

Rhodes College  
**INTS 281: GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF WESTERN EUROPE (12:30-1:45)**  
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Geography Quiz	10	"	D+ = 201-209"
			D = 189-200 "
Oral presentation	30	"	D- = 180-188
			F = 179 "

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TOTAL 300 points

**Required Texts:**

M. D. Hancock et al. (H)*Politics in Europe*, 6<sup>th</sup> ed. CQ Press, 2015.

Mathew Carr (C)*Fortress Europe*, The New Press, 2016.

George Friedman (F)*Flashpoints*, Anchor Books, 2016.

**A Tentative Reading and Discussion Schedule**

Week of Aug. 30

The comparative method  
Lecture; H Introduction

Week of Sep 6 *I will be absent this week so please read the first 7 chapters of F, turn in a 1.5 page synopsis, and be prepared to discuss it in class the following week.*

What is Europe?  
Lecture F Part I

Week of Sep. 13

Britain (Institutions)  
H Chs. 1.11.3

Week of Sep. 20

Britain (Parties and Elections)  
H Ch. 1.4 F Part II

Week of Sep 27

Britain (Policy)  
Lecture; H Ch. 1.5  
**Geography Quiz: Sep. 27**

Week of Oct. 4

Germany (Parties and Elections)  
H Chs. 3.13.2; F Part III

Week of Oct. 11

Germany (Institutions and Policy)  
H Chs. 3.33.5  
**Exam 1: Oct. 11**

Week of Oct.18

France (History and Parties)

H Chs. 2.1; F Afterword

Week of Oct. 25

France (Elections)

H Chs. 2.22.3

Week of Nov. 1

France (Policy)

H Chs. 2.42.5

*Oral presentations*

Week of Nov.8

Sweden (Parties and Elections)

H Chs. 5.15.3;

*Oral presentations*

Week of Nov. 15

Sweden (Policy)

H Chs. 5.45.5; C Part I

*Oral presentations*

Week of Nov. 29

EU: Origins and Institutions

H Chs. 8.18.5; C Part II

**Paper due Nov. 29**

Week of Dec. 6

Russia and the Future of Europe

H Chs. 6.16.5; C Epilogue/Afterword

**Final Exam Dec. 14**

I am looking forward to working with you this term. Please do not hesitate to ask me any questions. Good luck!