

Monster Vocab List

The Constitution and Federalism

federalism
Fiscal federalism
Cooperative federalism
Block grants
Categorical grants
Unfunded mandate
devolution

Political Beliefs and Behaviors

Demographic
Political socialization
Political culture
Political efficacy
Gender gap

Elections

Single-member districts
Redistricting
Gerrymandering
Critical elections
Realignment
Dealignment
Divided government
Open Primary
Closed primary
Caucus
General election
Midterm election
PAC
Super PAC
Independent expenditures

Linkage Institutions

Policy Agenda
Horse race journalism
Issue network (iron triangle)
Political party
Party polarization
Interest group
pluralism
lobbying
Grassroots lobbying

Congress

Expressed powers
Implied powers
Franking privilege
Pork barrel
filibuster
Casework
Oversight
Motion for cloture
incumbency
Logrolling

The Presidency

Inherent powers
White House staff
Executive order
Pocket veto
Lame duck period

The Courts

Amicus curiae
Stare decisis
Original intent
Judicial review
Judicial activism
Writ of certiorari
Litigation

The Budget

Uncontrollable spending
Entitlements
Mandatory spending
Monetary policy
Fiscal policy

Civil Rights and Liberties

Selective incorporation
suffrage