### COURSE INFORMATION

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<td>DAYS: Tuesdays</td>
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### GRAHAM SCHOOL INFORMATION

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### PREREQUISITES

None

### ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students should register before the course begins. In order to earn a certificate, students should attend at least 6 classes of each regular Basic Program course.

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Year 1 Spring Seminar focuses on ideas of human nature and how that is manifested in politics.

### REQUIRED TEXTS

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| Week 1  
Date: March 29 | Machiavelli | *The Prince*: Introduction |
| Week 2  
Date: April 5 | Machiavelli | *The Prince*: chs. I-XI (1-11) |
| Week 3  
Date: April 12 | Machiavelli | *The Prince*: chs. XII-XXVI (12-26) |
| Week 4  
Date: April 19 | Hobbes | *Leviathan*: Introduction and Book One, Chapters 1-6 (theory of the faculties); 10, 11, 13, and 14 (theory of power) (pp. 9-46 [skim]; 62-75) |
| Week 5  
Date: April 26 | Hobbes | *Leviathan*: Part One, Chapters 13 and 14; Part Two, Chapters 17, 18, and 21 (pp. 86-100; 117-129; 145-154) |
| Week 6  
Date: May 3 | Kant | *Grounding for a Metaphysics of Morals*: Preface and First Section (pp. 7-17) |
| Week 7  
Date: May 10 | Kant | *Grounding for a Metaphysics of Morals*: Second Section (pp. 19-48) |
| Week 8  
Date: May 17 | Kant | *Grounding for a Metaphysics of Morals*: Third Section (pp. 49-62) |
| Week 9  
Date: May 24 | Conrad | *Heart of Darkness* (pp. 1-96) |
| Week 10  
Date: May 31 | Conrad | *Heart of Darkness* (concluding discussion) |

This syllabus is a summary of course objectives and content, not a contract. All information in this syllabus is subject to change, with sufficient advance notice provided by the instructor.

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As we may be addressing controversial topics in our class discussions, we expect students to be respectful and considerate of others.

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