

Political Revolutions: Origins and Consequences

Course #	20SPO
Format:	Seminar
Moderator:	Rich Hamilton
Date and Time:	Thursday, 10:00 - Noon 10 weeks, starting Feb. 27, 2020
Location:	Smith College Lilly Hall, room 308
Maximum number of participants:	16
Auditors accepted:	Yes, up to 2

Purpose: The seminar will attempt to explain how various types of revolutions have changed the way people, nations, and civilizations perceive themselves and interact with one another.

Description: In addition to the origins and consequences of well-known revolutions such as the English, American, French and Soviet, lesser known revolutions, for example, the Japanese Meiji Restoration, the Protestant Reformation, and Latin American revolutions will be examined.

Role of participants: Participants will each make a presentation of approximately 30 minutes followed by a group discussion.

Resources: Strongly recommended: Crane Brinton, *The Anatomy of Revolution* (any edition). Optional: Hannah Arendt, *On Revolution* (suggested).

About the Moderator: The moderator taught college level European history for many years, and has moderated several seminars.