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Schedule of Readings

1. Introduction: Deliberation and Democracy. What is deliberative democracy?
   Jurgen Habermas, “Three Normative Models of Democracy.” In J. Habermas, The
   3-34.
   Amy Gutmann, Dennis Thompson, Why deliberative democracy? Princeton U.P.,
   2004, Ch. 1
   Jane Mansbridge et al., “The Place of Self-Interest and Negotiation in
   Mimeo.

2. Deliberation or what?
   Bernard Manin, “On Legitimacy and Political Deliberation.” Political Theory
   Jack Knight and James Johnson, “Aggregation and Deliberation: On the
   277-296.
   James D. Fearon, “Deliberation as Discussion.” In J. Elster (ed.), Deliberative

3. Epistemic dimension of democracy: Voting vs. deliberation
   Bernard Grofman and Scott L. Feld, “Rousseau’s General Will: A Condorcetian
   Perspective.” American Political Science Review Vol. 82, No. 2 (Jun., 1988), pp. 567-76.
   David M. Estlund, Jeremy Waldron, Bernard Grofman and Scott L. Feld,
   “Democratic Theory and the Public Interest: Condorcet and Rousseau Revisited.” The

**Recommended:**

4. **Rediscovering information aggregation**
   Friedrich Hayek, "The pretence of knowledge", *American Economic Review*, vol. 79, 6, Dec. 89, available online on JSTOR

5. **Deliberation, pluralism and public reason**
   **Recommended:**

6. **Deliberation and democratic legitimacy: the notion of considerations acceptable to others**

7. **Hearing the other side**
   Diana Mutz, *Hearing the Other Side*, Cambridge University Press, 2006, Chs. TBD.
8. Aristotle on individual and collective deliberation:
   Aristotle, *Nicomachean Ethics*, III, 3
   Aristotle, *Rhetoric*, I, 1-4

9. Deliberation and persuasion
   John Stuart Mill, *Considerations on Representative Government*, Ch. 5.

10. Deliberation and strategic action
    Catherine Hafer and Dimitri Landa, “Majoritarian Debate.” Mimeo.
    Recommended:

11. Deliberation in practice: experiments

12. Deliberation in practice: parliaments

13. Implementing deliberation: a/ deliberative polls, b/public consultation
   “Executive Summary.” Center for Deliberative Polling, University of Texas at Austin, October 2002.

14. Deliberation in practice: mass oratory