Reading List
General Field Exam
POLITICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIOLOGY

1. Classics
   a. Marx, 18th Brumaire
   b. Tocqueville, Ancient Regime and the French Revolution
   c. Idem, Democracy in America
   d. Weber, “The Types of Legitimate Domination”; “Class, Status, Party”
   e. Gramsci, Prison Notebooks
   f. Michels, Iron Law of Oligarchy
   g. DuBois, The Souls of Black Folk
   h. C. Wright Mills, The Power Elite
   i. Seymour Martin Lipset, Political Man
   j. Fanon, Black Skin, White Masks
   k. Michel Foucault, Discipline and Punish
   l. Pierre Bourdieu, “Classification Struggles”

2. States
   a. Norbert Elias, The Civilizing Process
   b. Charles Tilly, Coercion, Capital and European States
   c. Julia Adams, The Familial State
   d. Philip Gorski, The Disciplinary Revolution

3. Revolutions
   a. Theda Skocpol, States and Social Revolutions
   d. William Sewell, “Historical Events as Transformations of Structure”

4. Empires
   a. Karen Barkey, Empire of Difference
   b. George Steinmetz, The Devil’s Handwriting
   c. Carl Schmitt, The Nomos of the Earth
   d. Julian Go, Patterns of Empire

5. Democratization
   b. Moore, Social Origins of Democracy and Dictatorship
   c. Linz and Stepan, Problems of Democratic Transition
   d. Inglehart and Weizel, Modernization, Cultural Change and Democracy.

6. Capitalism
   c. Kenneth Pomeranz, The Great Divergence
   d. Eyal, Szelenyi, and Townsley, Making Capitalist Without Capitalists
   e. The Brenner Debate
   f. Max Weber, The Protestant Ethic
7. Welfare States
   a. Esping-Andersen, The Three Worlds of Welfare Capitalism
   b. Jill Quadagno, The Color of Welfare
   c. O'Connor, Orloff and Shaver, States, Markets, Families
   d. Chad Goldberg, Citizens and Paupers

8. Collective Action and Social Movements
   a. McAdam, Political Process and Black Insurgency
   b. Mancur Olsen, The Logic of Collective Action
   c. James Jasper, The Art of Moral Protest
   d. Sidney Tarrow, Power in Movement

9. Civil Society and Political Culture
   a. Jeffrey Alexander, The Civil Sphere
   b. Laclau and Mouffe, Hegemony and Socialist Strategy
   c. Robert Putnam, Bowling Alone
   d. Robert Bellah et al, Habits of the Heart