

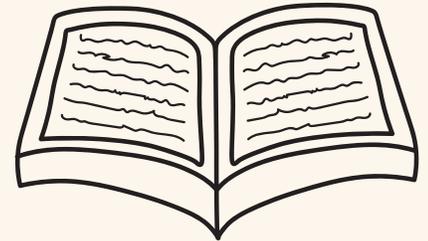
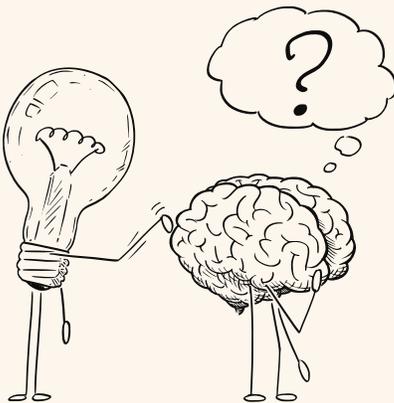
POLSC 400

Political Inquiry and Analysis

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MWF 9:30-10:20 A.M.



This is the most important class in our major. You will learn to ask research questions, develop theories, specify testable hypothesis, and design research capable of telling you if you are wrong. I am particularly interested in causal inference and will share this increasingly important skill with you. You will also learn about the political science discipline, how to compose research papers, and to communicate your work effectively. I'll teach you how to so that you can read them and understand their messages. But know that this is about much more than that. This class is not about writing academic articles. This is not a class about statistics or any other method. It's about knowledge, beliefs, values, and truth, and why the differences between them matter.