

VIOLENCE & POLITICS : AN INTRODUCTION

Intitulé du cours / *Course title*

Discipline <i>Academic field</i>	Political Theory
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Niveau de formation <i>Academic level</i>	2 ^{ème} année
Volume horaire <i>Hours</i>	20h
Langue <i>Language</i>	English

Description du cours / *Course outline*

With the assistance of major works of political theory and historical case studies, this class explores the fraught relationship between violence and politics via the following questions:

- Is the State truly an antidote to interpersonal violence?
- Can liberation be achieved through violence or is violence a trap?
- Is non-violence a politically viable strategy?
- What makes mass extermination possible?
- Is political violence gendered?

Objectifs pédagogiques du cours / *Course objectives*

1. A contextualized introduction to some key authors on the relationship between violence and politics
2. An overview of the main traditions of thinking about the relationship between violence and politics

