Environmental Politics
PUP 6208
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SYLLABUS

REQUIREMENTS:
Participation: 10%
3 Short Essays: 10% (each)
Presentation 10%
Research Paper 50%

BOOKS:

Worster	*Rivers of Empire*
Nash (1)	*American Environmentalism* (3rd)
Nash (2)	*Wilderness and the American Mind* (4th)
Vig and Kraft	*Environmental Policy* (7th)
Beck	*World Risk Society*

SCHEDULE:

Date	Topic	Readings
8/20	Intro	
8/27	Hydraulic Politics	Worster (All)
9/3	No Class (Labor Day)	
9/10	Early American Experience	Nash 1(Part 1)
9/17	The Progressives	Nash 1 (Part 2) Nash 2 (Ch. 2, 3 & 8)
9/24	The New Deal	Nash 1 (Part 3) Nash 2 (Ch. 11)
10/1	Ecology	Nash 1 (Part 4) Nash 2 (Ch. 13)
10/8	Contemporary Issues	Nash 1 (Part 5) Nash 2 (Ch. 15) Vig (Part 1)
10/15	Institutions	Vig (Part 2)
10/22	Policy Making	Vig (Part 3)

10/29	Global Issues	Vig (Parts 4 & 5) Nash 2 (Ch. 16)
11/5	Cosmopolitanism	Beck (Ch. 1-4)
11/12	No Class (Holiday)	
11/19	Risk Society	Beck (Ch. 5-7)
11/26	Research Presentations	
12/1	Research Presentations	

FIRST ESSAY

Describe Wittfogel's theory of hydraulic societies. Describe Worster's updated theory that he argues applies to the western U.S. What do you think are the strengths and weaknesses of these theories?

Papers must be typed and double-spaced in 12 point font.
Papers must not exceed 1200 words.
Papers must include a word count.
Papers are due on Monday 8/27/12 at 6 PM.