STATE AND MARKET FORMATION

Political Science 474
Winter 2004
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Pick 502

Last part of course will be designed collectively around student interests.
Course requirement: Option A = weekly book reports [one book per week]. Option B = bibliographical paper critically reviewing all of one week’s readings, due week of discussion. Option C = original research paper [individually negotiated with teacher]. Class participation, evidencing weekly reading, counts in final grade.

Week 1. Introduction and Planning session

John Padgett and Woody Powell, “Introduction Chapter (first draft) to Economic Transformations and Trajectories.” http://home.uchicago.edu/~jpadgett/

Week 2. Renaissance Florence: a social-network perspective

Gene Brucker, Renaissance Florence.
Raymond de Roover, The Rise and Decline of the Medici Bank, 1397-1494.


Existing State-building Theories:

Week 3. Neo-Marxian and Elite-theory perspectives

Barrington Moore, Social Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy.
Perry Anderson, Lineages of the Absolutist State.
Immanuel Wallerstein, The Modern World-System, volumes I & II.
Theda Skocpol, States and Social Revolutions.
Richard Lachmann, Capitalists in Spite of Themselves.
Week 4. Bellicists and Market Determinists

Charles Tilly (ed.), The Formation of National States in Western Europe.
Thomas Ertman, Birth of the Leviathan.

Fernand Braudel, The Perspective of the World. (Civilization & Capitalism, vol. 3)
Hendrik Spruyt, The Sovereign State and its Competitors.
Giovanni Arrighi, The Long Twentieth Century.
Douglass C. North, Structure and Change in Economic History.

Week 5. Culturalists

Norbert Elias, Power and Civility.
Michel Foucault, Discipline and Punish.
Philipp Gorksi, The Disciplinary Revolution.


Historical Applications/Dynamics: [subject to change]

Week 6. England: State, Market and Empire

Richard Lachmann, From Manor to Market.
Robert Brenner, Merchants and Revolution.
Lawrence Stone, The Crisis of the Aristocracy.
Philip Corrigan and Derek Sayer, The Great Arch: English State Formation as Cultural Revolution.

Bruce Carruthers, City of Capital.
Albert O. Hirschman, The Passions and the Interests.

Week 7. American Political-Economic Development

Richard Bensel, Yankee Leviathan.
Elizabeth Sanders, Roots of Reform.
Stephen Skowronek, Building a New American State.
Daniel Carpenter, The Forging of Bureaucratic Autonomy.
Elisabeth S. Clemens, The People’s Lobby.
Alfred D. Chandler, The Visible Hand.
Neil Fligstein, The Transformation of Corporate Control.
Ellis W. Hawley, The New Deal and the Problem of Monopoly.

Week 8. China

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Week 9. Colonialism, esp. India

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Week 10. Communism and post-Communism: Russia and Eastern Europe

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