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**CLASS INTRODUCTION
& THE SUPREME COURT**

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OUR COURSE

- **General Education**
 - Aesthetics and Humanities
- **University Writing Requirement**
- **Difference, Power, & Discrimination**
- **Philosophy, Politics, & Economics**
- **Public Administration**
- **Blackboard**
 - Syllabus
 - Calendar
 - Readings
- **Texts**
 - Articles and chapters
 - Supreme Court cases
 - Hollywood movies
- **Monday movies**

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LEARNING OUTCOMES

- **Course content**
- **Race**
- **Gender**
- **Class**
- **Sexual orientation**
- **Citizenship**
- **Privacy**
- **Constitutional law**



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MEANS OF ASSESSMENT

- Grades
- Assessment of you
- Assessment of me
- Three take-home essay exams (20% each)
- Analytical paper (30%)
- Portfolio of movie papers (10%)

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THE CONSTITUTION

- History
- Written document
- Bill of Rights
- Supreme Court
- Judicial review
- Certiorari
 - “Rule of Four”
- Supreme Court opinions

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THE SUPREME COURT

- Nine Justices
- The Chief Justice
- The Opinion of the Court
- Concurring opinions
- Dissenting opinions
- Political jurisprudence
- Politics and the Court



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