

# Final Test Study Guide: POLS-1000

The test will consist of 2 essay questions from among five possible questions. The topics will span: **1. Ideology & Cleavages; 2. Fiscal Politics (budgets and debt spending); 3. Internationalism and International Institutions (including hard power/soft power);** and **4. Canadian Constitutional Politics.** You choose 2.

- **Ideology**
- **Social Cleavage**
- **Left-Right Spectrum**
- **Liberalism / Conservatism / Social Democracy**
- **Wedge Issue**
- **Budget**
- **Deficit / Surplus**
- **Public Debt (separate from Private Debt)**
- **Welfare State**
- **Austerity vs. Redistribution**
- **Global Governance**
- **Sovereignty**
- **Multilateralism**
- **United Nations (UN)**
- **NATO**
- **Hard Power**
- **Soft Power**
- **Deterrence**
- **Diplomacy**
- **Amending Formula (7/50% + Unanimity)**
- **Meech Lake Accord; Charlottetown Accord**
- **Distinct Society Clause**
- **Federalism**

## **Study Tips (as before)**

- Practice explaining these terms in your own words.
- Tie at least one concept to a Canadian example drawn from in-class discussions
- Contrast terms (e.g., power vs. authority, state vs. civil society).
- Write out practice answers before the test so you can focus on clarity under time pressure.

You will be asked to produce 2-3 short paragraphs for each question.