

**(POS 3703) Research Methods in Political Science  
Spring 2020**

**Assignment 1:  
Journals and Research in Political Science  
(20 points)**

**Due Friday, 31 January at 10:00 (in Canvas)**

Each student has been assigned a year and volume in which they are to research the following journals: *American Political Science Review (APSR)* and *American Journal of Political Science*.

Responses must be typewritten and submitted via Canvas on the due date/time shown above. After that, assignments receive a 0. I will not accept emailed assignments. Students will turn in their answers to the assignment with a copy of the table of contents for both journals. Each answer is worth 10 points.

For *APSR*, you will research the following question:

1. What percentage of articles in the journal involves issues in the subfield of American politics, comparative politics, international relations, political theory, public administration/public policy and methodology? Are there any articles which you are unable to place within these subfields and if so, please identify them. To answer this question, show which articles (by title) you place in each of the subfields and then calculate a percentage.

For *AJPS*, you will research the following question:

2. What percentage of articles in the journal involves issues in the subfield of American politics, comparative politics, international relations, political theory, public administration/public policy and methodology? Are there any articles which you are unable to place within these subfields and if so, please identify them. To answer this question, show which articles (by title) you place in each of the subfields and then calculate a percentage.