

科目名	担当教員	学期	単位
Normative Political Theory	山岡 龍一	後期	2

講義概要

This course is intended to be an introduction to contemporary political theory or political philosophy. We will start with discussing the inevitable questions for beginners: What is political theory or political philosophy? What problems does it try to consider and resolve? What methodology does it employ to deal with such problems? Is it, in the end, a meaningful intellectual exercise or not? At the beginning of the course we can only have tentative answers to these fundamental questions. Instead of dwelling on them too long, we will proceed to discuss recent debates in political theory that have revolved around familiar political concepts such as justice, liberty and equality. Along the way, we will be able to learn one of the representative methodologies of political theory, "conceptual analysis," by practicing it. We will conclude the course with returning to the fundamental questions and trying to figure out if studying political theory is able to make a difference in terms of dealing with the most pressing political problems of our times.

シラバス

- 第1回 Introduction: what is normative political theory?
- 第2回 Social Justice (1)
- 第3回 Social Justice (2)
- 第4回 Social Justice (3)
- 第5回 Liberty (1)
- 第6回 Liberty (2)
- 第7回 Liberty (3)
- 第8回 Equality (1)
- 第9回 Equality (2)
- 第10回 Equality (3)
- 第11回 Community (1)
- 第12回 Community (2)
- 第13回 Democracy (1)
- 第14回 Democracy (2)
- 第15回 Conclusion: can we talk about politics normatively anyway?

教科書

Adam Swift, *Political Philosophy: A Biginners' Guide for Students and Politicians*, 2nd edition (Polity, 2006)

参考文献

On additional readings, instructions will be made during the course. In the meantime, other acknowledged textbooks in political theory include the following.

Gerald Gaus, *Political Concepts and Political Theories* (Westview, 2000)
David Miller, *Political Philosophy* (Oxford University Press, 2003)

評価方法

In class presentation (30%) and final examination (70%). Depending on the size of class, in class presentation might as well be assigned more than once, and its proportion might increase accordingly.

関連URL

備考