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French Politics and Society in the Fifth Republic
CPO 3151, 3 credits
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The course examines the main socio-political developments of the French Fifth Republic (1958-present), including the role of the state, constitutional arrangements, the semi-presidential system of government since 1962, national institutions (presidency, National Assembly and prime minister, Senate, Constitutional Council), elections, political parties, interest groups, foreign policy, and relations with the European Union. The major presidential figures in French politics—de Gaulle, Pompidou, Giscard d’Estaing, Mitterrand, and Chirac—are examined in some detail. Students enrolled in the course will have the unique opportunity to visit national and local government offices, meet with government officials, and see government “in action.” Field trips and site visits will include:

? The Assemblée nationale (National Assembly)
? The Palais Bourbon (Senate) in the Luxembourg Gardens
? The Château de Versailles and the Permanent Museum of Parliament
? The Hôtel de Lassay (The Prime Minister’s office)
? The Palais Elysée (President’s palace)
? The Ministry of Justice and Court proceedings
? The Constitutional Council
? The Invalides Military & World War II Museum
? La Conciergerie (Revolutionary period)
? The Paris Hôtel de Ville (town hall)
? A day excursion to Normandy to visit the World War II battlefield at Omaha Beach (Villevier-sur-Mer) and the town of Bayeux (World War II museum, tapestry of William the Conqueror)

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