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DOMESTIC SOCIAL POLICY

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Most all of the other readings will be in the reserve book room or on the web.

Course requirements:   There are two quizzes (October 13 and November 15), each worth 30 percent of the final grade. A final paper (due December 13) will count for 40 percent of the grade. There is no final examination.

1. The Scope of Policy Analysis (9/1 - 9/6)
   Okun, *Equality and Efficiency*, Ch. 2 ("The Case for the Market")
   Wildavsky, *Speaking Truth to Power* Ch. 7 (especially pp. 174-181)

2. Making Policy Decisions (9/8)
   Lindblom, "The Science of Muddling Through"

3. The Commitment to Reduce Poverty (9/13 - 9/22)
   Heclo, “Poverty Politics” *Understanding Poverty*, Chs. 1, 6
   Bane and Ellwood, *Welfare Realities* Ch.5
   Holcombe, "AFDC's Formative Years (1935-1960)"

4. Definition of the Problem (9/27 - 10/11)
   Wilson, *When Work Disappears* Chs. 6,7
   Banfield, *The Unheavenly City Revisited* Ch. 3
   Banfield, *The Unheavenly City* Ch. 6
   Bane and Ellwood, Ch 3
   Mead, *The New Politics of Poverty*, Ch. 3,4
   Mead, *The New Paternalism*, Chs. 9,10
   Levitan, *Programs in Aid of the Poor* pp 1-18

FIRST QUIZ 10/13

5. The "Causes" of Poverty (10/20 - 10/27)
   Wilson, *When Work Disappears* Chs. 1-5
   Sowell, *Markets and Minorities* Ch. 2
   Jacobs, *The Political Economy of Organizational Change*, pp. 1-8, 153-158
   Katz, *The Undeserving Poor* pp. 9-35
   Jencks, *Rethinking Social Policy*, Ch. 4
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Mead, Misunderstanding Poverty
Levitan, Programs in Aid of the Poor  pp. 19-26

6. Programs to Combat Poverty  (11/1-11/13)
   Levitan, Programs in Aid of the Poor, Chs. 2-5

7. The Impact of Transfers (11/8 - 11/10)

SECOND QUIZ 11/15

8. Rethinking and Reform (11/17 - 11/22)
   Bane and Ellwood, Chs. 1, 2, 4, 5
   Sawhill, "Poverty and the Underclass" pp. 215-230
   Mead, The New Paternalism  Chs 2-4
   Jencks, Rethinking Social Policy Chs. 5,6
   Understanding Poverty, Chs. 2 - 4, 8, 9 (skim)
   McLanahan, "Consequences of Single Motherhood"
   http://www.prospect.org/web/page.ww?section=root&name=ViewPrint&articleId=5064

   Wilson, Ch. 8
   Levitan, Programs in Aid of the Poor, Ch 7

   2004 Green Book, Section 7
   Mead, The New Paternalism  Ch. 8
   Bane, Welfare Reform as We Might Know It
   http://www.prospect.org/web/page.ww?section=root&name=ViewPrint&articleId=4857
   Sawhill, Welfare Reform and Beyond, Chs 1 – 18 and skim Chs 19 - 23
   Understanding Poverty, Ch.7 (to page 261)
   http://www.thepublicinterest.com

POLICY ANALYSIS PROBLEM DISTRIBUTED 12/1

POLICY ANALYSIS DUE 12/13

* The Green Book can be accessed on the web at: