

READINGS:

**Required texts:**

Bimber, Bruce. *Information and American Democracy: Technology in the Evolution of Political Power*. Cambridge, MA: Cambridge University Press, 2003.

ISBN: 0521804922.

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Foote, Kirsten and Steven Schneider. *Web Campaigning*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2006.

ISBN: 0262562200.

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Howard, Philip. *New Media Campaigns and the Managed Citizen*. Cambridge, MA: Cambridge University Press, 2005.

ISBN: 0521612276.

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**Recommended texts:**

Benhabib, Seyla, ed. *Democracy and Difference: Contesting the Boundaries of the Political*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1995.

ISBN: 0691044791.

[WorldCat](#)

Dewey, John. *The Public and Its Problems*. Athens, OH: Swallow Press, 1954 (org. 1927).

ISBN: 0804002541.

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Latour, Bruno and Peter Weibel, eds. *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2005.

ISBN: 0262122790.

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## **Class #1: Introduction and Overview – No assigned readings**

### **Class #2: Models of Democracy**

Jurgen Habermas, "Three Normative Models of Democracy," in Seyla Benhabib, ed. *Democracy and Difference: Contesting the Boundaries of the Political* (Princeton University Press: Princeton NJ, 1996), pp 21-30.

Joshua Cohen, "Procedure and Substance in Deliberative Democracy," in Seyla Benhabib, ed. *Democracy and Difference: Contesting the Boundaries of the Political* (Princeton University Press: Princeton NJ, 1996), pp 95-119.

Iris Marion Young, "Communication and the Other: Beyond Deliberative Democracy," in Seyla Benhabib, ed. *Democracy and Difference: Contesting the Boundaries of the Political* (Princeton University Press: Princeton NJ, 1996), pp 120-135.

Michael Schudson, "Why Conversation is Not the Soul of Democracy," *Critical Studies in Mass Communication* 14 (1997), pp 297-309.

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Chantal Mouffe, "Deliberative democracy or agonistic pluralism?" *Social Research* 66:3 (1999), pp 745-758.

[WorldCat](#)

Benjamin Barber, "Three scenarios for the future of technology and strong Democracy," *Political Science Quarterly* 113(4), pp 573-589.

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### **Class #3: Publics, Social Capital, and Democratic Things**

Walter Lippman, "The World Outside and the Pictures in Our Heads," in *Public Opinion* (Free Press: New York, 1997 (org. 1922)), pp 3-20.

[WorldCat](#)

John Dewey, "The Eclipse of the Public," and "Search for the Great Community," in *The Public and its Problems* (Ohio University Press: Athens OH, 1954 (org. 1927)), pp 110-184.

Noortje Marres, "Issues Spark a Public into Being: A Key But Often Forgotten Point of the Lippmann-Dewey Debate," in Bruno Latour and Peter Weibel, eds. *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy* (MIT Press: Cambridge MA, 2005), pp 208-217.

Robert Putnam, "Thinking About Social Change in America," in *Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community* (Simon & Schuster: New York, 2000), pp 15-28.

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Paul Resnick, "Beyond Bowling Together: SocioTechnical Capital," in John Carroll, ed. *HCI in the New Millennium* (Addison-Wesley: New York, 2002), pp 247-272.

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Plus, one of the following:

Robert Putnam and Lewis Feldstein, "Valley Interfaith: 'The Most Dangerous Thing We Do Is Talk to Our Neighbors'" in *Better Together: Restoring the American Community* (Simon and Schuster: New York, 2003), pp 11-33.

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OR

"Branch Libraries: The Heartbeat of the Community" in *Better Together: Restoring the American Community* (Simon and Schuster: New York, 2003), pp 34-54.

OR

"Craigslist.org: Is Virtual Community Real?" in *Better Together: Restoring the American Community* (Simon and Schuster: New York, 2003), pp 225-240.

#### **Class #4: Information, Power, and Political Engagement**

Bruce Bimber, *Information and American Democracy: Technology in the Evolution of Political Power* (Cambridge University Press: Cambridge, 2003), pp 1-25, 89-109, 197-249.

#### **Class #5: Information Technology, Campaigns, and Political Culture**

Philip Howard, *New Media Campaigns and the Managed Citizen* (Cambridge University Press: Cambridge 2005), 43-142 and 170-204.

Kirsten Foote and Steven Schneider, *Web Campaigning* (MIT Press: Cambridge MA, 2006), 18-24 and 45-155.

#### **Class #6: Designing for Democracy**

Monique Girard and David Stark, "Sociotechnologies of Assembly: Sense-Making and Demonstration in Rebuilding Lower Manhattan," in *Governance and Information: The Rewiring of Governing and Deliberation in the 21st Century*, David Lazer and Viktor Mayer-Schoenberger, eds. (forthcoming, 2007).

Robert Luskin, James Fishkin and Shanto Iyengar, "Considered Opinions on U.S. Foreign Policy: Face-to-Face versus Online Deliberation," (2006).

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James Fishkin, Baogang He, Robert Luskin, and Alice Siu, "Deliberative Democracy in an Unlikely Place: Deliberative Polling in China," (2006).

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Plus, please browse several of the below projects:

Richard Aczel, Marton Fernezelyi, Robert Koch, and Zoltan Szegedy-Maszak, "Reflections on a Table," in Bruno Latour and Peter Weibel, eds. *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy* (MIT Press: Cambridge MA, 2005), pp 204-205.

Andrew Barry and Lucy Kimbell, "Pindices," in Bruno Latour and Peter Weibel, eds. *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy* (MIT Press: Cambridge MA, 2005), pp 872-873.

Futurefarmers, "Communiculture," in Bruno Latour and Peter Weibel, eds. *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy* (MIT Press: Cambridge MA, 2005), pp 874-875

Michel Jaffrenou and Thierry Coduys, "Mission Impossible: Giving Flesh to the Phantom Public," in Bruno Latour and Peter Weibel, eds. *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy* (MIT Press: Cambridge MA, 2005), pp 218-221.

Warren Sack, "Agonistics: A Language Game," in Bruno Latour and Peter Weibel, eds. *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy* (MIT Press: Cambridge MA, 2005), pp 966-969.

Tom Furstner, "Narrative Device IV," in Bruno Latour and Peter Weibel, eds. *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy* (MIT Press: Cambridge MA, 2005), pp 898-899.

Margit Rosen, "The Chronofile-Society," in Bruno Latour and Peter Weibel, eds. *Making Things Public: Atmospheres of Democracy* (MIT Press: Cambridge MA, 2005), pp 936-941.