

GOVT 2306 Texas Government (Texas Const**Instructor:**

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Catalogue Description

Origin and development of the Texas constitution,,structure and powers of state and local,government, federalism and inter-governmental,relations, political participation, the election,process, public policy, and the political culture,of Texas.

Term:

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Format of Term:

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End of Course Outcomes:**Measurable Learning Outcomes:**

- (1) Explain the origin and development of the Texas constitution.
- (2) Demonstrate an understanding of state and local political systems and their relationship with the federal government.
- (3) Describe separation of powers and checks and balances in both theory and practice in Texas.
- (4) Demonstrate knowledge of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of Texas government.
- (5) Evaluate the role of public opinion, interest groups, and political parties in Texas.
- (6) Analyze the state and local election process.
- (7) Describe the rights and responsibilities of citizens.
- (8) Analyze issues, policies, and political culture of Texas.

Evaluation System:

Grading:

10 Quizzes @ 20 points each	200 points
2 Unit Exams @ 100 Points each	200 points
1 Final Exam @ 200 points each	200 points
1 PowerPoint @ 200 points each	200 points
	800 total points

Course Schedule/Topics

- Quiz 2 Texas Constitutions (MLO 1,2,3)
- Quiz 3 Texas Legislature (MLO 3,4)
- Quiz 4 Texas Governors (MLO 3,4)
- Quiz 5 The Plural Executive (MLO 3,4)
- Quiz 6 Texas Judiciary (MLO 3, 4, 7)
- Quiz 7 Texas Sized Justice (MLO 8)
- Quiz 8 Campaigns and Elections (MLO 6,7)
- Quiz 9 Political Parties (MLO 5,6)
- Quiz 10 Organized Interests (MLO 5)
- Quiz 11 Local Government (MLO 2)

Marketable Skills***Critical Thinking******Communication******Social Responsibility******Personal Responsibility***