PNP 390: PNP Reading Class Fall 2022

Meeting Time: W 1-2:50 Location: Wilson 104 Instructor: Dr. Zoe Jenkin Email: zoejenkin@wustl.edu

Office: Wilson 112

Office Hours: Monday 1-3, appointment required (see below for scheduling)

Course Description: As part of the PNP capstone, this course presents the opportunity to read about and discuss a variety of exciting topics in PNP. This class is student-led and will function like a reading group. Each week, two students will present on a reading of their choice and facilitate discussion. The readings and topics will thus be governed by student interest and preferences.

Office Hours: My office hours are Monday 1-3 in Wilson 112. Appointments are required and must be reserved before midnight on Sunday night. You can schedule an appointment on Canvas as follows:

Canvas \rightarrow calendar \rightarrow find appointments \rightarrow select a timeslot \rightarrow reserve

If you would prefer a Zoom meeting, you can still sign up for an office hours slot. Just email me to let me know you prefer Zoom. The Zoom office hours link is provided in the appointment description. If you are unavailable during my office hours, you can email me to schedule an appointment at another time.

Course Goals:

- You'll develop a working knowledge of some major topics in PNP.
- You'll hone your abilities to present theories, arguments, and empirical results.
- You'll practice linking empirical data and philosophical ideas in discussion.
- You'll gain tools to understand aspects of your own mind more deeply.
- You'll develop your own views on our discussion topics.

Requirements:

Readings: There will be two readings for most class meetings. Our discussions will presuppose that you have done the reading carefully.

Attendance: Attendance is mandatory. You will need to be in class to get credit for participation. However, you should stay home if you are experiencing any symptoms of illness and your absence will be excused. This is a list of good reasons for absence that you should keep in mind:

- Illness
- Covid-19 diagnosis, symptoms, known exposure, or quarantine
- Mental health

- Family emergencies
- Doctor's appointments
- Religious observances

If you are going to be absent for one of these reasons, **email me (zoejenkin@wustl.edu)** letting me know. **You do not need to explain your absence or provide proof.** You can just say "I will be absent today" and I will trust you have a good reason.

To make up for the material you've missed, all you need to do is get notes from a classmate. If you are scheduled to present on a day you are absent, let me know and we can work something out on an individual basis. There will be no class recordings available.

Participation: This is an entirely discussion-based class. The goal is for it to be more like a reading group than a traditional seminar. I will function as a moderator and discussion facilitator, but my role will be minimal. For example, when you finish making a comment you will call on the next person. For this to work well, you need to come to class prepared, listen to each other respectfully, and participate thoughtfully.

Response Papers: We have 13 total class meetings, 9 of which will be focused on presentations on readings (excluding the first and last three class meetings). To pass this course, you need to submit short response papers for 6 of these reading-focused meetings. It is up to you which weeks you submit your response papers, as long as you submit 6 total papers for 6 different weeks. Response papers are due at 6 pm on Tuesday evening and cannot be submitted late.

Response papers should contain 4 components:

- 1) a 3-sentence summary of reading #1
- 2) one question about reading #1
- 3) a 3-sentence summary of reading #2
- 4) one question about reading #2

Your questions should be ones we might discuss together as a class. Some weeks there may only be one reading, in which case your response paper will only have the first two components.

Presentations: You will complete a 15-minute presentation on a reading of your choice. Your presentation should provide an opinionated summary the reading, offer your reaction and analysis, and pose some questions for group discussion. You should use either a handout or slides to facilitate your presentation.

Grading:

This is a pass/fail course. To pass the course, you must successfully complete **all** the course requirements listed above. This includes:

- Complete the readings
- Attend class regularly

- Participate in discussion regularly
- Submit 6 response papers with all components
- Complete one presentation

Course Policies:

Academic Integrity

Please read the WashU Academic Integrity Policy (https://wustl.edu/about/compliance-policies/undergraduate-student-academic-integrity-policy/). Students who violate the academic integrity policy will receive an F on any plagiarized work and risk failing the course.

<u>Collaboration:</u> While all work submitted must be your own, you should feel free to discuss course material and assignments with your classmates. Some of the best philosophy happens this way. If you use an idea that originates with a classmate, you can cite them in your paper or presentation.

<u>Email:</u> You can email me (<u>zoejenkin@wustl.edu</u>) with questions about the logistics of the course, response papers, or presentations. Questions about the subject matter of the course are best dealt with in office hours. I aim to respond to emails within two business days (excluding weekends). Make sure to email me well in advance so you will get a response in time.

Readings:

Once we have settled on our reading list as a group, all readings will be uploaded to Canvas under Modules.

Schedule:

Wed., Aug. 31	Introduction No reading
Wed., Sep. 7	Presentations 1 & 2
Wed., Sep. 14	Presentations 3 & 4
Wed., Sep. 21	Presentations 5 & 6
Wed., Sep. 28	Presentations 7 & 8
Wed., Oct. 5	Presentations 9 & 10
Wed., Oct. 12	Presentations 11 & 12
Wed., Oct. 19	Presentations 13 & 14
Wed., Oct. 26	Presentations 15 & 16
Wed., Nov. 2	Presentations 17 & 18
Wed., Nov. 9	NO CLASS- Prof. Jenkin out of town

Wed., Nov. 16 TBA

Wed., Nov. 23 NO CLASS – Thanksgiving Break

Wed. Nov. 30 TBA

Wed. Dec. 7 End of semester party

University-Wide Policies

COVID-19 Health and Safety Protocols

Students experiencing symptoms consistent with COVID-19 or concerned about a possible exposure should contact Habif Health and Wellness Center (314 935-6666) to arrange for testing as indicated. If instructed by Habif to quarantine or isolate, students should notify their instructor as soon as possible by forwarding the email they received from Habif. Any accommodation needs for COVID-related absence not covered in an instructor's standard course policies should be discussed between the student and instructor.

While on campus, it is imperative that students follow all public health guidelines established to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission within our community. The full set of University protocols can be found at https://covid19.wustl.edu/health-safety/. This includes:

Strongly recommended masking in indoor spaces. Masking remains a valuable tool in the mitigation of COVID-19, particularly in light of new and emerging variants. Students and instructors are encouraged to treat requests to mask with care and consideration, keeping in mind that some individuals may be at a higher risk, caring for others at a higher risk, or feeling less comfortable in a mask-optional environment. Based on monitoring of regional and campus conditions, a mask requirement may be implemented as needed. For current masking policies, see the WashU Together website.

Students with disabilities for whom masked instructors or classmates create a communication barrier are encouraged to contact Disability Resources (www.disability.wustl.edu) or talk to their instructor for assistance in determining reasonable adjustments. Adjustments may involve amplification devices, captioning, or clear masks but will not allow for the disregard of mask policies should a requirement be in place.

Maintaining physical distancing as needed. While distancing requirements have been removed for vaccinated students, those who are not fully vaccinated are strongly encouraged, for their own health, to maintain a distance of 6 ft from others in the classroom. If you are not able to be vaccinated or have conditions that may put you at increased risk of failed immunity and classroom activities would bring you in frequent proximity to other students, contact your instructor to discuss alternatives.

Practicing healthy personal hygiene, including frequent handwashing with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds and/or using hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.

Reporting Sexual Assault or Harassment

If a student discusses or discloses an instance of sexual assault, sex discrimination, sexual harassment, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking, or if a faculty member otherwise observes or becomes aware of such an allegation, the faculty member will keep the information as private as possible, but as a faculty member of Washington University, they are required to immediately report it to the Department Chair or Dean or directly to Ms. Cynthia Copeland, the University's Associate Title IX Coordinator, at (314) 935-3411, cmcopeland@wustl.edu. Additionally, you can report incidents or complaints to the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards or by contacting WUPD at (314) 935-5555 or your local law enforcement agency. See https://titleix.wustl.edu/

Disability Resources (DR)

WashU supports the right of all enrolled students to an equitable educational opportunity, and strives to create an inclusive learning environment. In the event the physical or online environment results in barriers to the inclusion of a student due to a disability, they should notify the instructor as soon as possible.

Disabled students requiring adjustments to equitably complete expectations in this course should contact WashU's Disability Resources (DR), and engage in a process for determining and communicating reasonable accommodations. Because accommodations are not applied retroactively, DR recommends initiating requests prior to, or at the beginning of, the academic term to avoid delays in accessing accommodations once classes begin. Once established, responsibility for disability-related accommodations and access is shared by Disability Resources, faculty, and the student. Disability Resources: www.disability.wustl.edu; 3147-935-5970

Statement on Military Service Leave

Washington University recognizes that students serving in the U.S. Armed Forces and their family members may encounter situations where military service forces them to withdraw from a course of study, sometimes with little notice. Students may contact the Office of Military and Veteran Services at (314) 935-2609 or veterans@wustl.edu and their academic dean for guidance and assistance. See: https://veterans.wustl.edu/policies/policy-for-military-students/

Preferred Names and Gender Inclusive Pronouns

Washington University in St. Louis recognizes that many students prefer to use names other than their legal ones to identify themselves. In addition, in order to affirm each person's gender identity and lived experiences, it is important that we ask and check in with others about pronouns. This simple effort can make a profound difference in a person's experience of safety, respect, and support. See: https://students.wustl.edu/pronouns-information/, https://registrar.wustl.edu/student-records/ssn-name-changes/preferred-name/

Emergency Preparedness

Before an emergency, familiarize yourself with the building(s) that you frequent. Know the layout, including exit locations, stairwells and the Emergency Assembly Point (EAP). Review the "Quick Guide for Emergencies" that is found near the door in many classrooms and main lobby areas of buildings for specific emergency information and instructions. For additional Information and EAP maps, visit https://emergency.wustl.edu/. To ensure that you receive emergency notifications, make

sure your information and cell phone number is updated in SIS, and/or download the WashU Safe app and enable notifications.

To report an emergency:

Danforth Campus: (314) 935-5555

School of Medicine Campus: (314) 362-4357

North/West/South and Off Campus: 911 then (314) 935-5555

Academic Integrity

Effective learning, teaching and research all depend upon the ability of members of the academic community to trust one another and to trust the integrity of work that is submitted for academic credit or conducted in the wider arena of scholarly research. Such an atmosphere of mutual trust fosters the free exchange of ideas and enables all members of the community to achieve their highest potential.

In all academic work, the ideas and contributions of others must be appropriately acknowledged and work that is presented as original must be, in fact, original. Faculty, students and administrative staff all share the responsibility of ensuring the honesty and fairness of the intellectual environment at Washington University in St. Louis.

For additional details on the university-wide Undergraduate Academic Integrity policy, please see: https://www.tl.edu/about/compliance-policies/academic-policies/undergraduate-student-academic-integrity-policy/

Resources for Students

Confidential Resources for Instances of Sexual Assault, Sex Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, or Stalking

The University is committed to offering reasonable academic accommodations (e.g. a no-contact order, course changes) to students who are victims of relationship or sexual violence, regardless of whether they seek criminal or disciplinary action. If a student needs to explore options for medical care, protections, or reporting, or would like to receive individual counseling services, there are free, confidential support resources and professional counseling services available through the Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention (RSVP) Center. If you need to request such accommodations, please contact RSVP to schedule an appointment with a confidential and licensed counselor. Although information shared with counselors is confidential, requests for accommodations will be coordinated with the appropriate University administrators and faculty. The RSVP Center is located in Seigle Hall, Suite 435, and can be reached at rsvpcenter@wustl.edu or (314) 935-3445. For after-hours emergency response services, call (314) 935-6666 or (314) 935-5555 and ask to speak with an RSVP Counselor on call. See https://students.wustl.edu/relationship-sexual-violence-prevention-center/

Bias Report and Support System (BRSS)

The University has a process through which students, faculty, staff, and community members who have experienced or witnessed incidents of bias, prejudice, or discrimination against a student can report their experiences to the University's Bias Report and Support System (BRSS) team. See: https://students.wustl.edu/bias-report-system/

Mental Health Services

Mental Health Services' professional staff members work with students to resolve personal and interpersonal difficulties, many of which can affect a student's academic experience. These include conflicts with or worry about friends or family, concerns about eating or drinking patterns, and feelings of anxiety, depression, and thoughts of suicide. See https://students.wustl.edu/mental-health-services/

The Division of Student Affairs also offers a telehealth program to students called TimelyCare. While students are encouraged to visit the Habif Health and Wellness Center during business hours, this additional service also provides after-hours access to medical care and 24/7 access to mental telehealth care across the United States, with no cost at the time of your visit. Students who pay the Health and Wellness fee are eligible for this service. Additionally, see the mental health services offered through the RSVP Center listed above.

WashU Cares

WashU Cares specializes providing referrals and resources, both on, and off campus for mental health, medical health, financial and academic resources by using supportive case management. WashU Cares also receives reports on students who may need help connecting to resources or whom a campus partner is concerned about. If you are concerned about a student or yourself, you can file a report here: https://washucares.wustl.edu/

The Writing Center

The Writing Center offers free writing support to all Washington University undergraduate and graduate students. Staff members will work with students on any kind of writing project, including essays, writing assignments, personal statements, theses, and dissertations. They can help at any stage of the process, including brainstorming, developing and clarifying an argument, organizing evidence, or improving style. Instead of simply editing or proofreading papers, the tutors will ask questions and have a conversation with the writer about their ideas and reasoning, allowing for a higher order revision of the work. They will also spend some time looking at sentence level patterns to teach students to edit their own work. The Center is located in Mallinckrodt and open Sunday through Thursday from 11:00 am to 9:00 pm and Friday from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. Students are seen primarily by appointment, but walk-ins will be accepted as the schedule allows. Both in-person and online appointments are available. To make an appointment, go to www.writingcenter.wustl.edu.

The Learning Center

The Learning Center provides support programs, including course-specific mentoring and academic skills coaching (study and test-taking strategies, time management, etc.), that enhance undergraduate students' academic progress. Contact them at learningcenter@wustl.edu or ctl.wustl.edu/learningcenter to find out what support they may offer for your classes

The Center for Diversity and Inclusion (CDI)

The Center for Diversity and Inclusion (CDI) supports and advocates for undergraduate, graduate, and professional school students from underrepresented and/or marginalized populations, collaborates with campus and community partners, and promotes dialogue and social change to cultivate and foster a supportive campus climate for students of all backgrounds, cultures, and identities. See: https://diversityinclusion.wustl.edu/

Gephardt Institute

Students play an essential role in a vibrant and functioning democracy! In addition to the November 2022 midterm elections, state and local elections will take place throughout the year and have a direct impact on our communities. You can register to vote, request an absentee ballot, confirm your polling location, and get Election Day reminders at http://www.nt.turbovote.org for any of the 50 states and Washington D.C. WashU students are considered Missouri residents, and eligible student voters can register to vote in the state of Missouri or their home state. The deadline to register to vote in Missouri in this year's midterm election is **Wednesday**, **October 12**, **2022**. The election will take place on **Tuesday**, **November 8**, **2022**. If you are ineligible to vote, you can participate by encouraging your friends to register and vote, engaging your peers in local issues, and taking part in other civic and community engagement activities. For more resources on voting and other civic and community engagement opportunities, please visit http://washuvotes.wustl.edu and http://washuvotes.wustl.edu and http://gephardtinstitute.wustl.edu/