

Annotated Bibliography for LAS 6291: Influencing Conservation and Development Policy

Political Science Theory:

Doron, Gideon and Itai Sened. 2001. Political Bargaining: Theory, Practice and Process. Sage Publications, London.

Political bargaining is a set of rules, plus rules about how you change the rules.

Formal political theory (game theory):

Players: difference of interests, time factor

Evolution from “primitive state of nature” to “civil society” represents a bargained social contract.

Differences between parliamentary and presidential systems:

- Elections
- Legislative bargaining
- Post-electoral bargaining

Denhardt, Robert B. 2008. Theories of Public Organization.

Good historical and philosophical background

Public Administration – Public Service

Politics – Administration

Allan J. Cigler and Burdett A. Loomis, eds. 2007. Interest group politics

Chapters 8-9: Interest group money in elections

Chapter 7: religious groups and elections.

Chapter 11 (pp 256-278): Corporate lobbying – worth using in course. Presents lobbying as a 2-stage process: coalitions of businesses work together to set an agenda and pass a policy that is collectively positive; then lobbyists for individual corporations work to get more narrow, “private goods” policies passes.

Chapter 12: case study of AARP, it’s identity, relations with members, how it influences policy, etc.

Conclusions chapter (pp 433-453) summarizes inter-relationship between 3 major political institutions at national level: interest groups, political parties, Congress. This chapter, and book overall, focus on how different interest groups influence specific policy sectors (e.g. role of business’ campaign contributions, role of ethnic groups in foreign policy vis-à-vis their home country, etc.).

Wilson, James Q. 1974. Political Organizations.

Considered a classic; has been updated.

Heinemann, Political Science.

Chap 4-6: philosophies; liberal, Marx, conservative

Chap 10: political parties (comparative systems of government)

Chap 11: overview different philosophical and scholarly approaches – nothing “operational” (do not assign)

Chap 12: Good international comparisons of government systems; read as background for Chap 13

Chap 13: Bureaucracy (could read together with Panarchy chapter)

These 3 readings make a good unit on “how to work in a bureaucracy” or how to interact with and influence bureaucracy

Bureaucracies:

Thomas, 2003. Bureaucratic Landscapes.

Differences between NPS and BLM in terms of different kinds of bureaucratic pressures and how they responded.

Science Libe and eBook.

Holling. Panarchy

Gunderson, Lance and Holling, CS. Chapter 13, The Devil in the Dynamics, Adaptive Management on the Front Lines. Pages: 333-360

The political reality of a conservation bureaucrat.

Role of Environmental Movement in Policy:

Speth, James Gustave. 2008. The Bridge at the End of the World.

See Chapter 3 (pp 67-88): The Limits of Today's Environmentalism.

Building the Next Ark: How NGOs work to Protect Biodiversity.

Duffy, Robert J 2003. The Green Agenda in American Politics

Pages: 172-195. Environmental Ballot Initiatives

Role of International NGOs:

Keck, Margaret. 1998. Activists Beyond Borders

Pages: 121-163. Keck, Margaret and Sikkink, Kathryn. Environmental Advocacy Networks

The Struggle for Accountability

Pages: 51-79. Wirth, David. Ch.2 Partnership Advocacy in World Bank environmental reform.

Framing

George Lakoff, 2006. Thinking points : communicating our American values and vision: a progressive's handbook. Farrar, Strauss and Giroux, New York.

George Lakoff, 200X. Don't Think of an Elephant!: Know your values and frame the debate. PP 3-14 give a good overview of framing.

Lakoff is a cognitive scientist and has a strong progressive perspective. "Biconceptuals" versus a mythical "center". Authenticity. Communicating values more important than specific policy positions. Family as operative metaphor for government: Strict father vs. nurturant parent models.

Gray, Barbara Making Sense of Intractable Environmental Conflicts

Chapter 1. Framing of Environmental Disputes

Brechin, Steven, Wilshusen, Peter, Fortwangler, Crystal and West, Patrick. 2003. Contested Nature

Pages: 251-270. The Road Less Traveled. Concluding chapter.

Communications:

Cox, Robert. 2006. Environmental communication and the public sphere. Sage Publications, Inc. Thousand Oaks, California.

Pp 20-28, actors / spheres

Chap 3, public participation. Exercise pg. 106, attend and observe a public hearing.

Chap 5, Media and journalism
Chap 7, Advocacy and Campaigns
Chap 9, Science. Symbolic legitimacy
Chap 10, Corporate campaigns.

Jacobson, Susan. 1999. Communication Skills for Conservation Professionals.

Negotiation:

Harvard Law: www.pon.org/catalog/index.php?cPath=27

e.g. Lake Wasota 6-party negotiation

http://www.pon.org/catalog/product_info.php?cPath=27&products_id=53

Lewicki, Roy; Gray, Barbara; Elliott, Michael. 2003. Making Sense of Intractable Environmental Conflicts
Gray, Barbara Chapter 1. Framing of Environmental Disputes.