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# **Election 2024: An In-Depth Look**

Every election is important, but the election of November 2024 is arguably more important than most because so much seems to be at stake. It's been eight years since the election of 2016, and that has been in many ways eight years of division, discord, and disagreement, coupled with the entrenchment of hyper-partisanship on both sides of the political aisle. Yet here we are with what appears to be another version of 2016 and 2020. This is a course about election 2024, but it will go beyond the usual headlines and talking points and will instead provide an in-depth look at the essential issues. The approach will be one of constructive engagement, and the mood will be one that persistently refuses to yield to cynicism or despair.

## **Week One (October 16)**

How did we get here? Of parties and partisanship

## **Week Two (October 23)**

Checks and balances: threats and crises in the American system

## **Week Three (October 30)**

The big issues: the economy, crime, identity politics, and beyond

## **Week Four (November 6)**

The election has happened: now what?