**JMMZ092 BRITISH LIBERALISM IN A EUROPEAN CONTEXT**

Charles University, Prague

**Summer Term 2016**

Course Lecturer: Dr Alan Butt Philip (University of Bath)

Lecture and Seminar times:

Session 1:

Wednesday March 8th (12:30-13:50 and 15:30-16.50);

Thursday March 9th (9:00-11:30 and 13:30-16:00)

Session 2:

Wednesday April 6th (12:30-13:50 and 15:30-16.50)

Thursday April 7th (9:00-11:30 and 13:30-16:00)

Location: Rytířská 31, Room 201

6 ECTS

Requirements

1. Essay 1.800 words (choose one among several topics proposed by the lecturer). To be sent to jan.vaska@fsv.cuni.cz by 31 May 2016 (80 per cent of overall mark)
2. Class attendance and active participation in seminars (20 per cent).

Programme:

**Session 1**

***Class 1: Wednesday 9 March, 12:30 - 13.50***

Lecture 1: The origins of the Liberal tradition in the UK.

***Class 2: Wednesday 9 March, 15:30 - 16:50***

Lecture 2: The formation of the Liberal Party

Seminar 1: Church and State: British Liberalism compared with other European Liberals

***Class 3: Thursday 10 March, 9:00 - 11:30***

 Lecture 3: John Stuart Mill and social liberalism

 Seminar 2: Free Trade and Ireland

Seminar 3: Liberalism, Nationalism and Internationalism

***Class 4: Thursday 10 March, 13:30 - 16.00***

Lecture 4: Liberals and Labour

Seminar 4: Keynes, Lloyd George and the New Liberalism

**Session 2**

***Class 5: Wednesday 6 April, 12:30 - 13.50***

Lecture 5: The Liberal Party after 1945

***Class 6: Wednesday 6 April, 15:30 - 16:50***

Seminar 5: William Beveridge and the Welfare State

***Class 7: Thursday 7 April, 9:00 -1 1.30***

Lecture 6: Liberals and Social Democrats from 1980 to 2010

Seminar 6: Post-1945 Liberals and European integration

***Class 6: Thursday 7 April, 13:30 – 16:00***

Lecture 7: Liberal Democrats in Coalition and afterwards

Seminar 7: What did the Liberal Democrats achieve in government? Can they survive?

Seminar 8: The debacle over Tuition fees

Contact:

For any questions feel free to contact the course administrator at FSV, Jan Váška (IMS, Department of European Studies), at *jan.vaska@fsv.cuni.cz*

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**British Liberalism in a European context – Readings**

**First session (March 9 and 10) – Recommended**

Richard Bellamy ­ Liberalism and Modern Society (1992) –

Chapter 1 – Britain: Liberalism Defined (pp 9­57)

Duncan Brack, Robert Ingham and Tony Little (eds.) ­ British

Liberal Leaders (Biteback Publications, 2015)

Alan Butt Philip – John Stuart Mill and Modern Liberalism (2006)

Roy Douglas – Liberals: The History of the Liberal and Liberal

Democrat Parties (2005) – Chapter 1.

Kevin Hickson (ed.) – The Political Thought of the Liberals and

Liberal Democrats since 1945 (2009) – Chapter 9 : Alan

Butt Philip on ‘Internationalism’

Robert Ingham and Duncan Brack (eds.) – Peace, Reform and

Liberation (Biteback Publishing 2011)

John Stuart Mill, Essays; ‘On Liberty’ (1859), ‘Considerations

on Representative Government’(1861), ‘The Subjection of

Women’ (1869)

***General Reading List***

Richard Bellamy, Liberalism and Modern Society (Polity Press, 1992)

Vernon Bogdanor (ed.), Liberal Party Politics (Clarendon Press,

Oxford, 1983)

Duncan Brack (ed.), A Dictionary of Liberal Biography (Politico’s

Publishing, 1998)

Duncan Brack, Robert Ingham and Tony Little (eds.), British Liberal

Leaders (Biteback Publications, 2015)

Duncan Brack and E.Randall (eds.), A Dictionary of Liberal Thought

(Politico’s Publishing, 2007)

Ian Bradley, The Strange Rebirth of Liberal Britain (Chatto & Windus,

1985)

Sir Samuel Brittan, Towards A Humane Individualism (John Stuart

Mill Institute, London 1998)

Alan Bullock and Maurice Shock (eds.), The Liberal Tradition from

Fox to Keynes (Oxford University Press, 1967)

Alan Butt Philip, The Development of Liberalism in the United

Kingdom: Another Case of British Exceptionalism ? (Crephe/

Crea, Seminaire – Histoire du liberalisme en Europe, 2002)

Alan Butt Philip, John Stuart Mill and Modern Liberalism (John

Stuart Mill Institute, London 2006)

Chris Cook, A Short History of the Liberal Party (Palgrave, 2001)

Ralf Dahrendorf, Democracy Beyond The Nation State ( John Stuart

Mill Institute, London 2002)

George Dangerfield, The Strange Death of Liberal England

(MacGibbon & Kee, 1966 edition)

Roy Douglas, Liberals: The History of the Liberal and Liberal

Democrat parties (Hambledon & London, 2005)

Robert Falkner, A Conservative Economist ? The Political Liberalism

Of Adam Smith Revisited (John Stuart Mill Institute, London 1997)

Kevin Hickson (ed.), The Political Thought of the Liberals and Liberal

Democrats since 1945 (Manchester University Press, 2009)

Robert Ingham and Duncan Brack (eds.), Peace, Reform and Liberation

(Biteback Publishing 2011)

John Stuart Mill, Essays – especially 'On Liberty' (1859) and

'Considerations On Representative Government' (1861)

Richard Reeves, John Stuart Mill; Victorian Firebrand (Atlantic Books,

London 2007)

David Walter, The Strange Rebirth of Liberal England (Politico’s

Publishing, 2003)

Trevor Wilson, The Downfall of the Liberal Party 1914­1935 (Collins,

1966)