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**CLASSICAL POLITICAL ECONOMY IN CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVE**

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**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

This course will examine six themes and theorists in classical political economy—and put them into contemporary perspective. The course will explore issues such as: the nature and purpose of government, inequality, the relationship between government and the economy, the ways in which individuals interact with government and vice-versa, industrialization, liberalism, and bureaucracy. Each week will consist of a lecture based on original theorists (such as Rousseau or Smith), followed by a discussion that places these theories in conversation with contemporary and current events.

**MEETING TIMES:**

THURSDAYS, 1-3 PM  
MAGNES COLLECTION

**SCHEDULE OF TOPICS:**

<b>Thursday, 4 April</b>	Nature of the State and Purpose of Government
<b>Thursday, 11 April</b>	Inequality
<b>Thursday, 18 April</b>	Government and the Economy: Self-Regulation and Morality?
<b>Thursday, 25 April</b>	Industrialization
<b>Thursday, 2 May</b>	Liberalism
<b>Thursday, 9 May</b>	Bureaucracy