

**CIVIL LIBERTIES  
SOCIOLOGY 221/POLITICAL SCIENCE 221  
MORAVIAN COLLEGE  
FALL 2013**

Tuesday & Thursday 7:30-8:40 AM  
PPHAC 232

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**Text:** Civil Rights and Liberties, Third Edition; John C. Domino

**Course Description:** Civil Liberties of Americans are delineated in the Bill of Rights. This course will examine issues of Freedom of Speech, Assembly & the Press; Freedom of Religion; right to counsel, right against self incrimination, right to be free from warrantless searches and seizures; right to a fair trial, right to privacy and equal protection. We will also explore the power and role of both the Congress and the Judiciary with respect to enforcing, upholding and defining civil liberties.

**Course Requirements:**

(1) There will be two quizzes, one midterm paper and one final examination. The dates of these quizzes, papers, and exams are listed in the class schedule. The college will determine the date of the final examination. The final examination will be cumulative.

(2) Each student will be required to find a current event in the newspapers, Internet or other written media, which pertains to a civil liberty. The student will be required to hand in a copy of the article along with a brief written analysis of the article. Each student will also be required to present the article to the class. This assignment will be graded.

**Academic Honesty:**

Moravian college's honesty policy has been established by the academic standards committee and is found in the student handbook. You are required to follow this policy.

**Learning Disability Accommodations:**

Students who wish to request accommodations in this class for a disability should contact Elaine Mara, assistant director of learning services for academic and disability support at 1307 Main Street, or by calling 610-861-1510. Accommodations cannot be provided until authorization is received from the Academic Support Center.

**Attendance:**

Any student who misses more than **three (3)** classes will automatically drop 2/3 of a letter grade. Any student who misses **six (6)** or more class will automatically receive an F in the class

**Grading:**

Quiz # 1	15%	A = 94% or higher	C = 74 -76%
Quiz # 2	15%	A- = 90 - 93%	C- = 73 -70%
Midterm Paper	30%	B+ = 87-89%	D+ = 67-69%
Final Exam	30%	B = 84-86%	D = 64-66%
Current Event	10%	B- = 80-83%	D- = 60-63%
		C+ = 77-79%	F = 59 % or below

**\*\*Class Schedule and Assignments:**

\*\* The schedule listed below is tentative and subject to change. If changes are made to either the material to be covered in a particular class or an assignment, you will be notified in the preceding class. This is why attendance is of particular importance.

8/27	Introduction: Civil Liberties/Bill of Rights	Handout
8/29	Introduction: Rights and Liberties and the Supreme Court	Chap. 1 p. 1-16
9/3	Introduction: Rights and Liberties and the Supreme Court	Chap. 1 p. 16-26
9/5	Freedom of Expression	Chap. 2 p. 29-42
9/10	Freedom of Expression	p. 43-54 Chap. 2 p. 55-66
9/12	Freedom of Expression	Chap. 2 p. 67-81
9/17	Freedom of Religion/Freedom from Religion Free Exercise Clause	Chap. 3 p.90-102
9/19	Freedom of Religion/Freedom from Religion Free Exercise Clause	Chap. 3 p. 102-112
9/24	<b>Quiz # 1</b> /Freedom of Religion/Freedom from Religion	Chap. 3

	Establishment Clause	p. 113-125
9/26	Freedom of Religion/Freedom from Religion Establishment Clause	Chap. 3 p.125-143
10/1	Freedom of Religion/Freedom from Religion Establishment Clause	Chap. 3 p. 143-154
10/3	<b>MID TERM PROJECT DUE</b> Due Process Rights and Criminal Justice Searches and Seizures	Chap. 4 p. 159-173
10/8	Due Process Rights and Criminal Justice Searches and Seizures/ Electronic Eavesdropping	Chap. 4 p. 173-191
10/10	Due Process Rights and Criminal Justice Aerial Searches/Right to Counsel	Chap. 4 p. 191--203
10/15	<b>No class- Fall Break</b>	
10/17	Due Process Rights and Criminal Justice Police Interrogation	Chap. 4 p. 203--210
10/22	Due Process Rights and Criminal Justice Cruel and Unusual Punishment	Chap. 4 p. 210-227
10/24	Privacy Drug Testing	Chap. 5 p.231-238
10/29	Privacy Autonomy/Reproductive Freedom	Chap. 5 p. 240-270
10/31	Privacy Sexual Orientation/Rt.to Die/Physician Asst. Suicide	Chap. 5 p.270-284
11/5	<b>QUIZ # 2</b> and Equal Protection Racial Discrimination	Chap. 6 p. 288-302
11/7	Equal Protection Racial Discrimination	Chap. 6 p. 302-316
11/12	Equal Protection Affirmative Action	Chap. 6 p. 316-326
11/14	Equal Protection Sex Discrimination	Chap. 6 p. 327-338

11/19 Equal Protection  
Sexual Harassment

Chap. 6  
p. 338-346

11/21 Equal Protection  
Sexual Orientation

Chap. 6  
p.346-355

11/26 **No class- Thanksgiving Holiday**

11/28 **No class- Thanksgiving Holiday**

12/3 Trends on the Supreme Court

Chap. 7  
p. 358-364

12/5 Trends on the Supreme Court/Review

Chap. 7  
p.364-376

### **FINAL EXAMINATION (CUMULATIVE)**