotes or parentheses.
- ***Every time*** you write something that is not common knowledge and not your own thought, then you need a reference.
- You need a bibliography, done the correct way, with authors listed in alphabetical order by last name.
- You must use “serious” references.

Serious References

- Acceptable:
- course literature,
- other scientific literature (peer-reviewed journals, books from academic presses)
- Articles from respectable newspapers and magazines
- Publications from governments and respectable international organizations, such as the ILO, IMF, EU, national statistical offices, UN

Non-Serious Sources

- Wikipedia and other internet sites that do not come from scientific sources
- Blogs
- Homepages from individuals or non-serious organizations
- Non-serious newspapers, such as Blesk.