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A Prospectus of Courses in
POLITICAL BEHAVIOR

I. The courses listed below are deemed to provide an adequate presentation of materials in political behavior for students on the senior college level and in advanced study. They aim to give to students of political science additional training in the analysis of political change and to make sociology and psychology a part of their thought and work.

II. The contemplated offering:

A. Basic factors in political behavior would normally be introduced to all students as part of the Elements of Political Science sequence.

B. On the Senior College level, there would be offered a three quarter sequence consisting of the following principal elements:

1. Personality in Political movements: in the community, on the national scene, and in international politics.

2. The Electorate; elections, representation, voting behavior.

3. The legislative and administrative process; informal methods of policymaking and policy-execution.

C. On the graduate level, seminars on:

1. Basic Factors in Political Behavior

2. Electoral Behavior

3. Personality Patterns in Politics

4. Psychological factors in International Relations

5. Administrative behavior

6. The Legislative Process

III. A possible schedule for handling such a program would be:

Winter, 1948 -9

Seminar on Basic Factors in Political Behavior

Spring, 1948 -9

Seminar on the Electorate

Autumn, 1949-50

Political Behavior sequence; Seminar on Basic Factors*

Winter, 1949-50

Political Behavior sequence; Seminar on Electorate*

Spring, 1949-50

Political Behavior sequence; Seminar on Personality Patterns in Politics*

*For 1949-50, these would be taught by Professor McClosky under the already-scheduled seminar designated as "Political Power." Afterwards, they would be designated separately as "Political Behavior."

Depending on the staff having time, the remaining three seminars on "Psychological Factors in International Relations," "Administrative Behavior," and "The Legislative Process," would begin in 1951-52, by which time the teaching of "Political Behavior" seminar sequence would again fall to Professor McClosky and Professor deGrazia would be enabled to present them.

IV. Inas ^{much} as the last three seminars probably would not materialize for three years, it might be wise to postpone their consideration at this moment.