## Psychology 166/Political Science 196: Positive Psychology

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We will meet every Tuesday from 3-5 pm for a two-hour lecture in Annenberg. In addition there will be a ten to twelve-student two-hour recitation on Thursday from 3-5 pm. Each student will write one or two short weekly papers about their best thought about the readings, and/or their homework exercise, and prepare a final portfolio. Grades will be based on the complete portfolio, leading in class and class participation, plus any extra papers you choose to write, a final exam, and participation in class listserv discussion. Total enrollment is limited to 120. Rebecca Kowal (<a href="mailto:rkowal@sas.upenn.edu">rkowal@sas.upenn.edu</a>) is the course administrator. <a href="http://www.sas.upenn.edu/foxleadership/reg/prog\_index.php?screen=prog\_psyc166">http://www.sas.upenn.edu/foxleadership/reg/prog\_index.php?screen=prog\_psyc166</a>

Date	Торіс	opic Reading		Suggested Recitation	
Positive Emotion 1/14/03 Why Positive Psychology				Strength Introduction	
1/21/03	Evolution of Positive Emo	otion	AH 1-2;		Mood and Achievement
1/28/03	Contentment-Optimism		AH 3-4; PH 1-5		Gratitude Night
2/04/03	Pleasure and Gratification AH 5-6; F 1-6 Savo		Savor	ing	
Positive	e Traits				
2/11/03	Strengths & Virtues (Pete	erson)	AH 7-8		VIA Test
2/18/03	Classification of Virtue (Peterson) PH 6-end			Deploy Top Strength	
2/25/03	Nurturing Virtue (Bennett)			Fun vs. Philanthropy	
3/04/03	Work & Love		AH 9-11; F 7	-10	Turn Work into Flow
Positive Institutions 3/18/03 Private and Public (Dilulio & Jamieson)					
3/25/03	Leadership Virtues (Dilulio—Eugene Rivers)				
4/01/03	Faith Virtues (Vredenberg- Dilulio)				
4/08/03	The University (Rodin)				
4/15/03	Civic Engagement				
4/22/03	Meaning and Purpose (Seligman) AH 12-14				

## **Primary Source Readings**

Authentic Happiness (AH)

Martin Seligman. 2002, Free Press

The Pursuit of Happiness. (PH)

David G. Myers. Avon (originally Aquarian) . 1990

VIA - The Classification of Strength and Virtue (2003) www.positivepsychology.org

Flow (F)

Mihalyi Csikszentmihaly (1990)

Dilulio TBN

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